

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday 7th May

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Vigil Mass

5.30pm *St Teresa's School Association*

Sunday 8th May

Fourth Sunday of Easter

9am *People of the Parish*

11am *Richard Diffenthal RIP*

Tuesday 10th May - of the 4th Week of Easter

7pm NO MASS

Wednesday 11th May - of the 4th Week of Easter

7pm *Hugh McGovern RIP*

Thursday 12th May - of the 4th Week of Easter

10am *Cath Burring RIP*

Friday 13th May - Our Lady of Fatima, Memorial

7pm *Keith D'Costa RIP*

Saturday 14th May

5pm - 5.20pm *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Vigil Mass

5.30pm *Bridget Geraghty RIP*

Sunday 15th May

Fifth Sunday of Easter

9am *Gladstone, Regina and Esra Gonsalves - In Thanksgiving*

11am *Shirley Dale RIP*

(F) *Foundation Mass*

(P) *Perpetual Mass*

Mass Intentions - If you would like a Mass to be offered for a particular intention then please contact the parish office.

Important Contacts

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<https://www.facebook.com/Corpus-Christi-Wokingham-100445488273222/>

8th May 2022: Fourth Sunday of Easter - Year C

Important

The new **livestream** equipment is up and running and will livestream all Masses this weekend. However please note that going forward only one weekend Mass per week will be streamed.



How often do we hear the phrase, "We believe what we want to believe." It's equally true that we refuse to believe what we don't want to believe. In today's reading the Jews are pushing Jesus to state his case. "If you are the Messiah tell us plainly." Jesus replies, "You do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep." In other words, the

questioners are not his followers, they are hostile towards him and therefore they are not open to believing in him even though they have seen the evidence. In some ways Christianity is a chicken and egg kind of scenario. We need to be followers of Jesus, to believe in him, but we need to believe to be followers. Which comes first is up to us, but we have to be open to hearing and recognising Jesus in our twenty first century world.

Hearing, recognising, believing and responding is what 'Good Shepherd Sunday' is all about. Some situations have got 'God' written all over them and some haven't. How do we tell the difference? What are we called to do? How are we called to believe? Some things are obvious, some things aren't. But at the heart of everything, even issues that didn't exist in Jesus' day such as euthanasia, and stem cell research, Jesus' teachings are like 'cat's-eyes' on life's dark country roads. We have to recognise Jesus' voice in everything by asking, how much of today's decisions are based in love, and how much of our decisions are based in our own human agendas.



Please remember all who are sick, especially, Joyce Unwin, Hugh Dwan, Mary Ann Froude, Daniel Sutton, Joseph Nemeth, Sarah White, John Butterworth, Pat Hall, Joy Phillips and Sr Veronica.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pat Smyth who has died recently and for the Smyth family. May he rest in peace.



Second Collection - Clergy Training Fund

Our Second Collection this weekend is for the Clergy Training Fund, in support of our ten seminarians currently in formation for the priesthood, for the duration of their six or seven year journey to ordination. These are the men who will baptise and catechise the coming generations, and care for us all on our pilgrim way: our generosity today is a legacy to the Church of tomorrow.

To sustain a seminarian costs around £30,000 each year. If you would like to give to the collection, please donate online at: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/support-our-seminarians> Many thanks and God bless

Our Lady of Fatima - 13th May - Pray the Rosary for Peace

May 13th is the anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady to three shepherd children in the small village of Fatima in Portugal in 1917.

To Do:- On this day pray the Rosary for peace in Ukraine.

A call for **Flower Arrangers**. Thank you to our past and present Flower Arrangers for their wonderful altar arrangements. If there are any parishioners that would like to join the flower arrangers team please call the Parish Office.



Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass 2022

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th anniversary, or anniversary over 60 years? If so Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of celebration. This will take place at St Bede's church in Basingstoke on **Saturday 2nd July 2022 at 11am**. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. If you would like to come, please email Liz Murphy at anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the Parish Office at St Bede's and they will provide you with the form.

To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a **COPY** of your Wedding photograph, you can upload it when you complete the form online. Alternatively, scan and send via email to the above email address. If you have no access to the internet you can post a **COPY** along with the completed form by post to the following address: St Bede's Parish Office, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX (**Please mark the envelope Significant Wedding Mass**)



Corpus Christi Toddler Group

EXCITING NEWS! We are delighted to announce that our Baby & Toddler group is returning with a new leadership team! Our first session will be Wednesday, 11th May, 9.30am - 11am, £1 per child - this will be held every week during the school term. We can't wait to play, sing and have fun with you all!

CAFOD - The Paradox of Abundance

Over 800 million people go hungry each day. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone. From all this food produced, a third is wasted. St John Paul II called this 'the paradox of abundance.' Clearly the currently global food system is not working. But as Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet." Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called Fix the Food System. See www.cafod.org.uk/food for more information, including an invitation for parish groups to learn about the impact of our food with our *Fix the Food System: a 7-station journey* resource.



Wokingham Foodbank

Wokingham Foodbank is in need of the following items: tinned fruit, tinned tomatoes, rice, hot dogs, tinned carrots, rice pudding, custard, tinned or instant potato, tinned cold meat, fruit juice or squash, toiletries and small washing powder. Please place donations in the labelled box in the porch or at the collection points in many of the supermarkets. Many

Job Vacancy - Called and Gifted Administrator

The Diocese of Portsmouth are looking for a part time Called and Gifted Administrator to work remotely from home 5 hours per week. Please see the attached job advertisement and note the closing date for applications on Monday 16th April 2022.



St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP)

The St Vincent de Paul Society is still active in the Parish helping those in need in a variety of ways. If you or someone you know needs our help please call David on 07786 492948 or email davidrthomas@sky.com All contacts will be treated in confidence.

St Francis, Ascot, Fatima Devotions Knights of St Columba, Home Rosary Praying Group: Monday 9th to Friday 13th May at 1.30pm. 30 minutes of praying the rosary as requested by Our Lady.
Zoom ID: 753 6029 1384 Password for each day: rosary

