

Consecration of the Church on Wednesday 8th December at 6.00pm. We are pleased to confirm that Bishop Philip will be able to undertake the Consecration of our church, this year. Please keep our church in your prayers.

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>. Also, needed are donations of Toiletries e.g. Toothpaste & Toothbrushes, Soap, Shower Gel, Shampoo, Conditioner, Deodorant and Household Cleaning Items.

CIRDIC: Items for packed lunches are needed 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. Please contact Mabel at enquiries@cirdic.org.uk or text 07817 373773 to arrange delivery first.

Pastoral News:

The 2020 Diocesan Annual Report has now been published following its submission to the Charity Commission. The report gives detail of the financial accounts and is available on the diocesan website: <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/annual-report>

Living Our Faith Impact Report: The Living Our Faith Committee have published their final impact report now that the allocation of funding is complete. The campaign was highly successful and has played a significant part in the growth and spiritual enhancement of our Diocese . The report is available on the diocesan website: <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/livingourfaith>

Diocesan Newsletter Summer 2021

The summer edition of the quarterly Diocesan Newsletter *Viva Voce* is in the Advent Room. This summer edition has a special focus on the current Year of the Eucharist and also on Vocations.

Offertory Collection 4th July 2021

Main Envelopes	£ 5.00
Loose Cash	£ 221.00
Standing Orders	£ 744.79

Thank you all for your kind donations

Second Collection on 11th July is for Apostleship of the Sea. The official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Collection after Mass (Gift Aid envelopes are in the Advent Room) or donate online at: www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

Catholics in Royal Berkshire Hospital

Contact duty priest: 0118 3227105.

Chaplaincy at the RBH is covered and shared by Fr. Pat Madden (07510182722) and the priests from the FSSP (07445106330). Fr. Pat covers every Monday from 12 Noon until Thursday 12 Noon. The priests from FSSP cover from Thursday 12 Noon until Monday 12 Noon. Priests on call are only allowed into the hospital to give the last rites in danger of death as this is the Hospital policy due to the ongoing current COVID 19 pandemic

Reading Catholic Churches

Christ the King, Whitley	Fr. Pat Madden
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Fr. Bill Wilson
St. James	Fr Chris Heaps
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Cn. Michael Dennehy
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Fr Peter Glas
St. William of York	Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Seth Phipps
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Msgr. Patrick Daly

Emergency numbers for a Priest –

Please call your own priest first

0118 931 4469
0118 969 3423
0118 957 4171
0118 957 2149
0118 942 8632
0118 966 5284
0118 947 1787

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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Hall Bookings	Zuzanna Bochenek 07763 681072 hall@olop.org.uk



Parish office opening hours :Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 11.00am-2.00pm.

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Year B	11th July 2021
<p>1st Reading Amos 7:12-15 Go, prophesy to my people 2nd Reading Ephesians 1:3-14 Before the world was made, God chose us.. Gospel Mark 6:7-13 He began to send them out.</p>		
Psalm Response:		
Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving grace.		

Amos

Amos was a mere sheep herder and a sycamore fig farmer. He described himself, "I am not a prophet nor a son of a prophet". However, God changed his life totally. For instance, he is the first of the prophets to write down the messages that he received. He is admired for the purity of his language, his beauty of diction, and his poetic art. The name of Amos in Hebrew means "to carry; borne by God". Indeed, he was a pure vessel of God's words. He announced the fall of the reigning dynasty and of the northern kingdom, and was not afraid of being denounced by the head priest Amaziah to King Jeroboam II. Even when he was advised to leave the kingdom, Amos was focused on God's omnipotence.

From his story, we learn that God's word is given to change us, starting from giving us perspective of the Gospel, so that everything around would draw our attention to Him. God's word must penetrate us and bear fruit of conversion. When our faith is weak, however, we tend to fall into a trap thinking that God is not interested in what happens to us, and we live in a spirit of bitterness and accusation of God. We also live in a self- created image of God which imitates a background in our life, living as if God had not had any real power over us.

It needs to be changed. God is God. The Word of God contains the power of God's Will to change our daily life as it happened in the life of Amos.

* Mass / Service will be live streamed via YouTube (olop earley).

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

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 11th July 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.30am *11.00 am 2.30pm 5.00pm	Achilles Fernando RIP George Johnson RIP Divine Mercy Holy Hour Noreen & Harold Powell RIP
Mon 12th July	7.00pm 7.30pm Extraordinary Form	Rosary Susan Jenkin's Intention
Tues 13th July	10.00am 11.00am 1.00pm - 4.00pm	Adoration Anne's Intention The church is open for private prayers
Wed 14th July St Camillus of Lellis	Daily Mass without congregation 1.00pm - 4.00pm 4.00pm	Holy Soul The church is open for private prayers Rosary in church
Thur 15th July St Swithun	No Mass 1.00pm - 4.00pm	The church is open for private prayers
Fri 16th July Our Lady of Mount Carmel	11.00am - 7.00pm 7.00pm	Adoration Ian Harper & family
Sat 17th July St Bonaventure	No Mass	
Sun 18th July 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.30am *11.00 am 5.00pm	Parishioner's Intention Kathleen McAteer RIP Luke Alexander thanksgiving

The month of July is dedicated to the most precious blood of Our Saviour Jesus Christ.

Through the Holy Ghost he offered himself without blemish to God

To the one who loved us, who washed our sins through his BLOOD

and made us Kings & Priests of God his Father. To him be glory and power. Amen

Sunday Masses can be booked via our website www.olop.org.uk (latest by 8.00pm Friday) or by calling the Parish Office on 0118 9663711. If you are booking via telephone, then please call by Friday 3.00pm at the latest, as messages will not be accessed after this time.

Sacrament of Reconciliation available on request. Please email Fr Stan via: fatherstan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and also, please maintain a safe distance.

Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

11th July: Dermot Durnin (1995); George Johnson (2010); **14th July:** Alexander Croft (1989);

15th July: Richard Wallace (1991); Martin Keeler (2004);

16th July: Henry Thomas (1976); James Howard (1979);

17th July: Emma & Catherine Novell (1979); and Jack Tierney (1982).

19th July: Stanislaw Wisniewski (2012);

Please also pray for members of the parish and their family who are sick or housebound.

COVID-19 update:

As you are aware from the local news that our Parish comes under the Wokingham District's ward of Whiteknights where there is a worrying increase in the coronavirus Delta variant. Please can we remind all parishioners to adhere to the following when coming to Church

- Please do not come to church, if you or anyone in your household has COVID-19 symptoms.
- The wearing of a face covering is mandatory unless a person has an exemption from this.
- Use the hand sanitiser provided.
- Fill the track & trace form and drop it in the box provided or scan the QR code on the NHS app on your phone.
- Please sit on the pews with the blue sign.
- After prayer, please use the sanitiser wipes at the end of the pew and wipe the area around you.
- Please dispose of the wipes in the bin provided in the Advent room.
- Thank you for keeping our church safe.

Parish News:

Rosary before Sunday 8.30 and 11.00am Mass. Father Stan would like to start a core group to say the Rosary before the Masses on Sunday. Please speak to Fr Stan if you are interested.

Sunday 11th July at 2.30pm. Divine Mercy Holy Hour. Divine Mercy service at our church every 2nd Sunday of the month. Please spread the word.

Change in Tuesday Mass Time for July: Tuesday Mass will be at 11.00am. There is Adoration from 10.00am - 11.00am.

Day by Day: July edition in Advent Room. £1.00/book. Please leave money in the box next to the books in the Advent Room.

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.olop.org.uk, click on the Parish Database button, log in & fill in your details which are and confidential (for parish use only).

Baptism: If you wish to celebrate the baptism (of a child) here, please contact Father Stan.

First Holy Communion 2022.

Parents, if your child will be in School year 3 and will be at least 8 years old between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022, then you are eligible to join our next First Holy Communion preparation program in September 2021. Please email or write to Father Stan at the church office, with child's name, date of birth, date and place of baptism, and parents' names, address, phone number and contact details. Further details about the programme will be communicated to you.

Confirmation 2022 is offered for all young baptised Catholics who would be in school Year 8 or above in September 2021. If interested, then please email or write to Father Stan at the church office. Further details about the programme will then be communicated to you.

The Parish Bereavement Support Group can be contacted via the Parish Office.

Helping those most vulnerable in our Parish.

If you know of anyone, or are yourself lonely and/or vulnerable, please consider giving details to the parish office.

SOCIAL CLUB now open, see the website olopsocialclub.co.uk or posters in the complex for details.

Forthcoming Events in our Parish.

Saturday 14th August. CWA & Warriors of Mary dedication day: Both groups will hold their Dedication Day on Saturday 14th August, when Bishop Philip will attend to admit candidates to the organisation, and to conduct Mass. The programme for the day will be published nearer to the time.