

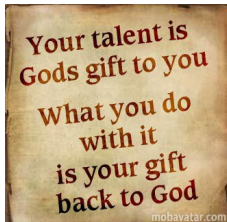


READING PASTORAL AREA

St John Bosco

Thought for the week

God has given each one of us talents. Sometimes out of laziness or lack of ambition, or sometimes because we are afraid of failure or ridicule, we do not share our talents. The gospel challenges us to take a risk and invest our gifts for the greater good of God's people. We do this ourselves as adults, but we must also try to help our children recognize their talents and use them in a productive way. How can you use your talents ?



ST JOHN BOSCO CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We are asking if anyone has any unwanted items we could include as prizes in our Christmas raffle ? If you can help please drop off any items at the church office next week or to Pia next weekend. All donations are much appreciated.



CHURCH OFFICE

Please note that from next week there are changes to the church office opening times as follows:

Tuesday & Friday 8am till 1pm
Wednesday & Thursday 11am till 4pm



SJB CHRISTMAS CARDS

Thank you to everyone who has entered our Christmas Card Competition ~ The winning entries are now available to buy in packs of 10 priced at £5 per pack, from the church porch at weekends or from the church office during opening times. **All proceeds will go to our church so please do support us.**

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Charity Number 246871**
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Church Office is open
Tue & Fri 8am - 1pm
Wed & Thu 11am - 4pm

WEEKLY COLLECTION

Envelopes: £ 402.50
Loose: £ 386.29
Standing orders: £ 317.00
Total : £1105.79p

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

Next Retiring Collection:
For: Christmas Flowers
On: 14th December 2014

Psalm Response: Year A

"Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all the peoples."

Confession : The next Saturday confession is this Saturday 15th Nov at 5.30—6.00pm

PRAYERS FOR OUR FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Will take place on Sunday 30th November at 6.30pm. We shall pray for all our dead and burn the petitions in the Remembrance box.



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 7th December at St James Forbury**
2.30 - 3.30pm



St John Bosco Carol Service

Tue 9th December at 7pm
Followed by mulled wine, mince pies & raffle in the parish centre. Save the date and bring a friend.



SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

This newly formed committee is asking for volunteers & help at events for next year. If you can help please contact the church office ASAP

HELP WANTED!



MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Diary
Sat 15th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Cassiano Salvador Fernandes +	
Sun 16th	10.00am	Mass	Maria Hodder + (Fappiano family)	TRAINING: 4.00pm ~ Altar Servers 5.00pm ~ All Readers
Mon 17th	6.00am	St Elizabeth of Hungery	David Pritchard + (Helen Pritchard)	8.00pm ~ SJB Prayer Group
Tue 18th	7.00pm	Dedication of the Basilica's of Ss Peter & Paul	Reuben Fernandes +	
Wed 19th	9.15am	Feria	Regina Nicholas + (A R Newman)	7.30pm ~ Pre-Advent talk at English Martyrs
Thu 20th	9.15am	Feria with YR6 joining Mass	All Souls (Ann Burke)	7.30pm ~ Reading Forum Meeting at St Anne's
Fri 21st	9.00am 9.30am	Adoration Presentation of the Blessed	All Souls	
Sat 22nd	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	All Souls	1.30pm ~ First Holy Communion Session
Sun 23rd Christ the King	10.00am 11.30am	Sunday Mass Baptisms: Ellie Hope-Jefferson Brown and Naomi Ngima Maganjo	Maria Abondanza & Salvario Zeolla + (Mr & Mrs F Zeolla)	TRAIDCRAFT Fighting poverty through trade

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

TRAINING

THIS Sunday 16th November

there will be training:

4pm: Altar Servers all new and
existing Altar Servers.

5pm: Readers for all new and
existing Readers and Young
Readers.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Next weekend we will be
publishing our annual Financial
Statement in the form of a
Financial newsletter. There will
be a short presentation at both
Masses next weekend.



During November please
remember to pray for all our
faithful departed.

"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:

READING PASTORAL AREA PRE-ADVENT TALKS; We shall be holding 2
Pre-Advent Talks for all Reading Pastoral Area parishioners. Both talks take
place on a Wednesday evening at 7.30 pm.

19th November at English Martyrs ~ 26th November at St John Bosco
The theme is: "LONGING FOR THE MESSIAH: READING ISAIAH IN ADVENT".

BAMENDA COLLECTION ENVELOPES: Due to the misprint on the Gift Aid
envelopes, if you wish to donate to Bamenda please bring your envelopes
next weekend 22nd & 23rd November.

READING PASTORAL AREA FORUM meets on Thursday, 20th November
at St Anne's Caversham at 7.30pm to develop a new strategy for
Evangelisation in Reading.

READING'S ABBEY QUARTER a new book, an illustrated history by John
Mullaney. Cost £15.00. Email: JGMullaney@aol.com

CALLING ALL FILIPINOS to join singing practices on Saturday, 15th Nov
11am – 4pm and Saturday, 13th Dec 12pm – 5pm at St James Church,
Forbury Rd in preparation for the Christmas Simbang Gabi Mass on Sun 21st
December at St James at 7.00pm led by Fr Claro Conde (Filipino Chaplain).

PART TIME VACANCY. RC PRISON CHAPLAIN AT HUNTERCOMBE

20 hours per week at £12.51 an hour to offer pastoral support to the 90 RC
Male Foreign National Prisoners, to be part of the chaplaincy team and to
help plan for the weekly celebration of Mass led by Fr John O'Shea. For job
description and application email: ian.thacker@hmps.gsi.gov.uk

CHILDREN'S HOSPICE IN BERKSHIRE

The Alexander Devine Children's Hospice Service is setting up a Children's
hospice in Berkshire, to be funded wholly by charitable donations. Deacon
Michael Jackson from St Thomas More Twyford is taking on a sponsored
run on the 30th November to raise funds. If you wish to sponsor him please
go to link <https://www.justgiving.com/Mike-Walker-2014/>

DEPARTMENT FOR SCHOOLS

VACANCY - SCHOOL STANDARDS SUPPORT OFFICER

A new post has arisen for a School Standards Support Officer to work in the
Diocesan Department for Schools which is located at Park Place Pastoral
Centre, Wickham. The post is full-time but part-time arrangements may be
possible. For more information about the post and salary details please
contact:- **Urszula Tel: 01329 835363 Email:**

utopp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Closing date for applications: **Thursday 20th November 2014 (4pm)**

YOUTH DISCO SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

Young people (11+) from across Reading are invited to Our Lady of Peace
Church Hall, 338 Wokingham Road, RG6 7DA. 7pm – 9.30pm. Entry free.
(Social Club Bar open to parents). See notice board.

CAFÉ THEOLOGIQUE

Monday 24th November, 7.30pm Café Theologique: "Eco-theology: How to
talk about 'stuff' as if it mattered" Rev Mark Laynesmith. Zero Degrees Bar
(corner of Bridge Street/Gun Street, RG1 2LR - near St Mary Butts).

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS FOR WEEK: 15th - 22nd November dedicated to:

**Main Church:
Lady Chapel:**

ST JOHN BOSCO BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

Please keep in your prayers all those with November anniversaries:

Doreen Treacy+ Isabel Thompson+ Ernest Irving+

June Wapshott+ Georgina Irving+ Franciszek Niedzwiedzki+

Charles Wise+ Marciano Devera+ Susan Pritchard+

NEXT MEETING DATES:

SJB Prayer Group

8.00pm Mon 17th Nov

First Holy Communion

1.30pm Sat 22nd Nov

9.45am Sun 23rd Nov Mass

Traidcraft Stall

Sat 22nd & Sun 23rd Nov

Over 60's Club

2.00pm Thu 27th Nov

RCIA (Journey in Faith)

11am Sat 29th Nov

10am Sun 30th Rite of Welcome
at St John Bosco

Confirmation

2.30pm Sat 29th Nov

(leading into & including Mass at
6.30pm)

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.

ROMANIA GROUP

Are starting to prepare Christmas
cakes, puddings, chutneys etc.
now ready for sale at the
Woodley Extravaganza on 7 Dec.
Please could you help supply
ingredients? An ingredients list
and a box for them are in the
porch.

WANTED VOLUNTEERS FOR A BED FOR THE NIGHT PROJECT

Temporary night shelter in 7
Reading Churches, one night per
week in January 2015. Volunteers
needed for cooking, hospitality,
and overnight teams. Training Day
on Saturday, 22nd November in
Salvation Army, Anstey Road, RG1
7JR, 10am – 4pm. For further info
admin@abedforthenight.org.uk

Coordinator for the Woodley Food-Bank

Woodley Pilot Light Trust is
looking to employ a Coordinator
for the Woodley Food-Bank for 48
hours per month. Poster on notice
board. For further info contact:
Email: john@maplelodge.plus.com
Telephone: 0118 934 4536

