

## Community Support

**Readifood (Reading's Foodbank)** You can drop off the items in the Advent room. Information on list of items can be found on <https://readifood.org.uk>.

**One Reading Community Hub:** If you are struggling to cope, you can contact the Hub for help with urgent food and prescription needs, getting a priority supermarket delivery slot, or other issues such as debt, loneliness, stress and anxiety. You can contact the Hub in the following ways: Fill in the online Hub form [www.reading.gov.uk/coronavirus](http://www.reading.gov.uk/coronavirus) or by calling 0808 189 4325. Via Reading Deaf Centre on SMS 07704 687298.

**CIRDIC:** Items for packed lunches 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.

## Pastoral News

**READERS' ZOOM WORKSHOPS:** Saturdays 14th November (workshop 1) and 21st November (workshop 2) at 10 am. Registration is via [https:// www.godwhospeaks.org/readers](https://www.godwhospeaks.org/readers) As part of the training, one-to-one online meetings will be offered to each participant to give them a chance to practice their reading.

### 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

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

**Friday 27th November: Day of Prayer and Fasting for an End to the Coronavirus Pandemic.** Bishop Philip has called for 24 hours of Prayer and fasting. Please see Portsmouth diocese website for more details. <https://mailchi.mp/portsmouthdiocese/day-of-prayer-to-end-the-covid-crisis>

### Weekly donation:

Thank you to all those who make their weekly donations by monthly standing orders. The collection at the Sunday Masses forms a significant part of our parishes income. As we have no parish Masses, parishioners might like to donate to the parish using any of the methods.

**Online** A/C name: Our Lady of Peace  
Ref: Parish/Your name  
Lloyds Bank 30 93 04 A/C No: 00886018

**Via the parish website.** Just click on the Donate button and you can donate and Gift Aid the donation. <https://www.olop.org.uk/donate/>

Parishioners can also put money aside to be given later or drop the envelopes to the parish office.

Thank you for supporting our parish during this difficult time.

## Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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The Church office is open Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 11am-2.00pm

33rd Sunday in Ordinary time

Year A

15th Nov 2020

### In front of God's Majesty on the Judgement day.

Never forget about love. Never forget that there will be the Last Judgement. Death, followed by Judgement, can happen at any minute. Let us envisage this unique and concluding moment of our life, remembering that we are created to share in the love of Christ, in His Cross and Resurrection. Our nature is to have a "response" attitude to the Lord.

Ask yourself what you have been doing with your life. Do not use your self-serving criteria and currently popular "norms". None of these things will be valid at the Last Judgement.

In the Gospel about the Talents, we see a man who used his self-serving criteria to deal with the Talent entrusted to him by the King. The King himself gave him a lot, but sadly the gift was rejected. The man compared himself to others. He accused the King, portrayed him in a scandalous way, and finally rejected his gift.

Self-serving criteria do not take into account the greatness of God and our life in all its fullness. If one follows them, the choice often, is limited to the burial of Talents, which we observe in the Gospel. We need to use God's criteria, God's vision, God's teaching entrusted to the Church. Then, we challenge our "I want" attitude and measure ourselves by "what God wants from me" attitude.

Fr. Stan

### Psalm Response: O blessed are those who fear the Lord.

### Readings for Sunday 15th Nov

**1st Reading Book of Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31** :A perfect wife - who can find her?

**2nd Reading 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6** *Let not the Day of the Lord overtake you like a thief.*

### Gospel Matthew 25: 14-30

*You have been faithful in small things; come and join in your master's happiness.*

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sat 14th Nov	No Mass	
Sun 15th Nov 33rd Sunday in Ordinary time	11.00 am (online streaming 1.00pm - 5.00pm)	<b>Winifred &amp; Arthur Lees RIP Foundation Mass</b> Church is open for private prayers
Mon 16th Nov St Edmund of Abingdon	Daily Mass without congregation	<b>Patrick Mooney RIP</b>
Tues 17th Nov St Elizabeth of Hungary	Daily Mass without congregation 1.00pm - 4.00pm	<b>Patrick Matete</b> Church is open for private prayers
Wed 18th Nov Dedication of the Basilica of St Peter & St Paul, Rome	Daily Mass without congregation 1.00pm - 4.00pm	<b>Kathleen Pearl RIP Foundation Mass</b> Church is open for private prayers
Thurs 19th Nov	Daily Mass without congregation 1.00pm - 4.00pm	<b>Colin &amp; Hannah Turner RIP</b> Church is open for private prayers
Fri 20th Nov	Daily Mass without congregation 11.00am -7.00pm	<b>Jane Mooney RIP</b> Adoration - Church is open for private prayers
Sat 21st Nov The Presentation of the BL Virgin Mary	No Mass 1.00pm-4.00pm	<b>National Day of Prayer</b> Church is open for private prayers
Sun 22nd Nov Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	11.00 am (online streaming 1.00pm - 5.00pm)	<b>Peter Mooney RIP</b> Church is open for private prayers

Cardinal Nichols calls for prayers to be said at 6 pm each day and also for a National Day of Prayer on Saturday 21st November. So please join at 6.00 pm each day for prayer and also on 21st Nov in whatever way you can. Our church will be open on Saturday 21st Nov from 1.00pm -4.00pm for private prayers.

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

**14th Nov:** Henry Wiggins (1980); Antonio Fiorentini (2014);  
**15th Nov:** Catherine Purcell (1975); Winifred Lees (1998);  
**17th Nov:** Edward McIlvenna (1974); Alexander O'Boyle (1990); Mary Kelliner (2003); Rudolf Horvath (2018) **18th Nov:** Kathleen Pearl (1987); Sheila Scott (2001);  
**20th Nov:** John Pringle (1998); **22nd Nov:** Joan Andrijecko (1983); Norman Preston (2013);

**Please pray for members of the parish and their family who are sick or housebound, especially: Margaret Browne (Parishioner), Phil Doyle (Parishioner), & Annabelle (Nancy's sister).**

**During the month of November, please pray for all deceased and offer Mass intentions for their souls.**

### Parish News:

**COVID-19:** Father Stan will celebrate the Mass, without the congregation. If you would like to offer a Mass Intention, then, please email the Parish Office.

**Online Streaming will be available for 11.00 am Sunday Mass via facebook.com/olop.church**

### Spiritual Communion Prayer

*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.*

*I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot, now, receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.*

*I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.*

**Church is open for private prayer**

**Sunday: 1.00pm - 5.00pm**

**Tuesday - Thursday : 1.00pm - 4.00pm**

**Friday with Adoration from 11.00am -7.00pm.**

(For those attending church for individual prayer, the wearing of mask is mandatory unless a person has an exemption from this. When travelling to, entering and inside the church, please observe strict social distancing from anyone not in their household. In addition, the usual guidance on hygiene, hand sanitising and people with symptoms not attending church applies at this time).

**Recently Died:** Mrs Breda Hollingsworth who died last week. Breda was a parishioner of our Parish and moved to Oxford to be near her daughter. Breda was a keen volunteer and used to help with the flower arrangement. Our thoughts and prayers are with her family. May her soul rest in peace. Amen.

**Prayer at 12 noon:** During lockdown, let us embrace a parish initiative to say the Angelus every day. A message will be put up in our Whatsapp group at 12 noon and we can pray together in spirit embracing everyone from our parish whom we know and don't know (living and dead alike), to say the Angelus and pray for an end to this pandemic and for each of us to grow in faith and holiness.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** is available on request. Please contact Fr Stan fatherstan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and also please maintain a safe distance.

**Helping those most Vulnerable.** The Lonely and the Vulnerable in and beyond our parish community are going to be even more in need of friendly contact and support during this period. If you know of anyone, or are yourself, lonely and/or vulnerable, please consider giving details to the parish office.

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Solemnity** Sunday 22nd November is a major feast which ends the Liturgical Year (A). On this occasion, at the 11am Mass, we will renew our Baptismal promises and say a prayer to mark the occasion.

### Advent & Christmas

**Christmas this year:** We hope that the lockdown measures will be effective and we can prepare ourselves for public mass during Advent & Christmas. Father Stan is thinking of having two extra masses on Christmas Eve and 2 masses on Christmas Day.

**Rorate Mass during Advent:** During Advent, we have had Rorate Mass on Wednesday mornings. If we are fortunate and restrictions are lifted, then Father Stan is planning to have the Mass on Wednesday mornings at 7.00am. Please can you let either Father Stan or the parish office know if you would be keen to have the Rorate Mass. A decision would be made depending on the number of parishioners keen to attend the mass.