

Magnificat: Did you know? This is one of the best publications around for following scripture readings for daily Mass and every Sunday. There are also many interesting articles to help you in your spiritual life. If you would like a copy please get in touch with Shauna in the Parish Office to arrange. We can leave in the sacristy or post out to you. The Magnificat is only £4 per month. June and July are now available.

Day by Day: Available in the church at all times. Please leave the £1 in the candle box.

Mission at Edmund Campion 10th-25th June 2017: The Sion Community will be running a mission with music, prayer, talks and social events. See poster on the Notice Board in the Centre

Mill Hill Red Boxes. If you are leaving a red box into the church for collection please leave it in the Parish office or the Sacristy. Boxes left in the porch are at a risk of being lifted.

Christian Aid would like to thank the people of Maidenhead for the Church and Street collection that came to £783.98

Food Share desperately short of the following supplies. Jams, Honey, Peanut Butter, Rice Pudding, soups Canned veg (including potatoes) pasta, rice, toilet paper, 300ml or 500ml water (especially during this time of hot weather). Your help is greatly appreciated.

Cleaning of the Church: Cleaning of St. Joseph's Church is this Tuesday. Please join in if you can. We are desperately looking for new volunteers especially for the Friday group that cleans the church only once a month at 11am. New rota is available. Anyone willing to help please contact Eleanor on 0752 6526052

Are you thinking of getting married? Please note that the Church is now asking for twelve months' notice in order that necessary paperwork and other marriage preparation can be completed. In the first instance, please contact the Parish Office to make an appointment to see Father John.

Baptisms: Baptisms are celebrated on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 12.30pm. Parents are expected to take part in a two evenings preparation programme held on the 2nd and 3rd Thursdays of each month, 7.45pm to 9.30pm. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Postage Stamps: If you have any used stamps please leave them with Joan Boland or Shauna in the office.

House Masses: Fr John Lee is more than happy to celebrate a House Mass for any family or group of families who would like one. If you are interested please email Fr John or telephone the Parish Office.

The Parish Website: <http://www.stjosephsparish.co.uk/> is being updated regularly. If you would like to update any existing information please do so via the Parish Office.

Notices for next weekend: should be posted or emailed to the Parish Office by 12.00pm on Wednesday.

If you wish to speak to the Parish Priest in confidence on any matter, please contact Shauna at the Parish Office for an appointment. Fr John is always happy to visit you at home if so desired.

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PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR ST. JOSEPH'S, MAIDENHEAD & ST. ELIZABETH'S, COOKHAM

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Corpus Christi, Year A

Weekly Mass Times and Intentions

Sat	17 th Jun	10:00	Stephen Rigby, RIP
		18:30	Bridget Pillion, A
Sun	18 th Jun	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Chris Petridge, A
		10:45	David Hall, RIP
Mon	19 th Jun	10:00	Mothers Prayer Group
Tue	20 th Jun	10:00	Rev Andrew Fernandes, RIP
Wed	21 st Jun	10:00	Denis Pring, RIP
Thu	22 nd Jun	10:00	Requiem Mass, Cornelius Hayes, RIP
Fri	23 rd Jun	10:00	Michael Drysdale, A
Sat	24 th Jun	10:00	Hayley Whitehall, RIP
		18:30	Peter Millham, RIP
Sun	25 th Jun	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Emily L Coleman, FM
		10:45	Anthony Perire, T

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament takes place before the 10:00am Mass Tuesday to Saturday. Confession - Saturday immediately after 10:00 Mass and later between 17:30 and 18:15.



Sunday 18th June 2017



John 6:51-58

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. This day was once called *Corpus Christi*, which is Latin for "Body of Christ." In the revised Lectionary the name for this day is expanded to reflect more completely our Eucharistic theology.

Having seen Jesus multiply the loaves and fishes, the crowd pursues him, perhaps seeking more food but also looking for another sign. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd; they argue that Jesus is not from heaven but born of Mary and Joseph. The crowd also has trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

Please pray for all those who are sick or housebound within the Parish, including: Mary Toovey, Johnny Pereira, Tony and Rosa Ruffolo, Lena Watson, Maura Gray, Margaret Gallagher, Josie Dooley, Cecilia Leauge, Betty Buckley, Alexandra Donaldson, John Webb, Alex Holden, Maria Wiggins, Denis Sullivan, Veronica Heaver, Vincent Ray, Sakunthala Thillainayagam, Jane Parkinson, Joan Lennarz, Aine Harte, Pauline and Frank Allen, Derek and Bernadette Clarke.

If you know of anyone who is sick and/or housebound please let Shauna know in the office as soon as possible so that a visit can be arranged. Thank you.

If you are going into hospital or know someone that is, please inform the hospital chaplain on arrival. Please also let Fr John Lee know so that arrangements can be made for a visit. Please note that under the Data Protection Act, hospital staff cannot disclose patient information. We rely on Parishioners to keep us in the loop.

Please pray for the souls of; James Coleman, RIP, Joe Ball, RIP, Carmel Thompson, RIP
Cornelius Hayes, RIP Requiem Mass Thursday 22nd June 10am in St. Joseph's Church

Please pray for all of the Holy Souls who still need your prayers. Just one short prayer will earn you their Eternal gratitude. Imagine what you could do with two prayers. Have you tried this yet? Or are you too busy?

Mother's Prayer Group: Meet every Monday in the Church. You are invited to leave your petitions in the Blue Book on our Lady's altar and they will be prayed for on a Monday.

Thursday St Joseph's Prayer group continues and for any parishioners wishing but are unable to attend they may pray in unison from wherever they are between 7pm-8pm. You are invited to leave your petitions in the Red Book on our Lady's altar and they will be prayed for during the weekly meetings.

RCIA: The Journey of faith – is now on a break until the autumn. If you or if you know anyone that wishes to find out more about the Catholic faith, please call the Parish Office for more information.

Offertory Collection: Last week's collection was £1179.68

Upcoming 2nd collections: Day for Life on weekend 17th / 18th June and Peter's Pence on weekend 24th June

Safeguarding Update: A team of Safeguarding Representatives for the two churches in our parish has now been formed. Louise Wood is the Safeguarding leader and is also the safeguarding rep for The First Holy Communion Group. George Lam is the safeguarding rep for Children's Liturgy and John Lynn is the safeguarding rep for Eucharistic ministers. If you have any queries please contact Louise on home 01628522215 and 07783684281 or the Parish Office on 01628 783988

Safeguarding Courses: We have three courses being held at St Joseph's for those people involved directly with running or helping at parish classes and ministries.

Saturday 17 June 10am-12:30pm - Child Protection Awareness (for those who have done no courses)

Saturday 17 June 1:30-4pm - Vulnerable Adult Awareness (for those who have done no courses)

Saturday 24 June 10am-12:30pm - Combined Refresher Training (for those who need a refresh)

Please book your place with Soraya Ciccione at soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. If you are unsure whether you need to attend any of these, please speak to Louise Wood 07783684281. Details can be found on the Safeguarding notice boards in St Joseph's and St Elizabeth's.

Pilgrimage to Medjugurje to attend the Youth Festival, 31st July-7th August Departing from London Gatwick, Half board, full religious programme and local guide. Spiritual Director Fr John Lee. Group leader Nicki Murrill Price £589. 4 places remaining. Contact Marian Pilgrimages 0207 1932176.

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY 2020: In 1633, the residents of Oberammergau, Bavaria, Germany, vowed that if God spared them from the bubonic plague ravaging the region, they would produce a play thereafter for all time depicting the life and death of Jesus. The death rate among adults rose from one person per 1000 per year in October 1632 to twenty in the month of March 1633. The adult death rate slowly subsided to one in the month of July 1633. The villagers believed they had been spared and they kept their part of the vow when the play was first performed in 1634. The play is now performed repeatedly over the course of five months during every year ending in zero. 102 performances took place from 15 May until 3 October 2010 and is next scheduled for 2020.

Fr John would like to organise a trip to Oberammergau which is in Bavaria and other parts of Austria in June 2020. Why book so early? Thousands travel from all over to see the world's famous Passion Play. So it is necessary to book your place early. Are you interested? Please leave your name and contact details on the sheet in the Sacristy or speak to Fr. John.

Skittles Evening: Tuesday 4th July at 7.30pm at the Greyhound Pub, Eton Wick. £15 per person including a light snack. Limited numbers please contact Joan Boland on 01628 637863.

Power to Be: Every child has the power to achieve great things, but one in six people live without electricity. This holds children back from reaching their full potential. Join CAFOD's Campaign and speak up for local renewable energy to help families around the world lift themselves out of poverty. Go to Cafod.org.uk/powertobe for more information.

Mary's Meals: We have now exceeded £11,000, which is excellent. Final details will be published shortly. Cheque will be presented later this month. Congratulations to all who have supported this project.

Prayer of the Rosary: the Rosary will be prayed *after* each weekday Mass. The intention: For an end to terrorism, conflict and violence of every kind.

Parish Social 22nd July 2017: By popular demand **STEPHEN & MEGAN** are back to play their unique brand of music for us. Tickets will be £15.00 to include of a hot meal. Ticket will be on sale from Friday 9th June from both of the Parish Office. **Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have had to change the date. We do apologise for any inconvenience this may cause. For anyone that has bought tickets and cannot attend the 22nd July, please contact Shauna for a refund.**

The Sisters of Maria Stella Matutina, from Grayshott, would like to invite you to support their craft sale, on Sunday the 2nd July. You will find calligraphy cards and postcards, frames for children, rosaries, incense, biscuits and cakes, jams and pottery. Our monastic crafts help to supply for our basic needs. Thank you for your support and generosity. And we come also to meet you and receive all your prayer intentions.

National Day of Prayer and Fasting for life, Wednesday 21st June 2017. On the vigil of St. John Fisher and Thomas More, please Pray and Fast for the end of abortion in this country. Thousands of babies are saved from abortion each year by Catholic, Pro-Life work, backed up with your Prayer and Fasting. www.goodcounselnetwork.com

Lyford Grange Mass - July 2nd. Annually a Pilgrimage Mass is celebrated at Lyford Grange, near Oxford, where St Edmund Campion was captured before being shackled and taken through the Thames Valley to Tyburn where he was put to death after a show trial. Details of the transport, lunch arrangements and the 4.00pm Mass are shown in the signup sheet in the porch. Any queries, contact John Lynn on 01628-636668. Further Pilgrimage details are available on <http://www.province30.co.uk/Lyford%20Grange%20Mass%202017.htm>

Please Take Me Home. I have lots of useful information that you can read during the week. Many Thanks Your Weekly Newsletter.