

Parish Office Notices

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.

Holidays: Please note that Gloria, Louise and Shauna are taking time off over the Summer but not all at the same time! If you cannot get through to the Parish Office, I ask you please to phone the Centre Office. Thank you for your patience

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 finally back up and running again after being down for a few weeks. This is now an ideal time to give it a makeover. Do you have any experience in designing a web site and would like to help? Please call Shauna in the Parish Office

As we are now in "holiday mode" the Parish print will be taking a short break for the month of August and our next Newsletter will be out at the Beginning of September.

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 Pastoral Council

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If you have any concerns / issues that you feel should be discussed, please contact the office.

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

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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.



PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR ST. JOSEPH'S, MAIDENHEAD & ST. ELIZABETH'S, COOKHAM Month of August to include 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th & 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time And the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Dear Friends

We are now at the start of August and many of you will be taking some time away for rest and relaxation. Whatever your plans are I hope they are enjoyable ones and that you return to us refreshed and renewed.

I fly out to Croatia on Tuesday for the 29th Annual International Youth Festival held in Medjugorje which has become something of a spiritual home for me. The theme for this year's Festival – which draws thousands of young people and many hundreds of priests from across the globe – is "Living in the Word of God". The Festival is always a great experience and one that I enjoy.

At this time there is much 'to-ing' and 'fro-ing' with priests leaving and arriving to take up new appointments. As Fr John Chadwick prepares to leave us I want to thank him most sincerely for the contribution he has made to the life of our Parish during these last two years. We wish him well as he prepares to take up his new appointment as Parish Priest of St Joseph's, Christchurch, and Holy Redeemer, Highcliffe. We look forward to receiving Fr Jude Mbono who arrives before the end of August.

Our next newsletter will appear on 2nd September.

May God bless all our families and friends and keep us healthy and safe over the Summer period.

Prayerful best wishes

Fr John Lee



Weekly Mass Times and Intentions

Sat	28 th July	10:00	Shirley Anne Booker, RIP
		18:30	Ivor McLoughlin, A
Sun	29 th Jul	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Liam & Eileen O'Mahony, SI
		10:45	Michael O'Rourke, T
Mon	30 th Jul	10:00	Mothers Prayer Group Meet in Church – No Mass
Tue	31 st Jul	10:00	Donal Wall, RIP
Wed	1 st Aug	10:00	Seisy Cardoso, T
Thu	2 nd Aug	10:00	Michael & Margaret O'Rourke, A
Fri	3 rd Aug	10:00	James Buckley, RIP
Sat	4 th Aug	10:00	Sarah Chethy, FM
		18:30	Jim Pillion, A
Sun	5 th Aug	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Thanksgiving for the Ministry of Fr John Chadwick and his intentions
		10:45	Simone Clarke, A
Mon	6 th Aug	10:00	Mothers Prayer Group Meet in Church – No Mass
Tue	7 th Aug	10:00	Terry Beadsworth, RIP
Wed	8 th Aug	10:00	Bill Taylor, RIP
Thu	9 th Aug	08:00	Michael Flynn, SI
Fri	10 th Aug	10:00	Patrick Chinkondenji
Sat	11 th Aug	10:00	John Fkynn & Peggy Kerwin, A
		18:30	Raffaele Ruicci, RIP
Sun	12 th Aug	08:00	Deceased members of the Sanjurjo Fernandez Family, RIP
		09:15	People of the Parish
		10:45	Valerie Buckley, RIP
Mon	13 th Aug	11:00	Requiem Funeral Mass Orville Peterson, RIP
Tue	14 th Aug	10:00	Maria Cardozo, T
Wed	15 th Aug	10:00	Augusto DeMelo, A
		19:30	Wood Family, SI
Thu	16 th Aug	10:00	Margaret & Michael O'Rourke, A
Fri	17 th Aug	10:00	Pat O'Connor, SI
Sat	18 th Aug	10:00	Keiran & Fergus Toman, A
		18:30	Julian Quinn, SI
Sun	19 th Aug	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Denis Corrigan, RIP
		10:45	Michelle Adams, A
Mon	20 th Aug	10:00	Mothers Prayer Group Meet in Church – No Mass
Tue	21 st Aug	10:00	Margaret Gomes, A
Wed	22 nd Aug	10:00	Edmund Coleman, FM
Thu	23 rd Aug	10:00	Gerry O'Sullivan, SI
Fri	24 th Aug	10:00	Valerie Buckley, RIP
Sat	25 th Aug	10:00	Nico & Arrienne Rizzuto, T
		18:30	Anthony Felton, A
Sun	26 th Aug	08:00	Deceased members of the Sanjurjo Fernandez Family, RIP
		09:15	People of the Parish
		10:45	Asta Williams, A
Mon	27 th Aug	10:00	Bank Holiday – Church is Closed
Tue	28 th Aug	10:00	Guadalupe Litton, RIP
Wed	29 th Aug	10:00	Raphael Racco, RIP
Thu	30 th Aug	10:00	Feast of St Margaret Clitherow
Fri	31 st Aug	10:00	Valerie Buckley, RIP
Sat	1 st Sept	10:00	Ellen Hogan, FM
		18:30	Margaret Gomes, RIP
Sun	2 nd Sept	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Maureen & John Cooney, A
		10:45	Eric Fernandes, T

Diocesan Notices

ADORE (Alton Day Of Renewal) – Saturday 28th July 11.00-4.00: You are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day (or morning/afternoon) of spiritual refreshment and renewal, focussing on Renewal and Mission. At Alton School, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG. 11.00am Rosary; 11.30am Mass; 12.15 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 1.00pm Shared lunch (please bring finger food to share); 2.00pm Praise & Worship; 2.30 Talk “Good News and Gospel” – Canon Jeremy Garratt; 3.30 Prayer for healing. We end about 4pm.

There is no need to register in advance, and no charge (though a collection will be taken to cover costs). For more information and directions, see poster or website: www.altonrenewal.com Or telephone Alastair Emblem on 01252 714809.

CAFOD: You are invited to come to our Harvest fast day briefing meeting to hear about CAFOD's work on Wednesday 19th September at English Martyrs' Church, 64 Liebenrood Road, Reading RG30 2EB from 7:15pm to 9pm. There is also another Harvest fast day briefing meeting on Saturday 8th September at St Bede's, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX from 10:30am to 1pm with a speaker from Head Office. Please book your place by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or call Jo Lewry on 01252 329385

Maidenhead Care urgently requires volunteer duty officers, to find drivers for clients, and volunteer drivers to take clients to medical appointments. Please ask all your friends if they have free time - even for only 8 hours per month for duty officers. Contact **07538 418448** during office hours or e-mail office@maidenheadcare.org.uk

The SVP is seeking to recruit an 1833 Research and Project Development Officer to review, re-model, project plan and potentially produce resources for our programme for 18-30-year olds in preparation for a service re-launch in Sept 2019. £27k pa pro rata; 3 days a week; one-year contract. Home-based with national travel. Closing date: 10:00 on Wednesday 25th July 2018. Interviews: Thursday 26th July 2018. Start date: Wednesday 29th August 2018. For more details & application pack, please visit the vacancies section of the SVP website: <https://www.svp.org.uk/>.

Marriage and Relationship Counselling with Marriage Care: Catholic Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation, that draws on its Catholic tradition and contemporary research, to help couples in both good times and bad. Most relationships face difficulties at some point. Talking to a relationship counsellor can help. Our local centre in Reading offers relationship counselling with fully-trained counsellors. For further information please call 0800 389 3801. If you are a trained relationship counsellor, could you volunteer with Marriage Care? Further counsellors are needed for our Reading centre – expenses and supervision is provided. For further information, please contact Sue Cooper at reading.admin@marriagecare.org or phone 0793 9495774.

7-9TH SEPT 2018 YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS WEEKEND: Theme: “Tell others the truth that sets you free” (Pope Benedict XVI) During the weekend of the 7-9 September 2018, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey, it will feature Fr. Lawrence Lew O.P. and Canon Poucin. The weekend will be full-board. YCA will be running the weekend with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (on the beauty of silence in the Mass plus social media and evangelization) and socials. All Masses will be celebrated in the Extraordinary form. Please note to guarantee your place this year Douai Abbey have requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend i.e.17th Aug 2018. More information: <http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/> To book go to :- <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2018>

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Catenians - Maidenhead Catenians monthly circle meeting is on Wednesday 22nd August at 19:30 in St Joseph's Parish Centre.

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.

Marys Meals: With the end of school year approaching, parents may be contemplating replacing existing backpacks. Mary's meals are asking for reasonable condition bags to be collected and sent out hungry children in the world's poor communities. These backpacks can be deposited at St Mary's school or given to Shauna in the parish office.

Parish Library and Newspaper: We have a bookcase located in the Centre corridor near the glass emergency exit doors. Please help yourself to these books and leave them back so that others may read them too. You will also find Catholic papers and the Portsmouth People there too.

Smalls for All: Claire would like to thank everyone for their donations of underwear. Collecting is now closed and over 500 pieces have been sent to the charity to help ladies in Malawi and other parts of Africa. What a great success by our parish.

The Children's Liturgy Team hope that all the children and their families have a wonderful summer break and we look forward to seeing you all for the new term which starts on 9th September.

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. August issue is now available.

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

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.

Wednesday St Joseph's Prayer group is taking a break over the summer holidays and will be back on the 5th September.

Kids Mass: The next 10am Saturday Morning Children's Mass is Saturday 29th September. We hope to see more families join this special Mass.

JAM Choir: Sunday 9th September sees the return of JAM Choir. If you have children aged 5+ please encourage them to come together and participate in the music ministry.

ALPHA COURSE at ST EDMUND CAMPION PARISH: An **Alpha course** will be starting from **13th September** on Thursday evenings (7:30-9:30pm) at St Edmund Campion parish in Altwood Road, SL6 4PY. The course is a perfect introduction to Christianity for those who are new to it and a great "refresher" for committed Christians. The talks are designed to encourage conversation and explore the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. No question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you wish. Alpha is ten sessions with the option of a day or weekend away in the middle. Each session includes food, a short talk and a discussion at the end where you can share your thoughts. Everyone is warmly welcome. For more information or to register your interest, please email alphacampion@gmail.com.

Code: SI: Special Intention, **RIP:** Rest in Peace,
A: Anniversary, **T:** Thanksgiving, **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.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament is suspended during the month of August.

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.

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, Cecilia Leavage, Betty Buckley, Alexandra Donaldson, Maria Wiggins, Denis Sullivan, Veronica Heaver, Vincent Ray, Sakunthala Thillainayagam, Joan Lennarz, Moira Erskine, Ray Whealing, Derek and Bernadette Clarke, Joan White, Christopher and Catherine Browne, Helen O'Donovan, Charlotte Comer, Mary Wall, Marie Oke, Brenda Peterson and Michael O'Rourke.

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.

During this holiday time if you have any urgent enquiries or if you need to see a Priest please telephone the Parish Office number. Please note there may be a delay before you receive a reply.

Please pray for the souls of; Victoria Velasco, RIP, Concetta Maria Gaster, RIP and Pat Chivers, RIP who are recently deceased. Please remember their families and loved ones at this sad time.
Orville Peterson, RIP, Requiem Mass will be held on Monday 13th August, 11am 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?

Please note that the next Mass of the Sacrament of anointing will take place on 7th September in St. Edmund Campion Church, Altwood Road, Maidenhead.

RCIA: The Journey of faith – is now on a break until September. 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 plate collection amounted to £1045. Thank you!

Upcoming Feast Days: Thursday 9th August, St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Patron of Europe) and Wednesday 15th August, The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass is at 10am in St Josephs Church and 7.30pm in St Elizabeth's Church.

Fr John Chadwick: As we all now know Fr John C is leaving us in the middle of August. His farewell party will take place on Sunday 5th August after the 10.45am Mass until 5pm in the Parish Hall. As a Parish Community can those that wish to bring a plate please do so. We have a list at both entrances to the Church where you can let us know what you are bringing. Let's make this a great success!

If you would like to donate to Fr Chadwick's leaving present, please call Shauna in the Parish Office or Gloria in the Centre Office.

Lenten Project 2018

We have sent cheques to The Brett Foundation and Mercy Ships for £3,750 each. The grand total raised by St Joseph's and St Elizabeth's amounted to £7,500. Many thanks to all of you who gave of your time and money so generously to make this a very successful fund raiser.

Church Collections and Donations	3708
Gift Aid Recovered	444
Events and Activities	
Quiz Night	1420
Film Nights	816
Golf Day	700
Hot Cross Buns	96
Coffee & Cake	79
Greetings cards	151
Rounded up	86
Total	£7,500



Folk Choir

Last Sunday we had the Folk Choir play their last Sunday 10.45am Mass and they went out in a bang! We were treated to past and present members of the Folk Choir that spans 25 years. Fr John would like to thank Lisa again for all her hard work and commitment over the last 25 years. I think we can all agree Lisa's contribution to our Music Ministry will be sorely missed.



Coming to St Josephs in the Autumn....

THE BIBLE TIMELINE

The Bible Timeline is a fascinating study that takes participants on a journey through the entire Bible. Going deep into each period of salvation history, you will discover the amazing story woven throughout all of Scripture. A unique color-coded system will help you to learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and see how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

To Come and See whether the Bible Timeline is for you, please sign up to come for an Introductory session on **Tuesday 4th or Thursday 6th September 7.30pm** in the Presbytery.



The truth, goodness, and beauty of Catholicism are illustrated in breathtaking cinematography. Journeying to more than 50 locations throughout 16 countries, this series highlights the spiritual and artistic treasures of this global culture that claims more than one billion of the earth's people. Learn what Catholics believe and why and discover the full meaning of our faith.

This series will be run **each Sunday between 4 – 6pm starting 16th September**. All are welcome!

Sacraments

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-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.

First Holy Communion: Application forms are available at the start of September and the course will commence on the 6th January.

Sacrament of Confirmation: In preparation for Confirmation next year (June 2019), we will be embarking on a programme for our young people in years 8, 9, 10, (and up to 18 years of age). The programme begins on the 8th September 2018. We envisage running the programme on Saturday afternoons twice a month during term-time. It will also include outings, such as *Flame!* retreats and meeting only candidates from pastoral area. The course will be run jointly between St. Edmund Campion and St. Joseph's. To register please contact Shauna, the Parish secretary at St. Joseph's at maidnehead@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

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