

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.

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 prayer.

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:

Encountering Christ: To mark the start of the special Year of the Eucharist, Bishop Philip has asked the Academy of the Annunciation to present a new interactive short series online: Encountering Christ. The course will run from 7:00 – 9:00pm on Tuesday Evenings until 13th July 2021 and you can sign up for free. [Encountering Christ - 5 Session Course June/July 2021 | AoA \(aoa-edu.com\)](https://www.aoa-education.com/encountering-christ-5-session-course-june-july-2021/)

Fatima - A new Film: A beautiful new film has been made about Fatima, portraying the events of 1917. This movie is being shown at the Showcase Reading from Friday 25th June.

Offertory Collection 20th June 2021

Main Envelopes £
Loose Cash £ 461.83
Standing Orders £ 720.06
Second Collection on 20th June was for Day for Life. Collection after Mass £ 80.00
Thank you all for your kind donations

Second Collection on 27th June is for Peter's Pence. This is a mandatory Second Collection advised by the Holy See. Collection after mass or online via the following link: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/second-collection-for-peters-pence>

Next Second Collection on 11th July is for Apostleship of the Sea.

Catholics in Royal Berkshire Hospital

Contact duty priest: 0118 3227105.

Chaplaincy at the RBH is covered and shared by Fr. Pat Madden and the priests from the FSSP. 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 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

Emergency numbers for a Priest –

Please call your own priest first

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 27th June 2021

1st Reading Wisdom 1: 13-15, 2: 23-24 It was the devil's envy that brought death into the world.
2nd Reading 2 Corinthians 8: 7.9.13-15 In giving relief to others, balance what happens to be your surplus now against their present need.
Gospel Mark 5: 21-43 Little girl, I tell you to get up.

Psalm Response: I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

“Little girl, I tell you to get up”

God's love for you and me is beyond human prudence and foresight; beyond our grasp. Even our imagination is limited. If we knew how much He loves us, we would be amazed; we would cry for joy; we would be shocked. Jesus encourages us and assists us in a similar way as he did towards the daughter of one of the officials: "Little girl, I tell you to get up." He calls ever so often: "... come down. Hurry, because I must stay at your house today." At this stage stop thinking of what you have done wrong. Just allow Jesus to act. Allow Him to act in your soul. Come to Him who waits for you in the sacraments, especially in the Eucharist. (Do not forget about the good Holy Confession, though).

God's love means He waits for us and he is searching us. If we had faith in His love, we would see His desire to come into our hearts; we would see His longing for us to receive Holy Communion. In Holy Communion we do not receive Him as much as He receives us. As a consequence of the faith in His love, we would allow God to love us and to take care of our paralysed, materialistic or even dead souls, till the point of our transformation, so that we live life according to God's Will and not according to other patterns; we would know that the Holy Mass is not a human action but God's. At the end of the day, the desire for the Eucharist would awaken within us a painful yearning for His coming.

By believing in Christ's love and becoming open to Him, we become open to the Divine Love. We also allow Jesus to love not only ourselves, but also others through us. We can give Christ to others to the extent that we accept Him, and to the extent that we allow Him to encompass us.

* 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 27th June 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.30am *11.00 am 5.00pm	Edward Ademu Ikhenoba RIP rec. dec Giuseppe De Palma RIP rec. dec Parishioner's Intention
Mon 28th June St Irenaeus	7.30pm Extraordinary Form	Powell family
Tues 29th June Ss Peter & Paul Solemnity	10.00am 1.00pm - 4.00pm	Thanksgiving Rosemarie The church is open for private prayers
Wed 30th June First Martyrs of the Church of Rome	Daily Mass without congregation 1.00pm - 4.00pm 4.00pm	Eva Nora's Intention The church is open for private prayers Rosary in church
Thur 1st July St Oliver Plunkett	No Mass 1.00pm - 4.00pm	The church is open for private prayers
Fri 2nd July	11.00am - 7.00pm 7.00pm	Adoration Intention available
Sat 3rd July St Thomas	10.00am-12.00 noon 1st Sat Devotion to our Lady	Fr Krzysztof Wojcieszak Intention
Sun 4th July 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time	8.30am *11.00 am 5.00pm	Terence Gorman RIP Parishioner's Intention Josephine's Intention

Prayer for the week:

"Mary, Mother of Jesus, teach me to love Jesus as you love him. Give me your heart, so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate, your heart so full of love and humility, that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love him as you love him and serve him in the distressing disguise of the poor" (St. Teresa of Calcutta).

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

27th June: Maria Shipway (2010); **28th June:** Robert Walton (1989).
29th June: Dennis Sullivan (1982); **30th June:** Richard Iwaniak (2014);
2nd July: Faith Crompton (2001); Josephine Crean (2009);
3rd July: Brigid Carey (1981); Teresa Little (2005);
4th July: Joseph Vablañs (1981); Luigi Fiorentini (1999);

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 the wipes in the bin provided in the Advent room.
- Thank you for keeping our church safe.

Parish News:

Tuesday 29th June: Ss Peter & Paul (Solemnity) Mass at 10.00am .

Saturday 3rd July: 1st Saturday of every month - 10am-12.00.(Dedication to our Lady) Adoration, Rosary followed by Holy Mass.

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.

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 for parish use only and confidential. Thank you.

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 Sep 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 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.

Mass Intentions: There are Mass intentions available over the coming weeks. Please book them for your deceased relatives or for any intentions that you may have. Please contact the Parish office for more information. Thank you.

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.

Church Cleaning Rota: We are looking for volunteers to clean the church. The plan is to have a set of groups so that each group cleans once a month or once in two months depending on the number of volunteers. Please contact the Parish office or stewards after Mass, if interested.

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.