

## Sacred Heart

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### Parish Priest:

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Coordinating Pastor and Dean

### Parish Administrator:

Mrs Jan Hughes  
Monday - Friday 9 am - 2 pm

### Safeguarding

Maggie Wood c/o Parish Office  
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### Confessions

Saturday 5:15pm—5:45pm  
Also by arrangement with Fr Paul

### Church Rotas

Weekend 14 & 15 March

#### Saturday

Readers: Eileen & Theresa

#### Sunday

Readers: Joseph & Claire

Weekend 21 & 22 March

#### Saturday

Readers: David and Joy

#### Sunday

Readers: Maggie and Ann Marie

### SIGNIFICANT WEDDINGS ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th 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 13th June 2020 at 11am. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. To register go to the Cathedral website <http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/anniversaries/> and complete the on-line form. Or send an email to [anniver-saries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:anniver-saries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) to request a form. Please note this address is not monitored daily and you may have to wait for a reply, so please be patient. If you do not have access to the internet, please contact the Parish Office, who will have the form you need to complete. 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 or send it via email to above email address. Again if you have no access to the internet you can post a COPY along with your completed form by post to the Parish Office.



### Thought for the Week

Today's readings on this third Sunday of Lent present us with the theme of "thirst" and show us that a stewardship way of life can both satisfy our spiritual thirst for Christ and help us to satisfy Christ's thirst for souls.

Our first reading, from the book of Exodus, begins with the words, "In their thirst for water, the people grumbled against Moses." What little faith and lack of trust they show after all God has done to free them from slavery. But Moses cried out to God for help, and sure enough God provided generously to satisfy thirst. He continues to provide generously for us these many centuries later.

Our Gospel passage from John recounts the life-changing encounter Christ has with the Samaritan woman at the well beginning with His words to her, "Give me a drink." Then, He adds, "If you knew the gift of God and who is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water."

Christ is speaking the very same words to us today. These two verses encapsulate the call to stewardship. Christ asks us to "give him a drink" by sharing what we have with Him and with others for His sake. Yet, it is Christ Himself who provides the water — the living water that is His grace.

God has chosen to include us in His plan for bringing all people to salvation through Him. We live out our part in His plan through a stewardship way of life. This Lent, let us resolve to respond to His call with passion and commitment. Let us do our part to quench His thirst.

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# SACRED HEART

The Parish of Hook  
In the Diocese of Portsmouth  
Reg. Charity no. 246871



3rd Sunday of Lent

15 March 2020

*Weekday Masses are celebrated in Maryfield Convent Chapel*

### THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT - 15 March

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*The water that I shall give will turn into a spring of eternal life*

Sat 14	6:00 pm	- Florence Xavier RIP
Sun 15	10:00 am	- People of the Parish
Mon 16	10:00 am	<i>of the 3rd Week of Lent</i> - Mass
Tues 17	10:00 am	<i>ST PATRICK</i> - Mass
Wed 18	10:00 am	<i>of the 3rd Week of Lent</i> - Mass
Thur 19	10:00 am	<i>ST JOSEPH</i> - Mass
Fri 20	10:00 am	<i>of the 3rd Week of Lent</i> - Mass
Sat 21	10:00 am	<i>of the 3rd Week of Lent</i> - Gerald Deasy RIP

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - 22 March

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*The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored*

Sat 21	6:00 pm	- Lorraine Gibson RIP
Sun 22	10:00 am	- People of the Parish

Please remember to take your newsletters and hymn sheets home with you - please don't replace them on top of the pile. Thank you!

### DIOCESAN PRAYER INTENTIONS (15—21 March)

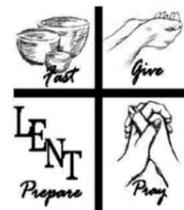
These are arranged so that in the course of a year we pray for each parish of our Diocese and the Catholic organisations working here. This week's intentions are:

**Sun:** Community of St Patrick, Samarès, Jersey **Mon:** Community of St Joseph, Gosport.

**Tues:** Parish of St Joseph, Bracknell **Wed:** Parish of St Joseph, Basingstoke

**Thurs:** The Holy Father: Parish of Immaculate Conception & St Joseph, Christchurch

**Fri:** Parish of St Joseph, Romsey **Sat:** Benedictines in the Diocese



### LENT 2020

Lent is a time to prepare for Holy Week's commemoration of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

**During Lent we do not sing or say** either the Gloria or the Alleluia, flowers do not decorate the Church and Baptisms are held over until Easter.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are a 14-step devotion that commemorates Jesus's last day on Earth as a man. Would you consider giving up an hour of your time once a week to attend Stations of the Cross on Sundays at 4:00 pm in the Church or Fridays at 7:30pm in the Convent.

### FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: 1 Samuel 16: 1, 6 - 7, 10 - 13  
Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22 : response v1  
Second Reading: Ephesians 5: 8 - 14  
Gospel: John 9 : 1 - 41

### BIBLE IN ONE YEAR

Start your day with the Bible in one year, a free Bible reading app. with commentary by Nicky and Pippa Gumbel. Nicky Gumbel is the pioneer of Alpha and the vicar of Holy Trinity Brompton in London. The app. can be downloaded from [www.bibleinoneyear.org](http://www.bibleinoneyear.org) or from the App. store.

### GIANT SUNFLOWERS

Calling all children can you help us grow some giant sunflowers this year. At the back of Church this weekend there will be packs with pots, compost and sunflower seeds. Please take a pack home and start growing your sunflower, then watch this space for details of when to bring them back to Church.

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY 10AM MASS

During term time here at Sacred Heart Church. All very welcome.

### CAFOD

Thank you for your amazing generosity we raised £456.65 plus the Gift Aid. **Thank you**

### 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:

Sister Connie, Joan Coleman, Joyce Beeson,  
Ian Dillow, Helena Allen, Yvonne Beaumont,  
Debbie Cavedon, June Walsh,  
Margaret Sauce, Natalie Mahon,  
Anne Hill, Jay De Alwis & Timothy Walsh.

### EASTER CARDS

Cecile will be selling an assortment of Easter and Mother's Day Cards from the back of Church after Mass on Saturday and Sunday this week.

### ABC - ABOUT BEING CATHOLIC

Father Paul is delighted to say that he has arranged some adult faith sessions, which will run during the Spring. The evenings are run by friends of the parish who are skilled in transmitting the treasure of our Catholic faith to different groups.

They will be interactive, use a variety of media and will take place in the church hall from 7.15 for 7.30 – 9.00 pm.

Please lock the following dates in your diaries and contact the office to register your interest.

Thursday March 19th.

Thursday April 2nd & 23rd

Session 2 - Birth to Burial

Session 3 - Getting Closer to God

Session 4 - The Mass

**On Sunday morning (15th) at 8:30 am Father Paul will be interviewed by the BBC Radio Berkshire on their 'Being Catholic Course' they are running this weekend. Prayers please.....**

### LITTLE POTS OF SEEDS

Parents and Grandparents we are asking for your help. At the moment M & S are giving away little pots of seeds with instructions and everything necessary to plant and grow. One pot with every £20 spent in the food hall.

Pls will you collect and sow with your children, Lent is a lovely time to be talking about growth and new life with them.

Please bring the new seedlings to Church on Easter Sunday ready for planting in the garden.

There will also be a box in the porch where you can place any unwanted pots for use by children in the Parish.

Many thanks Glenys Maggie and Jan

### Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Following direction from the Bishop Philip and the Bishop's Council we have had further guidance as to how to proceed regarding precautionary measures during the Coronavirus situation.

### ***In brief, until further notice we will be:***

Removing the Holy Water from the stoups at the door.

Suspending the physical sign of peace. (A nod and a smile goes a long way!)

Asking all parishioners to receive the host in the hand only.

Suspending Communion from the chalices.

Suspending all catering (teas and coffees etc) at all parish gatherings. (Including refreshments after Mass.)

The collection plate is not to be passed around at the Offertory.

We ask that you put your offering in the bag as you **leave** Mass - collectors will be in the porch.

We have been asked to suspend the use of 'shared' hymn books, so the hymns for Sunday Mass will be printed on page three of the newsletters until further notice.

*(Please take and KEEP your newsletter - do not replace it on the pile at the end of Mass!)*

### ***Also:***

The advice to all elderly, those with weakened immune systems and long term conditions to refrain from large parish gatherings and remain at home.

The public veneration of the crucifix on Good Friday will be either genuflecting or bowing before the crucifix and not kissing or touching it.

**We will be:** Disinfecting all door handles before and after services.

### ***Thank you for your cooperation in enabling us to follow the directives.***

We currently have hand sanitiser in the Church and if you have your own small bottle of sanitiser then please feel free to bring it with you.

*Lastly, if any cases of Coronavirus are confirmed in our local areas or if anyone from our parish is self-isolating or has been diagnosed with the virus, please inform Jan in the office by phone as we have to inform the Diocese so that the Bishop is able to keep an overview of the situation throughout the Diocese.*

### ST GABRIEL'S GROUP 'CONTINUING JOURNEY IN FAITH'

**with Deacon Pat O'Connell – Next: 02 April 2020**

Being held at St Bede's Church, Popley—on the first Thursday of each month at 8.00pm - 9.30pm.

The session will include scriptural references and church teachings.

*Theme: Understanding the Holy Mass*

### CARITAS HOMES WITHOUT BORDERS FOR REFUGEES

Thank you all very much. YOU have so generously pledged c. £28,000 to the refugee resettlement project, which is way in excess of what we had hoped for; enough to help support a further two displaced families in the future to resettle in our area. We are still looking for somewhere for the first family to live, so if you are a landlord and want to receive a guaranteed rental for 24 months, do please contact Pat at [pfm190654@outlook.com](mailto:pfm190654@outlook.com). Many thanks for your very generous support.

**Also special thanks to the parishioners who either spoke, helped to give out or collect the pledge forms.**

### ST JOHN HENRY NEWMAN – HIS LEGACY FOR OUR TIMES

**Saturday 21st March - 10am in the Parish Hall at St Peter's in Winchester**

There will be a talk on St. John Henry Newman by Monsignor Rod Strange who is a former Rector of the Bede College in Rome and now a visiting Professor of Theology at St Mary's University. He is one of the foremost authorities on Newman.

If you would like to attend could you please contact Graham Rhys-Jones at [gr.j@btinternet.com](mailto:gr.j@btinternet.com)