

volunteer to read one of the stations. This is a beautiful practice which brings us into unity with the crucified Lord.

From Wednesday 13th Mar during Lent - Rorate Mass at 6.30am. Come and celebrate Mass by candlelight before dawn at 6.30am .

Friday.15th of March 7.30pm

The Award winning, highly acclaimed film "INTO GREAT SILENCE" Will be presented in our church. Please save the date. "A rare celluloid experience that truly transports us into another world" (Time Out) ("An unforgettable experience") (Guardian Guide)

Pastoral News

Christ the King Catholic Primary school, Reading, is seeking to appoint a new headteacher for September 2019. Full details and an application form are on the school website at www.christthekingreading.co.uk/staff-vacancies/

Sat 15th June.: Day Pilgrimage to Walsingham, National Shrine of Our Lady. 2 coaches for 100 people. Led by Fr John. Cost £15. Bookings via your parish office.

CAMINO WALKING PILGRIMAGE

Thu 19th – Fri 27th September 2019. Camino del Norte Stage 1: Ballota to Vilalba: 92 miles,

Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplin: Fr JP Lyttle
 Mobile: 07391 896559, RBH: 0118 3227105
 Sunday Mass 4.00pm
 Patients, staff & visitors welcome.
 On admission all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic & if they wish to have Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are "Patient Led".

note: we do not finish in Santiago (Stage 2 will be offered in 2020: Vilalba to Santiago.) Flights and coach £270. Hostel or hotel extra. Must be reasonably fit & prepare by walking regularly before the Camino. Info and booking form from the parish office. Closing date: Thu 7th March -

Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass. Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or Anniversary over 60 years? If so Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration. This will take place at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday 6th July 2019. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. If you would like to come, please ask for information via e mail on anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Offertory Collection 10th February

Main Envelopes	£ 64.69
Loose Cash	£ 456.73
Standing Orders	£ 724.38
Total	£1,245.80

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Special Collection: 17th February for Racial Justice. Funds raised through today's collection will be used for promoting racial justice in England and Wales. www.catholicnews.org.uk/racial-justice-Sunday-2019

Youth Group Coordinator: Jean-Sixte
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Emergency numbers for a Priest –
Please call your own priest first

Christ the King, Whitley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am	Fr. Pat Madden	0118 931 4469
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am	Fr. Bill Wilson	0118 969 3423
St. James	Sat 6.00pm; Sun 11.00am	Cn. John O'Shea	0118 957 4171
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm	Cn. Michael Dennehy	0118 957 2149
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Sun 8.30am, 10.30am	Fr. Peter Glas	0118 942 8632
St. William of York	Sun 9.00am, 11.00am (in Latin) 6.00pm (Students' Mass)	Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Patrick O'Donohue	0118 966 5284
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Sat 5.30pm; Sun 10.00am, 6.30pm	Msgr. Patrick Daly	0118 947 1787

CUBS Mon. 6.45pm / **BEAVERS** Thurs. 5.45pm / **SCOUTS** Fri 8pm in HALL

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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The Church office is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 11am-4pm

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C p 63 (64) 17th February 2019

The charity of Christ urges us on" (2 Cor 5:14)

We could have organised our Sunday differently, but we are together at the foot of the altar of Christ, where He really is Sacrificed. We could have organised our moral life in many different ways, but we embrace the Ten Commandments enlightened and elevated by the Eight Beatitudes. We could have focused only on gaining material possessions, by we discipline ourselves and we remain open to others. We could have set a pecking order amongst us, but we do not do it. We simply belong to Christ and His vision of life in all its aspects. We are called by the Lord to give witness of total love we have found in Him.

What sustains and guides us as a Catholic Parish community if not love of Christ?

- For the love of Christ, we bear the burdens of our brothers and sisters;
- For the love of Christ, we acknowledge, confess and renounce our sins.
- For the love of Christ, we forgive from the bottom of our hearts, we do not look for a rematch and revenge, but we endure suffering and put aside ourselves and our ambitions.
- For the love of Christ, we do not commit fornication; we do not take possession of someone else's property.
- For the love of Christ, we do not speak ill news about others, but we choose the least privileged place amongst others.
- For the love of Christ we firmly desire to deny ourselves and fill our hearts with the love of Jesus.

We believe that his loving presence in us is the content and essence of our life. The charity of Christ urges us on to imitate Him and to imitate the life the Holy Family from Nazareth, in humility and simplicity, in spiritual poverty and gladness. The measure of our charity is Jesus Himself: "Love one another as I have loved you." (J 13:34-5).

Fr Stan

Psalm Response: Happy the man who placed his trust in the Lord

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 17th Feb 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Gerald Cashman RIP 6th anniversary George Johnson RIP Mrs Barbara Alves RIP
Mon 18th Feb –22nd Feb	No Mass	
Fri 22nd Feb The Chair of St Peter		11am Adoration till 8.00am Saturday
Sat 23rd Feb	No Mass	Overnight Adoration finishes at 8.00am
Sun 24thFeb 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Harold Auch RIP Annamaria Pugliese RIP Brian Lee RIP

11am Mass Children's liturgy. Please register your child before Mass.

Great News: It was announced this week that Pope Francis has signed a decree recognising the second miracle of Blessed John Henry Newman. The move clears the final hurdle in the cause of Bl John Henry Newman's canonisation.

SHALOM WORLD presents 'heart-to-heart' interview with Bishop Philip. **Please have a listen on youtube.com " Bishop Philip Egan—Heart Talk" Watch 12.00-18.00 when our parish is mentioned.**

Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

17th Feb: Robert Green (1991); Christopher Coles (1989); Lauren Savage (2002); Jane Grigg (2014); Laurence (Locky) Sheehan (2017), Mary Brannelly (2018) **18th Feb:** Henry Ward (1988); **19th Feb:** Gisella Nottingham (1979); Gerard Conway (2005); Marie Scott (2014); **20th Feb:** Stanley Tompkins (1989); Beatrice Ntang (2010); **21st Feb:** Gerard Cashman (2013); **22nd Feb:** Frances Newman (1983); and Gerald O'Sullivan (1992). **23rd Feb:** Edgar Wheeler (1994); Peter Anderson (2013); **24th Feb:** Tadeusz Wielogorski (2006);.

New to Our Parish

We welcome you to our Parish. Please introduce yourself to Father Stan and also register with us on our website www.olop.org.uk, click on the **register now** button, log in & fill in your details which are for parish use only and confidential. Thank you

This week

Father Stan is taking his long overdue Christmas holiday this week. We wish him a restful & enjoyable break. **There will be no Weekday Mass from 18th February—23rd February.**

FAITH inquiry evenings continue on Monday at 7.15pm in Dominic Barberi room. These talks are for anyone wishing to deepen their understanding of the Church's teaching and practice also for those wishing to enter the Church or if you are baptised and wish to be Confirmed. Sessions last just over an hour with coffee or tea beforehand. All are welcome. For further information contact Fr Stan or office.

Wednesday February 20th: The CWL group will visit our church at 11.30am to see the Icons. There will be a guided explanation of the meaning of the signs and liturgical structure. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the Dominic Barberi room. All interested parishioners are welcome to come.

Friday 22nd February is the feast of The Chair of St Peter. Please do have a look at the local church timings and attend Mass on this feast day.

Friday 22nd February : Our Lady of Peace Golf Society AGM in Carl Barton Room at 8.00pm. New members welcome. For more information contact Paul Fahey 926 2710.

Sunday 24th February: We welcome Father Zac for the 9am and 11 am Mass.

Sunday 24th February Confirmation session: After 11am Mass in Carl Barton Room.

Parish News

Cake and Jam Sale Sunday 3rd March We are having a Cake/Jam/Pickle/Chutney sale in the Dominic Barberi Room after all the Sunday

Masses. Please come and buy. However we need to have lots of produce to sell. So if you can bake, make jam or pickles or chutney we need your help. If you can help with any of these products, please bring your offering to the Dominic Barberi Room on the 3rd March before the mass you usually attend. If you have a donation but can't bring it on the day, or can help in any way with the sale please contact Heike or Sheila on jonessheila3@sky.com or at the parish office.

Altar Servers Rota: The new rota is in the Advent room. Please take your named copy. Thank you.

Baptism: If you wish to celebrate the baptism (of a child) here, please contact Father Stan.

Parish Bereavement Support Group can be contacted via the Parish Office .

Mass Intention: The Mass Intention book is in the Advent room during Sundays' for you to book your Mass Intention. On weekdays, the book will be in the Parish Office.

Lent preparation

Last Year's Palm Crosses:

From next Sunday 24th Feb, we will place a basket in front of the Altar for last year's Palm Crosses. On Tuesday 5th March after Mass we will burn them (and save the ash for Ash Wednesday) whilst singing hymns. Then we will enjoy hot pancakes.

Wed 6th March (Ash Wednesday)

6.30am, 10.00am & 7.30pm Mass
Abstinence and fasting are to be observed on Ash Wednesday (the Church suggests only one full meal and no meat).

Stations of the Cross: We will have Stations of the Cross every Friday in Lent at 7.00 pm. The sign in sheets for the Stations will be in the Advent Room from 24th Feb. Please do