

St John Bosco



18th February 2018 - 1st Sunday of Lent, Cycle B - Issue 2007

EMERGENCY NUMBERS FOR THE SACRAMENTAL MINISTRY OF A PRIEST:

Fr Raffaele 9693423
Fr Luca 9693423
Fr. Pat 9314469
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Fr. Peter 9428632
Canon Michael 9572149
Canon John O'Shea 9574171
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
 6.30pm
 Sun 10am
ST WILLIAM OF YORK
 Sun 9am, 11am
 6pm term time only
St JOSEPH'S
 Sun 8.30am & 10.30am

GOING INTO HOSPITAL
 On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.
Royal Berkshire Hospital Chaplain: Fr JP Lyttle
 RBH: 0118 322 7105
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ST. DOMINIC SAVIO CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
 Western Avenue,
 Woodley RG5 3BH
 Tel. 0118 969 3893
Head Teacher:
 Mr. James Broadbridge
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CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOODLEY—LENT COURSE
 Looking at The Beatitudes
 6.30pm—7.30pm Sunday evenings
LENT 1 - 25th February
 Preparation in Worship and Prayer
 @St James
LENT 2 - 4th March, Study 1
 @St John Bosco
LENT 3—11th March, Study 2
 @Emmanuel (South Lake)
LENT 4—18th March, Study 3
 @Woodley Baptist Church
LENT 5— 25th March
 Celebration in Worship and Prayer
 @Christ Church

LAUDATO SI second discussion evening on the letter of Pope Francis on "Care for our Common Home" on **Mon 26th February** at 7.30pm at St James Church. An opportunity for Reading Catholic parishes to explore and discuss ways of doing something about climate change. Let us not be accused of failing to act while there is still time. See Laudato Si on Youtube. Please join us.

HEALING MASS
 Saturday 17th March -Healing Ministry and Holy Mass at 12 noon at Our Lady of Peace with Fr.Joe (Pastoral Coordinator from Isle of Wight) who organises deliverance prayers. If anyone wants to have a special deliverance prayer said over them please put iyour contact details in a closed envelope and hand them to the Parish Office at OLOP. The Healing Mass will be followed by time for more individual prayers over people. All are most welcome."

CAFOD's Family fast day, Friday 23 February. Give up a meal or eat a simple meal and put what you saved in the CAFOD family fast day envelope to help those who go hungry every day. This Lent your donation will be doubled . For every pound you donate the UK Government will donate a pound up to total of £5 million meaning twice the number of lives can be transformed. Please give generously and help us raise £5 million. Please collect your Fast day envelope from your church on 18th Feb. Many thanks for your support.

Portsmouth **DIOCESAN NEWSLETTER**
<http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews/current.php>

BED FOR THE NIGHT 2018: YOU CAN STILL HELP!
 B4N offers people sleeping rough this winter a safe bed, an evening meal and breakfast each night of the week. Reading Catholic parishes have been asked to help at the CIRDIC venue on Tuesday nights. A big thank you to those who are already helping. We still need more help with clearing up (8 - 9am) and bedding washing on Wednesdays 21st and 28th February at CIRDIC on Berkely Avenue. If you would like to help, please contact Angela Wills as soon as possible: ange-la.wills@btinternet.com / 07952 775811

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
 The annual service of the Women's World Day of Prayer has been prepared this year by the women of Surinam. It will be on March 2nd, 10.30am at St John the Evangelist. Please see poster for more details.



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Church Office is open :
 Tues - Fri: 8.30am - 1.30pm

Administrator: Karen Tarvin
 0118 9693423

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 Julie Hamblin
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WEEKLY COLLECTION
 Envelopes £120.50
 Loose £303.02
 Standing orders: £460

Thank you for your kind and generous donations which go towards the maintenance & running of the parish
Next Special Collection:
 25 Feb—CAFOD Lent Day

FIRST SUNDAY LENT

With the traditional Rite of Ashes last Wednesday we entered Lent, a season of conversion and penance in preparation for Easter. The Church who is mother and teacher calls all her members to renew themselves in spirit and to turn once again with determination to God, renouncing pride and selfishness, to live in love. Lent is a favourable time for rediscovering faith in God as the basic criterion for our life and for the life of the Church. This always means a struggle, a spiritual combat, because the spirit of evil is naturally opposed to our sanctification and seeks to make us stray from God's path. For this reason the Gospel of Jesus' temptations in the wilderness is proclaimed every year on the First Sunday of Lent.



Responsorial Psalm: 1st Sunday of Lent
 "Your ways, Lord are faithfulness and love for those who keep your covenant"

CONFESSIONS—Saturdays 5.30pm

St John Bosco Parish is a vibrant and worshipping community in the heart of Woodley. We are committed to serve, to grow, to connect and to give.

MASS INTENTIONS & FEAST DAYS

Date	Time	Dedication	Intention	Notes
Sat 17 Feb	9.30am 6.30pm	After Ash Wednesday FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	Thanksgiving (Hayres Hill)	
Sun 18 Feb	10.00am	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	Thanksgiving to the parish (Mary Johnston) Colin Dempster + (Marie & Jane Dempster)	
Mon 19 Feb	9.30am	Of the 1st week of Lent		
Tue 20 Feb	9.30am 6.00pm 7.00pm	Of the 1st week of Lent Adoration Of the 1st week of Lent		
Wed 21 Feb	6.00am 9.00am	Of the 1st week of Lent Please note change of time!	Alphonsus + (Christen Hall)	
Thur 22 Feb	9.30am	THE CHAIR OF ST PETER	Tim O'Rourke + (Jane O'Rourke)	
Fri 23 Feb	9.00am 9.30am	Adoration Of the 1st week of Lent	Ellen McDonagh	7pm Stations of the Cross
Sat 24 Feb	9.30am 6.30pm	Of the 1st week of Lent SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	Anna Maria Pugliese + (Clelia Pierro) Raymond Cook and Jacob Family	
Sun 25 Feb	10.00am	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	Mark O'Brien (The Kingston family)	

Tea/coffee in the Newman Centre after Mass on a Friday and Sunday - All Welcome

If you wish to book a Mass Intention when the office is closed please see Pia Gibbs

DATES FOR THE DIARY:

Thurs, 22nd Feb, 2pm—Over 60's

Beavers: Mon 6.00 - 7.00pm, Cubs: Thurs 6.30 - 8.30pm, Scouts: Mon 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Light the Sanctuary Lamp for loved ones, either in the Main Church or Lady Chapel for the week, Sun — Sat for a suggested £10 donation



**THE SANCTUARY LAMP FOR WEEK:
18th to 24th February is dedicated to:
Main Church:
Lady Chapel:**

News & Events

LENTEN ALMSGIVING CHARITY

Our charity this year is Alexander Devine who are developing Berkshire's very own local children's hospice service. Supporting children with life-limiting and life-threatening conditions – and their families – throughout the area.

24 HOURS FOR THE LORD

9.30am Friday, 9th March to 10am Saturday 10th March. There will be a sign up form in the church porch. Please put your name against a slot that you can cover.



ST JOHN BOSCO 100 CLUB

First draw will take place on Friday, 23rd February after Mass. Subsequent draws will be on the 3rd Friday of every month. Winners will be notified and their names will be published in the newsletter. Good Luck to all those who have taken part.



NEXT MEETINGS

Friday Nights 7—9pm	Saturday Day Trips 10am—6pm
2nd March	
6th April	17th March
	14th April
20th April	
4th May	
	12th May
18th May	
1st June	
	9th June
15th June	
29th June	

LENTEN CHALLENGE

Wednesdays 6am and 9am. 6am Mass is to enable workers to attend Mass on a Wednesday during Lent. 9am Mass is to encourage parents & grand parents of school children to attend Mass during Lent. Please do all you can to attend one of the Mass. Breakfast will be available for a small donation after 6am Mass.

MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 24th/25th February

Readers

Saturday
Neil Oxley
Mary Keenan
Sunday
Angelina G-Reed
Martha Babalola



Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Saturday
A Newman
C Hall
R Toms
Sunday
C Owens
G Shortt
J Jeyakumar
M Abayaratna
M Tilney
P Gibbs
G Siveter



Keith Pearson, resident of Sunrise, sadly passed away on this week, may be rest in peace. Our thoughts are with his family and friends.



Join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday during Lent at 7pm

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially our housebound Elizabeth Faulkner, Sheila Arkle, Gertrude Burke, Keith Pearson, Peter Hill, Jill O'Rourke and Alan Knox and for all who receive Holy Communion at home, in nursing homes or in hospital.

For all the faithful departed especially Jan Pritchard, Ken Hay, Basil Gomez, Raymond Williamson, Paul Gualtieri, Edmund Sellens, Christina Sellens, Kenneth Tarvin, Terry Rogers, David Pritchard, Gladys Jacobs, Donald Pocock, Rosmary Sim Cardoso, Florence Grenneau, Genowefa Klonowicz, Elsie Elizabeth Iver, Daphne O'Dowd-Booth, Colin Dempster, Jane (Jean) Bartington and all whose anniversaries fall at this time. May they all rest in peace.

