

ST. EDWARD CAMPION:

The relic of St. Edward Campion will be available for veneration during the annual pilgrimage from Wantage. It will arrive here at 6.30pm Mass only on June 2nd.

BASKET

COLLECTIONS: We are looking for more helpers to offer their assistance in the collection's during Mass and the second collections after Mass. This is an important ministry and many of the second collections are mandatory. Please let the office know if you can help or speak to one of the collectors at Mass. Many thanks.

BENCHES: Please return all the kneelers to the upright position after each Mass. Thank you.

PARKING: A reminder that parking in front of the church is strictly limited to

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GOING INTO HOSPITAL

On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.

Catholic Chaplaincy **RBH**

0118 322 7105
Arrangements are patient-led

those with a disabled blue badge. Thank you.

CARITAS: Caritas Plymouth has invited people in our diocese interested in learning more about modern slavery, particularly in the care sector to an event they are holding in Poole on 30th April. There are some great speakers from the Medaille Trust and Gangmasters and Labour Abuse Authority. Event runs from 10:30-12:30 in the church hall of St Marys Catholic Church, 211A Wimborne Road, Poole, BH15 2EG. Please register beforehand at [Tackling Modern Slavery Event - Poole Tuesday 30th April \(office.com\)](https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/jobs-catholic-diocese-of-portsmouth)

DIOCESAN VACANCIES:

Please follow the link for current vacancies throughout the Diocese: [Jobs - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth, \(portsmouthdiocese.org.uk\)](https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/jobs-catholic-diocese-of-portsmouth)

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Adoration
9.30am - before weekday Mass

Confessions
After weekday Masses &
Saturday at 5.45pm

Tea/Coffee
After Wed & Sun Mass

Priest's Mass Intentions
Please complete a brown envelope in the foyer and arrange with the office

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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO, WOODLEY

Sunday 28th April 2024
5th SUNDAY OF Easter - B



CONFIRMATION 2024: Please pray for our 16 candidates who are being Confirmed at the Cathedral this coming **Sunday - 5th May.**

They are Amber Ormiston, Isabella Bernie, Bethan Gibson, Mia Chako, Isabel Aguiar, Finn Sharp, Ciara Sharp, Joshua Martin, Michael Khan, Ann Jacob, Oliver Worringham, Karen Mkoma, Desree Mkoma, Dalziel Mkoma, Mercedes Castro Zafra and Ines Castro Zafra. **We will celebrate with them on 12th May.**

On that Sunday, 12th May, we ask all 16 candidates to come to 10.00am Mass where they will receive their certificates and we will host a special celebration for them in the parish Newman Centre.

Please can we all bring a plate of food to share with them.

Today's Psalm Response: You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.



RCIA - RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS: The name for an individual to be brought into the full Catholic faith. We will be running a programme, beginning in September 2024, for full initiation at Easter 2025. If you are interested, please inform the office. office@stjohnbosco.co.uk

SAFEGUARDING: Safeguarding training day in Reading on Sat 22nd June for those working with youth and vulnerable adults. Suggestion is that catechists and EMHC attend if they have not taken training for a while. More details to come.

GIFT AID FORMS: Reminder all parishioners who have signed a gift aid declaration **prior** to January 2023, **will need to fill in and sign a new version. IF YOU DO NOT SIGN A NEW GIFT**

MAY MY DAY BY DAY: Now available to purchase in the Lady Chapel.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

9.30am Adoration before weekday Masses

TODAY	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	6.30PM 10.00AM	John Knox + Dirk Schmidt +
Mon 29th	St. Catherine of Siena	10.00am	Francena Dodd +
Tues 30th	Of the 5th Week of Easter	10.00am	Paul Vincent +
Wed 1st MAY	Of the 5th Week of Easter - NO 9.30am Adoration today.	10.00am	John O'Brien +
Thurs 2nd	St. Athanasius	NO MASS	
Fri 3rd	Ss. PHILIP & JAMES, Apostles	10.00am	SJB Confirmation candidates
Sat 4th	THE ENGLISH MARTYRS (1535-1680)	No AM Mass	
SUN 5th MAY	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	6.30PM 10.00AM 3.00PM	Alphonsus + Kathleen Randall + CONFIRMATION - ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

Our next session is next Saturday 11th May at 1pm in the Newman centre. Please

remember to bring your books. Look through chapters 7 & 8 beforehand. All our candidates now have a prayer partner. Thank you to our parishioners!



DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES:

This year the pilgrimage takes place from 22nd July for 4 nights at £859 pp sharing. Direct flight from Gatwick to Toulouse with full board accommodation. Travel insurance & single room occupancy extra. For booking & more information email

lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 07780 221686.

MARRIAGE CARE: Trustee Vacancy with Marriage Care - the organisation providing marriage preparation and relationship counselling services across England, Wales and Gibraltar. The board are looking for an additional trustee. Visit www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk for more information.

DOMINICAN SISTERS - LIGHT OF TRUTH - ENROLMENT OPEN for the Certificate of Catechesis course. For more information please visit the Light of truth website [Certificate | Light of Truth](#)

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - THURSDAY 9TH MAY:



There will be 2 Masses on 9th May - 10.00am and 7.00pm. **The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord is a Holy Day of Obligation.** There will be NO MASS on Wednesday 8th May.

REMINDER: No mid-week Masses w/b Mon May 13th & w/b Mon May 20th. Next weekday Mass will be 10.00am Monday 29th May followed by Adoration until 7pm (evening prayers at 6.40pm)

EMHC TRAINING: This Saturday May 4th 9.30am-2.30pm - St. Bede's church Basingstoke. Lunch provided.

Email liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to secure a place

LENTEN ALMS: READING REFUGEE SUPPORT GROUP (RSG) - during Lent, for our Lenten Alms, we collected a huge £490.27 for the support group.

Here is what they say to you: 'A huge thank you to all the thoughtful and generous parishioners who donated to Refugee Support Group. We are incredibly grateful for your donation. The amount you raised will go towards our drop-in sessions. Run weekly our drop-ins are at the heart of our organisation, offering a safe space for refugees and people seeking asylum to meet, practice their English language skills and receive useful information. These sessions help to combat loneliness, isolation, and improve mental health. We're only partly funded and rely on the generosity of our supporters; we couldn't continue our vital work without people like you, thank you so much. The RSG Team'.

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially: June Bremner-Tse, Chris Fido, Mimi Peat, Madeline Faherty, Chris & Felicity Hughes, Marie Dempster, Mary Towey, Linda Guttridge, Maureen Gibbs, Margaret Muiruri, and Colin Eames. **(To add a name to this list please contact the parish office)**

Also, for all the faithful departed, especially those in our Book of Remembrance for this month: Patricia Martin, Peter Hill, Ronald Lawrence, Marian Lawrence, Emilio Albanese, Jenny Dowse, Gertrude Cloet, Bryan Cunningham, Lorelie Indopia, Elizabeth Ellen Zolobajluk, Patricia Williamson, Dennis Harman and Ružica (Rose) Doggett. May they rest in peace.