

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. October and November are now available.

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

Cleaning of the Church: Cleaning of St. Joseph's Church this Wednesday. 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.

Safeguarding Team

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.

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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27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A, Psalter Week 3

Weekly Mass Times and Intentions

Sat	7 th Oct	10:00	Hanrahan Family, SI
		18:30	Maria Figueira, SI
Sun	8 th Oct	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Eric Faulkner, A
		10:45	Maria Brett, A
Mon	9 th Oct	10:00	Mothers Prayer Group
Tue	10 th Oct	10:00	Joquim Rodrigues, A
Wed	11 th Oct	10:00	Maria Francisca Fernandes, A
Thu	12 th Oct	10:00	Requiem Funeral Mass, Frank Joseph Kompanik, RIP
Fri	13 th Oct	10:00	David Cloet, T
Sat	14 th Oct	10:00	Lucia Demelo, SI
		18:30	Rick Fernandes, T
Sun	15 th Oct	08:00	Anthony Felton, RIP
		09:15	People of the Parish
		10:45	Giovanni Licota, 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.

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

When was the last time you invited a 'not yet' practicing Catholic to Mass?



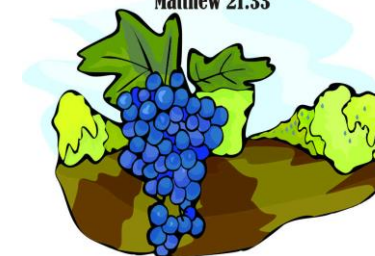
St Joseph's Maidenhead and St. Elizabeth's Cookham are part of the Great Park Pastoral Area of the Diocese of Portsmouth which includes:
St Edmund Campion - Maidenhead: St Edward's - Windsor: St Mark's - Dedworth: St Thomas More - Twyford: Our Lady of Peace - Wargrave

Sunday 8th October 2017

Listen to another parable.

There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country.

Matthew 21.33



In today's Gospel, Jesus once again speaks to the priests and elders with a parable. In this parable, the landowner leases his vineyard to tenants and sends his servants to collect the portion of the harvest that the tenants owe to him. Several times the servants are sent to collect payment, and each time they are beaten and killed by the tenants. Finally, the landowner sends his son to collect his rent. The tenants, believing that they will inherit the vineyard if the landowner dies without an heir, plot together and kill the landowner's son.

In telling the parable, Jesus is clearly drawing upon Isaiah 5:1-7, which is today's first reading and one that the priests and elders would have known well. Jesus doesn't, therefore, have to explain the symbolism of the parable; the Pharisees would have understood that the vineyard represented Israel, the landowner represented God, the servants represented the prophets, and the bad tenants represented the religious leaders. Yet Jesus nonetheless explains the meaning of the parable for his audience: the Kingdom of God will be taken from the unbelieving and given to the faithful. The chief priests and elders have condemned themselves with their answer to Jesus' question.

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, 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, Bernard Carthy, 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; Marie Clark, RIP, Mary Cullivan, RIP, Molly Cain, RIP, who are recently deceased. *Frank Joseph Kompanik RIP*, Requiem Mass, Thursday 12th October, 10.00am in St. Joseph's Church
Carmen Duthie RIP, Requiem Mass, Tuesday 17th October, 10.00am in St. Joseph's Church

Please pray for all of the Holy Souls who still need our 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 £931. Thank you.

Upcoming Second Collection Weekends: This weekend please return CAFOD envelopes. If you have forgotten your envelope please leave it in the Sacristy or Parish office. 21st and 22nd October World Missions

Stromenti presents 'Love, Loss & La Follia' Sunday 15th October 2017, doors open at 7pm, show starts at 7.30pm in St Joseph's Parish Centre. Tickets are £8 and can be bought on the door. All proceeds to the charity Widows and Orphans in Rural Kenya. There will be an interval, with bar, of twenty minutes

Couples for Christ, Families in the Holy Spirit Renewing the Face of the Earth. You are invited to a Christian life programme that will help you refresh your faith. The Christian life programme on Sunday 22nd October at 1pm – 5pm, Saturday 28th October at 9am-5pm, Sunday at 1pm – 5pm in St Joseph's Church Maidenhead. The different topics discussed in the talks are as follows: Gods Love, Who is Jesus Christ? What it means to be a Christian, plus many more. Refreshments and lunch will be provided free. Bring your children. For more information please call Rene & Agnes 07900901343, Lily 07447943281, Michael 07525176477.

Marriage Care Reading Centre, wants to spread the good news of the services they offer for couples and to stay abreast of any needs in parishes. Marriage Care is a Catholic charity which can help couples to improve their relationship when things aren't going so well. Our skilled relationship counsellors can make all the difference. They are trained to listen and to support couples towards positive outcomes. For further information visit www.marriagecare.org.uk or for an appointment phone 0800 389 3801

A Date for your diary: We welcome to our Parish on Thursday evening 9th November, Bishop Philip Egan. Who will be delivering a talk on 'Interfaith Dialogue from a Catholic Perspective'. The talk will start at 7.30pm and is open to all our parishioners and friends from the Windsor and Maidenhead Community Forum. Followed by refreshments.

Notice for parents of Children enrolled for First Holy Communion Programme. A parents meeting has been arranged for Wednesday 11th October starting at 7.30pm. The meeting will be held in St. Joseph's Church. Attendance is a must.

Today we welcome Mrs Sandra Barry - the new Head teacher of St Marys Primary School - and her family to our Church for the 10.45am Mass. Please join us for tea / coffee in the hall afterwards. All Welcome!

The local branch of HCPT (the children's Pilgrimage Trust taking disabled to Lourdes) is looking for volunteers to help with the youngsters going on pilgrimage next Spring. Volunteers have to be 18 or over. If you are interested please phone 01753 840965. Or 01628 633681 for more information. UCM members in St. Joseph's are willing to help with financial aid.

Repository: The Repository has Christmas cards, St Joseph's 50p diaries and calendars in stock now.

Coffee after 10.45 Mass Sunday 8 October. This is the first time, coffee is being run by a group of teenagers in our Parish. Come along and wish them luck or if you are between 13-19 and would like to help they would be grateful. Come and have a chat Next time they are on the rota is 19 November. All welcome and a great way to be involved.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 9th – 18th April 2018. There are a few spaces available for this pilgrimage which is organised by Fr Ethelbert's from Slough Parish. For further information contact Fr Ray:07939987872

Children's Liturgy of the Word: A training day has been arranged on Saturday 4th November from 9.30 am to 3.00 pm, at St Bede's, Basingstoke. Ran by Sr Veronica OP. Check the diocesan website for future training days www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation

CAFOD MPC Training: 21st October. Could you ensure that the voices of the world's poorest and most vulnerable people are heard in the corridors of power? Please consider becoming a CAFOD MP Correspondent . We have a training session for anyone who is interested at St Joan of Arc Church Tilford road Farnham GU9 8DJ on Saturday 21st October from 10am to 1pm. To book your place please contact Jo on 01252 329385 or email jlewry@cafod.org.uk

An invitation (for both men & women) to a dialogue and the launch of Men's Matters Maidenhead. Thursday 19th October 12 noon to 2pm Desborough Suite, Maidenhead Town Hall, St Ives Road, Maidenhead SL6 1RF. Join us for a discussion in small groups on how to reach older, socially isolated men. The dialogue will be followed by a buffet lunch. This is a FREE event but please reserve your place through Eventbrite: www.mensmatterseven.eventbrite.co.uk

Maryfield Convent Residential Care Home, Hampshire, RG27 9LA, The Dominican Sisters of Malta have been providing quality care and comfort to the elderly at Maryfield for over 50 years. Mass is celebrated daily in convent chapel. We are small, eighteen single rooms, presently we have a vacancy. Fees are very competitive. To arrange a visit or if you would like further information, please call: **01256 762394**, speak to Trish Davies

UCM Outing to English Martyrs Church in Goring on Sea. The minibus will leave St. Joseph's car park promptly at 9.15am on Tuesday October 10th. Any queries phone Maidenhead 637863 Many thanks.

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