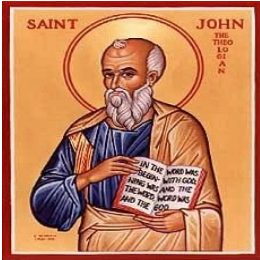




**4th Sunday of Lent
Ordinary Year B
11th March 2018**



North West Hampshire Catholic Weekly Newsletter

Serving the parishes of Andover, Basingstoke, Hook & Tadley

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9 Day Novena to St Joseph starting Sunday 11 March

Prayer to St Joseph: *St Joseph, husband of Mary, be with us this day. You protected and cherished the Virgin Mary: loving the Child Jesus as your Son, you rescued him from danger of death. Defend the Church, the household of God, purchased by the blood of Christ. Guardian of the holy family, be with us in all our trials. May your prayers obtain for us the strength to flee from error and wrestle with the powers of corruption so that in this life we may grow in holiness and in death rejoice in the crown of Victory..*

We will pray the above prayer, the Our Father, Hail Mary and the Glory Be. The Novena will end on Monday 19 March after an All Night Vigil starting at 9.00pm on Sunday 18 March and ending on the Feast of St Joseph at 9.00am on Monday 19 March, followed by 9.15am Mass.

Lourdes Young Helpers Fund

The Diocese have decided not to organise a Lourdes Pilgrimage this year requiring young helpers. The St Joseph's Church Finance Committee has proposed that the money raised by Frank's shave is kept for next year's trip, but if anyone would like their donation refunded please contact the Parish Office .

A Mother's Day Blessing

Loving God, as a mother gives life and nourishment to her children, so you watch over your Church. Bless these women that they may be strengthened as Christian mothers. Let the example of their faith and love shine forth. Grant that we, their sons and daughters, may honour them always with a spirit of profound respect.

Grant this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Got any news to share?

Contact Nikki Pink in the Parish Office: 323595 or stjbas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Have you signed up for Bishop Philip's weekly e-News? Bishop Philip invites you to sign up for his FREE e-Newsletter to keep in touch with the latest news & forthcoming events around the diocese. Visit www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews to sign up.

St Joseph's Church - Facebook - Follow us on: www.facebook.com/phsRcChurchBasingstoke/

Take a look at the St Joseph's Website - <http://www.stjosephsbasingstoke.org.uk/>



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Parish Diary w/commencing 11th March 2018

Sun: 9am Mass & 11am Mass (Fr Jerry at 11am)
Mon: **No Mass** at St Joseph's/Mass at Holy Ghost 12 noon
7.00pm RCIA and SVP Groups in Foyer & Church
Parish Office open 9am to 10.00am
Tue: **No Mass today** /7.30pm Baptism Prep.
Parish Office open from 9.00am to 3.00pm
Wed: **No Mass today**
10.00am-12.00 Toddler Group in Foyer
Parish Office open 9am to 10.30am
6.00pm Bereavement Group in Foyer
Thu: 9.15am Mass in Church
10.30am Mothers' Prayer Group in Foyer Room 3
Parish Office open 9am to 9.30am
6.00pm Confirmation Mentoring Session in Foyer
Fri: 8.00am Adoration/Morning Prayer/9.15am Mass
Parish Office open from 9.00am to 3.00pm
Sat: 9.30am Confessions/10.30am Healing Mass
2.00mFilipino Choir Rehearsal in Church
5pm Confessions / 6.00pm Vigil Mass in Church
Sun: 9am Mass & 11am Mass / 2.30pm Reconciliations

Dates for your Diaries...

- ◆ **Children's Liturgy 9am Mass - weekly in term time in the Foyer**
- ◆ FHC - weekly in term time Sundays from 10am to 11am - held in Bp Challoner Main Hall followed by Mass in Church
- ◆ Cecilia Sound Youth Band meet 2nd Wednesday monthly at 7pm. Next rehearsal 14th March.
- ◆ Explorers meet on 2nd Fri monthly at 4pm in the Foyer - next Fri 11 May
- ◆ PPP meet 2nd Fri monthly at 6.15pm in the Foyer - next: Fri 11 May

Afternoon Tea

to raise funds for refugees in Syria
Saturday 10th March - 2.00-4.15pm St Joseph's
Contribution of cakes, homemade or bought, very welcome. Thank you. Donations for tombola or raffle prizes appreciated.

Salt & Grit Bin

Just a reminder that there is a salt and grit bin by the side of the disabled parking bays, for use when the car park area is icy.

Sacrament of Baptism

Next Course : Tues 13 March at 7.30pm
(Blue Registration Forms in Foyer)



Why wait until baby is born? Come along to a course beforehand.

Please note Fr Chris will undertake Baptisms on the 2nd & 4th Sundays of the month at 1pm & Dcn Pat will take them on 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 12 noon.

Free English classes for parishioners of St. Joseph's

Bezplatne lekcje jezyka angielskiego dla parafian w St. Joseph's. Aulas de ingles gratuitas para paroquianos em St. Joseph's. Clases de ingles gratis para los de la parroquia de St. Joseph's. Lezioni di inglese gratuite per parroquiani di St. Joseph's. Kostenlose Englischkurse für Mitglieder der St. Joseph's

Catherine Abate, a long standing St Joseph's parishioner is a very gifted multilingual qualified English teacher. She speaks many languages fluently. Catherine is happy to help parishioners and their families at a one hour session weekly at no cost on SUNDAYS after the 11am Mass. Please call the office if you are interested.

Weekly Collection: 03/04 March 2018

Loose:	£ 388.69
Gift-Aided:	£ 290.50
S/O & D/D	£1200.00
TOTAL:	£1879.19
CAFOD Lent Collection	£2180.13 -
"Thank you all for your generosity."	

St Patrick's Day

See our display of cards, beautiful rosaries, gifts and pins for St Patrick's Day. Mother's Day cards also on sale.

Parish Mass Timetable

Fourth Sunday of Lent - Year B (11th March 2018)

Sat 10th	6.00pm	Fourth Sunday of Lent	For the People of the Parish)
Sun 11th	9.00 am	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Ints of Nikki Pink (Tom & Ann Mullally)
	11.00am	Fourth Sunday of Lent	Kathleen Joyce RIP (Margaret Joyce & Family)
Mon 12th	-	Of the 4th Week of Lent	No service at St Joseph's - Mass at Holy Ghost 12pm
Tue 13th	9.15 am	Of the 4th Week of Lent	No service at St Joseph's
Wed 14th	9.15am	Of The 4th Week of Lent	No service at St Joseph's
Thu 15th	9.15am	Of The 4th Week of Lent	Margaret Foley RIP (Foundation Mass)
Fri 16th	9.15am	Of the 4th Week of Lent	In Thanksgiving - Louis Debono

Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year B (18th March 2018)

Sat 17th	6.00pm	Fifth Sunday of Lent	John Rooney Snr/Sandra Rooney/Janet Traynor RIP
Sun 18th	9.00 am	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Gerry Whelan RIP (Fr Chris Whelan & Family)
	11.00am	Fifth Sunday of Lent	Peter & Edna Morgan/50th Wedding Anniv./Blessing

OUT OF DARKNESS ALTAR FRONTAL

Hymn No. 835, "Out of darkness God has called us.....walking in God's marvellous light."

Jesus Christ was crucified and his broken body laid in a borrowed tomb. On rising from the dead in that tomb he reversed the sin of the first Adam and gave us reconciliation for our sins and eternal life. He calls us to die to that which is darkness in our lives and join Him in the light.

The altar frontal represents the darkness of doubt and sin in ourselves and invites us to step out into the light. In a sense it represents a kind of view from inside the tomb looking out to the "marvellous light."

The perspective effect of the picture gives the illusion that the light shown is somewhere in the middle depth of the altar. Partaking in communion is also a way of receiving the light.



Please remember the Church is God's House
where people come to pray. Please respect His House:



South Ham Churches
Elderly Lunch Club

Contact: St Joe's 323595

NEXT: At St Joseph's Church
Fri 23 March 2018 at 12 noon

St Mary's Anglican Church, Overton

Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion

Our Catholic Mass/Liturgy of the Word at St Mary's is a regular monthly service at 8.30am (on the 2nd Sunday of each month) .

Next service: **Sunday 11 March 2018**

New Book for the Intentions of the sick & housebound:

New book at the back of the church by the Statue of St. Joseph called the Intentions for the Sick. Please write in the book the names of anyone who is sick who you would like us to pray for. This book remains on the alter during Mass.

If you or your sick relative could benefit from a visit from the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), please contact the Parish Office or our Clergy on 323595.

Please let us know if you would like us to pray for anyone.



Confessions:

Every Saturday at St. Joseph's 5pm or by prior appointment with Fr Chris Whelan.



Other local church Sunday Mass times

Sacred Heart, Hook

Sat 6pm,
Sun 10am.

St Bede's, Basingstoke

Sun 9am, 11am, 6.30pm

St Michael's, Tadley

Sat 6pm,
Sun: 9.15am

St Oswald's Burghf. Sun 11.15am

LENT & EASTER 2018

DVD 'Follow Me'	Mondays 10.30am to 12 noon Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John. Experience the joy of a renewed friendship with Christ in Foyer.
Stations of Cross	Wednesdays after Mass around 10am throughout Lent (Not on Wednesday 14th March)
Taizé	Prayer Around the Cross Wednesdays in Lent at 8.00pm
Penitential Service	Pastoral Area: Sunday 18 March 2.30pm <u>AT ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH</u>
CaFOD Quiz Night	7.30 - 10.30pm on Sat 10 Mar - all proceeds to CaFOD - Teams of 4-6 people. Bring your own drinks. Fish & Chip Supper included
Pizza, Play & Pray	Fri 09 March 6.15pm – 7:15pm, St. Joseph's Foyer (for Years 5 & 6)
Music Rehearsals	Tuesdays 13th, 20th and 27th March 7-10 pm

Passover Meal

"Mock Seder" Passover Meal: Thursday 22nd March – 7.00 for 7.30 pm at St. Joseph's. Tickets £12 Adults / £7 Child. Served as a 3 course meal, following the tradition of a Passover Supper, together with wine (Non-alcoholic drinks also available), (Rabbi Zvi to be confirmed).

Exploring and embracing the spirit of the Passover Scriptures and its Act of Remembrance; a wonderful insight to the roots of the Eucharist.

Vegetarian option available but must be booked in advance.

Please book by Tues 20th March via (Parish Office) on 323595 or Alfredo Tel. 01256 321496.

Pastoral Area Reconciliation Service

Being held at St Josephs Church on Sunday 18 March at 2.30pm

We are obliged to make our Confession prior to Easter Sunday so do please try and come along.

Lunch Club are looking for volunteers If you can help please contact the Parish Office on 323595.

Winter night shelters

The winter night shelter project has proved to be a great success once again this year. We are coming together to celebrate our successful involvement at St Bedes Hall on Saturday 10th March. Everyone from the Catholic Parishes in the Deanery, who was involved is invited: volunteers, laundry team and set up & clear up teams. Partners are also very welcome. We have also invited Rev Kay and the team from URC ,who allowed the Catholic community to come together on Thursday nights to provide friendship and shelter in the URC to the rough sleepers in our town.

To get an idea of numbers, please email katie.tambascia@gmail.com to let us know if you are coming.

Basingstoke Choral Society will be joined by Croydon Philharmonic Choir (totalling 260 singers) and the New London Sinfonia, conductor David Gibson, to perform Brahms's Ein Deutsches Requiem. Saturday 24th March at the Anvil 7.45pm. Tickets Tel: 01256 844244 or anvilarts.org.uk: £27, £21, £16, £12. Students under 16s £7 includes booking fee.

Reading for Lent

Please make use of our Library, CTS stand and Repository. Something for everyone...

Visit our Library for your spiritual reading for Lent and Stations of the Cross. Please return any library books and library reference books that you have at home

Repository and CTS stand –New books - Lent Extra and other booklets and new books are also on sale now. Catechism of the Catholic Church New Edition available mid-March. Orders taken. St Patrick's Day, Mother's Day, First Holy Communion gifts & cards will be on Sale from March.