

# Psalm Response: O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts.

## SCRIPTURE READINGS

**SUN 13th Oct: 28th O Time**  
 1st R. 2 Kings 5:14-17  
 2nd R. 2 Timothy 2:8-13  
 Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

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

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

## LAUDATO SI ACTION GROUP

Here is our tip for the week:

**Keep sliced bread in the freezer; you can toast from frozen or it defrosts very quickly. Bread is one of the commonest foods to be thrown away**



Royal Berkshire Hospital  
 Chaplain: *Fr JP Lyttle*  
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**Sunday Mass 4.00pm**  
 Patients, staff & visitors welcome

## Parish Liturgies for the week commencing 6th Oct

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>27th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b>	
SJ	8.30am	'Called & Gifted' participants
SJ (Vigil Mass)	6.00pm	Maria Biomonte RIP & family
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b>	
SW	9.00am	Rueben Aguiar RIP
SJ	11.00am	Thanksgiving 20th wedding ann
<b>Monday</b>	<b>OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY</b>	
SJ	12.15pm	Taylor family RIP
<b>Tuesday</b>	NO MASS	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN</b>	
SJ	12.15pm	James Donnellan RIP
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>27th week ordinary</b>	
SJ	12.15pm	William Nelligan RIP
<b>Friday</b>	<b>27th week ordinary</b>	
SJ	12.15pm	Joshua Cardoso thanksgiving
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>28th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b>	
SJ (Vigil Mass)	6.00pm	Eithne Enright RIP
<b>Next Sunday</b>	<b>28th SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME</b>	
SW	9.00am	Taylor family RIP
SJ	11.00am	David & Mario Melbey RIP
<b>Confessions</b>	SJ - Saturday 5pm - 5.45pm	
<b>Rosary - week-days</b>	SJ - Mon to Thu after 12.15pm Mass	
<b>Exposition</b>	SJ - Friday 11am to 12pm	

**PARISH PRIEST:** Canon John O'Shea  
 Parish Secretary: Catherine Ledgard  
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The Roman Catholic Parish of  
**St James and St William of York**  
**Reading**  
 6th October 2019  
 27th Sunday Ordinary Time



*Fr John Cooke, Diocesan Vocations Promotor, writes:-*

## WHO IS RESPONSIBLE FOR FINDING OUR NEXT PRIEST ?

Have you ever asked yourself who is responsible for 'finding' your next priest? Is it Cardinal Vincent Nichols, is it down to Bishop Philip or maybe even a task for Fr John to plan for his own succession?

It may surprise you to realise that the duty of fostering and supporting vocations lies with the whole Christian community. What do you do at the moment to foster and support vocations? Whilst it is important that each one of us comes to a realisation of our own personal vocation through God's plan for each one of us; our call to holiness & discipleship in Jesus' name, - it is good to focus on the need for priestly vocations in our Diocese.

I hope that our visit to you highlighting vocations will be memorable, that it stirs up a fresh enthusiasm in the parish for praying for vocations, for actively encouraging vocations & for being open to the possibility of exploring a God-given call. And who knows, it may be the start of a journey towards the priesthood for one of your parish members in the pews this weekend. We can all play a part in God's Divine plan because the Holy Spirit works through each one of us - *Fr John Cooke*



*Our Fr John writes:-*

## BAPTISED & SENT:

### THE CHURCH OF CHRIST ON MISSION IN THE WORLD.

Pope Francis hopes that the Extraordinary Month of Mission in October will revitalise the Church—you and me, in answering the urgent call to make known the person of Jesus Christ and his teachings to all. He has challenged us to engage actively with the inactive Catholics and with the wider community. Our goal as a parish is to invest disproportionately in two areas: Evangelisation/Mission and training parish leaders who will proclaim the Christian message in ways that appeal to people of their own culture. 'Alpha' is the best way to do this. 'Alpha' is a must for all of our parishioners. My experience is that 'Alpha' helps people to have a real, personal, transforming experience of Jesus Christ.

**We plan to start 'Alpha' on Friday 10th January**  
**Can you join us ?**



## CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY APPEAL

Your contributions today will mean that even more families around the world will have what they need to survive and thrive, now and in the future. Please support the CAFOD second collection today.



**This Sun 6th October**  
**27th Sunday Ordinary Time**

**NAME BADGE SUNDAY** when we get to know others at Mass.

**SECOND COLLECTION CAFOD**  
autumn family Fast Day.



**VOCATIONS WEEKEND** Fr John Cooke, Priestly Vocations Promoter, for the Diocese will speak at all Masses

**BAPTISMS** we welcome into our parish community Anna Couto Hill-Cawthorne daughter of Lawrence & Anne-Marie, Ellena Da Silva daughter of Rosario & Dalima, Ashwell Vas son of Angela & Jenifer, Lochlyn Ochonaki son of Malcolm & Pippa and Alice Lafrata daughter of Mauro & Noemi all to be baptised at 1pm at St James.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**  
**PARENTS MEETING** on Mon 7th Oct in St William of York church at 7.30pm.



**10 DAYS OF PRAYER - 2019 - READING** 29th Sep - 9th Oct. Fr John to lead Prayer Service on Tue 8th Oct at 8pm at the Abbey Baptist church, for unity in Reading and God's blessing on the town. He would welcome some friendly faces to join him!  
[www.10daysofprayer.info/whats-on](http://www.10daysofprayer.info/whats-on)

**NOVENA WITH NEWMAN** - nine days of prayer for the canonisation of J H Newman. From Fri 4th Oct-Sat 12th Oct Leaflets available from back of church.  
Feast day on Wed 9th October.



**SHARE OUR FAITH** Connect Group to meet on Wed 9th Oct at 1pm in the Barberi Room.

**GOOD SHEPHERD PRAYER GROUP** to meet on Wed 9th Oct at 7.30pm in the Barberi Room. Please contact Arlene 07713 892407 for further details.

**UCM** on Thu 10th Oct after 12.15pm Mass for afternoon tea at Riseley.

**LAUNCHPADS 'BIG SLEEP OUT'** on Thu 10th Oct from 7pm-7am at the Abbey Ruins. Support the homeless and help to raise vital funds. Book at: [launchpadreading.org.uk](http://launchpadreading.org.uk)

**A MEMORIAL MASS** on Sat 12th Oct at 11am in English Martyrs, for Fr Bon's brother & family members who were killed recently in Cameroon. Music led by the Reading International choir. There will be refreshments afterwards.

**Next Sun 13th Oct**  
**28th Sunday Ordinary Time**  
**Prisoner Sunday.**

**CANONISATION OF JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** by Pope Francis in Rome.

**FOLK GROUP** at 9am & 11am Masses.

**PASTORAL LETTER** from Bishop Philip broadcast at all Masses. (Postponed from last Sunday).

**TALK** after Mass by Mary Lewis on supporting local Reading charities.

**HARVEST PRODUCE SALE** by Garden Connect Group after 9am Mass at St Williams. Any chutneys, jams or produce to be donated to the sale can be dropped off at 10am on Sat 12th Oct or on the day.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** parent and child session at 3pm at St Williams.

**TAMIL MASS** at 5pm.

**READING GOAL 'HUG'** on Sun 13th Oct 2-3pm to demonstrate our wish to have Reading Gaol as an arts hub & museum accessible to all. Reading Gaol is an important heritage site. The Ministry of Justice want to sell most likely to a housing developer. We want to surround the Gaol with people linking hands to show our support for it as a community centre. Volunteers to meet at the Abbey Ruins at 2pm - please join us, as a neighbour we have a major interest in this. This could be of enormous benefit to us.



**CLIMATE CHANGE: TURNING UP THE HEAT ON OUR HEALTH** by Elizabeth Robinson, Professor of Environmental Economics at the University. On 16th Oct at 7.30pm at Palmer building, Whiteknights campus. Admission free. Book at [events@reading.ac.uk](mailto:events@reading.ac.uk)

**MASS WITH ANNOINTING OF THE SICK & ELDERLY** on Sat 19th Oct at 11am at St James. All welcome.



**TALK ON JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** by Fr Michael Sharkey at St Anne's, Southview Ave, Caversham, RG4 5AB on Mon 21st Oct at 7.30pm. Newman was the leader of the Oxford Movement which led him to be received into the Catholic Church by Blessed Dominic Barberi on 9th October 1845. His theological writings have had a profound influence on the Catholic Church. We are pleased that Fr Michael is to share his knowledge on Newman with us and recommend this evening as a time for the Reading parishes to celebrate a new English Saint.

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING** on Sat 26th Oct at St John Bosco, Woodley, RG5 3BH. **Child Protection 10am - 12.30pm & Vulnerable Adults 1.30pm - 4.00pm.** Email the parish office to book. Don't delay- the last course was fully booked. New volunteers for Prayer Ministry, Baptism, First Holy Communion, Children's Liturgy and Alpha leaders are required to do this training.

**PRAYER MINISTRY TRAINING EVENING** on Wed 30th Oct at St James at 7.30pm, led by Clare Simpson from the diocesan Healing Advisory Group. A new policy on Prayer Ministry has been issued for our diocese. They wish to promote and develop Prayer Ministry in all our parishes. All those who pray with others (Prayer groups, Alpha, etc) are encouraged to undertake this training evening, along with the 'vulnerable adult training'. We would like to ensure that all engaged in this ministry in our parish are supported. Sign up form at back of church.

**PARKING AT THE CHURCH** is reserved for those transporting disabled or elderly parishioners or for members of the congregation who have a specific role or duty in the mass, such as welcomers or musicians.

**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). During Mass only.

**BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON CATHOLIC SCHOOL** for Year 7 Admissions Sep 2020. You must attached the Supplementary Information Form (SIF) so that your application can be ranked correctly. Queries to Mrs Farrelly, on 01189574730. Download from the school website or the school office.

**OCTOBER IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY ROSARY** we are invited to pray the Rosary every day during this entire Marian month. Join our group after the 12.15pm Mass in the Lady Chapel.



**SUDDEN DEATH** Mark Bushby, Head of Prep School at St Joseph's College died suddenly & unexpectedly last Saturday. Along with the Headmaster Andy Colpus, he had a taken a leading role in the recent developments at the College and had only recently taken over as Head of Prep School. Our sympathy to his wife, children, family and to staff & pupils at St Joseph's College. May he rest in peace.



**DAY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM SHRINE** organised by the Tamil Group on Sat 26th Oct - places available. Depart Reading at 8am by coach. Cost £25pp. Please contact Edwin: phone 07900 924941 or email: [edwinsraj@gmail.com](mailto:edwinsraj@gmail.com)