

If any Parishioner is Gluten Free / Coeliac please make yourself known in the Sacristy before Mass as we have Gluten free hosts available.

**Parish Prayer Group:** The Group will meet every Wednesday at 7.30.

**Cleaning of the Church:** Cleaning of St. Joseph's Church. Please join in if you can. New rota is available. Anyone willing to help please contact Eleanor on 07526 526052.

**First Holy Communion and Confirmation:** Application forms will no longer be accepted as the closing date has now passed.

**Bible Timeline:** After the two 'taster' sessions we now have enough 'seriously minded' and interested disciples to form a small group. Fr John will email a new set of dates this weekend to those who have signed up.

**Are you thinking of getting married?** Please note that twelve months' notice is required before a wedding can take place. This period of notice is necessary for the completion of paperwork. Also, this notice period allows plenty of time for the couple to engage with a marriage preparation course. In the first instance please contact the Parish Office for an appointment with Fr 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.

**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.

**Website: Our website is now time to give it a makeover. Do you have any experience in web site design and are able to help? Please call Shauna in 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.**

#### Contact Us:

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##### Parish Pastoral Council

Andrew Strowbridge (Chairperson) Eleanor Chinkondenji (Vice Chairperson), Fr John Lee, Françoise Rogoszewski, Gloria McQueen, Norma Machray, Anthony Marques, Yvonne Piekut and Don Leavage

If you have any concerns / issues that you feel should be

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##### 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.

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

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**Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time,  
Psalter week 1, Year B**

### Weekly Mass Times, Intentions and Parish Diary

Sat	20th Oct	10:00	Canon P Curtin, FM
		18:30	Periy Marques, SI
Sun	21st Oct	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Ian Raines, A
		10:45	Thomas Vaz, A
Mon	22nd Oct	10:00	No Mass – Mothers Prayer Group meet in Church
Tue	23rd Oct	10:00	Martin Brown & Patricia Armitage, A
Wed	24th Oct	10:00	Susan Flinders, RIP
		19:30	Prayer Group meet in Church
		19:45	RCIA meet in Presbytery
Thu	25th Oct	10:00	Rory Jeffery, RIP
Fri	26th Oct	10:00	Joe Moran, RIP
		12:30	Requiem Mass, Terry Holland, RIP
Sat	27th Oct	10:00	Bishop Cotter, FM
		18:30	Salvatore Scozzari, RIP
Sun	28th Oct	08:00	Stuart Evans, A
		09:15	Liam & Kitty O'Connor, A
		10:45	People of the Parish

**Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be exposed each morning Tuesday to Saturday from 9am to 10am when Mass begins. During this time let us pray for all those who have been hurt or abused and for the renewal and the healing of the Church.**

**Code: SI:** Special Intention, **RIP:** Rest in Peace, **A:** Anniversary, **FM:** Foundation Mass

**Sunday Mass times: 6.30pm (Saturday vigil), 8.00am & 10.45am at St. Joseph's, Maidenhead; 9.15am at St Elizabeth's, Cookham.**

**Mothers' Prayer Group: Meets every Monday morning at 10.00am in the Church. New members are welcome.**

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018**



**Mark 10: 35-45**

**Then he returned from the region of Tyre and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis.**

#### Thought for the day

Jesus knows, of course, that it is not our hands or our feet or our eyes which cause us to sin (cf. Mark 7:14-23). There is a certain sarcastic, even caustic wit in telling us to lop off extremities, as if it were that simple. Sometimes, humour is more effective—more disarming at any rate— than blunt exhortation (hence, dictators always fear the comedians). The point is not lost however: we need to get to the root of the matter and undergo conversion of heart, then of life and then of the whole person, limbs and all!

#### Prayer

Set our hearts free, O Lord, that we may desire what you desire and love what you love. Amen.

#### Upcoming Masses

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November** is a Holy Day of Obligation for All Saints. Masses in Maidenhead are: 10am in St Josephs 7am and 9.30am in St Edmund Campion 7.30pm in St Elizabeth's Cookham

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** is Mass for the Sick and Housebound and All Souls Day in St Edmund Campion at 10am.

**Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November** at 7.30pm Mass for the deceased members of the Parish over the last 12 months.

**Please pray for all those who are sick or housebound** within the Parish, including: Mary Toovey, Johnny Pereira, Tony and Rosa Ruffolo, Lena Watson, Margaret Gallagher, Betty Buckley, Alexandra Donaldson, Maria Wiggins, Denis Sullivan, Veronica Heaver, Vincent Ray, Sakunthala Thillainayagam, Joan Lennarz, Moira Erskine, Ray Whealing, Derek and Bernadette Clarke, Christopher and Catherine Browne, Helen O'Donovan, Charlotte Comer and Mary Wall, John and Jacqueline Groom

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.

**Please pray for the souls of;** Freda Jones, RIP, Marian Bell, RIP who are recently deceased. Please remember their families and loved ones at this sad time.

*Terry Holland, RIP*, Requiem Mass will be held on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 12.30pm at St Joseph's Church

*Eda Ward, RIP*, Requiem Mass will be held on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October, 12noon at St Joseph's Church

Please pray for all 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?

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

**Collection:** The plate collection for last weekend, made up of cash and planned giving envelopes, amounted to £1102 plus an annual offering of £1200. We have a second collection this Sunday in aid of World Missions. Many thanks.

**Room at the Inn:** Every Christmas Day, Churches Together in Maidenhead organise a lunch for elderly or disabled local people who would otherwise be home alone. Guests are transported, served and helped by local volunteers. If you, or someone you know, would like to attend this Christmas, please contact Keith on: 01628 636179 (Home), 07765 505767 (Mobile), or e-mail [keith.cartland@btinternet.com](mailto:keith.cartland@btinternet.com)

**Churches Together in Maidenhead** are keen to hear from volunteers to help with their Christmas Day Lunch for the elderly lonely at the SportsAble venue in Braywick Road. There are opportunities to drive, serve food and befriend guests at this celebration. Please contact Lily Peacock, volunteer coordinator, on [lilyandwinniectim@gmail.com](mailto:lilyandwinniectim@gmail.com) or telephone (home) 01628 623362, (mobile) 07794 397132

**Statue of Our Lady of Fatima** has been beautifully displayed in front of the altar over the last week. If you are interested in keeping Our Lady in your home for seven days, please contact Edgar on 07864977536



**RCIA is designed to help adults explore the Catholic Faith.**

**Ask yourself the following questions:**

**Are you an adult considering becoming Catholic? Are you an adult who has never been baptised?**

**Are you an adult who was baptised Catholic or perhaps into another religion but never celebrated First Holy Communion or Confirmation?**

**Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass but just don't know what the next step is to become of the Catholic Faith?**

**If any of these situations describes you, then the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) might be just what you are searching for!**

**RCIA is every Wednesday from 7.45pm in the Presbytery. You will be very welcome!**

**For more details contact Shauna in the Parish Office.**



**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October**, after 10:45am mass, a group of volunteers picked up their gardening tools and spent an hour or so tidying the trees and shrubs along the side and front of the church. Fr John would like to say a big thank you for all their hard work. We would like to make this a regular event, perhaps once per month, so keep an eye on the newsletter for future dates.

**Tea / Coffee:** is served after 9.15am Mass in St Elizabeth's Church and 10.45am Mass in St Joseph's Church. This is a great opportunity to meet and socialise with other parishioners. The centre hall is booked every Sunday to 1pm for Parishioners to relax and have a cuppa after Mass!!!

**Christmas Bazaar:** Yes, it is that time of year again. We need to put a team together who would like to take on the organising of the Church Bazaar in December. If you are up for the role, or If you are also interested in having a stall at this year's Bazaar please contact Shauna in the Parish office.

**RCIA** is designed to help adults explore the Catholic Faith. RCIA starts on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.45pm in the Presbytery. You will be very welcome!

**Rosary Bead:** Have you bought new Rosary Beads recently and no longer use your old set. We are collecting Rosary Beads to send out to Developing Countries. Please give any old Rosary Beads to the Parish office or leave in the box at all entrances to both Churches.

**The UCM meeting** is on Tuesday October 23rd 7.45pm in the Bar Area. Information to be discussed, the annual lunch and the rest of our programme.

**Orpheus By the Gobbledigook Theatre Co** at 7.45pm on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> November in St Edmund Campion Parish Centre. "The tale of impossible, death-defying love" Told through the spoken word and soul music. Tickets £10. Contact Aby 07880 790836, Grame 07931 549915, Joanna & Louis 07886 010763.

**Marys Meals:** Thank you for all the donated bag packs. We had a great response. The next step in the appeal is asking for any children's Flip flops or plimsoles, shorts and t shirts and small hand towels that are in good conditions, but you may no longer use.

**Safeguarding Courses** – There are new courses scheduled for October and November for both Child Protection Awareness and Vulnerable Adults. The schedule is up on the notice boards. **On Saturday 3 November, at St Edwards, 44 Alma Road, Windsor, there are Child Protection and Vulnerable Adults courses taking place in the morning and afternoon.** Please book directly with Soraya whose details are on the bottom of the forms. Any questions, please speak to Louise Wood in the Parish Office.

**Gift Aid:** If you are a taxpayer and make a gift aid declaration for St Joseph's Parish, we can claim back an extra 25% of your offering from the Government. Many of you put your offering in the loose collection, we would dearly like to get your hard earn tax back to help St Joseph's. Please sign a gift-aid form and then either use the offering envelopes or set up an online payment. Please contact Louise Wood for advice and forms. Contact details are on the back page of this newsletter.

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