



READING PASTORAL AREA

St John Bosco

This Sunday's Gospel Message

As much as Jesus' listeners didn't understand how Jesus could really mean that they were to eat his body and drink his blood, Jesus made it very clear that that was precisely what he did mean. Once again, it was hard for the people of Jesus' day (and still hard for us today, too) to understand what Jesus tried to say because they only thought in earthly, literal terms. This Gospel passage gives us one of our firm foundations for the institution of the Eucharist so that, in faith, we will eat the bread that will give us everlasting life. Many times we prepare our children for the "big" events in their lives forgetting how much of life takes place in the ordinary moments. For example, first communion is often a big production either at the hands of the parish or how families choose to dress their children and celebrate after mass. The really important message of this Gospel reading, however, is how joyful and thankful are we when we receive our one hundredth or one thousandth communion. Our goal might be to help our children continue to be thankful and joyful each time they receive communion. This can happen when they see how happy we are to receive communion ourselves.

*I am
the Bread
of Life*

John 6:35



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**Church Office is open
next week:**

Tue Wed & Fri 8am - 1pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 269.90

Loose: £ 358.20

Standing orders: £ 317.00

Total : £ 945.10p

Bamenda Education collection
Total £ 522.18

*Thank you for your generous
contributions. Your donations
make the life and work of the
parish possible.*

Next Retiring Collection:

For: Peter's Pence
On: 29th June 2014

Psalm Response: Year A

**"O praise the Lord,
Jerusalem ."**

Confession

The next Saturday confession
is this Saturday 21st June

Our Extraordinary Ministers of
Holy Communion will be
recommissioned at both Masses
this weekend. Please keep them in
your thoughts and prayers as they
carry out this important ministry for
our sick & housebound.

LOOK
**CHANGE TO MASS
TIME THIS SUNDAY
22ND JUNE TO 9.30AM**

PORTSMOUTH & BAMENDA

On Monday the 31 delegates from Bamenda arrived to celebrate the return visit for the 40th Ruby Anniversary of the twinning of the Diocese of Portsmouth & the Archdiocese of Bamenda. They have been attending Masses of celebration and visiting parishes and schools across the diocese. This Sunday we have our Reading Pastoral Area Celebration Mass here at St John Bosco and reception afterwards. Please pray for the delegates that their visit will be happy and memorable and for a safe and easy journey home.

✠ **Portsmouth Diocese
& Bamenda Archdiocese** ✠

**40 YEARS
RUBY**

**Reading Pastoral
Area Celebration**

1974 - 2014

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 21st	6.30pm	Vigil Mass with Recommissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Michael Mole + (Helen & family)	Day of Prayer for Readers & Choir at Christ the King School
Sun 22nd Corpus Christi	9.30am	Sunday Mass with Recommissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.	Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.	
	CHANGE TO MASS TIME 4.00pm	Bamenda Celebration Mass	All parishioners in Portsmouth Diocese & Bamenda Archdiocese	5.30pm ~ Bamenda Reception (Ticket only)
Mon 23rd	10.00am	Service of Word & Communion		8.00pm SJB Prayer Group
Tue 24th	11.00am	Requiem Mass: Maurice Lynch		
	7.00pm	The Nativity of John the Baptist	Pupils & Teachers at St Dominics	
Wed 25th	9.15am	Feria		
Thu 26th	9.15am	Feria		2.00pm Over 60's
Fri 27th	9.00am 9.30am	Exposition The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus		
Sat 28th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Patricia Andrews + (John Andrews)	
Sun 29th Ss Peter & Paul	10.00am	Sunday Mass	Maria Abondanza & Saverio Zeolla + (Mr & Mrs F Zeolla)	

We Warmly welcome Fr George Ngwa who will be celebrating Mass here from 24th June until 1st August.

NEWS & EVENTS

NEXT MEETING DATES:

Emergency numbers for the
Sacramental Ministry of a
priest:

Fr Bon 969 3423
Fr. Pat 931 4469
Fr. Emmanuel 966 3711
Fr John N 957 2149
Fr John O 957 4171

Please call your own priest first.

READING CHURCHES

WEEKEND MASS TIMES:

CHRIST THE KING

Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am & 6pm

ENGLISH MARTYRS

Sat 6.30pm, Sun 9.30am,
11.30am & 5pm

OUR LADY OF PEACE

Sun 9am, 11am & 5pm

ST JAMES

Sat 6pm, Sun 11am

ST JOHN BOSCO

Sat 6.30pm & Sun 10am

ST WILLIAM OF YORK

Sun 9am, 11am & 6pm

FUNERAL

The Requiem Mass for
Maurice Lynch will take
place here at St John Bosco
at 11am this Tuesday 24th
June. Please pray for
Maurice and
keep Val,
Jake and
Colm in
your
thoughts
and prayers
at this sad
time.



"LIGHT" YOUR LOVE FOR JESUS IN THE SANCTUARY LAMP.

In this Year of Faith in Action,
we encourage members of our
parish to mark special periods in
their lives by requesting to "light"
the sanctuary lamp. This is an
opportunity to draw close to the
Lord in the Eucharist, to express
your love for Him, and to let his
light shine in your life. **Please fill
in the lilac form from the
porch and return it to the
church office asap.**

COFFEE & CAKES

The next date for the
Parish Coffee &
Cakes fundraising is
Sunday 6th July. If
you can bake a cake
or help on the day,
please contact Cathy. 9272419.



QUICK NEWS

POSADA NATIVITY: Thank you for all the wool donations, the Posada
Group now have enough wool to complete the figures.

YOUNG READERS: Any young people interested in Reading from
September please email the parish office with your details.

BON VOYAGE: Fr Bon will be going for holidays to
Bamenda on 24th June to be back in August. Keep
thinking of him in your thoughts and prayers as he
catches up with family and friends after three years.



WANTED

Volunteers who are
Eucharistic Ministers to
take Holy Communion to
patients in the Royal
Berkshire Hospital. Please
contact the parish office for the
appropriate application form. If you
would like more information on what's
involved please contact Fr John O'Shea
on 0118 957 4171 or email
stjames@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.



YOUTH MINISTRY IN READING

All Youth Group Leaders,
Catechists and all those
interested in the development of
Youth Ministry in our parishes are
invited to a special meeting at St
William of York Church, Upper
Redlands Road, RG1 5JJ on
Wednesday, 25th June at 7.30pm
to discuss the future of youth
ministry following the resignation
of Peter McGeady.

SJB Prayer Group
8pm Mon 23rd June

Over 60's Club
2.00pm Thu 26th June

Traidcraft Stall
Sat 28th & Sun 29th June

**3rd Woodley St John Bosco
Scout Group:**
Beavers: Mon 6.00-7.00pm
Cubs: Thu 6.30-8.30pm
Scouts: Mon 7.30-9.30pm

**The parish office is closed next
Thursday due to
Administrators training day.**

TRAINING SESSION

on safety procedures in church and
church hall led by Deacon Stephen
Short for Welcomers, Stewards
etc. on Saturday, 12th July at
St Williams Church, Upper
Redlands Road, RG1 5JJ,
10am – 12noon.
All Welcomers please email the
parish office if you are able to
attend as soon as possible.

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

The next Divine Mercy Holy Hour
is on Sunday 6th July at
St Joseph's, Tilehurst.
2.30 - 3.30 Exposition, hymns and
meditations
Refreshments are
served afterwards, all
are welcome.



Basingstoke Choral Society's

next concert will be at Douai Abbey (Upper Woolhampton, RG7 5TQ) on
Saturday 28th June. This promises sublime music in a superb setting, as we
turn to the Baroque period. Bach's Magnificat in D and Handel's Dixit
Dominus are two of the finest pieces in the repertoire. The conductor and
organ soloist David Gibson will play Bach's ever-popular Toccata and Fugue
in D minor. The New London Sinfonia will perform Bach's Brandenburg
Concerto No. 2. The soprano soloist will be Erica Eloff. Wine and
strawberries at 6.00pm. Concert starts at 7.45pm. Tickets £17 (booking fee
may apply). Newbury Corn Exchange 0845 5218 218 or
cornexchangenew.com.

INTERNATIONAL EVENING

FRI 11 JULY - SAVE THE DATE!

The Reading Pastoral Area
CAFOD Group is holding a special
evening at the Irish Centre,
Reading at 8pm on 11th July in aid
of CAFOD. We're looking for
members of our community to take
part on the night by singing,
dancing or playing musical
instruments. More information
about this will follow. Tickets at £5
will be available from 14th/15th
June. Please contact Rita Belletty.

Invocation National Discernment Festival, Friday 4-Sunday 6 July 2014

Are you a young person who is keen to deepen
your relationship with Christ, and discover his call
for your life? Many young people are seeking the
right opportunities to do this. If this is you - you
are warmly invited to Invocation, a national
discernment festival at St Mary's College, Oscott,
Birmingham. The focus this year will be on what
it means to be a disciple of Christ and there are
three exciting speakers. The weekend costs
£50 . See www.invocation.org.uk for more details

SJB PRAYER GROUP

Will next be meeting at
8pm this Monday 23rd
June in the parish
centre. We are a small
friendly group who
welcome new members.
If you have someone or
something you would
like to pray for, then
please come and join us.

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS FOR WEEK:

22nd - 29th June dedicated to:

Main Church:

Lady Chapel:

ST JOHN BOSCO BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Please keep in your prayers all those with JUNE anniversaries:

**Patricia Andrews+ Robert Castle+ Bernadet James+ Brian Lenihan (JR)+
Terence Chappe+ Lionel Doggett+ Demetria Devera+ Howard James+
Siobhan Shaw+ Ronald Palmer+ Frank Donohoe+ Michael Mole+**