



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

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Weekly Mass Times, Intentions and Parish Diary

Sat	5 th Jan	10:00	Jose Fernandes, SI
		18:30	Patricia Pope, RIP
Sun	6 th Jan	08:00	Chris Palme, SI
		09:15	Hannie O'Brien, RIP
		10:45	People of the Parish
Mon	7 th Jan	10:00	No Mass - Mothers Prayers Meet in Church
Tue	8 th Jan	10:00	Requiem Mass: Andrew Faulkner, RIP
Wed	9 th Jan	10:00	Holy Souls
		18:30	Evening Prayer Group meet in Church
		19:45	RCIA meet in Presbytery
Thu	10 th Jan	10:00	Terence Hanrahan, RIP
Fri	11 th Jan	10:00	Rev John Lord Lewington, FM
		12:00	Requiem Mass: James Nash, RIP
Sat	12 th Jan	10:00	Hanrahan Family, SI
		18:30	Charles Malpass, A
Sun	13 th Jan	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Liam & Kitty O'Connor, A
		10:45	Salvatore Scozzari, RIP

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**

Sunday 6th January 2019



Matthew 2:1-12

**The Magi come from the East, with gifts of gold, frankincense
and myrrh**

Thought for the day

In our deepest selves, each of us is a mystery: Where do I come from? Where am I going? Why am I here? How should I live? The risk in our present culture is to sleepwalk through life, to be satisfied with a merely material existence. But the human "project" is much greater. Each of us is really on a pilgrimage, or better on a quest — a quest to become my true self, in the image and likeness of God. My truest self is found by being open to God, in whom we live and move and have our being. By following that star, by listening to our conscience and inner selves, we come home to God.

Prayer

You are the mystery at the heart all that exists: draw us to yourself, O Lord, that knowing you we find our true selves, and finding our true selves, we may come to know you.

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, 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; Patricia Pope, RIP, Kathleen Black, RIP and Amanda Spencer, RIP who are recently deceased. Please remember their families and loved ones at this sad time.
Andrew Faulkner, RIP, Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday 8th January at 10am in St Joseph's Church
James Nash, RIP, Requiem Mass will be held on Friday 11th January at 12 noon in St Joseph's Church
Mary Ranger, RIP, Requiem Mass will be held on Tuesday 15th January at 10am in St Joseph's Church

St Joseph's Parish Maidenhead, is part of the Great Park Pastoral Area of the Diocese of Portsmouth which includes.

St Elizabeth - Cookham Rise: St Edmund Campion - Maidenhead: St Edward's - Windsor: St Mark's - Dedworth: St Thomas More - Twyford: Our Lady of Peace - Wargrave

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!

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

Gift Aid: A big thank you to those of you who have recently taken the time to ask for gift aid forms and who have set up regular payments to St Joseph's. All your contributions help but with gift aid they just go that bit further. Our only funding source is you, the Parishioners, who keep this wonderful community going and gift aid is the only money we can get back from the Government, so thank you.

UCM Meeting Tuesday January 8th at 7.45pm in the Bar Area. Please bring a wrapped item for the game 'Grab a Parcel'

Christmas Eve Nativity: Thank you to the children who took part, to the parents and helpers - you were all wonderful!

Children's Liturgy: We welcome the children back this Sunday 6th January during the 10.45 a.m. Mass. All children from about 3 upwards are invited to come and enjoy exploring the Gospel of the day every Sunday in term time. Please will Liturgists pick up their rotas from the filing cabinet.

Welcome to the First Holy Communion children - remember that your younger and older brothers and sisters are very welcome to join us for Children's Liturgy during the 10.45 a.m. mass - and you can come too on Sundays when there is not a class! If you do not yet have a registration card, Donna at the entrance will give you one. We would love to see you there!

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.



David Beresford from the Catholic Bible School is back on **Saturday 12th January 12 noon to 6pm** in the Church Centre to follow up on the successful weekend we had in November 2017.

Please see below the itinerary for Saturday. We would love for you to attend all day or at any of the sessions that you can. If you are planning on being at the lunch can you please contact Shauna in the Parish office or put your name on the signup sheets at all entrances at both Churches, so we can get an idea for numbers for lunch.

Saturday 12th January Itinerary:

- 12 noon - Arrival and Bible Basics (recap and reminder of some of the themes/ideas/principles from the Bible Weekend (good for both people who came and those who didn't.))
- 1 pm - Lunch
- 1.45 - Lectio Divina in Church
- 2.30 - Looking at Luke (Exploring how to read and make sense of the Gospel of St Luke)
- 3.15 - Break
- 3.45 - Looking at Luke 2 (Going deeper into the Gospel)
- 4.45 - Break
- 5.15 - Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Church
- 5.55 - Benediction/Final Blessing
- 6 pm - End
- 6.30 - Vigil Mass celebrated in Church

Opening Hymn for 10.45 Mass
Sunday 6th January 2019:

How ancient and lovely this news of a star,
a baby, a mother, the kings from afar.
Come close now, Lord Jesus, we ask you to stay
and show us your face in your people today.

What star shall we follow but one that leads here
to a baby born homeless and a family in fear?
what heav'n shall we long for but one that starts there
for all the world's children in your tender care?

We thank you, Lord Jesus, for coming to Earth:
for the light in the darkness that shone at your birth,
for life in its fullness that you promise today,
and the hope in a baby asleep on the hay.