

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, Grace Thrower 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: Seamus Toal, RIP, Annita Emmanuel, RIP, and James Ireland, RIP who are recently deceased. *James Anthony Ireland, RIP*, Funeral Service will take place on Tuesday 17th March at 12noon in St Elizabeth's Church *Anna-Maria Meadows, RIP*, Funeral Service will take place on Monday 30th March at 10am in St Joseph's Church

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?

Collections: Last week's collection amounted to £1,063. Please remember, those of you who gift aid your donations to St Joseph's, that if you use an envelope with your name or box number written on it, we can claim the extra gift aid on Lent fund donations.

Clergy Assistance Fund: We are rescheduling this second collection from 22 March to **19 April**. Please save your envelope for the later date, many thanks.

Children's Liturgists - a reminder that there is a short meeting for everyone on Sunday 15th March, immediately after the 10.45 a.m. mass in the Bar area. Please bring your diaries. Any new helpers or parishioners with suggestions are very welcome at the meeting. Please contact Tricia Weeks on **01628 627265** or email triciaweeksmail@gmail.com for further details.

Lost Property: Did you lose anything at Church over the last few weekends? Please contact Shauna as I have a few items on my desk

Lenten Project: We welcome Mrs Barry our headteacher in St Marys at different Masses over the next two weekends to talk on how the money raised in our Lenten Project will help the school go to much needed resources.

The bring and buy sale in St Elizabeth's still goes ahead as planned this morning 15th March, please also support Trisha and Charlotte Ray as they hold a stall at the entrance of the Church at the Centre after the 10.45am Mass.

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.

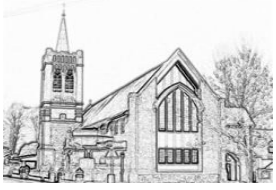
Dear Friends

I am sure by now you are aware of all the guidelines that have been issued by our Government and our Bishops with regard to the spread of the coronavirus. This is a very difficult time for everyone. As Parish Priest I have taken the difficult decision to postpone for now activities and events that have been planned for the life and growth of our community here in Maidenhead. The celebration of Mass each day and all other times of prayer will continue for now. It is highly likely that we may have to make some changes with regard to how we function as a Parish as time goes on. I will do my very best to keep you informed of any directives received from Bishop Egan and or the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales. It is incumbent upon all of us that we take care of one another and especially the most vulnerable members of our Parish family. With God's help and the prayers of Our Lady and St Joseph we will get through this crisis.

We commit to praying for one another. Please pray for me.

With love and the promise of prayer.

Fr John



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ST. JOSEPH'S, MAIDENHEAD &
ST. ELIZABETH'S, COOKHAM**
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Third Sunday of Lent, Psalter Week 3, Year A



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Safeguarding Team

If you have any queries on safeguarding then please speak to one of the team, Louise Wood and George Lam. 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, Françoise 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?

www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews

Weekly Mass Times, Intentions and Parish Diary

Sat	14th Mar	10:00	Novena: Ray Family, SI
		18:30	Kurt Karl Godinho, SI
Sun	15th Mar	08:00	Charles & Pauline Van de Verve, FM
		09:15	People of the Parish
		09:45	First Holy Communion Session
		10:45	Novena: Derek Webber, A
Mon	16th Mar	10:00	Mothers Prayer Group meet in Church
		19:30	Novena: Gerry Sullivan, RIP
Tue	17th Mar	12:00	Funeral Service, James Anthony Ireland, RIP in St Elizabeth's Church, Cookham
		19:30	Novena: Kaylan & Bravon, SI
Wed	18th Mar	19:30	Novena: Alice Swales, A
		19:30	RCIA meet in Presbytery
Thu	19th Mar	10:00	Herbert & Silvia Bianco, FM
		19:00	Mass for Renewal of the Parish followed by Holy Hour
Fri	20th Mar	10:00	Tina Redfern, RIP
		10:30	Stations of the Cross in St Joseph's Church
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Sat	21st Mar	10:00	Blandina Rodrigues, RIP
		11:00	First Reconciliation Service
		18:30	Neil Cooney, A
Sun	22nd Mar	08:00	People of the Parish
		09:15	Mr & Mrs Michael Philip, A
		10:45	Margaret Killoran, A

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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.

The Rededication of England as The Dowry of Our Blessed Lady: On the weekend of March 28/29th there will be celebrations throughout England as, after nearly 500 years, the country is once again called the Dowry of our Blessed Lady. The title was lost at the Reformation when the holy shrine of Walsingham was desecrated. Today it is again a place of pilgrimage.

On Saturday March 28th the 6,30pm Mass will be our parish contribution to the event. After Mass a film showing the history of Walsingham as a place of pilgrimage will be shown in the parish centre. All are welcome to come.

Please note that the Great Big Fun Quiz has been postponed until further notice.

PLEASE USE THE HAND SANATISER AT EACH CHURCH ENTRANCE.