

Pope Francis has asked us to pray the following prayers after each Mass for the purification and strengthening of the Church

Saint Michael prayer: Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our defence against the wickedness and snares of the Devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan, and all the evil spirits, who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

Under your protection: We fly to Thy protection, O holy Mother of God. Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from all dangers, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

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

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.

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.

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 Pastoral Council

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

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.

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



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

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The Baptism of the Lord, Year C

Weekly Mass Times, Intentions and Parish Diary

Sat	12th Jan	10:00	Hanrahan Family, SI
		16:00	Confirmation Programme in St Edmund Campion School
		18:30	Charles Malpass, A
Sun	13th Jan	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Liam & Kitty O'Connor, A
		10:45	Salvatore Scozzari, RIP
Mon	14th Jan	10:00	No Mass - Mothers Prayers meet in Church
Tue	15th Jan	10:00	Requiem Mass: Mary Ranger, RIP
Wed	16th Jan	10:00	Calogero & Rosaria Tirrito, A
		18:30	Evening Prayer Group meet in Church
		19:45	RCIA Meet in the Presbytery
Thu	17th Jan	10:00	James Buckley, A
Fri	18th Jan	10:00	Seisy Cardoso, SI
Sat	19th Jan	10:00	Rev Paul Byrne, OMI
		18:30	Anne & Pat O'Connor, SI
Sun	20th Jan	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	David Cloet, SI
		10:45	Deceased members of the Sanjurjo Fernandez Family

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.

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

Our children's JAM choir will be singing again next Sunday (20th Jan). All primary aged children are most welcome to join us! Please join us in the parish office at 10am to learn some new music before Mass.

Sunday 13th January 2019



The Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove.

Luke 3:22

Luke 3:15-16, 21-22

The Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove

Thought for the day

The great scenes in the Bible, precisely because of their greatness and indeed uniqueness, can be difficult to access personally. For the Baptism of Jesus, there are at least two potential approaches. Firstly, we could go back in our minds to a life-changing turning point in our own lives, so that we can speak of before and after. Secondly, we could also turn to our own experience when we felt deeply the affirmation of our identity and worth as "the beloved" of someone. In the case of Jesus, these are combined: his identity and life are one, something we would like to be able say about ourselves too.

Prayer

Abba, Father, let us hear again today your words of affirmation to Jesus and in Jesus to us all. As your beloved sons and daughters, draw us more closely into your own life of love. Amen.

Hello and Goodbye! We bid farewell to Shauna our Parish Secretary who goes off this week on maternity leave. Shauna will be missed not least by Fr John who thanks her for all her hard work, energy and enthusiasm. Please keep Shauna, Ben, Cait and the new life they are expecting in your prayers at this time. We welcome to the parish team Maria Cardozo. Maria will be covering for Shauna while she is away on maternity leave.

Please pray for all those who are sick or housebound within the Parish, including: Mary Toovey, Johnny Pereira, Tony and Rosa Ruffolo, Lena Watson, Betty Buckley, Alexandra Donaldson, Veronica Heaver, Vincent Ray, Sakunthala Thillainayagam, Joan Lennarz, Ray Whealing, Derek and Bernadette Clarke, Christopher and Catherine Browne, Helen O'Donovan, Mary Wall, John 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; Margaret Gallagher, RIP, Moire Eskrine, RIP, Andrew Faulkner, RIP and James Nash, RIP who are recently deceased. Please remember their families and loved ones at this sad time.

Mary Ranger, RIP, Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday 15th January at 10am in 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.

RCIA is designed to help adults explore the Catholic Faith. RCIA meet every Wednesday in the Presbytery. You will be very welcome!

Statue of Our Lady of Fatima is available, for anyone who would like to keep in their home for seven days. Please contact Edgar on 07864977536

Parish Prayer Group: The Group will meet every Wednesday. The revised time is at 6.30pm due to the darker colder nights.

HELP! Have you made your New Year's Resolutions yet?! The Children's Liturgy group are struggling, and we need your support. Please will you consider trying to lead one session this year? You will always work with a team of 3, help and support will be on hand and all the plans are provided. Perhaps you have a child doing their First Communion and would like to contribute? Or maybe you are a retired teacher willing to help us out very occasionally? Please contact Tricia Weeks (el. 01628 627265 or triciaweeksmail@gmail.com) for further details, you will be welcomed with open arms.

CAFOD: You are invited to a CAFOD meeting on Monday 18th February from 7:15pm to 9pm at Christ the King Church 408 Northumberland Avenue Reading RG2 8NR. Sally Kitchener CAFOD's writer for the Communications Team will be talking about her recent visit to see CAFOD's projects in Bangladesh and there will an opportunity to explore the resources for Lent fast day on 15th March. Also, on Tuesday 5th March from 7:15pm to 9pm at St Joseph's Church London Road Newbury RG14 1JP Kezia Harrow our Step into the Gap Volunteer will be talking about her recent trip to visit CAFOD's projects in the Holy Land. Everyone is welcome so please book your place by emailing portsmouth@caofd.org.uk or call 01252 329385

Collections: Last Sunday's plate collection amounted to £1,173. Many thanks.

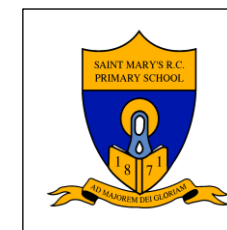
Monthly Offertory Figures: December had four Sundays and the total offering to St Joseph's and St Elizabeth's amounted to £7,976. This is made up of cash in the offertory plate collection, planned giving envelopes, plus standing orders and direct debits. For all those taxpayers who have gift aided their offerings, we will be able to claim back from the taxman a further 25% of the amount given. Our Parish has potentially lost out on £635 in December which could have been reclaimed from the taxman under gift aid if those taxpayers who contribute to the loose plate had joined our gift aid scheme. **It's a New Year and if you have been meaning to get hold of a gift aid declaration form then now is a great time to do it. Contact Louise in the Parish Office and go mad and complete one. Your generous contributions keep this Parish running. Thank you for your support.**

CRIB collection: Our two magnificent cribs raised money for the Catholic Children's Society, £330 from St Joseph's and £151 from St Elizabeth's. Many thanks to all those involved in creating them and thanks also to all of you who donated to them.

Repository: Can you spare a Sunday morning at the 10.45am Mass to help keep the Repository running on a rota? Or can you go one step further and take on joint responsibility? Please contact the Parish office or Joan Boland on 01628 637863

Flowers: Thank you to all those who donated money for the Christmas Flowers. We had a beautiful display in Church.

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Teaching Assistant

Fixed Term Contract with possibility to becoming a permanent position

Term Time Only: 17.00 hours per week, Mon- Fri, 9.00 am – 12.25 pm

Salary range £18,012 FTE pro rata (Apx Actual Salary: £7,165).

We are looking for a teaching assistant to support Maths & English in KS2.

The successful candidate should be able to converse in standard English as well as having primary level Maths understanding. You will be asked to deliver either a Maths or English activity, prepared for you by the school (approximately 10/15 minutes) with a group of Year 5/6 pupils along with a short interview with the Headteacher and other relevant staff.

You should have a kind and caring manner, enjoy working with children and be able to work well in a team.

Closing date: Wednesday 23rd January 2019 at 3pm

Interviews: Potentially Mon 28th January 2019

Clerk To Governors

Permanent position, Contract - 3 hours/week term time,

Hours the Clerk works each month are variable but averaging to 3 hours/week.

Salary range £19,007- £22,082 FTE pro rata depending on experience

(Actual Salary apx: £1,300 - £1,500, equating to apx £11.21- £13.03 / hour)

We are seeking an efficient and proactive Clerk to the Governing Body: this is a key role providing administrative and procedural advice to the Governing Board, ensuring its effectiveness. The Clerk reports to the Chair of Governors.

This post is part-time, home-based working, term-time only and requires a degree of flexibility from the post-holder as the schedule of meetings and workloads around them can vary. Governing Body meetings usually take place in school, in the evenings, where the Clerk would attend to take minutes, convene the meetings and provide advice.

The Clerk is responsible for preparing agendas in consultation with the Chair of Governors and Headteacher; taking and writing up the minutes and distributing documentation and other information to the Governing Board. Several tasks must be completed annually to comply with legal requirements and The Clerk will also need to become familiar with the DFE's Governance Handbook and provide accurate advice to Governors, as necessary.

Closing date: Wednesday 23rd January 2019 at 3pm

Interviews: Date to be confirmed

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed. Please see school website (www.stmarys-maidenhead.org.uk) for further details, where the application pack and further details about the post may be downloaded. Please contact Mrs Chawla, School Business Manager, via telephone or e-mail, if any further information is required.

St Mary's Catholic Primary School is committed to equality of opportunity and to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. This post requires an Enhanced DBS check along with other relevant employment checks.

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