

Resources

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

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 sauce, Long life milk. Items for the food bank can be left in the Advent room.

Offertory Collection 4th September 2022

Envelopes £ 48.00
Loose Cash £363.52
Contactless payment £162.00
Standing Orders £720.09
Thank you all for your kind donations.

2nd collection on Sunday 11th September for Catholic Education Service

Next 2nd collection is on Sunday 18th September for Home Mission Sunday.

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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This week Parish Office is closed,

Office will open on Tuesday 20th September (Tue, Wed & Fri 11.00am-4.00pm)

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 11th September 2022
Psalm Response: I will leave this place and go to my father.

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 18th September 2022
Psalm Response: Praise the Lord, who raises the poor.

Rejoice with me," He would say, "I have found my sheep that was lost."

One day, Our Lord stepped ashore and saw a large crowd. He took pity on them, because "they were like sheep without a shepherd, and He set Himself to teach them" (Mk 6:30-34). It happened immediately after He had clearly expressed His will: "Come away to some lonely place, all by yourselves, and rest for a while". Why then did He change His mind? Today's gospel gives us a fascinating insight into the way of Jesus' thinking and into His feelings. His heart becomes more transparent to us when we listen to what He is about to say. 'Rejoice with me' He says. We find ourselves as the Lord's most treasured possessions. We are His precious and beloved! We are His! We belong to Him and He would never sell us to anyone. We can be useless in the eyes of everyone around us and we can be useless in our very own eyes. Regardless of our views, feelings and opinions Christ puts Himself into the position of being seen as a crazy person. He wastes His time only with the aim of finding us, the tiniest creatures on the planet, similar to a needle, and bringing us back He shouts with you: 'rejoice with me'. From a business point of view it does not make sense. The relationship between the time & energy spent and the benefits reaped says something other than joy. However, Christ is focused on individuals. The crowd does not exist for Him. Apart from that, Jesus believes in us. He believes in our trust in Him. When we are helpless, weakened, not able to live without a Shepherd, already lost – He believes in our transformation. When it happens, He is full of joy. Every single case brings Him joy when a life comes back again. As we see, Jesus believes in His lost sheep, who at this very moment are obsessed with their ideas about the meaning of life.

Father Stan

Visitors to the Parish are reminded that photography/video recording is not permitted at any time during mass services unless authorised by the Parish. Photography of children and young people is prohibited.

Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

11th Sept: Janice Robins (1995); Bernard Coakeley (2004); Desolina Auch (2019)
12th Sept: Anthony Davis (1997); 13th Sept: Doris Frost (1990); Marjorie Sheldon (1997);
14th Sept: Eric Karas (2001); 15th Sept: Mary Salmon (1975); Ethel Gibson (1988);
18th Sept: Richard O'Connell (2002); and Graham Smallbone (2003);
19th Sept: Sylvia Grealis (2018); 20th Sept: Bridget Malone (1990); 22nd Sept: Michael Sorenson (1990); Surinder Dhir (2001); Theresa Semple (2006); John McCarron (1998);
23rd Sept: Maria Elena Carvallo (2021); 24th Sept: Maria Agostino (2009);
25th Sept: Bernadette Barnes (1985); John Thompson (1990); and Fr. Eamon Walsh (2013);

We keep in our prayers, Caroline Hurst who is back home from hospital & recuperating.

We continue to pray for David Roper & Theresa Pashley. We pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them.

If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact Rachel at the Parish Office

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The Diocese website:

LinkedIn: Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
<https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/>

Catholic Chaplaincy in Royal Berkshire Hospital Contact duty priest: 0118 3227105.

From 1st September 2022, there will be changes to the Hospital Chaplaincy. The new parish priest of Christ the King in Whitley, Reading, Fr. Daniel Agber will coordinate the Hospital Chaplaincy. The hospital chaplaincy from 1st August until 1st September, will be covered by the priests from the FSSP (07445106330) Fr. Seth and Fr. Matthew. 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

Emergency numbers for a Priest –

Please call your own priest first

Christ the King, Whitley	Fr. Daniel Agber	0118 931 4469
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Fr. Leo Odomeja	0118 969 3423
St. James	Fr Chris Heaps	0118 957 4171
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Fr. Gaston Forbah	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

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 11th September 2022 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am 8.30am 11.00 am 2.30pm 5.00pm	Rosary For Parishioners Liz Coleman's intention Divine Mercy Holy Hour Holy Souls in Purgatory
Mon 12th Sept The Most Holy Name of Mary	6.00pm 6.30pm <i>in Latin</i>	Adoration, Confession & Rosary in Latin Michael Harding Intention
Tues 13th Sept St John Chrysostom	8.00am	C E Fernandes thanksgiving
Wed 14th Sept: The Exaltation of the Holy Cross	8.00am 4.15pm	Henry & Ethel Wiggins RIP Foundation Mass Rosary
Thur 15th Sept Our Lady of Sorrows	No Mass	
Friday 16th Sept Ss Cornelius, Pope & Cyprian	11.00am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Adoration from 11.00am to 6.00pm Rosary Tessie Carneiro RIP
Sat 17th Sept	No Mass	
Sun 18th September 2022 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am 8.30am 11.00 am 5.00pm	Rosary The Gorman family thanksgiving For Parishioners Anne Harding's intention
Mon 19th Sept St Januarius	6.00pm 6.30pm <i>in Latin</i>	Adoration, Confession & Rosary in Latin Patrick Nee intention
Tues 20th Sept St Andrew Kim Taegon, St Paul Chong Hasang & Companions	8.00am	P. Powell intention
Wed 21st Sept St Matthew	8.00am 4.15pm	Holy Souls in Purgatory Rosary
Thur 22nd Sept	No Mass	
Friday 23rd Sept St Pio of Pietrelcina	11.00am 4.00 6.00pm 6.30pm	Adoration from 11.00am to 4.00pm Wedding Rehearsal Rosary Maria Carvallo RIP 1st anniversary
Sat 24th Sept Our Lady of Walsingham	11.00am	Wedding of Natasha & Javier 🎒🎒
Sun 25th September 2022 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am 8.30am 11.00 am 5.00pm	Rosary Fr Eamon Walsh RIP Antonia Napolitano RIP For Parishioners

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Sunday & Weekday Masses. On Fridays and Holy Days of Obligation 5.30pm-6.30pm or by private appointment with Fr Stan.

Parish News

Sunday 11th September: Divine Mercy Holy Hour at 2.30pm.

Parish office will be closed from Thursday 8th September to Monday 19th September. The newsletter for Sunday 11th September will be emailed on Thursday 8th September and will cover the two Sundays while the parish office is closed (11th & 18th September) - so, please keep your copy!

“The Catholic Mass” (Steps to restore the centrality of God in the Liturgy ”. Thank you to everyone who expressed an interest in joining a group to study this book. The first meeting will be on Tuesday, September 13th at 7.30pm in the Dominic Barberi Room.

Annual Mass Count for Pastoral Statistics will be done on all Sunday Masses on 18th & 25th Sept, 1st & 9th October.

Catechesis by Neocatechumenal Community in September: You are warmly invited to a series of catechesis given by the members of the Neocatechumenal Communities in the Advent room on Mondays and Thursdays at 20:15 beginning Monday the 19th of September to 31st October 2022.

🎒🎒 **Wedding Bells on Saturday 24th September:** Natasha Auch & Javier Hernandez are to be married at our church at 11.00am. We wish them all the best for the day and a long and happy future together.

First Holy Communion 2023. Parents, if your child will be in School year 3 and will be at least 8 years old between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023, then they are eligible to join our next First Holy Communion preparation programme in September 2022. 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 later.

Parish meeting on Wednesday 12th October at 7.00pm in Church Hall to discuss Bishop Philip's Ten Year Mission Strategy called "You will be My Witnesses". You may have already read about Bishop Philip's 10 year strategy plan in e-news. The draft can be accessed on the Portsmouth diocese website: [Ten Year Plan - Portsmouth Diocese, Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth](https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/ten-year-plan-portsmouth-diocese-catholic-diocese-of-portsmouth). There will be a consultation period that runs across the parishes from 13th July 2022 to 15th December 2022.

Pastoral News:

Encountering the Relics of St. Bernadette . The relics will be in UK till 1st November 2022. The reservation system is now open and can be accessed at: stbernadette.org.uk/the-tour/

29th September at 12 noon: Bishop Philip's 10th year anniversary mass in the Cathedral followed by reception. To book please email: kmcguire@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Vacancy for Parish Administrator at Christ the King Church: 15 hours per week on a permanent contract. Closing date for applications: 30th September 2022, Interview date: W/C 10th October 2022. Application forms and Job Description are available via email : ctk@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or Tel: 0118 931 4469

DEC Pakistan Floods Appeal: Please pray for those affected and donate now at caford.org.uk/give

Vacancy at Portsmouth Diocese : Planned Giving Officer: Full time role.

Closing date for applications: 12 noon on Wednesday 28th September 2022. See poster on noticeboard for more details. For full details and how to apply please contact: recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk