Please pray for all those who are sick or housebound within the Parish, including: Pat Cairney, Kitty Birchenough, Don Leanage, Johnny Pereira, Tony and Rosa Ruffolo, Lena Watson, Alexandra Donaldson, Joan Lennarz, Derek and Bernadette Clarke, Christopher and Catherine Browne, Helen O'Donovan, Mary Wall, Valerie Doolan and Peter Eyre.

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: Thelma Halcrow, RIP, Elizabeth Buckley, RIP, Stephen Drye, RIP, Barbara Mitson, RIP, Jacqueline Brett, RIP Seamus Toal, Annita Emmanuel, RIP, who are recently deceased.

Please remember their families and loved ones at this sad time.

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?

Lenten Project

Our chosen charities for Lent 2020 are Alzheimers Dementia Support (ADS) Maidenhead and St Marys Catholic Primary School where the money donated will contribute to the development of their Curriculum.

If you would like to hold a fund raiser, please contact Shauna in the office to advertise. If you need the use of the hall, please contact Gloria.

The great BIG FUN QUIZ will be held in St Joseph's parish centre on SATURDAY 21st March at7.30pm in aid of our parish's Lenten project. Tickets are available from the parish centre, the parish office, Gerry Tekerian 07770423688 and Eddie Piekut 07786114332. Please see poster on the noticeboard, website and Facebook page for more details.

Mill Hill Missionaries National Novena to Saint Joseph in St Joseph's Church, Maidenhead: Tuesday 10th – Wednesday 18th March. Please see poster on the noticeboard, website and Facebook page for more details.

Bereavement Support: A workshop on guidelines for bereavement support will be offered in different parts of the Diocese. The first one will take place at St Joseph's Parish Centre in Maidenhead from 10am to 2pm on Saturday 14th March (refreshments from 9.45am). The workshop will focus on setting up or maintaining support teams, sharing good practice, listening skills and questions and answers. If you are able to attend, please can you email:

<u>bhabayeb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk</u> **before Friday 28th February** to book a place or places. There is a nominal charge of £5 per person to cover costs.

Medjugorje 13th – 20th May 2020: There are six places available for a pilgrimage that is heading out from Gatwick Airport on Wednesday 13th May to return on 20th May. Price: £589 if sharing with a £100 deposit. For more information speak to Fr John.

Lent & Easter 2020: Coming soon – details of a Scripture Programme in part of our preparation for the Season of Lent.

Walk of Witness: It is time to begin planning our annual CTiM walk of witness, which takes place in the town centre on Good Friday 10th April. If anyone would like to volunteer as a reader, take part in the dramatic rendition or steward please contact

Saturday 29th February 2020: Retreat in Church hall from 2pm to 6pm. Organised by the Goan Community and conducted by Fr Lucas. All are welcome.

The collection Last Sunday's collection amounted to £1,009 and the second collection for the White Flower Appeal raised £481, many thanks.

Planned giving envelopes for the year 2020/21 are available, in box number order, at the Parish Centre side of the church. If anyone would like to start giving via the envelope scheme, please contact Louise Wood.

Welcoming Team: Would you be willing to become a 'Welcomer' at all Weekend Masses in St Joseph's Church on a rota basis? Welcoming requires giving out the Mass Books, hymn books, bulletins and obviously making people, particularly newcomers, welcome. For more information, or if you would be willing to help, please speak to Shauna in the Parish office. This is a great way to contribute and meet Parishioners.

Parish Office Notices

The Parish Website: 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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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 Pastoral Council

Andrew Strowbridge (Chairperson) Eleanor Chinkondenji (Vice Chairperson), Fr John Lee, Francoise Rogoszewski, Gloria McQueen, Norma Machray, Anthony Marques, Yvonne Piekut, Don Leanage and Edgar Fernandes

Have you seen the new relaunched diocesan website?

https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/ Have you signed up for Bishop Philip's weekly e-News?

Weekly Mass Times, Intentions and Parish Diary			
Sat	22nd Feb	10:00	Angel Sanjurja, RIP
		18:30	Simran, SI
Sun	23rd Feb	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	John and Terry Webb, A
		10:45	Zita Marie Gibbs, A
Mon	24th Feb	10:00	Mothers Prayer Group meet in Church
Tue	25th Feb	10:00	Mary Andrew, SI
Wed	26th Feb	10:00	Ash Wednesday
		19:30	Murial Veronica Roberts, FM in ST Elizabeth's
			Church, Cookham
Thu	27th Feb	10:00	David Charles Marett, RIP
		19:00	Mass for Renewal of the Parish followed by
			Holy Hour
Fri	28th Feb	10:00	Willie McSweeney, RIP
Sat	29th Feb	10:00	Franco Bigoni, A
		13:30	Wedding of Christine Granger and Brian
			Heffernan
		18:30	Anna & Wladyslaw Zurawski, A
Sun	1st Mar	08:00	Conceicao Joaquim, RIP
		09:15	People of the Parish
		09:45	First Holy Communion Programme
		10:45	Ann Hart, A

Code:

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

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.

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

Ash Wednesday 26th February 2020: Ashes will be blessed and distributed at the 10am Mass in St Josephs and the 7.30pm Mass in St Elizabeth's. Fr John will also distribute ashes in St Marys School at 2.30pm in the afternoon. Mass times in St Edmund Campion are: 7am, 9.30am and 7.30pm

Bishop Philip writes...

On 1st February, Bishop Paul Mason, who chairs the Healthcare Executive Group of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, issued Guidelines in relation to the new coronavirus.

- *Ask anyone with cold or flu symptoms to refrain from taking Holy Communion from the Chalice and receive the Host on the hand only. (We should be doing this anyway, every 'flu season.)
- *Ensure you combat discrimination against Chinese people and others wrongly assumed to have or be spreading the virus.
- *There is no need as things stand, for the Chalice to be withdrawn or the Sign of Peace to be suspended, such as was advised during the 2009 'flu pandemic. This advice would only come if we had a very serious epidemic in the UK and at the time of writing this is unlikely.