

**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. September and October are now available.

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

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

**Cleaning of the Church.** : Cleaning of St. Joseph's Church 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.

**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.

**Safeguarding Update:** If you have any queries on safeguarding then please speak to one of the team, Louise Wood, George Lam and John Lynn. Contact Louise on 07783 684281 or get in touch with 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**  
Number 141 - 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> September 2017  
23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, Psalter Week 3

**Weekly Mass Times and Intentions**

Sat	9 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Family, Friends and St. Joseph's Community of the late Cornelius Hayes
		18:30	Joquim Rodrigues & Maria Francisca Fernandes, RIP
Sun	10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Ivar Boden & Eileen Hannan, A
		10:45	Margaret Killoran, RIP
Mon	11 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Mothers Group Morning Prayer
Tue	12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	08:00	Canon Charles Walker, RIP
Wed	13 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Henry De Souza, RIP
Thu	14 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Antonello Masilungan, A
Fri	15 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	Conrado Castro, A
Sat	16 <sup>th</sup> Sept	10:00	The Machray Family, St Nuala Mulhern, A
		18:30	Nuala Mulhern, A
Sun	17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Sheila Lazenby, RIP
		10:45	Eileen Sweeney, A

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.

**Migrants Mass** will be celebrated by Bishop Philip Egan in St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 2pm. During this Mass we will praise and thank God for the ethnic and cultural diversity of our Diocese. ALL WELCOME!



*St Joseph's Maidenhead and St. Elizabeth's Cookham are part of the Great Park Pastoral Area of the Diocese of Portsmouth which includes: St Edmund Campion - Maidenhead: St Edward's - Windsor: St Mark's - Dedworth: St Thomas More - Twyford: Our Lady of Peace - Wargrave*

**Coming to St Josephs in the autumn ....**



**Catholic Bible School!!!**

**5 Reasons why we need a Bible Weekend in our Parish**

**Reason 5:**



The Church is sometimes accused of being too inward looking and caring more about repairs than people, caring more about those that come to Mass than those outside the Church's walls.

The Bible Weekend aims to energise and envision parishioners to lead full Christian lives that is both inward and outward looking, that is maintenance and mission.

**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 Leavage, Betty Buckley, Alexandra Donaldson, John Webb, Alex Holden, Maria Wiggins, Denis Sullivan, Veronica Heaver, Vincent Ray, Sakunthala Thillainayagam, Jane Parkinson, Joan Lennarz, Aine Harte, Moira Erskine, Pauline and Frank Allen, Derek and Bernadette Clarke, Christopher and Catherine Browne.

**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;** Kathleen Monica Carter, RIP, Sheila Lazenby, RIP, Margaret Theresa Gomes, RIP, Veronica Esther Steadman, RIP, David Jones, RIP  
*Marie Clark, RIP, Funeral Service, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 1.30pm in Slough Crematorium*  
*Mary Cullivan, RIP, Requiem Mass, Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 10.45am in St. Joseph's Church*  
*Molly Cain, RIP, Requiem Mass, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 12pm 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 every Thursday 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 – meeting takes place each Wednesday evening at 7.30pm in the presbytery. 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 £1165 Thank you.

**Upcoming Second Collection Weekends:** 9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> September Catholic Education Service, 16<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> Home Mission Sunday and 23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> Cathedral

**The Children's Liturgy Team** hope that everyone has had a wonderful summer break and we look forward to seeing all the children for the new term which starts on 10th September during the 10.45 a.m. Mass.

**The Children's Liturgy Team** - Please pick up your new rotas from the top drawer of the filing cabinet in the kitchen lobby.

**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 evening 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.

**A day with Mary:** St John's Catholic Cathedral Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth. Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2017. Please see details on the notice board.

**UCM:** Meeting begins again on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 7.30pm. The first meeting is a 'Fun Meeting'

**Changes in Mass times: Please note on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September Mass will be celebrated at 8am and NOT 10am.**

**Fully escorted 5 Night Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine,** Ireland, 15th October 2017. Led by Fr. Tom Grufferty. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, from London Gatwick, with 15kg checked in bag, all taxes, luxury transfers, 5 nights' in newly refurbished Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. We will also visit Ballintubber Abbey, Westport, Foxford Woollen Mills. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £60. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia anytime on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557. Email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

**Churches Together in Maidenhead** are keen to increase the number of guests who attend their customary Christmas day meal. Do you have a friend, relative or neighbour who wishes to dine at this event? A team of volunteers tries to ensure all dietary needs are met, that those who require it have transport to and from the SportsAble venue, and that everyone has a good time. In the first instance, please contact : Keith Cartland Tel. No. 01628 636179 e-mail keith.cartland@btinternet.com

**A reminder that the Celebrate Weekend** is taking place at St. George Catholic College on Sat. 30th Sept. & Sun. 1st Oct. Full details can be found on [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org) or by phoning Peter & Lynda on: 02380292058. Last year was fully booked so it would be advisable for anyone wishing to attend to apply in good time. For reasons of security and safeguarding we are not able to accept anyone who "turns up on the day". Thank you for your help. Peter & Lynda

**Life in the Spirit Seminars:** The Life in the Spirit Seminars are designed as an introduction to a life lived in the power of the Holy Spirit. They provide an opportunity to find out more about that life and to be helped in taking the first steps of a new relationship with the Lord. The 7 seminars will run every Tuesday evening from Tuesday 26 September 2017 until Tuesday 7 November 2017 from 8pm - 9.30pm at St Joseph's Church, Stanley Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1HA. For more information and to book your place, please refer to the poster on the notice board.

**Cecilia and Don Leavage** and family extend grateful thanks for all the prayers, thoughts and masses offered by the Parish Community for Cecilia during her recent long illness. We are pleased to state that your prayers have been answered and God has blessed her with greatly improved health and fitness. May God bless you all and keep you all in His care too.

**Readers Rota:** The rota for Oct-Dec 2017 is available in the Sacristy. Welcome to Jo Evans who has kindly volunteered to read at 8am. There are still some occasions when a Reader hasn't turned up. PLEASE do find a substitute if you cannot fulfil your duty – it is most unfair if someone has to fill in at the last minute with no chance to prepare beforehand. Many thanks to those that will do this.

**"Please arrange to have the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass offered in your local Parish"** In Reparation for 50 Years of Abortion' on the 27<sup>th</sup> October, which is the anniversary of the passing of the Abortion Act, or the nearest Sunday. Over 8 million babies have lost the lives in this time."

**CAFOD Harvest Fast day Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October:** This Harvest fast day we are standing with Eldemira, a farmer in El Salvador as she works to provide for her family. With your help CAFOD has given her fruit trees, training and strong seeds. Please help us to give this support to other farmers by picking up a fast day envelope and giving whatever you can. Many thanks.

**It is good to be back after the summer break. Please Take Me Home. I have lots of useful information that you can read during the week. Many Thanks Your Weekly Newsletter.**