

# THE HOLY GHOST PARISH

Serving the Churches of Holy Ghost and St. Bede

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## Sunday 7th July 2024

### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Year B, Psalter Week II*

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before all weekday Masses**

<b>Sun 7th July</b>	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Paddy Bradley RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: People of the Parish
	No Syro Malabar Mass		
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: Elsamma Dominic RIP
<b>Mon 8th</b>	12 noon	SB	Mass: Int. Fr Kevin Duggan
<b>Tues 9th</b>	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Peter Mooney RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Funeral Service for Thomas Curren RIP
	7.30 pm	SB	<i>Holy Hour with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i>
<b>Wed 10th</b>	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Joseph KP RIP
<b>Thur 11th</b>	<b>ST BENEDICT</b> , Founder, Patron of Europe, <i>feast</i>		
	9.30 am	SB	Mass: Mathias Viegas RIP
<b>Fri 12th</b>	9.30 am	HG	Mass: Private Intention
	<i>Please note Mass will be celebrated at Holy Ghost today</i>		
<b>Sat 13th</b>	9.30 am	SB	Mass: John Daly RIP
	<i>Confessions after 9.30 am Mass until 11.00 am</i>		

### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

*Year B, Psalter Week III*

<b>Sun 14th July</b>	9.00 am	SB	Mass: Avelino Domantay Sr RIP
	11.00 am	SB	Mass: Vocations
	6.00 pm	SB	Mass: People of the Parish

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### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Our readings today suggest that we - as individuals and as members of Christian communities - should become prophets who speak up against anything we see going on that goes against Christian values. In the example given it is 'welcoming the stranger', which is Church policy. It is not easy. Biblical prophets were often afraid to accept the call from God, not wanting to have their lives interrupted, and so made a list of all the reasons why they could not accept the call, including their personal limitations. God called on them to be courageous and committed, trusting they had something valuable to offer. In the Gospel we hear that Jesus was dismayed when He experienced a lack of faith in His own town of Nazareth. Indeed, it even undermined His ability to perform miracles. He lamented individuals and communities taking on the values of society rather than of faith. We are encouraged to speak out as people of faith and to be prophets of our time. We are challenged by the example of Jesus to speak out against injustice and violence. Vulnerable groups tend to come second to personal profit and advancement and the vulnerable environment is carelessly used and not well protected. We cannot be indifferent to these realities of our time.

*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.

## JULY - MONTH OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST

Bishop Philip writes in this week's e-News, "The month of July is customarily dedicated to honouring the Precious Blood of Jesus Christ, the price of our salvation. In this month we reflect on the infinite power of the Blood of our Saviour to cleanse, purify and transform us."

## TEA/COFFEE

This Sunday, 7th July, there will be tea and coffee in the hall after 11 am Mass.

## FORTHCOMING ORDINATIONS

It is with great joy that we look forward to the ordination of two new Priests for our Diocese, two new permanent Deacons and one transitional Deacon. Please pray for Deacon Tom Hiney and Deacon Ambrose Chou who will be ordained as Priests of our Diocese at the Cathedral on Saturday 13th July 2024 at 11am. Please pray for Stephen Patterson and Zacharias Parambi who will be ordained to the diaconate on Saturday 27th July 2024 at 11am in the Cathedral. Please pray too for Ryan Browne, a student for the Priesthood, who will be ordained Deacon at the English College Villa at Palazzola on Wednesday 10th July 2024.

## ARE YOU THINKING ABOUT THE PRIESTHOOD?

'Adoremus' is the National Eucharistic Congress which will be held on Saturday 14th September. However, on the following day, Sunday 15th September, 10am-5.30pm, the Bishops' Conference is hosting a national discernment event called 'Invocation at Adoremus', also at St Mary's College, Oscott (Birmingham). This is a fantastic opportunity for any discerners to gather with the seminarians and meet others from right across the country. There will be workshops, keynote speakers, Adoration, opportunities to speak to people to discern their vocation. Please get in touch with our Diocesan Vocations Promotion Team if you would like to be considered as a delegate to attend this free event: [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

## YOUTH 2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL

The annual Youth 2000 Summer Festival will take place from Friday 23rd August - Monday 26th August 2024 in the beautiful surroundings of Ampleforth Abbey, North Yorkshire. This festival is an opportunity for young people (aged 16-35) from across the UK to grow in their relationship with God, form friendships and be inspired to live out their faith! The programme will include input from incredible speakers, a wonderful variety of workshops, and loads of opportunities to be with Jesus and encounter His love. Tickets (which include food and accommodation) can be purchased from: [Events — Youth 2000](#) Tickets are also available for priests, religious, families and groups. If you have any questions please email [events@youth2000.org](mailto:events@youth2000.org)

## PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for week ending 30th June amounted to £2,513.00. Thank you for your generosity.

## PARISH DIARY

Mon 8th - Knights St Columba, 7- 9pm (SB)  
Tues 9th - Kneeler Group, 7-9pm (SB)  
Tues 9th - Holy Hour, 7.30pm (SB)  
Weds 10th - Emergency Lighting Work (SB)  
Weds 10th - Choir, 7.30pm (SB)  
Fri 12th - Baptismal Font Work (SB)  
Fri 12th - Polish Rehearsal , 6pm (HG)  
Sat 13th - Syro Malabar, 10.15am to 7pm (SB)

## PASTORAL AREA COURSE - STRENGTH TO STRENGTH

Our new online CaFE course - Strength to Strength - is underway. If you are interested in learning how to sustain a fruitful prayer life, learn tips and best practices, there is still time to join. Please register your interest by emailing Joan at: [jkent@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:jkent@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

## AN INVITATION TO A BBQ WITH OUR SEMINARIANS

The Vocations Team is hosting the annual gathering of all the Seminarians and Seekers/Discerners in a few weeks' time on Tuesday 30th July. The evening includes a BBQ and ends with Night Prayer. If you are interested in joining the evening yourself as a new enquirer - or you know of a man/men in your parish who you may think could be interested in joining the evening, then please can we encourage you to pass news of this opportunity on to them. To receive full details of the gathering please send an email to: [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) by Friday 20th July.

## POPE FRANCIS JULY PRAYER INTENTION

During July, Pope Francis asks us to pray for those with pastoral care of the sick. *We pray that the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick confer to those who receive it and their loved ones the power of the Lord and become ever more a visible sign of compassion and hope for all.*

## APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Next Sunday, 14th July, is Sea Sunday. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting: [Can you help a seafarer in need? \(enthuse.com\)](#), or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you. To find out more about the work of Stella Maris please go to their website at: [Home - Stella Maris](#)

## FUNERALS

Funeral Service for Thomas 'Tom' Curren RIP on 9th July at 11 am in St Bede's Church. Funeral Service for Arthur Hardy RIP on Wednesday 24th July at 12 noon in Holy Ghost Church. We remember their family and friends at this sad time. May they Rest in Peace.

## DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is online at: [Donate to Basingstoke St Bede's Church | Give as you Live Donate](#) or via our contactless terminal by the Hall.

