

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.

Care4Calais – Winter Coat Appeal Deadline

30 Oct are supporting over 800 refugees locally many of whom have No Recourse to Public Funds. Those they support come from many war torn countries, including Ukraine, Afghanistan, Syria and Eritrea. There is need of Men's sizes S and M: Puffa or Parka style coats and jackets; also Ladies' size 8-14: Puffa or Parka style coats with hoods, Ladies' long cardigans, and umbrellas. Drop-off/collection, please email Reading@care4calais.org for details. We can also buy warm coats at wholesale prices so if you'd like to stick a few pounds in our fundraiser here's the link <https://www.peoplesfundraising.com/fundraising/thames-valley-refugee-support-care4calais>

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.

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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. 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". Fr. Daniel Agber will now coordinate the Hospital Chaplaincy. On call Hospital Chaplains are the priests from the FSSP (07445106330) Fr. Seth Phipps and Fr. Matthew Goddard

Reading Catholic Churches

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

Offertory Collection 2nd October 2022

Envelopes	£ 18.00
Loose Cash	£345.63
Contactless payment	£ 62.00
Standing Orders	£600.31

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Special collection CAFOD - for World Food Crisis Appeal. CAFOD invites us to eat a simple meal for lunch or dinner and donate the money saved. Millions of families are facing a food crisis that could be the worst in living memory. As each day goes by, the situation worsens. As people of faith, we must act. Your donations can help CAFOD's local experts to provide emergency food supplies to families in the worst affected countries in East Africa and support communities around the world working hard to put food on the table. Please give today or start a monthly gift to CAFOD. Please collect a Fast Day envelope from church, this week and give generously or you can donate online at www.cafod.org.uk/fastday .

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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Hall Bookings	



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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Year C	9th October 2022
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Psalm Response: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations

How great Thou art! - Thank You Jesus!

What happens when we attribute to ourselves what is God's gift?

Then, there is no gratitude and there is no worship of God. When there is no gratitude and worship of God we are at the beginning of further problems as we do not see how great Thou art. It is not only that gratitude belongs to good manners and etiquette but reaches the depths of our soul. It reaches the heart of our being: gratitude and worship make us grow in Our Father's Grace through Jesus Christ our Lord in the community of Holy Spirit. Our souls, truly breathe the fresh air of God's Presence.

Although, God has no need of our praise and our prayer of thanksgiving adds nothing to His greatness, if we are not grateful our path to holiness is very much affected. We change our focus to everything else and we are exposed to all sorts of paganism and self-indulgence. On that basis, our souls produce rotten fruits such as greed, jealousy, bitterness and even immoral acts.

There is a connection between gratitude and worship in a way that gratitude opens our hearts for generosity and draws in more God's Graces. Moreover, gratitude enables us to worship the True God. Praise and worship in its core opens us to take part in the Sacrifice of the Son to the Father to the point of Holy Communion. It is then, transforming the moment into a sacrificial gift – in full unity with Christ the Lord, through whom, in whom and with whom we have access to all heavenly graces.

God is generous! Under the Cross He also gave us His Mother so that She takes care of us, and She does, indeed!. How great Thou art!

Fr Stan

Sunday 9th October is Fr Stan's birthday. We wish Fr Stan a very happy birthday. May God continue to shine upon you and shower you with blessings on your special day, today and for evermore !!!!!.

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 9th October 2022 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am 8.30am 10.30am 11.00 am 2.30pm 5.00pm	Rosary Con & Emily Harvey RIP Foundation Mass Rosary Fr Stan's intention Divine Mercy holy hour For Parishioners
Mon 10th Oct	6.00pm 6.30pm <i>in Latin</i>	Adoration, Confession & Rosary in Latin Harriet Alexander thanksgiving
Tues 11th Oct St John XXIII	8.00am	Eva Nora's intention
Wed 12th Oct	8.00am 4.15pm	For the sick & housebound of the Parish Rosary
Thur 13th Oct St Edward the Confessor	No Mass	
Friday 14th Oct St Callistus I	11.00am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Adoration from 11.00am to 6.00pm Rosary Joy RIP
Sat 15th Oct St Teresa of Avila	No Mass	
Sun 16th October 2022 98th Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am 8.30am 10.30am 11.00 am 5.00pm	Rosary Dari & Dawide conversion & purity of heart Rosary For Parishioners Intention available

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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.

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

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

Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

10th Oct: Philomena Butler (1988); Emily George (1996); Caroline Hobbs (2004);
11th Oct: Mary McGlynn (1998); Marie Maestranzi (2001); Sadie Luyten (2010); John Lynch (2010);
13th Oct: Maureen Miller (2012);
16th Oct: Doris Jamieson (2005); Tony Morgan (2016); Veronica Nelson (2016);

We keep in our prayers 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

Parish News

October: Month of Rosary: The month of October, each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. It was instituted to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful." (Rev. Matthew R. Mauriello, Source: Catholic.net) .

Sunday 9th October: Divine Mercy Holy Hour at 2.30pm.

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 19th September to Monday 31st October 2022.

Parish Office is closed on Wednesday 12th October due to the Parish Administrators training day.

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). There will be a consultation period that runs across the parishes from 13th July 2022 to 15th December 2022.

Saturday 15 October at 7.30 pm with Reading Community Gospel Choir: The NGCF are very pleased to announce the return of their annual concert starring the Reading Community Gospel Choir. The concert will take place on Saturday 15 October at 7.30 pm in our church hall in aid of Next Generation Christian Foundation, sponsoring education for disadvantaged children

in Nigeria. Tickets £10 (cash) on the door, under 18s free. To reserve tickets in advance email info@ngcf.co.uk.

Bereavement Service. "All Souls Day" on Wednesday 2nd Nov 6.30pm: Solemn Mass for the deceased family members and friends of parishioners. "A book of remembrance" is in the church - please write the names of those whom you wish to remember. The book will be received on the altar during the Mass".

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.

Pastoral News:

40 days for life campaign - Wed 28th September to Sun 6th November. 8am to 8pm for 40 consecutive days outside BPAS Abortion Centre. (121 London St Reading RG1 4QAUK). Please consider coming out at least for one hour a week and encourage friends and family to join you. To sign up please go to: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/readinguk>. For more information, please contact Martin on e mail 40daysforlifereading@gmail.com or on mobile 07436018688

Retrouvaille "A lifeline for married couples". Next programme commencing with a virtual weekend on 13-16 October or face to face on 24th -26th February 2023. For more information visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk.

Vacancy - Please visit the jobs page on the Diocesan website, which lists vacancies . For full details and how to apply please contact: recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Resources

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