

# THE MESSENGER

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## Sacred Heart

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### Confessions

Saturday evenings 5:15 - 5.45 pm.

### PASTORAL AREA CLERGY

**St Bede, Basingstoke** 01256 465214  
Fr. Chris Rutledge  
Sun 9 am, 11 am, 6.30 pm

**St. Joseph, Basingstoke** 01256 323595  
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Deacon Pat O'Connell  
Sat 6 pm / Sun 9 am, 11 am

**Sacred Heart, Hook** 01256 577007  
Fr. Paul Leonard  
Sat 6 pm / Sun 10 am

**St Michael, Tadley** 0118 9814572  
Fr. Patrick Tansey, Deacon Anthony Cairns  
Sat 6 pm / Sun 9.30 am

**St. John the Baptist, Andover** 01264 352829  
Fr. Austin Gurr  
Sat 6 pm / Sun 10.30 am

### Thought for the week

Our readings today are wonderfully consoling and wildly challenging. If we take them to heart, they just might change our lives. For they should call us to profound gratitude for all that God has done for us and inspire us to live lives of thanksgiving and obedience to Him in response to His overwhelming love and mercy.

In the Gospel Reading, from Mark, Jesus tells us in His own words how we can thank Him and how our lives can reflect greatness in His eyes — we can imitate Him. He tells us, “Whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Our God has ransomed our lives. In truth, this “ransom” means our lives are not our own but belong to God. We must do what He asks us to do with them. And He has told us clearly what to do — serve others in love as we have been served in love by Him.

This is why service for the Christian Steward is not an add-on to our already busy lives. It *is* our life.

Over the course of the next week, take these readings to heart. Reflect on the remarkable love God has shown for you. Then look carefully at your daily life. Is it an imitation of the servant-love of your Brother and Saviour? What changes do you need to make, perhaps just in attitude, or perhaps to the trajectory of your life as a whole, to live in grateful service to the One who loves you so?

Taken from the Catholic Steward.com

### ***Weekday Masses are celebrated in Maryfield Convent Chapel***

#### ***Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 21 October***

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*The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many.*

<b>Sat 20</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>
<b>Sun 21</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>Daphne Dormer RIP Robert Howell RIP</b>
Mon 22	10:00 am	<i>St John Paul II Mass -</i>
Tues 23	10:00 am	<i>St John of Capestrano Mass -</i>
Wed 24	10:00 am	<i>St Anthony Claret Mass -</i>
Thur 25	10:00 am	<i>Feria Mass -</i>
Fri 26	10:00 am	<i>Ss Chad &amp; Cedd Mass -</i>
Sat 27	10.00 am	<i>Our Lady on Saturday Mass -</i>

#### ***Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 28 October***

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*Master, let me see again.*

<b>Sat 27</b>	<b>6:00 pm</b>	
<b>Sun 28</b>	<b>10:00 am</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>

## **SAFEGUARDING TRAINING**

Child Protection Training (with Maureen Wiltshire)

Sat 27 October 2018 – 10.00 am – 12.30 pm

St Bede's, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX

Vulnerable Adults Training (with Maureen Wiltshire)

Sat 27 October 2018 – 1.30 pm – 4.00 pm

St Bede's, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX

**If you are working with Children or Visiting the Sick within this Parish, this training is compulsory, please contact Jan in the Parish Office (577007) to book a place or for more dates.**

## **PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH**

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us at Mass in Your safekeeping as we remember:

Mary O'Driscoll, Edna Welton, Helena Allen, Jean Williams, Yvonne Beaumont, Debbie Cavedon, Patrick & June Walsh, Margaret Sauce, Pat Olohan, Mary Bone & Charles Paice

## **SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION**

We will be celebrating Confirmation as a Pastoral Area in 2019, and are awaiting the date from the Bishop's Office.

**Applications forms are available in the porch** this weekend, closing date for applications will be 31st October.

The Confirmation Mass will be celebrated at the Cathedral by the Bishop on Saturday 8th June 2018 at 11 am

## **THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS**

During the month of November, a box for the request of prayers for the souls of loved ones will be placed in front of the altar. If you would like prayers for a deceased loved one, please write their name on one of the slips of paper and place it in the box.

## **IF YOU ARE GOING INTO HOSPITAL**

If you wish to receive Holy Communion whilst in Hospital, please contact Jan Hughes in the Parish Office. The Hospital Volunteer Chaplains visit the hospital on a Wednesday to give Holy Communion to those who request it.

## **BRITISH SUMMERTIME**

Remember: the clocks go BACK one hour at 2.00am on Sunday 28th October .

## **BASINGSTOKE CHORAL SOCIETY**

Next Concert is on Sunday 18th November at The Anvil, which features the ever popular work of Karl Jenkins. Karl takes his text from the writings of iconic figures such as Gandhi, Nelson Mandela, Anne Frank and the Dalai Lama. For further information and ticket availability please ring the Anvil on Tel. No. 01256 844244.

## **THE SACRISTY**

Is a place of prayer and contemplation and should be an oasis of calm, before and after Mass. The Priest and Servers need time and space in order to prepare themselves for The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please respect this and refrain from visiting the Sacristy in the last 15 mins before Mass.

## **REMEMBRANCE SERVICE**

Sunday 11th November 2018 is the Centenary of the end of World War 1. The Churches together in Hook have arranged a Remembrance Service at the Hook War Memorial , with a parade through Hook. The parade will leave the main carpark in Hook at 10:15 am finishing at the War Memorial at 10:45 am with the Remembrance Service starting at 10:50 am. The Scouts and Guides will lead the parade and we are expecting around 350 people to take part. **On Sunday 11th November the Mass here at Sacred Heart will be moved to 9:00 am.**

## **RCIA—JOURNEY IN FAITH**

The next meeting is on **Thursday 25th October** at 7:30pm in the Hall. The title of this session is "**Baptism & Confirmation**". All are welcome. For more information please contact the Parish Office.

## **WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

World Mission Sunday is the one Sunday in the year when the entire global Church comes together in support of mission. And all the donations from these worldwide Masses go entirely to support Churches, Hospitals, Schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor.

World Mission Sunday, usually on the penultimate Sunday in October, is our chance to show love and solidarity to our family in faith overseas. Through our prayers, we support missionaries everywhere in spreading the Good News. And by donating we respond to Christ's call to feed the hungry and clothe the naked.

## **THE BLESSED CHARLES DE FOUCAULD FRATERNITY.**

We recently started a Fraternity of blessed Charles de Foucauld in our parish. We get together once a month for couple of hours at convenient day and time for all. We start with the exposition of the blessed sacrament in the church. We also read the Sunday's gospel reading and contemplate on the reading and share our views. We also discuss the life and writings of blessed Charles de Foucauld. The next meeting is in **Tuesday 13th November at 2.15pm**, in the Convent.

## **DID YOU KNOW? FAST FACTS**

Did you know that in our Diocese of Portsmouth there are 91 parishes (142 chapels) and 76 Catholic schools? We have just over 100 priests and 45 deacons working in our parishes. We also have 38 religious communities. The total population of the area covered by the Diocese of Portsmouth is 3,129,000 of whom 235,000 are baptised Catholic (8%). 34,000 Catholics are practising (14%). Currently, we have 12 students in formation for the priesthood and 14 students in formation for the diaconate. 296 adults were baptised or received into full communion last year. Of our 76 schools, 53 are maintained. These latter have 24,899 pupils in them (of whom 62% are Catholic) and 1547 teaching staff (of whom 39% are Catholic). The other schools are independent schools. These have 6783 pupils (of whom 36% are Catholic) and 847 teaching staff