

Psalm Response: Go out to the whole world; proclaim the Good News.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

SUN 1st Sept: 22nd O Time
 1st R. Ecc.3:17:20,28-29
 2nd R. Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24
 Gospel: Luke 14:1,7-14

Please read these readings at home and listen to them at next Sunday's Mass.

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Parish Liturgies for the week commencing 25th Aug

Saturday		21st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SJ (Vigil Mass)	6.00pm	Ana Mendez De Morillo RIP
Sunday		21st SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SW	9.00am	Deceased members of Kelly family
SJ	11.00am	Gods intervention in the family of Sangu
Monday		BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI
SJ	12.15pm	John Ginty RIP
Tuesday		NO MASS
Wednesday		ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO
SJ	12.15pm	Carmela & Julian Lopez int.
Thursday		THE PASSION OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST
SJ	12.15pm	People of the parish
Friday		21st week ordinary
SJ	12.15pm	Peter Walsh RIP
Saturday		22nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SJ (Vigil Mass)	6.00pm	Kay & Tony McDonagh RIP
Next Sunday		2nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME
SW	9.00am	People of the parish
SJ	11.00am	Special intention (HECY)
Confessions	SJ - Saturday 5pm - 5.45pm	
Rosary - weekdays	SJ - Mon to Thu after 12.15pm Mass	
Exposition	SJ - Friday 11am to 12pm	

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Royal Berkshire Hospital
 Chaplain: Fr JP Lyttle
 Mobile: 07391 896559
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Sunday Mass 4.00pm
 Patients, staff & all welcome

OUR LOVE SHOULD NOT BE JUST WORDS & TALK. IT MUST BE TRUE LOVE WHICH SHOWS ITSELF IN ACTION.
1 JOHN 3:18



The Roman Catholic Parish of
St James and St William of York
 Reading



25th August 2019
 21st Sunday Ordinary Time

Fr John writes:

HOW MANY WILL BE SAVED ?

Is salvation for the few or for the many ? Many still ask this question. Jesus' reply is not about the numbers. He warns his listeners about being complacent and taking the soft option. 'Strive to enter by the narrow door', people knock on the door and expect to be admitted, but it is not that simple. We hear the master turns them away claiming not to know them, despite their efforts to say that they are well-known. A passing acquaintance with Jesus will not be enough. The plea of 'we once ate and drank in your company' is feeble. It is not enough to know Jesus only on the surface or only to turn to him when we are in need. Is it your wish to commit your life to Jesus today and always ? What changes do I need to make to my life to do this ?



PREPARING FOR YOUR CHILD'S BAPTISM

We are delighted to be asked to Baptise a child. The Baptism of an infant is not only a family event but it is also a parish community event, taking the first step into the family of Jesus, the Church. For a Baptism to take place we expect that one or both parents has on going involvement with the life of the parish. Parents are asked to make a solemn promise that their child will be brought up in the Catholic faith. These days we will only baptise when we know there is a realistic hope that the child will grow up to know Jesus, to pray, to experience the Sunday gathering for Mass.

Our expectations are high. The door is not closed to any family. We are happy to work with and support any couple wishing to have their child baptised. Non churchgoing families are expected to reconnect with the parish community before the baptism. All parents are now asked to attend the preparation course. Our Baptism Team is keen to support any parents seeking the baptism of their child. We have high expectations as Baptism is such an important step in any persons life.

Our next Baptism Preparation course is on Sat 21st & 28th September 10am -11.15pm in St James. All parents seeking Baptism are asked to call the parish office on 01189 574171 to make an appointment to see Fr John.



Next Sun 25th August
21st Sunday Ordinary Time

WELCOME to Fr Richard who will celebrate our 6pm Vigil Mass, Fr JP who will celebrate our 9am Mass and 11am Mass this weekend.

RESTORATION OF READING ABBEY RUINS AT ST JAMES Our apologies for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience while the work is being carried out.

BANK HOLIDAY - Mon 26th Aug

WELCOME to Fr's Patrick Daly, Michael Dennehy & Peter Glas, who will celebrate our 12.15pm Masses this week.

GOOD SHEPHERD PRAYER GROUP to meet on Wed 28th August at 7.30pm in the Barberi room. More info from Liz Tanner 0778 0553077

Next Sun 1st September
22nd Sunday Ordinary Time
Day of prayer for creation



NAME BADGE SUNDAY - Please put on a name badge as you arrive for Mass.

CAFOD Update meeting on Wed 4th Sept 7:15pm to 9pm at St Joseph & St Margaret of Clitherow Church, Bracknell RG12 1BE. Please book your place: email portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or phone 01252 32938



A DAY WITH MARY St John's Catholic Cathedral, Portsmouth on Sat 7th Sept. A day of instruction, devotion & intercession based on the message, given at Fatima in 1917. Details from: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

FINANCE & PROPERTY COMMITTEE to meet on Mon 9th Sept at 2pm at St James Presbytery.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC ? or being Confirmed as an adult or for those baptised as Christians of other denominations, who would like to be received into the Catholic Church? **RCIA**
Come to an info evening on Thu 12th Sept in St James Presbytery at 7.30pm.



CAMINO Final preparation meeting for those booked on this year's pilgrimage. On Fri 13th Sept at 7.30pm in the Barberi room at St James. Camino Pilgrimage 19th-27th Sept.



camino de santiago

HERITAGE OPEN DAYS on Fri 13th & Sat 14th Sept at St James. Talk on Friday and talk & concert on Sat, both at 2pm.



DR SIMON UTTLEY - Headmaster of Blessed Hugh Faringdon School will be speaking on Sun 22nd Sept at 9.00am & 11.00am Masses and will be available for questions afterwards.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

At St William of York church, RG1 5JT
Child Protection Training Sat 28th Sept 10.00am - 12.30 pm

Vulnerable Adult Training Sat 28th Sept 1.30pm - 4.00pm.

We would like to encourage all our catechists, group leaders and volunteers to attend this training as it is right on our door step and is a relatively short session. All new volunteers for Children's Liturgy & First Holy communion catechists and helpers must complete this training.

Register by emailing the parish office at stjames@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

GOING AWAY over the summer? Have you arranged a swap for your parish ministry? Please don't let us down!

CALLED & GIFTED

Sat 5th Oct 'Called & Gifted' day. This process helps you to understand your own calling and to discover the charisms (gifts) that you have been given by God. Each one of you has been given a unique gift that is personal to you. This could be a life changing experience. We begin with an interactive workshop. This helps you to explore the 24 most common charisms and to discern what is your gift.

We are sharing this day with the Sacred Heart Polish church. Limited to 50 participants. Please join us & apply to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/calledandgifted Then return the booking form and £25 (after parish subsidy) to the parish office.

READIFOOD Urgently needs: Tinned ready meals, tinned meat, tinned vegetables, tinned or dry potatoes, jam, marmalade, tinned fruit, tinned puddings, tinned rice/custard, toiletries, baby nappies & milk.

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MESSAGES LEFT ON ANSWER PHONE sometimes get lost in the system. So to avoid this please call again to the Parish Office - thank you.

APF RED BOXES please return your red boxes for counting. Emptied boxes are in the Sacristy for collection. Thank you.



CANDLES please only use the candles provided in the candle stands & do not bunch together. Please put donations in the collection box below.



PARKING IN FORBURY RETAIL PARK Please park your car by the perimeter wall (in & out) and not in middle. All cars **MUST** display a parking permit on their windscreens (available from the Sacristy). Please note that we have permission to park for Masses & Services only at St James. Please do not park in front of 'Home Sense'.

THE EU SETTLEMENT SCHEME: GENERAL INFORMATION

What is the Scheme? The UK Government has introduced new immigration rules which grant rights to EEA/Swiss nationals and their family members (including in some cases non-EEA family members) who can prove their identity, demonstrate a continuous period of residence in the United Kingdom and who can pass a criminality check. These rights do not derive from EU Law, so they will not be affected by Brexit. If you wish to continue living in the UK as you do now after 31 December 2020, you must apply for a status using the Scheme.

What will happen if I do not apply to the scheme? If the UK leaves the EU without a deal on 31st October 2019, the UK will repeal free movement and related rights derived from EU law soon after, and replace it with a new set of immigration rules, similar to those which already apply to citizens from the rest of the world.

In order to continue living in the UK in the way they do now, EEA/Swiss nationals and their family members living in the UK before 31 October 2019 will have until 31 December 2020 to apply to the EU Settlement Scheme.

Those who fail to apply for the scheme in time will be subject to the new permission-based immigration regime introduced from 1 January 2021.

Please do not ignore this if you are an EU Citizen.

