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## Community Support

**One Reading Community Hub:**  
www.reading.gov.uk/coronavirus.

### Readifood (Reading's Foodbank)

You can drop off the items in the Advent room. Information on list of items for foodbank can be found on <https://readifood.org.uk>.

**CIRDIC** Fresh food and vegetables are needed by CIRDIC to feed the homeless. Please take them directly to CIRDIC (St Saviours Church Hall, 1, Berkeley Ave, Reading RG1 6JT ) from 8.30am on Mondays, Tuesdays or Fridays.

**CAFOD Beirut Emergency Appeal** CAFOD have launched an emergency appeal to help the thousands affected by the explosions in Beirut . You can donate at [cafod.org.uk/coronavirus](http://cafod.org.uk/coronavirus).

## Pastoral News

**CAFOD's Cancel the Debt Campaign . Add your voice.** CAFOD are collecting photos of supporters from across England and Wales, and

will put your photos together in October to send a message to world leaders that it's time to #CancelTheDebt. Between now and October, please send a photo of you creatively displaying the words Cancel The Debt. More information on the following link <https://mailchi.mp/portsmouthdiocese/cancel-the-debt>

**Portsmouth Diocese e-news:** you can keep in touch with what's going on in and around the diocese via e-News: <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews>

**The Season of Creation runs from 1 September (World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation) to 4 October (the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi) each year.** You can find more information and prayer resources on <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Season-of-Creation>

### Offertory Collection 13th Sept 2020

|                 |   |        |
|-----------------|---|--------|
| Main Envelopes  | £ | 205.00 |
| Loose Cash      | £ | 435.06 |
| Standing Orders | £ | 677.83 |
| Online Donation | £ | 30.00  |

**2nd Collection on 13th September** for the Catholic Education Service. £228.32  
Thank you all for your kind donations

**20th September: Today's 2nd Collection** is for Home Mission Sunday

### Catholics in Royal Berkshire Hospital

Contact duty priest: 0118 3227105.

Catholics in RBH: Catholic patients at the RBH, relatives or friends should explain to staff that they request a visit from a Catholic priest in cases of serious illness. Due to recent changes, Priests can now more readily respond to requests to visit the sick in hospital. We have a team of Catholic priests in Reading who are available for this Ministry, so it is hoped that no Catholic patient at the RBH will die without the Last Rites.

### Reading Catholic Churches

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|--------------------------------|--|---------------|
| Christ the King, Whitley       | Fr. Pat Madden                             | 0118 931 4469 |
| St. John Bosco, Woodley        | Fr. Bill Wilson                            | 0118 969 3423 |
| St. James                      | Fr Chris Heaps                             | 0118 957 4171 |
| English Martyrs, Tilehurst     | Cn. Michael Dennehy                        | 0118 957 2149 |
| St. Joseph, Tilehurst          | Fr Peter Glas                              | 0118 942 8632 |
| St. William of York            | Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Patrick O'Donohue | 0118 966 5284 |
| Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham | Msgr. Patrick Daly                         | 0118 947 1787 |

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

# Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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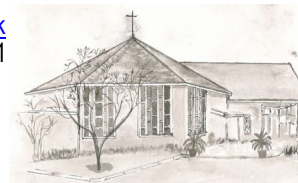
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**Hall Bookings**



The Church office is open Tuesday- Friday 10am-12 noon

25th Sunday in Ordinary Times

Year A

20th Sept 2020

## The necessity and sufficiency of grace for salvation.

One of the truths the liturgy eagerly emphasizes is the necessity and sufficiency of grace for salvation. With the help of anticipatory grace, man is disposed for justification by sanctifying grace, so that from the very beginning man's salvation is the work of God. This teaching was developed by St. Paul, and later defended against the Pelagians by St. Augustine († 430). The Letter to the Galatians is a lecture on the superiority of grace over the law and its necessity: "If anyone thinks he is something, when he is nothing, he deceives himself". It goes without saying that man must show this life by spirit in deeds. The higher life of grace is that the man must bear fruit, and the inner nobility of his soul must manifest itself outwardly by appropriate conduct.

The source of grace for us is the Risen Christ, who gives life to the dead. Christ sets us free from death of sin and gives us work in his vineyard.

The Divine Saviour is moved by the cry of pain of the Mother of our Church, weeping for sinners, as he is moved by the sight of people without work standing idle.

His care, love and generosity, is understood when we develop devotion to His Heart.

Fr. Stan

## Psalm Response: The Lord is close to all who call him.

### Readings for 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday

**1st Reading Isaiah 55:6-9** *My thoughts are not your thoughts.*

**2nd Reading Philippians 1:20-24,27** *Life to me is Christ.*

**Gospel Matthew 20: 1-16** *Why be envious because I am generous?.*

| Date & Dedication                             | Time  | Mass Intentions etc  |
|---|---|--|
| Sat 19th Sept<br>St Januarius                 | 4.00pm Sunday Vigil Mass<br>(Facing Congregation)   | Veronica Vaz birthday thanksgiving   |
| Sun 20th Sept<br>25th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8.30am Ad Orientem<br>11.30 am (Facing Congregation)<br>5.00pm Ad Orientem (online streaming) | Mary Andrews RIP<br>Dr Helen Diwan-Pereira RIP rec. dec.<br>Lucy Collaco RIP 6 month anniversary |
| Mon 21st Sept<br>St Matthew                   | 7.30pm Ad Orientem<br>Extra Ordinary Form   | Paul Thyveetil's intention   |
| Tues 22nd Sept                                | Daily Mass without congregation<br>3.00pm   | Eva Nora's Intention<br>Divine Mercy & Rosary (online stream)                                    |
| Wed 23rd Sept<br>St Pio of Pietrelcina        | Daily Mass without congregation   | Thanksgiving Irene Valentine   |
| Thurs 24th Sept<br>Our Lady of Walsingham     | Daily Mass without congregation   | Paul Thyveetil's intention   |
| Fri 25th Sept                                 | 11.00am -7.00pm<br>7.30pm Ad Orientem   | Adoration<br>Antonio Davila RIP  |
| Sat 26th Sept<br>Ss Cosmas & Damian           | 4.00pm Sunday Vigil Mass<br>(Facing Congregation)   | Intention available  |
| Sun 27th Sept<br>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | 8.30am Ad Orientem<br>11.30 am (Facing Congregation)<br>5.00pm Ad Orientem (online streaming) | Dr Helen Diwan-Pereira RIP rec. dec.<br>Richard O'Joole (Richie) RIP rec.dec<br>Holy Souls       |

Please keep in your prayers all the faithful departed, especially those in our "Book of Remembrance" for this week.

20th Sept Bridget Malone (1990); 22nd Sept: Michael Sorenson (1990); Surinder Dhir (2001); Theresa Semple (2006); John McCarron (1998); 24th Sept: Maria Agostino (2009); 25th Sept: Bernadette Barnes (1985); John Thompson (1990); and Fr. Eamon Walsh (2013);

### Prayers in a time of coronavirus

#### We stand together

We pray for all who are suffering and bereaved.

At this time of sorrow, incomprehension and tragedy, we stand together.

In this crisis, we pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick  
and for health and strength for all who care for them.

Amen.

Masses can be booked via our website [www.olo.org.uk](http://www.olo.org.uk) or by calling 07444079157. Masses to be booked by 8pm the previous day.

*OLOP Parish Live Stream Link via [facebook.com/olo.org.uk](https://www.facebook.com/olo.org.uk)*

Please note that the dispensation from obligatory attendance of Sunday Mass remains valid.

### This Week

#### Sunday 20th September 3.00pm - 1st Holy Communion Children 2019-20

Please keep in your prayers Rozita Ikhinmwin, Nnamdi Uzokwelu, Nneka Uzokwelu, Anna Marborough, Joseph David, Emma Webb, Gabriel Twananyasha, Isaac Mewes, Niamh McConalogue, Antoni Stein, Ifeanyi Onuama and Hannah Osei who have received the Lord and will be receiving their FHC certificates today. May the blessing of the Lord be with them and our Lord keep them in His care, today and always. Congratulations.

**Saturday 26th September:** We pray for La'akasen Roman Jellason. who will be baptised on Saturday and welcomed into our faith community and for all families awaiting the baptism of their children, that they may always follow the guiding light of Christ.

#### Parish News:

#### Church opening times for private prayers:

Monday - Thursday 5.00pm-7.00pm,  
Friday: 11.00am -7.00pm (Adoration)

**Sunday Vigil Mass on Saturday especially for the Vulnerable.** Mass will be at 4.00pm, without a sermon, for 30 min. The Mass will be available for booking and will only go ahead if enough booking takes place.

**Every Tuesday at 3.00pm: Divine mercy and Rosary via facebook live stream.** Please join Fr Stan on *OLOP Parish Live Stream Link* via [facebook.com/olo.org.uk](https://www.facebook.com/olo.org.uk).

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** available on request. Please email Fr Stan via [fatherstan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:fatherstan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) and also please maintain a safe distance.

**New to our Parish:** A warm welcome to those new to our Parish. Please introduce yourself to Father Stan and also register with us on our

website [www.olo.org.uk](http://www.olo.org.uk), click on the Parish Database button, log in & fill in your details which are for parish use only and confidential. Thank you.

**Message from CAFOD.** Could you help CAFOD? We need a new CAFOD parish volunteer at the Parish to help us with the CAFOD Harvest and Lent fast days. If you are interested please contact Jo Lewry on [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk) or call 07710 09444.

### October: Month of Rosary

The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted to honor the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful." (Rev. Matthew R. Mauriello, Source: Catholic.net)

**Sunday 4th October 2020 at 3.00pm:** Rosary Walk. With the current guidelines of "Rule of 6" we aim to meet in the church car park and form groups of 6 and walk in separate groups in different directions saying the Rosary. Please contact the Parish office for more information.

**Rosary in church:** During the month of October Mon - Fri at 12 noon, we will be saying the Rosary.

#### Resources

**September editions of My Day by Day** £1 / copy. Please leave money in the box next to the books in the Advent Room.

**My Day by Day:** We are stopping the subscription for My day by day due to lack of sales. The September edition will be the last sale, there will be no October edition. We will review this subscription once the church is back to normal activity.