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recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Resources

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: There is a vacancy for a Parish Administrator at the Christ the King Parish office, Reading. The post is 15 hours per week on a permanent contract, to be accountable for the smooth organisation of the parish and provide full confidential, administrative and secretarial support to the parish priest. Application forms and a Job description is available from the parish office or online. Closing date 7th November 2022. Contact via email: ck@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or Tel: 0118 931 4469.

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.

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

Offertory Collection 30th October 2022

Envelopes	£ 35.00
Loose Cash	£328.11
Contactless payment	£253.00
Standing Orders	£606.15

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Special Collection on Sunday 6th November is for Bamenda. Please remember our brothers and sisters in your prayers and be as generous as you can in your donation for the projects we support in our troubled twinned diocese in Cameroon. For an update please see copy of the Bamenda Newsletter or visit: www.bamendaandportsmouth.com.

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.

To keep up to date with the news of the Diocese and the Bishop please follow :

Facebook: @PortsmouthRC
Twitter: @PortsmouthRC

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
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Fr. Leo Odomeja
St. James	Fr Chris Heaps
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Fr. Gaston Forbah
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Fr Peter Glas
St. William of York	Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Seth Phipps
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Msgsr. Patrick Daly

Emergency numbers for a Priest –

Please call your own priest first

0118 931 4469
0118 969 3423
0118 957 4171
0118 957 2149
0118 942 8632
0118 966 5284
0118 947 1787

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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Parish Priest

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Hall Bookings

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

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

6th November 2022

Psalm Response: I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord

Tamed by Christ

Christians are those people who have been tamed by the Lord, who followed him, who know His voice and the taste of His Precious Body and Blood. Being tamed by the Lord, Christianity has changed the image of the world: challenged pagan customs and brought a new vision of culture based on freedom and respect, virtues and a relationship with the Almighty. However, for over two thousand years, we find also elements which have put off many people; we scandalised people by the attitude of Christians, including scandals by the hierarchy and other influential Christians who never respected the teaching of the Lord.

The outcome is that many people have lost trust in Christianity and hesitate to give once again any credit of trust to the faith. They changed direction. Many stopped believing in God. Their faith for them means nothing, or at least something of secondary and very private matters. Some of them pay more interest in well established religious systems. Some of them listen to new prophets, great and gifted speakers who appear to be more popular during times of instability.

It looks like we need to come back to the Lord. We need to come back to the first love when we were tamed by Him, to a freshness of the beauty of His teaching and presence and His mission towards us. We need to bring back the priority of grace in our life, we need to be consecrated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary and we need Christ's coming in glory as He has promised.

Let me finish with a quotation from one of the letters written by Cardinal Newman during the time before he converted to the Church: "If they [Catholic religious] want to convert England, let them go barefooted into our manufacturing towns - let them preach to the people like St. Francis Xavier - let them be pelted and trampled on - and I will admit that they can do what we cannot...What a day it will be when God will make arise among their Communion saintly men such as Bernard and the Borromeo's... The English will never be favourably inclined to a party of conspirators and instigators; only faith and sanctity are irresistible".

Fr Stan

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 6th November 2022 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am 8.30am 10.30am 11.00 am 3.00pm 5.00pm	Rosary Mary Jennings RIP Rosary Jane Mooney RIP Blessing of Graves at Mays Lane Cemetery For Parishioners
Mon 7th Nov	6.00pm 6.30pm in Latin	Rosary Peter & Brigid Mooney RIP
Tues 8th Nov	8.00am	Jim & Mary McDonnell RIP
Wed 9th Nov Dedication of the Lateran Basilica	8.00am 4.15pm	Eileen & Eric Watson RIP Foundation Mass Rosary
Thur 10th Nov St Leo the Great	No Mass	
Friday 11th Nov St Martin of Tours	11.00am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Adoration from 11.00am to 6.00pm Rosary Hannah & Colin Turner RIP
Sat 12th Nov St Josaphat	10.00am - 5.00pm	Retreat for Cathsoc Students
Sun 13th November 2022 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	8.00am 8.30am 10.30am 11.00 am 2.30pm 5.00pm	Rosary For Parishioners Rosary Brigid & Peter Mooney RIP Divine Mercy Holy Hour Holy Souls in Purgatory

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Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

6th Nov: William Sawyer (2002); Doug Gudmundson (2015);
7th Nov: Sheila Louri (2004); 9th Nov: Violet Knight (1981);
10th Nov: Theodora Ward (1987); (Jean) Mary Oakman (2005);
12th Nov: Catherine Ondore (2008);

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

Indulged Acts for the Poor Souls A partial indulgence can be obtained by devoutly visiting a cemetery and praying for the departed, even if the prayer is only mental. One can gain a plenary indulgence by visiting a cemetery from November 1 through November 8. These indulgences are applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory. More information can be found on Vatican website.

Parish News

Thank you: Last Sunday's children's All Saints Party was a huge success. All the children were so beautifully dressed as saints. Father Stan wanted to express his thanks to all the parents for encouraging their children and also, for teaching them about the saints that they were dressed as. Special thanks to the organisers of the party. Everyone had a great time.

Blessing of Graves:

Sunday 6th November at 3pm: Fr Stan will bless the graves at Mayes Lane.

Sunday 13th November at 3.00pm: Blessing of the graves at Henley Road Cemetery.

Sunday 13th November is Remembrance Sunday:

The 11.00am Mass will start with 2 min silence to remember all the people who have died in wars. Please come to church early so the 2 min silence can be observed without disruption.

Sunday 13th November 2nd Sunday of the Month – Divine Mercy prayers from 2.30 pm – 3.20 pm. The prayer will be led by laity as Fr Stan will be blessing the graves at the Henley Road Cemetery.

Parish Christmas / Pre-Advent Party: Saturday 26th November at 5.00pm in the Parish Hall - a great opportunity to socialise with each other and get to know the parish family better. Tickets are available after Mass - £5 each (free entry for children of school age). Please bring a plate to share. Soft drinks & nibbles will be provided. Other drinks available from the Club bar. See you there!

Tea & Coffee after 8.30am Mass on Sunday: Please join us in the Dominic Barberi room after 8.30am Mass. Everyone welcome. Also, there will be continental pastries every 3rd Sunday and fresh toast on the 1st Sunday of the month.

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.

Bishop Philip's 10 year plan "You will be my Witness". You can access the document via the Portsmouth diocese website. [You-Will-Be-My-Witnesses SHORT Website.pdf](#) (portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

Thanks to all who came for the Parish meeting on 12th October 2022. Please hand in your feedback form to either Fr Stan or the Parish Office by 30th November. We need to hand our final feedback to the diocese by mid December 2022. The feedback form had the following questions -

Questions for Reflection

1. Reflecting on the information we have shared; are there any priorities you feel we have missed from our Ten-Year Mission Plan?
2. What else beyond what is set out in the plan, do we need to do to realise this plan as a Diocese, as parishes, as individuals?
3. Is there anything further we should take into account when considering the shape of parish groupings?

Events in Advent

"Retreat for Youth "Advent Crusaders : From 26th November for 4 weeks every Saturday at 10.00am for 1 hour for youths aged 11-25 are invited to join us at Our Lady of Peace, Earley RG6 7DA in Dominic Barberi Hall. Short course/retreat reconnecting the Youth to Christ celebrating the feast of the Nativity - God becoming Man

The Angelus will be said before all Advent Masses

Wednesday morning at 6.30am: We will again celebrate the Rorate Mass every Wednesday morning in Advent from 30th November at 6.30am. Rorate is a candlelit Mass in the dark so please bring lantern.

Thursday 8th December is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady. Holy Mass at 6.30pm.

Pastoral News:

Vacancy - Please visit the jobs page on the Diocesan website, which lists vacancies . For full