

THE HOLY GHOST PARISH

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost and St. Bede

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Sunday 26th May 2024

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

Year B, Psalter Week IV

There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this week

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| Sun 26th May | 9.00 am | SB | Mass: Donors – St. Bede’s Church |
| | 11.00 am | SB | Mass: People of the Parish |
| | 6.00 pm | SB | Mass: Mike Took RIP (Fond) |
| Mon 27th | | | ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY, Bishop, feast |
| | 12 noon | SB | Mass: Int. Mr. Mrs. Fisher |
| Tues 28th | | | Blessed Margaret Pole, Martyr, optional memorial |
| | 9.30 am | SB | Mass: Barry Brown RIP |
| Wed 29th | 9.30 am | HG | Mass: Joseph, Linda Grasso RIP |
| Thur 30th | 9.30 am | SB | Mass: Canon Bernard Cosulich RIP |
| Fri 31st | | | THE VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, feast |
| | 9.30 am | SB | Mass: Holy Souls |
| Sat 1st | | | St Justin, Martyr, memorial |
| | 9.30 am | SB | Mass: Brian Fahy RIP |
| | | | <i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 11.00 am</i> |

CORPUS CHRISTI

(The Body and Blood of Christ)

Year B, Psalter Week I

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| Sun 2nd June | 9.00 am | SB | Mass: Dessie McGarry RIP |
| | 11.00 am | SB | Mass: Joseph Pattiyan RIP |
| | | | <i>Welcome to our newly Confirmed candidates</i> |
| | 2.30 pm | SB | Syro Malabar Rite |
| | 6.00 pm | SB | Mass: People of the Parish |

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Matthew’s Gospel today ends with the Baptismal formula of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Jesus names the three Persons of God. On Trinity Sunday, we celebrate our common divine origin - collective offspring of God with one shared life in the Holy Spirit. God has been present in the world from its beginning and the first reading tells us that God rules on Earth as in Heaven. We celebrate this every time we say the “Our Father”, particularly “thy will be done on Earth as it is in Heaven.” The Trinity holds all things together and is a model of mutuality. The parts are all aspects of the same God - God as Creator and Maker of Creation, God before us and over us; God incarnate as Jesus Christ, fully human, fully divine, God beside us; and the mutual love and wisdom that is the Spirit breathed into our very lives and into all Creation. In the Trinity there is no hierarchy: only mutual love and harmony. We pray repeatedly during our Eucharistic celebration to be filled with the Holy Spirit so that we may become one in body and spirit. The Holy Spirit connects us all to each other, and to the natural world. Let us pray that we experience God’s enduring presence in our lives; that we may experience enduring gratitude for who we are and for what the universe is.

Taken from The Living Word, Redemptorist Publications

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors who join us for Mass whether in our Church or via the livestream.

MASS CHANGE - WEDNESDAY 29TH MAY

Please note that due to scaffolding work at St Bede's Church on Wednesday 29th May, the 9.30 am Mass will be celebrated at Holy Ghost Church.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass this week.

ST BEDE'S CHURCH ROOF REPAIRS

Repair work will begin with scaffolding on Wednesday 29th May ready for the roofers to arrive on Thursday. We aim to keep disruption to a minimum but we ask for your patience, and prayers for dry weather, during this time.

BACCA SUMMER FETE

The annual BACCA Summer Fete will be held on Saturday 22nd June from 12 noon to 6pm on St Bede's School field. There will be a BBQ, bouncy castles, face painting, sack races, musical chairs and much more! Tickets cost £10 for adults, £5 for children (under 2's go free) and £30 for a family ticket (two adults and up to four children). All money raised will support Parish projects.

CAR PARKING

We want St. Bede's Church to be a place of welcome for all, as a community we are whole when everyone feels included. There has been an incident in the Church car park where a parishioner has driven into the car park at great speed. This is not a race track and we ask you please to be very vigilant when driving into and parking in the car park. There have been too many 'near misses' with children getting out of cars unattended into moving traffic.

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAMME

The next Baptism Preparation sessions will be held on Sunday 7th and Sunday 14th July at 1.15pm at St Bede's Church. Please email: baptisms@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk to register.

AFTERNOON TEA

The next 'Afternoon Tea' will be held in St Bede's Church Hall on Sunday 26th May at 3pm. All our welcome to come along and join us.

FANNING THE FLAME SUMMER CAMP

Bookings for the 2024 *Fanning the Flame* summer camp taking place from Monday 19th - Friday 23rd August at Kintbury are now open. For more information and to book go to: [Fanning The Flame Summer Camp 2024](#)

POPE FRANCIS MAY PRAYER INTENTION

During May, Pope Francis asks us to pray for the formation of religious and seminarians. *We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.*



PARISH DIARY

Sun 26th: 12 noon BACCA (SB)
Sun 26th: 3 pm Afternoon Tea (SB)
Wed 29th: 8.30 am Roofing Work Begins (SB)
Sat 1st: 10 - 4 pm Caritas (SB)
Sat 1st: 4 – 8 pm – Lord's Flock (SB)
Sat 1st: Polish Rosary (HG)

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT COURSE

CHARIS Portsmouth are holding a 'Life in the Spirit' course for 2024. The 7 sessions will be held via Zoom on Thursday evenings from 6th June to 18th July, 7.30 pm – 9 pm. There will be a Holy Spirit Day at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday 29th June after the 9.30 am Mass until 1 pm. Please bring a packed lunch, tea/coffee will be provided. To register for the course, please click the link: [Meeting Registration - Zoom](#) If you are able to help cover the costs for the day, please follow the link below: [Crowd-funding to CHARIS Portsmouth for the annual Life in the Spirit course on JustGiving](#)

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or anniversary over 60 years? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of celebration at St Bede's Church on Saturday 7th September at 2pm. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. To request a form to please email: anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. This address is not monitored daily and you may have to wait for a reply, so please be patient. If you do not have access to the internet, please contact Liz Murphy in the Parish Office who will have the form you need to complete. To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a COPY of your Wedding photograph, you can upload it when you return the form. Again, if you have no access to the internet, you can post a COPY along with your completed form (please mark the envelope Significant Wedding Mass) to Liz Murphy at the Parish Office.



MONEY MANAGEMENT FOR ALL - SAVE THE DATE

Following the success of the sessions organised last year, Holy Ghost Parish has once again partnered with Christians Against Poverty [CAP] to deliver one of their 'Money Coaching' programmes in St Bede's Church hall on June 20th & 27th and July 4th and 11th at 7pm. For more information please contact Deacon Tony or Pam on 07883 059529 or email: adarroch@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

FUNERAL

Requiem Mass for Victor Johnson RIP on Friday 21st June at 12 noon in Holy Ghost Church. We remember Victor's family and friends at this sad time. May he Rest in Peace.

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 19th May amounted to £2,604.30. Thank you for your generosity.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is via our contactless terminal by the Hall.