

sauce, Long life milk. "NO PASTA/RICE" as they have enough. Items for the food bank can be left in the Advent room.

### Pastoral News:

**Be ready to help stop assisted suicide amendment:** The Health and Care Bill will shortly move onto Report Stage where there is a high risk that Lord Forsyth will retable his amendment. As such, Right To Life UK is asking parishioners to sign up to their Action Alerts, so they can effectively participate in their efforts to stop this amendment passing, and others like it. You can do so by visiting the following link: [www.righttolife.org.uk/#action-alerts](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/#action-alerts)

**Pilgrimage to Lourdes 18th – 22nd July 2022.** You are invited to join Bishop Philip whether as pilgrim or youth helper. Leaving from Bournemouth Airport and staying at Hotel La Solitude. For further details email at [lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**Pilgrimage to Medjugorje- 23rd-30th September 2022:** You are invited to the pilgrimage to Medjugorje at the Shrine of Our Lady Queen of Peace in Bosnia Herzegovina. Departing from Gatwick half board £630 single room supplement if required. Full support from Marian Pilgrimages. [www.marian-uk.com](http://www.marian-uk.com). Please

contact Heather Hauschild on 07810310316 or [hauschild287@btinternet.com](mailto:hauschild287@btinternet.com) for a booking form and further details.

**Message from CAFOD:** This Lent we are asking you to help us to stamp out hunger by joining our Walk Against Hunger. You can take on the individual challenge of walking 200km (5km each day for the 40 days of Lent) or walk as a group to reach 200km. Why not organise a group from your parish to join our community Walk against Hunger on Saturday 26th March?

### Resources

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

**Diocesan Christmas Newsletter 2021** - The edition of the quarterly Diocesan Newsletter *Viva Voce* is in the Advent Room.

### Offertory Collection 6th Feb 2022

Envelopes	£ 10.00
Loose Cash	£ 492.43
Standing Orders	£ 684.85

Thank you all for your kind donations.

### Sunday 13th February 2nd Collection for Racial Justice

# Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 13th February 2022  
**Psalm Response:**  
**Happy the man who placed his trust in the Lord.**

## The charity of Christ urges us on” (2 Cor 5:14)

We could have organised our Sunday differently, but we are together at the foot of the altar of Christ, where He really is Sacrificed. We could have organised our moral life in many different ways, but we embrace the Ten Commandments enlightened and elevated by the Eight Beatitudes. We could have focused only on gaining material possessions, by we discipline ourselves and we remain open to others. We could have set a pecking order amongst us, but we do not do it. We simply belong to Christ and His vision of life in all its aspects. We are called by the Lord to give witness of total love we have found in Him.

What sustains and guides us as a Catholic Parish community if not love of Christ?

For the love of Christ, we bear the burdens of our brothers and sisters;  
 For the love of Christ, we acknowledge, confess and renounce our sins.  
 For the love of Christ, we forgive from the bottom of our hearts, we do not look for a rematch and revenge, but we endure suffering and put aside ourselves and our ambitions.  
 For the love of Christ, we do not commit fornication; we do not take possession of someone else's property.  
 For the love of Christ, we do not speak ill news about others, but we choose the least privileged place amongst others.  
 For the love of Christ we firmly desire to deny ourselves and fill our hearts with the love of Jesus.

We believe that his loving presence in us is the content and essence of our life. The charity of Christ urges us on to imitate Him and to imitate the life the Holy Family from Nazareth, in humility and simplicity, in spiritual poverty and gladness. The measure of our charity is Jesus Himself: "Love one another as I have loved you." (J 13:34-5).

Fr Stan

### 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. On admission, all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic & wish to receive Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are "Patient Led".

### 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. Seth Phipps	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

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
<b>Sun 13th Feb 2022</b> 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am <b>8.30am</b> 10.30am 11.00 am 2.30pm 5.00pm	Rosary <b>Holy Soul</b> Rosary <b>Richard Johnston RIP</b> Divine Mercy <b>Wilson family</b>
<b>Mon 14th Feb</b> <b>St Cyril</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Peter M Chombe RIP</b>
<b>Tues 15th Feb</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Patience Moeti RIP</b>
<b>Wed 16th Feb</b>	<b>No Mass</b> 4.00pm	<b>Nicholas Alexander thanksgiving</b> Rosary
<b>Thur 17th Feb - The seven holy founders of the Servite</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	<b>Intention available</b>
<b>Friday 18th Feb</b>	No Adoration 6.00pm <b>No Mass</b>	Rosary <b>Intention available</b>
<b>Sat 19th Feb</b>	<b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Sun 20th Feb 2022</b> 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am <b>8.30am</b> 10.30am 11.00 am 5.00pm	Rosary <b>The Museum family</b> Rosary <b>Chem family</b> <b>Wilson family</b>

**First Holy Communion catechism session every Saturday at 10.00am in Carl Barton Room.**

**Confirmation group meeting on Sun 13th at 10.00am in Carl Barton Room: 8th session.**

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

**Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers**

**13th Feb: Ann Mackie (1992);**  
**15th Feb: Maria Giovanni (1987).**  
**17th Feb: Robert Green (1991); Christopher Coles (1989); Lauren Savage (2002); Jane Grigg (2014); Laurence (Locky) Sheehan (2017), Mary Brannelly (2018)**  
**18th Feb: Henry Ward (1988);**  
**19th Feb: Gisella Nottingham (1979); Gerard Conway (2005); Marie Scott (2014);**  
**20th Feb: Stanley Tompkins (1989); Beatrice Ntang (2010);**

Please also pray for members of the parish and their families who are sick or housebound. Please keep in your prayers David Roper, Kay Krauze, Theresa Pashley, Rosemary McQueen & Caroline Hurst. We pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them.

**Kathleen Mongan RIP:** Requiem Mass at our church (invitation only) on 23rd February at 11.00am. We pray for the repose of her soul & keep the whole family in our prayers.

**COVID-19 guideline:**

- We strongly encourage everyone to wear face covering inside church but at the same time be respectful to those who choose not to wear a face covering.
- Use the hand sanitiser provided.
- Maintain a safe distance between families.
- Thank you for keeping our church safe.

**Parish News:**

**Sunday Mass:** This Sunday 13th February, we welcome Fr Gerry from Mill Hill missionaries for who will celebrate all 3 Sunday masses and next Sunday 20th February, we will welcome Fr Pio from Gosport who will celebrate all 3 Sunday masses.

**Last Year's Palm Crosses:** If you have any old palms at home then please bring them to church and place them on the basket provided in Advent Room. On Tuesday 1st March after morning Mass, Fr Stan will burn them and save the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

**Father Stan is on his Christmas break till 24th Feb.** There will be no weekday Mass during this period. We wish Father Stan a restful break. Mass Intentions can still be made as Father Stan will continue to celebrate Mass during his break.

**Friday Adoration:** There will be no Friday Adoration on 18th February. Adoration will start again on Friday 25th February at 1.00pm.

**Tea & Coffee after 8.30am Mass on Sunday:** Please join us in the Dominic Barberi room after 8.30am Mass. Everyone welcome. Also there will be continental pastries every 3rd Sunday and fresh toast on the 1st Sunday of the month.

**"Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible". 7 week session from Tuesday 22nd Feb. 7.00 pm start in our church.** *Many people want to read the Bible because they know it is God's Word, but they give up because it seems so complicated. This DVD course helps you to get*

*the "big picture" of the Bible. It will give an insight into your Catholic faith and help to understand its true beauty. You can book your place by contacting the parish office or after Mass on Sunday 13th Feb & 20th Feb. Please note that there is a fee of £5.00 to cover administration cost.*

**Parish office will be closed from Tuesday 22nd February to Monday 7th March.** The newsletter for Sunday 20th February will cover the 3 Sundays while the parish office is closed (20th, 27th February & 6th March) - so please keep your copy!

**Mass Intention whilst office is closed:** If you would like to book Mass intention for February or March then please contact the parish office latest by 15th February. After that, you can approach Brigid after Sunday Mass.

**MISSIMO RED BOXES:** Anyone holding a red box, please could you bring it to church. If you are unable to come to church, then please contact Kate Gorman on 07834734067 for collection.

**Offertory envelope and GIFT AID:** As we near the approach to the end of this financial year, please can you inform the office if you still require offertory envelopes for the coming financial year 2022/23. If you wish to join our gift aid scheme and set up a regular donation please let the Parish office know and the relevant form will be emailed to you.

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

**For the vulnerable & housebound Parishioners:** Even though restrictions have been lifted, we are aware that not everybody is ready to attend church. Please contact the parish office if you would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and Holy Communion at home.

**Community Support**

**Woodley food bank** :List of items needed are:- Toilet paper, Kitchen rolls, Cooking oil, Tinned meats, Tea bags, Sugar, Coffee, Puddings. (sweet), Tinned stewing steak, Tinned chicken in