

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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November Month of Holy Souls.

It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment (Heb 9: 27)

In the month of November, let us find time to meditate on our lives from a bird's point of view, from outside our feelings and desires.

At the beginning, after making the sign of the cross and praying to the Holy Spirit, let us imagine ourselves, here in church, in a coffin put in the centre. The paschal candle will be lit, Holy Water will be sprinkled on you, and fragrance of incense will be calling you to praise the Lord. You are there. Inside. Some of us will be around you. There will be nothing to do, no commitment any more. It is only death and the Lord. After death, everything stops. All people will die. There is no time to do good any more. "As long as it is day, we must do the works of him who sent me. Night is coming, when no one can work." (John 9: 4).

The moment of our death is uncertain. We do not know the day or the hour (Mt 25:13). What is Death? It is the separation of the soul from the body. The soul is immortal so it does not die. Only the body decays and turns into dust. "For you are dust, and to dust you shall return" (Gen 3:19). Death entered our lives only as the outcome of the original sin. It is linked with the great liar and enemy of human race. All people will be judged by God at death.

Having involved our imagination, let us reflect on the facts of life in relation to the truth about us. Whilst reflecting on them, embrace Christ with your heart

- I am created by God to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him in this life and the life to come;
- my soul is immortal;
- I received the seed of heaven in Baptism. It depends on my care how it will grow. The Paschal candle at baptism reminds me of Christ who broke the power of death and entered my life for the unity with the Holy Trinity
- There are three last stages of my soul: Death, Judgement, Heaven or Hell.

Finish your reflection by saying slowly the Hail Mary, the Our Father and finish with Glory be..

Fr Stan

Mother & Toddler group at Our Lady of Peace. You are welcome to join on Monday's (Term Time from 9.30am-11.30am. £1/child +.50p/sibling. Includes a healthy snack, tea and biscuits for carer. Next session is on Monday 4th Nov the Topic is "All Saints".

Saturday 9th November from 8.00pm. CERTAINLY NOT STRICTLY COME DANCING Lin Jenkins hosts a FREE informal evening of ballroom, Latin, salsa and jazz. (* £2 sign-in for non-members.)

Help needed at Social Club We need skilled individuals to help prep and redecorate the Social Club on Saturday 9 November (8am-4pm) Please add your name to the sign-up sheet by the bar or in the Advent Room or email admin@olopsocialclub.co.uk. THANK YOU!

Pastoral Area News

RECENTLY DIED Fr Nicholas Broadbridge, a monk of Douai Abbey, Funeral Mass at Douai Abbey on Wed 6th Nov 2.30pm. May he rest in peace.

Thursday 14th November at 7.30pm at St James church: Caring for environment - Our Home. See Poster by Lady Chapel

Saturday, 16th Nov: 5 – 7 pm
ON FIRE!" PRAYER & HEALING SERVICE
 A celebration of Praise, and a Healing Service at St Joseph's, Tilehurst -. All are welcome!

Saturday 23rd November -10:00-4:00 The **Breakthrough workshop** at St Phillip Howard-Fareham. The Breakthrough workshop offers married couples new perspectives on how to communicate better and more deeply. Breakthrough can be attended with or without your spouse. We encourage this workshop for all married couples especially those who find themselves in gridlock over an issue or issues. RSVP by November 9th 2019 to mandfl@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Offertory Collection 27th October

Main Envelopes	£	106.00
Loose Cash	£	447.04
Standing Orders	£	783.69
Total	£	1,336.73

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Special Collection on Sunday 3rd November is for Bamenda Please remember our brothers and sisters in your prayers this weekend and be as generous as you can in your donation for the projects we support in our troubled twinned diocese in Cameroon. For an update please see copy of the Bamenda Newsletter or on website: www.bamendaandportsmouth.com

Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplain: 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".

Reading Catholic Churches Sunday Mass Times

	Fr. Pat Madden
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)
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Sat 5.30pm; Sun 10.00am, 6.30pm

Emergency numbers for a Priest –

Christ the King, Whitley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am	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

Psalm Response: I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 3rd Nov 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Mary Jennings RIP Rita Rose Ransley RIP Donato & Joseph Lobo RIP
Mon 4th Nov St Charles Borromeo	9.30am 10.00am.	Rosary Fr Cosmas RIP
Tue 5th Nov	9.00am 10.00am	Adoration followed by Rosary Robert Harkins RIP rec. dec
Wed 6th Nov	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Holy Souls of Fernandes & Alexander family
Thur 7th Nov St Willibrord	No Mass	
Fri 8th Nov	9.00am 10.00am 11.00am.	Adoration followed by Rosary at 9.15am Reuben Aguiar RIP Adoration until Saturday 8.00am
Sat 9th Nov The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	No Mass	Adoration until 8.00am
Sun 10th Nov 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Remembrance Sunday	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 2.30pm 5.00pm	Rosary Maria & Davila RIP 3rd anniversary Joy & Chinedu family thanksgiving Divine Mercy Holy Hour Eileen & Eric Watson RIP Foundation Mass

Indulged Acts for the Poor Souls A partial indulgence can be obtained by devoutly visiting a cemetery and praying for the departed, even if the prayer is only mental. One can gain a plenary indulgence by visiting a cemetery each day between November 1 and November 8. These indulgences are applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory.

Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

4th Nov: William Tully (1988); 5th Nov: Michael Pegg (1990);
6th Nov: and William Sawyer (2002); Doug Gudmundson (2015);
7th Nov: Sheila Louri (2004); 9th Nov: Violet Knight (1981);
10th Nov: Theodora Ward (1987); (Jean) Mary Oakman (2005);

Blessing of Graves on Sunday 3rd November at 3pm. at Mayes Lane & on Sunday 10th November at 3.00pm at Henley Road Cemetery

Sacrament of Reconciliation

20 minutes before Sunday & Weekday Masses. On Fridays and Holy Days of Obligation 6.00pm-7.15pm or by private appointment with Fr Stan.

This Week

Sunday 3rd November 11am Mass: Fr Stan will introduce the First Holy Communion children & their prayer sponsors during 11am mass to the Parish..

2.00pm FHC: 2nd Session with children.

Sun 3rd Nov after 9am & 11am Mass Tea & Coffee in the Social Club. Everyone welcome.

Roses for Remembrance Sunday

If you would like to purchase a single Red Rose in Memory of a loved one, please write their name on the list in the Advent Room and place £1per name in the box. The list will be placed on the Altar on Sunday 10th November—Remembrance Day—together with the Red Roses. **Names are needed by 3rd November.**

Monday 4th Nov 7.30pm: FHC Parents session with Father Stan in Carl Barton room

Monday 4th November Baptism: If you wish to celebrate the baptism (of a child) here, please contact Father Stan. Preparation class is on Monday 4th November at 8pm in DB Room. Please note that you cannot book a Baptism without attending the session.

Talks on Our Faith continue, Tuesday evening and Thursday at 8.00pm. in the Advent room.

This week we look at the Sacrament of Confession/ Penance, how it has developed through history and reached us today. We will celebrate the Sacrament with the Word of God and an Agape (eating together) with joy. All welcome.

Friday, 8th November at 6.30 pm to start at 7 pm in Bl Dominic Barberi Room Fr James Bradley's talk is about relationship between the shape of the Holy Mass and liturgical actions. However, if you have a more specific area to discuss then he is free to meet afterwards. Please spread the message every where. This talk will especially be fruitful to everyone involved in serving at the Mass such as Extraordinary

Ministers of Holy Communion, Musicians, Readers. It is also for adorers as Adoration comes from the Mass as the Fruit of Holy Sacrifice.

Next week

Sunday 10th November is Remembrance Sunday. Our Scouts group will lead a Remembrance Parade at 11am Mass.

Sunday 10th November at 2.30pm. Divine Mercy holy hour. Every one welcome

Weekday Mass: Monday 11th Nov Daily Mass will be at 9.30am and then no weekday Mass from 12th Nov till Monday 18th November inclusive.

Tuesday 12th Nov PRAYER MEETING

You are invited to a prayer meeting in Our Lady of Peace church 7.45 for 8pm until 9.30pm.. It will include Praise, Thanksgiving, Intercession, Scripture reading and time to discuss.

Sunday 17th Nov: We welcome Father Zach who will be saying all our Sunday Masses.

Parish News

Keypad Lock: We now have a keypad lock to the entrance to the church by the Lady Chapel . The code remains the same. Please contact the church office if you would like to have the code.

11am Readers Rota: We would like to thank Stephen Lea for organising the 11am Readers Rota for over 7 years. The new Rota is being prepared,, if you are keen to join the Reading Ministry then please contact the Parish office.

Mon 4th Nov 8.30pm - Monday film in the club. "Toy Story 4". Shown free* in the Social Club (non-members £2), popcorn on sale for only 50p.