



READING PASTORAL AREA

St John Bosco



Thought for the week

Using a parable, Jesus got the Jewish leaders to admit their error. He described a vineyard owner (God) who sent slaves (prophets) to collect his share of the harvest from the tenants (Jewish leaders). But the tenants killed the slaves. The landowner sent more slaves, but the tenants killed them, too. Finally the owner sent his son (Jesus). Of course, they killed the son. Jesus summarized his point by telling the chief priests and elders that what they had rejected (their place in the kingdom) would now be given to the Gentiles. God has given us a great harvest in our children. The harvest may not be perfect or a bumper crop in all ways, but nevertheless, the harvest is a precious gift from God. Like the greedy tenants, there are things in our lives that would take us away from our responsibilities to our children. What are the things we give in to and how have we justified their interference? Perhaps it is our job, friends, hobbies, ambitions sometimes get in the way of family time? Today's gospel challenges us to appreciate the fruits of our harvest.



OCTOBER MONTH OF OUR LADY

For the month of October we shall be saying the Rosary:

Tuesdays from 7.00pm leading into Mass.

Wednesdays from 9.15am leading into Mass

Fridays 9.15am Rosary with Mass at 9.30am

Saturdays 6pm with the Vigil Mass at 6.30pm

Sundays 9.30am with the Sunday Mass as 10am.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Thank you to the 40 candidates who have enrolled for our new First Holy Communion program.

We can still accept candidates until 10th October ~ please contact the church office.

The first children's meeting is on Saturday 11th October followed by their Mass of Inscription on the 12th October.

We shall soon be asking for Prayer Partners for all the children ~ details to follow.



MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 4th	9.30am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Mass: St Francis of Assisi Rosary Vigil Mass	All Souls Jim Foley + (Bridget)	11.00am ~ RCIA Session 1 At Christ the King Hall.
Sun 5th	9.30am 10.00am	Rosary Sunday Mass	Pauline Siveter + (Judy & Terry Rogers)	11am: Coffee & Cakes fundraising
Mon 6th	10.00am	Service of Word & Communion		8.00pm ~ SJB Prayer Group
Tue 7th	7.00pm	Rosary & Mass: Our Lady of the Rosary	Don & Liz's intentions. (Barry & Eileen)	
Wed 8th	9.15am	Rosary & Mass: Feria	All Souls	8.00pm ~ PPC meeting
Thu 9th	9.15am	Mass: Blessed John Henry Newman	Katty Coffey + (Tomms family)	7.30pm ~ Living our Faith meeting parish organisers
Fri 10th	9.15am 9.30am	Rosary Mass: St Paulinus of York	Yvonne Young + (Ashley Young)	
Sat 11th	6.00pm 6.30pm	Rosary Vigil Mass	Keenan family intentions (T Keenan)	1.30pm ~ First Holy Communion 1st meeting
Sun 12th	10.00am	Mass of Inscription for First Holy Communion candidates.	Thanksgiving for St Theresa of Avila 500th anniversary (Divine Mercy Group)	

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Church Office is open
next week:
Tue - Fri 8am - 1pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 275.40

Loose: £ 317.83

Standing orders: £ 317.00

Total : £ 910.23p

Last weekend's collection for the
Cathedral raised £168.09

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

Next Retiring Collection:

For: APF Mission Sunday

On: 19th October 2014

Psalm Response: Year A

**"The vineyard of the Lord is
the House of Israel."**

Confession : The next Saturday
confession is this Saturday 4th Oct
at 5.30—6.00pm

COFFEE & CAKES

Our ongoing fund raising with
Coffee & Cakes will be held after
Sunday Mass THIS weekend.
Please support us !

For weekly e-news from around
the Diocese. Go to
www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

DIVINE MERCY HOLY HOUR

The next Divine Mercy Holy Hour
is **Sunday 5th October** at

English Martyrs.

2.30 - 3.30pm



Emergency numbers for the
Sacramental Ministry of a
priest:

Fr Bon 969 3423

Fr. Pat 931 4469

Fr. Emmanuel 966 3711

Cannon Michael 957 2149

Fr George 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

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

READERS & YOUNG READERS

We are looking for adults and
young people to join our
weekend Readers rotas.

There will be a training session
in October for new and existing
Readers and Young Readers ~
more details to follow.

So if this ministry is something
you would like to volunteer for,
please email the office with your
contact details and
if a young person
your age, as soon
as possible



MASS COUNT

There will be the
annual Mass
counts at all
weekend Masses
during October.



"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.

NEWS & EVENTS

QUICK NEWS:

MEN'S BREAKFAST READING CHURCHES MEN'S GROUP 8.15.am for
8.30.am on Sat 18th Oct at Reading Blue Coat School. Subject "**Ethics in
Biology-a Christian Perspective?**" To book (£8 per head) contact:
John0118-954-3879 book by 14th October

CALLING ALL YOUTH LEADERS and those interested in Catholic Youth
Ministry to a meeting on Wed 15th October in St William of York at 7.30pm.
Confirmation catechists and others would be most welcome at the meeting.

LODDON VALLEY YOUTH & FAMILY 10K WALK & PICNIC. LV Youth Group invite
youths and their families for a Walk and Picnic on Sunday 12th October meet
at Sonning Lane, past Reading Bluecoat school RG4 6SU at 10.30am.
Please email Jofi on Loddonvalleyyouth@gmail.com if you plan to take part.

SJB PRAYER GROUP are meeting this Monday 6th October at 8pm in the
parish centre. We are a small friendly group who welcome new members.
Please come along and join us.

CAFÉ THEOLOGIQUE: Mon 6th Oct, 7.30pm "Delightfully Punk: Theology,
Personhood, and Loving Rage" Rev Dr Graeme Fancourt. Zero Degrees Bar
(corner of Bridge Street/Gun Street, RG1 2LR - near St Mary Butts).

ANCHOR TRAINING FOR CATECHISTS

Anchor is a simple Faith resource which allows adults, in 6 interactive
sessions, to discover or rediscover the essentials of the Catholic Faith
through Scripture and art. www.anchoryourfaith.com. The day will be led by
the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph from Lymington. Training will be on Sat
22nd Nov in St Edward the Confessor's Church Hall, Chandler's Ford, SO53
2DU. From 10am-1pm, with an optional workshop in the afternoon. Bring a
packed lunch. The day is free of charge. Register at the diocesan website.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

The new rota has been emailed to all
those who have provided an email
address. Paper copies are in the church
porch. Please report to the Sacristy
before Mass when you are on the rota.

ALTAR SERVERS TRIP

Snow Tubing on Sunday 19th
October at 1pm.
Servers please
book your place
asap with Jenny.



REPOSITORY

Our Repository now has stock of Christmas Cards, Advent calendars and
other Christmas items.

The Repository is open before and after both
weekend Masses so please pop in and have a look.

CATECHISTS NEEDED

We urgently need catechists to join our
Sacramental preparation programs:
Baptism, First Holy Communion,
Confirmation and RCIA. Full
instruction will be given. If this is
where your talents lie then please
contact the church office ASAP.

BEAVER SCOUTS WAITING LIST

If you would like to put your child on
the waiting list please contact Barry
966 2526. Beavers is for children
aged 5-6 and meet every Monday
6-7pm in the community building in
the school grounds. Any child from
aged 5 can put their name down.

NEXT MEETING DATES:

RCIA (Journey in Faith)

11am Sat 4th October at Christ
the King

SJB Prayer Group

8.00pm Mon 6th October

PPC

8pm Wed 8th October

First Holy Communion

1.30pm Sat 11th October

9.45am Sun 12th Mass of Inscription

Traidcraft Stall

Sat 11th & Sun 12th October

Over 60's Club

2.00pm Thu 16th October

Confirmation

2.30pm Sat 18th October

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

Term time only.



SJB CHRISTMAS CARDS

Thank you to everyone who has
entered our Christmas Card
Competition ~ entries can still
accept entries until this 1Ppm this
Tuesday 7th October.

Packs of 10 will be

available to
purchase from
mid October
with all
proceeds to our
church.



DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

**ST JOHN BOSCO CAROL
SERVICE AND FESTIVE
DRINKS on Tuesday 9th
December at 7.00pm.**

The Carol Service will be held in
the main church with festive drinks
and mince pies in the Parish
Centre afterwards. This is a great
chance to socialise with fellow
parishioners so make sure you
save the date !

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS FOR WEEK:

6th - 13th October dedicated to:

Main Church:

Lady Chapel:



ST JOHN BOSCO BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Please keep in your prayers all those with October anniversaries:

Sidney Crawford+ Jim Foley+ Michal Zolobajluk+ Nigel Keel+
Jean White+ Richard Gillespie+ Irene Gillespie+ Phyllis Crawford+
Sean Jordan+ Keith Jukes+ Pamela Grace Evans+ James Crowther+