

9am & 5pm Readers Rota: New ROTA will be made shortly from Jan. 2020 until the middle of January 2021 ie for a whole year. If you want to join please contact the Parish office.

Christmas Resources We have a plentiful supply of Christmas Resources on display in the Advent Room especially 2020 catholic diaries and Advent calendars. Please come and have a look in the Advent Room. Thank you.

CAFOD World Gifts – the true spirit of Christmas Giving Give a gift that will change a life . CAFOD World gift has been chosen for the real and lasting difference it makes to families living in developing countries. Catalogues in the Advent Room or visit cafod.org.uk/worldgifts

Saturday 14 December from 7.30pm until late The Social Club is holding its Christmas Party with live music by Just Us . Christmas Squares will be drawn. Admission is FREE to Members, Guests are £4 each.

Pastoral Area News

PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 15TH-19TH JULY 2020 (4NIGHTS) Stay in the Hotel La Solitude with air-conditioned rooms very close to the Shrine. (cost of the pilgrimage is £695pp/sharing). Further details can also be obtained from our Diocesan Pilgrimage Coordinator, Sue on 07780 221686 or lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Those

Reading Catholic Churches Sunday Mass Times

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

who would like to volunteer as a youth pilgrim should also contact Sue for further details (cost is £545pp). See Poster for more details. Itineraries available from the Parish Office

VOCATIONS "I myself shall give you wisdom in speaking." Are you considering a call to proclaim the gospel as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? To explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke. By phone 01329 318 869 or email vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Offertory Collection 10th Nov

Main Envelopes	£	106.00
Loose Cash	£	538.99
Standing Orders	£	783.69
Total	£	1,429.68

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Offertory Collection 17th Nov

Main Envelopes	£	67.00
Loose Cash	£	408.69
Standing Orders	£	783.69
Total	£	1,259.38

Thank you all for your kind donations.

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".

Emergency numbers for a Priest – Please call your own priest first

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

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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Parish Office is open on Tues, Wed & Fri 11.00am-4.00pm

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
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Christ is the King of the Universe

We belong to the vision of the world presented to us by Christ. In this vision we find our home. He makes us rooted in the Father and yet remain in the world. He brings stability and integrity to our hearts. He heals the deep wounds of our souls. In Him all the bleeding areas of every corner of our bodies are given new light, new purpose, and new mission. His divinity and humanity speaks to us, embraces us and covers us. His divinity and humanity comes through our being and transforms us. He is our fortress and our yeast - He mold us and make us rise. He is the King of the Universe and everything is submitted to Him.

As we belong to the Christ's vision of life, astoundingly we are given the 'identity card' of Heaven. We treasure it as something extraordinary and we fight to prevent the image of Christ the King in our hearts (*look at John 18:36*). We are His and we are hungry to listen to His voice. It is amazing that the kingdom of God has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it. (*Mt 11:12*). Who are they? They are those who understand that the 'identity card' needs activating. There are those who are rescued by the Holy Blood of Christ. There are those who remember that we need others to receive the citizenship of Christ's Kingdom. They are those who remember that their time might be shorter than others. Generally speaking, all of us are in need to see that life is too short to create conflicts. Life is too short to focus on moments when we are hurt or unnoticed, humiliated or forgotten. Our life is too short to complicate somebody else's life. It is limited to approximately just 30,000 days before eternity.-

Fr Stan

Psalm Response: I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to God's house"

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 24th Nov Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Eric Skilton RIP Kay Carcuran RIP rec dec. Ken Mansfield RIP
Mon 25th Nov St Catherine of Alexandria	9.30am 10.00am.	Rosary Hannah & Colin Turner RIP
Tue 26th Nov	9.00am 10.00am	Adoration followed by Rosary Alan Thomas RIP
Wed 27th Nov	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Jill O'Rourke RIP rec. dec.
Thur 28th Nov	No Mass	
Fri 29th Nov	9.00am 10.00am 11.00am.	Adoration followed by Rosary at 9.15am Omer & Cousins RIP Adoration until Saturday 8.00am
Sat 30th Nov St Andrews	No Mass	Adoration until 8.00am
Sun 1st Dec First Sunday of Advent	8.30am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Rosary Fr Cosmas Ndeng RIP (Bamenda Cameroon) Luis Carlo Alcantara RIP Antoinette Collaco RIP

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

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.

Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

25th: Martin Sexton (1995); Harold Nunn(2002).
26th: Kenneth Mansfield (1987); Eric Skilton (2014); **27th:** Mary Underwood (2000);
29th William O'Riordan (1996); Peter Sellen (2004);
30th : Z Maratona (1991); Olive Henry (1991);

Mass Intention: The Mass Intention book for 2020 is ready and available for you to book your Mass Intention. During weekday, the book will be in the Parish Office and on Sundays in the Advent Room Please follow the instructions as mentioned on the cover page. **..Please note that after booking the Mass in the diary, you have to fill the envelope and return the envelope to the Parish Office.** It is really important as the envelope has contact information for us to get in touch.

Volunteers for Christmas

Children's Christmas Service and Mass: We would like to ask the First Holy Communion children and all children to take active part in the Nativity play and Mass. Please register today and next week after 11am Mass.

Musicians and Singers for Christmas Vigil and Christmas Mass: Please speak to Father Stan and let us know if you are available and keen to help with the Choir and Music group.

Volunteers for Christmas service:

The Volunteer list will be up next week. We need Readers, Welcomers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Sacristans, Altar Servers.

Advent

We will say the Angelus before all Advent Masses

Rorate Mass at 6.30am every Wednesday from 4th Dec during Advent - . Come and celebrate Mass by candlelight before dawn .

Please note that Day of Formation and Prayer on Sat 30th Nov is Cancelled . We apologise for any inconvenience.

Monday 9th December - Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Mass at 10.00am & 7.30pm and blessing of cards for Christmas (also to be done on Sunday 15th Dec.). Parishioners will be asked to give cards to anyone they know who is Catholic and has lost touch or drifted away from their faith.

Tree of Gifts: Please let John or Nancy know your suggestions for the charity that should benefit from this year's Tree of Gifts, ASAP!

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Nancy Challinor-Johnson 07745 434888

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Poem Competition All Children and Youth are encouraged to enter the Christmas Poem competition. The topic could be anything relating to Christmas, such as the star or the stable. Entries need to be in by Sat 1st Dec - please send to church office, ideally by email

Parish News

Sun 1st Dec after 9am & 11am Mass

Tea & Coffee in the Social Club. Everyone welcome. The OLOP Youth Group will be selling cakes after 11am Mass in the club. The group is self funding for its activities. Please come and support them.

Mon 2nd Dec 8.30pm - Monday film in the club. "Aladdin ". Shown free* in the Social Club (non-members £2), popcorn on sale for only 50p.

Saturday 7th Dec : 1st Saturday of every month 10am-12.00.(Dedication to our Lady) Adoration, Rosary followed by Holy Mass.

Sunday 8th Dec at 2.30pm. Divine Mercy holy hour. Every one welcome

OLOP 12+Youth group: Every Sunday (Term Time) from 12-13.30. If you are aged between 12-19 years old then please come and join us in the Carl Barton room after 11am Mass on Sunday. We usually give thanks to the Lord and reflect on the week gone and bring our gifts to him. Then we reflect on the gospel of the day or other related passages. We read poems and watch videos about different aspects all related to the topic we are covering. Every week we talk briefly about a saint. This month we would like to focus on Christmas and the children are preparing some Christmas cards we would like to sell during the month. If you are young enough and are interested in joining us, please let Fr Stan know about it or contact Eva directly

Mother & Toddler group at Our Lady of Peace.

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 25th Nov.