

**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

### Resources

**Easter editions of My Day by Day** £1 per copy

**Shorter Morning Prayer** £9 per copy

Please leave money in the boxes next to the books in the Advent Room

### Pastoral Area News

**Reading Showcase cinema** will be showing an inspirational Christian film "LET THERE BE LIGHT" from Good Friday. Do try and see it during the Easter Bank Holiday as it may then get a second week. For details [www.thechristianfilmreview.com](http://www.thechristianfilmreview.com)

**ST JAMES WAY** – Reading to Southampton. A group of walkers have arranged to walk the old pilgrim route from Reading – Southampton in 6 stages (10-12 miles each). 2nd stage Mortimer – Worting on Apr 13th. Information St James: 957 4171.

**Sat 15th June.: Day Pilgrimage to Walsingham**, . 2 coaches for 100 people. Cost £16.

**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".

**25th–29th July**—Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes under the guidance of Bishop Philip. See Poster in Advent Room for more details.

**Saturday 6th July 2019** If you are celebrating a Significant Wedding Anniversary this year, then Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration. at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke . Please contact the Parish office for more information.

**St Swithuns Parish, Southsea is organising Pilgrimage to The Eucharistic Miracles & the special Saints of Italy. 16TH SEPTEMBER - 26TH SEPTEMBER 2019.** . You can find all the details (with short videos and short extracts about the places ) on their website here: <http://stswithuns.org.uk/pilgrimage-sep-2019>

### Offertory Collection 31st March

Main Envelopes	£	79.00
Loose Cash	£	.402.30
Standing Orders	£	782.84
<b>Total</b>	£	<b>1,264.14</b>

Thank you all for your kind donations.

### Next Special Collection

**Good Friday:** Holy Places  
**Easter offerings** The collections at all the Easter Masses are for Fr Stan. Christmas and Easter are the most substantial part of a priest's yearly income. Please do use the envelope provided & give generously. Thank you.

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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
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am
St. James	Sat 6.00pm; Sun 11.00am
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Sun 8.30am, 10.30am
St. William of York	Sun 9.00am, 11.00am (in Latin) 6.00pm (Students' Mass)
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Sat 5.30pm; Sun 10.00am, 6.30pm

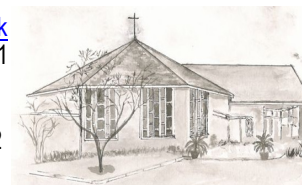
Fr. Pat Madden	0118 931 4469
Fr. Bill Wilson	0118 969 3423
Cn. John O'Shea	0118 957 4171
Cn. Michael Dennehy	0118 957 2149
Fr. Peter Glas	0118 942 8632
Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Patrick O'Donohue	0118 966 5284
Msgr. Patrick Daly	0118 947 1787

**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

**Passion Sunday**

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**14th April 2019**

### We raise our palm leaves with awe and worship

We raise our palm leaves with awe and worship to welcome Christ, the Emperor of Life and the High Priest. Amazingly, as the Priest and Victim, the Holy Host, he is preparing himself for sacrifice. He is the Lamb of God, who was slaughtered instead of Isaac. He is the Lamb whose blood was sprinkled upon us, so that we are safe. He is the Lamb of God, who is given to us. He has asked us to take Him and eat His Precious Body.

We raise our palm leaves with awe and worship to welcome Christ. He enters Jerusalem, God's property, as the Warrior. As we will see during Holy Week and Holy Triduum, He gives no chance to spiritual forces. Jesus Christ came to wrest from hearts the core of sin, which has divided the soul from the body, life from eternity, man from God.

At the gates of Jerusalem the time for imitating Christ reaches its threshold. 'You cannot come where I am going' (J. 13:33) says the Lord.

Although we were invited to follow His footsteps; although we were taught how to rise from the table, gird our hips, kneel down and wash the feet of our neighbours, all our actions have now reached their limit. Our imitation of the Lord has its limit. This limit is the beginning of worship, and the beginning of working with Christ, in Christ and through Christ. This is where our nature submits itself to grace.

We raise our palm leaves with awe and worship. There are some things which only He can do, and doors which only He can enter. Let Him be our Redeemer. Let us adore, the Saviour of the world.



Fr Stan

**Psalm Response:**  
**My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 14th April Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Jim Barfield RIP (Foundation Mass) Elizabeth & Brian Caton RIP (Foundation Mass) Souls in Purgatory
Mon 15th April of Holy Week	8.30am 9.00am	Rosary Thanksgiving
Tue 16th April of Holy Week	11.00am	No Mass at church Chrism Mass at Portsmouth Cathedral
Wed 17th April of Holy Week	No Mass	
Thur 18th April Maundy Thursday	10.00am 8.00pm	Office of Readings: Tenebrarum Solemn Mass of the Lord's supper followed by Adoration till midnight
Fri 19th April Good Friday (Day of fasting & abstinence)	10.00am 11.00am 3.00pm 7.00pm	Office of Readings: Tenebrarum Children's Good Friday service Solemn Liturgy of Our Lord's Passion Stations of the Cross
Sat 20th April Holy Saturday	10.00am 8.30pm	Office of Readings: Tenebrarum and later Blessing of food. Easter Vigil Mass for Parish family and friends
Sun 21st April Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	9.00am 11.00am	Parish family and friends Parish family and friends

#### PREPARATION FOR OUR EASTER CELEBRATION:

Thank you to all those who have volunteered to *Minster at our Easter Triduum Masses*. The **FINAL SHEET is in the Advent Room**; thank you all for your help.

Come and celebrate Easter in the parish hall after the vigil Mass. You are requested to bring a plate of food to share. A signup sheet with suggested food is in the Advent room. You can bring something different too. Please contact Mel or Jack for more information 0118 9967208 .

#### Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

**14th April** Nan McDonagh (2017) **15th April** Theresa Doyle (2016)  
**16th April** Leonard Cracknell (1993); **17th April** Horace Tilley (1983); Margaret Eddleston (2004);  
**18th April** John McGlynn (1988); Una Quinn (2007);  
**19th April** Joshua Susel (2000); Michael O'Loughlin (2015) **20th April** Kevin Total (2005);  
**21st April** Jim Barfield (2014);

## Holy Week

**Urgent: All Altar Servers:** we still need Altar Servers for all of the triduum Masses. Please sign up on sheet in Advent Room if you are available to serve in Holy Week and at Easter. Practice Meeting on Thursday 18th April at 12.15.

**Volunteers needed for Car Park duty:** During the Triduum Masses we need volunteers to help manage the Car Park. If you are able to help then please contact Parish office or Jack Noronha.

**Sunday 14th April Palm (Passion) Sunday** - our morning Masses will begin with a procession from the hall (or from Advent Room if it is raining).

**Sunday 14th April 6.00pm: FREE FILM** – “GOD’s NOT DEAD” in the social club at 6pm after the 5pm Mass. Please do come and have a good evening. Please contact Jack Noronha on 0118 9967208 for more information.

**Monday 15th April** 7.30pm Penitential Service at St James church.

**Tues 16th April (No Mass at church)**  
**11.00am** Chrism Mass (Mass of the Oils) at Portsmouth Cathedral.

**Thurs 18th April Maundy Thursday**  
12.15 noon Altar Servers' meeting

**Good Friday Walk of Witness** This year's local Churches Together walk begins at 10.30 am at St Peter's Church.

**Sat 20th April Easter Saturday**  
**10.00am** After Tenebrae Blessing of food.  
**8.30pm** Easter Vigil followed by celebration in hall. Please bring a plate of food to share

**Easter Cards:** Our parish Easter cards are ready for distribution. Please feel free to take a copy for you and for all your neighbours. Help us to promote the Good News and our Easter Service.

## Next two weeks

**Sun 21st April : No 5pm Mass**

**Easter Week** There will also be no morning Mass or Adoration this week from Easter Monday 22nd April—Saturday 27th April. Friday adoration will start as normal from 3rd May 2019.

**Sun 28 Apr Divine Mercy Sunday** 2.30pm Divine Mercy Service - will be held in our Church, for approximately one hour.

**28th April Confirmation session:** After 11am Mass in Carl Barton Room.

**28th April First Holy Communion** 9am / 11am Observation Mass. 2.30pm Session 6: .

**Monday 29th April 7.15pm: Brown Scapular.** : We have successfully started our preparation to receive Brown Scapular this summer. The course is led by one of the Carmelites Friars from Oxford – Fr Kevin. We would like to invite anyone interested to the next meeting on 29th April at 7.10pm in our church in the Dominic Barberi Room.. Please contact Father Stan or Parish office for more information.

## Parish News

### CHALLENGE LENT

Thanks to all who have made their donations after the quiz event. There is another opportunity after all Masses this Sunday.

**HOSPITALITY GROUP** The Parish would like to form a hospitality group. This is to help in managing food and looking after different celebrations in the church. All those who are interested please get in touch with the office or Mel on 0118 9967208 noronhamel@hotmail.com. About 8 persons are required to give flexibility.

**Sat 27 Apr ST GEORGE'S DAY** will be celebrated in the Club on Sat 27 Apr. Tickets on sale now from the bar for just £3, which includes a traditional English supper of bangers (sausages) and mash. (Vegetarian sausages will also be available.)