Catholic Legacy Week 5-11th November

Gifts in your Will are a very valuable and lasting way you can continue to support the Church's ministry and help meet the needs of future generations. Please do consider gifts to the Church and Catholic charities next time you update your Will. For more information pick up a leaflet; contact YOUR Catholic Legacy on 020 7095 5370 or go to www.yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk.

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.Fruitful Discipleship in our Diocese

All active parishioners and those who take part in the Evangelisation Strategy of our Parish are particularly invited to a day conference led by Bishop Philip and Katherine Coolidge of 'Called & Gifted' US at 9.30am – 5pm on Saturday 18th November. Please contact the Parish Centre, St Peter's Church, Jewry Street, Winchester, SO23 8RY to book your place. (places limited).

From the Social Club BAR MANAGER VACANCY

After 15 years, Margaret and Cedric are retiring from the bar management team of the Social Club. We are looking to replace them We believe the job would ideally suit an active, recently retired person or, ideally, a couple. The post is a part-time paid opportunity. In the first instance, please contact Chairman Phil Boardman on 07831 500092.

Adoration in our Parish

Thank you to those who have recently agreed to join our Adoration Team. We still need more people who can commit 1 hour per week or every two weeks in front of the blessed Sacrament. Please contact Fr. Stan, June or Nancy.

Offertory Collection	8th Oct
Envelopes	106.00
Loose Cash	424.11
Standing Orders	707.31
Total	£1,237.42

Second Collection World Mission Sunday £380.56 Thank you for all your kind donations.

St. Dominic Savio Primary School Western Avenue Woodley READING RG5 3BH Head Teacher Mr James Broadbridge Tel 0118 969 3893

CUBS Mon. 6.45pm / BEAVERS Thurs. 5.45pm / SCOUTS Fridays 8pm in HALL

Reading Sunday Mass Times			Emergency numbers for a Priest - please call your own priest first	
Christ the King, Whitley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun 10.00am	Fr. Pat Madden	0118 931 4469	
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Sat 6.30pm; Sun.10.00am	Fr. Rafaele Cossa/l	Fr Luca Speziale 0118 969 3423	
St. James English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Sat 6.00pm; Sun 11.00am Sat 6.30pm; Sun 9.30am, 11.30am, 5.00pm	Cn. John O'Shea Cn. Michael Denne	0118 957 4171 hy 0118 957 2149	
St. Joseph, Tilehurst St. William of York	Sun 8.30am, 10.30am Sun 9.00am, 11.00am (in Latin) 6.00pm (Students' Mass)	Fr. Peter Glas Fr. Mathew Goddar	0118 942 8632 d / Fr. lan Verrier 0118 966 5284	

Our Lady of Peace & Bl. Dominic Barberi

Parish Office closed until the appointment of the New Secretary

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Act of Reparation for the tragic passing of the 1967 Abortion Act

The tragic 50th anniversary of the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act was on 27th October 2017. This Act has led to the destruction of more than 8.8 million unborn babies in the UK. A Prayer of Reparation is given below which you may find of aid for your prayer.

Reparation is about the mercy and compassion of God. It is what heals the wounds of sin and division. The Lord in his mercy, through the compassionate heart of his holy Mother, longs to embrace those mothers and fathers and families who have suffered from the trauma of abortion.

Let us hold in our hearts these little ones, at the same time asking for God's healing, consolation, reconciliation and mercy for our own families and for all peoples and nations.

An Act of Reparation:

Merciful Jesus, we bring before you our Nations - England, Wales, & Scotland - and we hang our heads in shame as we remember the 50 years since the passing of the 1967 Abortion Act.

Merciful Jesus, so many millions of unborn babies have perished because of this evil legislation, their mothers have been misled and confused, and countless tens of thousands have been plunged into misery and distress because of abortion's trauma and its after effects.

Merciful Jesus, we come before you and beg you for forgiveness and for healing. Merciful Jesus cleanse our Land and transform the culture of death and unbelief into a culture of life and faith.

Merciful Jesus have mercy upon every man and woman in this land, those who have intentionally sinned against life, those who under pressure and distress have done so without knowing what they do, and those who have failed to offer the support and the love that have been needed.

Lord, none of us is without sin, we have all failed you in myriads of ways. Have mercy upon us! Forgive us! Reconcile mothers and fathers with their unborn children; heal their grief, their guilt and their sorrow.

Heal our society of the trauma of abortion - the unseen war that is destroying our marriages, our families, our children, our nation and our world.

O Saviour of the world we entrust this solemn plea to you and beg for your Mercy and intervention. We unite ourselves with your Mercy and join all our sufferings to Yours and place them in the treasury of the Church for the salvation of souls through the powerful intercession of Our Lady of Mercy.

Amen

Fr Stan

Psalm Response: I love you, Lord, my strength.

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 29th October 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Maurice Fahey RIP George Johnson RIP
Mon 30th October	9.30am 10.00am	
Tue 31st October	9.00am 10.00am	Adoration Jeofrey Mahoney RIP
Wed 1st November ALL SAINTS Holy Day of Obligation	9.30am 10.00am 7.30pm	Rosary Douglas Bowie RIP (anniv)
Thu 2nd November ALL SOULS	7.00am	Deceased Priests and Parishioners of the Parish
Fri 3rd November St Martin de Porres	11.00am 7.30pm	
Sat 4th November St Charles Borrpmeo	10.00am	Perpetual Adoration ends at 9.00am Mass for the Deceased and Bereaved
Sun 5th November 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time Bamenda Sunday	8.15am 9.00am 11.00am 5.00pm	Mary Jennings RIP

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

No Children's Liturgy during half term.

Anniversaries - please keep in your prayers

Pauline Hewitt (1981) Alvina Bossey (1982) Mary Callaghan (1982) Annie Wareham (1987) William Tully (1988) Michael Pegg (1990) Kathleen Sergent (1995) Enid Newman (2006) Joyce Darnell (2008) and Noreen Doyle (2011)

TODAY Sunday 29th October

Mass Counts

Today is the last day of the annual Mass counts at each Sunday Mass in October. Many thanks to all those doing the counting.

Could you help us fundraise in preparation of our Consecration?

Please take a form at mass this week and, once completed, return to the parish office.

Traidcraft Stall

The stall is open at all masses on 29th October to Order Christmas Cards and buy small gifts.

Roses for Remembrance Sunday

If you would like to purchase a single Red Rose in Memory of a loved one, please write their name on the list in the Advent Room and place £1per name in the basket. The list will be placed on the Altar on Sunday 12th November—Remembrance Day—together with the Red Roses.

Names are needed by 5th November.

Elizabeth Frances McAuley

Please pray for Elizabeth who died on 22nd October 2017, aged 70. She was an active member of the Parish and helping with Children's Liturgy at 9.00am mass.

REMINDER

Remember that 1st November (All Saints) is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses on All Saints are at 10.00am and 7.30pm

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Pray for Bamenda

Bishop Philip has asked us to pray for our sister diocese of Bamenda in Cameroon, especially Archbishop Cornelius, Auxiliary Bishop Bibi, the clergy, religious and faithful. There have been months of protests by Cameroon's Anglophone population against what they say is discrimination by the Francophone majority. Let us pray for a speedy and fair solution.

There will be a second collection next Sunday 5th November which is Bamenda Sunday. Please give generously.

FUTURE EVENTS

Mass for the Deceased and Bereaved

This will take place on Saturday 4th November at 10am. Let us take this opportunity to pray for our close friends and those who need our prayers. Please promote this event amongst those who have lost someone within the last eighteen months. We shall also pray for non believers.

Blessing of Graves

Fr Stan will bless the graves at Mayes Lane on Sunday 5th November at 3pm.

Blessing of the graves at Henley Road Cemetery will take place on Sunday 12th November at 3.00pm

Healing Mass

Our next Healing Mass will take place on Saturday 25th November at 12 noon. Please put the date in your diary and spread the message around to those needing our intercession prayers. Please contact Fr. Stan if you can help with

the music and readings during the Mass.