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SERVING THE PARISHES OF ANDOVER, BASINGSTOKE, HOOK, TADLEY AND BURGHFIELD COMMON



St Michael's Parish, Tadley, Kingsclere, and St Oswald's Church, Burghfield Common

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St. Oswald's Church

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COVENANT TO THE PEOPLE

If you would like help from the Covenant to the People scheme, please call Gerry Penfold on (0118) 981 1247.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament is celebrated on most Saturdays in St Michael's Church from 5pm to 5.30pm, but not on Saturday 20th July

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

07/07/19 £232.10 DD's Apr/May/Jun £7,106.98

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14 JULY 2019

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Tadley and Kingsclere and Burghfield Common Masses

Sundays: 6.00pm Saturday Vigil Mass Tadley 9.15am Sunday Parish Mass Tadley

11.15am Sunday Parish Mass **Burghfield Common**

Week Days 15 July - 20 July 2019

12:00 Noon Wed 17 July **Tadley** St Bonaventure (Memorial)

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon: As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

Responsorial Psalm: Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive. **Gospel Acclamation**: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Communion Antiphon: The sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Next Sundays Readings (Sixteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time)

Genesis 18:1-10. Colossians 1:24-28. Luke 10:38-42.

CONGRATULATIONS TO FR JIM KEENAN

Fr Jim celebrates 40 years as a priest on Thursday 25th July 2019, the Feast of St James, the Apostle. On behalf of the parishioners of Tadley, Kingsclere and Burghfield Common, many of whom know him as former parish priest at St Michael's Church and one who has often covered Masses for us during his retirement, Fr Patrick expresses congratulations and best wishes to him. We pray that he will speedily recover fully from his recent ill health. AD MULTOS ANNOS!

TONY DARROCH THANKS TO THE PARISH!

Tony greatly appreciates the prayers of parishioners during his journey to the permanent Diaconate, and the generous financial support of the Parish Finance Committee for aspects of his training. It is hoped that he will be able to remain on the Committee as Health & Safety Officer, but this will be determined by his commitments to Holy Ghost Parish. On Sunday 28th July, there is only ONE Sunday Mass in the Parish , at St Oswald's Church at 11:00am, where Tony's Ordination will be celebrated. This will be followed by a lunch in The Leonard Rooms for all who wish to attend, as a gift from Pam and Tony. The Saturday 6:00pm Vigil Mass will be celebrated as normal that weekend. We also welcome Fr Leonard Odomeja Onuse, from Nigeria, who has been appointed Assistant priest to Fr Chris Rutledge at Holy Ghost Parish.

DIACONAL ORDINATION LINK FOR THOSE UNABLE TO ATTEND

Please find below the link that will be available from 2:00pm Sunday 21st July and for a few days following, provided for parishioners by Tony: www.churchservices.tv/portsmouthcathedral

APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA COLLECTION

This Obligatory Collection will be taken at all Masses this weekend. A number of Gift Aid envelopes are available in our churches.

TONY DARROCH'S ORDINATION COACH ARRANGEMENTS

On Sunday 21st July, Tony Darroch of our Parish will be Ordained a permanent Deacon for the Diocese of Portsmouth by Bishop Philip in St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth.

There will be only ONE Sunday Mass in the Parish that day, at 9:15am at St Michael's Church, Tadley, as Fr Patrick is attending the Ordination Mass. As normal there will be the 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass at St Michael's Church, but NO Confessions, as Fr Patrick will be rushing back from the Cathedral after the Priestly Ordinations that Saturday.

A coach has been hired to take the sizeable number of parishioners who wish to be with Tony on this special Sunday to our Cathedral. Pick up will be at St Michael's Church Carpark at 11:30am, and the coach leaves Portsmouth for the return journey at 5:30pm, following a small reception at the Cathedral. Those traveling on the coach are asked to bring a packed lunch.

A suggested donation of £10.00 is requested of each person travelling on the coach, the full cost being covered by the Parish. Each person is asked to bring the donation to the Parish Office by 17th July with the person's name in the envelope. Our thanks to Roy Singh for his work in organising the coach and to Mrs Winsper for acting as accountant.

THINKING ABOUT THE DIACONATE?

Oscott Seminary have introduced a preparatory year for men discerning a call to the Permanent Diaconate. This consists of three sessions (Friday-Saturday) and commences on 8th/9th November. The other dates for this academic year are 24th/25th January and 27th/28th March. Its aim is to help candidates better understand the reality of a vocation to Holy Orders and to discern whether this is what God is calling them to. There will be Parish based pastoral elements, spiritual formation and intellectual input given through teaching, seminars and discussions. Wives of prospective candidates will also be supported during these days and are encouraged to attend. Attendance at these days does not commit an individual to beginning the formation program, but is part of the overall selection process. For further information, please email Fr Peter Hart as soon as possible pghart@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

TOGETHER IN MISSION AGM

The Trustees of Christians Together in Mission warmly invite members of the Parish to the AGM of TiM on Wednesday 17th July 2019, at 7:30pm at Mortimer Methodist Church. The work of TiM in the Burghfield Common part of our Parish includes Café B in Burghfield and work with local schools through the School Pastors. There is a poster in St Oswald's Church.

HOMES WITHOUT BORDERS

Our Pastoral Area is committed to helping a refugee family resettle in Basingstoke. If any of our parishioners wish to be involved and were not able to attend the recent meeting in St Bede's Hall, please Email your contact details to Caritas

nwhpa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to be added to the database of contacts. There will be an update meeting in September.

THANK YOU FOR THE MUSIC!

With great sadness we say "Farewell" to Maria Murray-Brown as she moves out of the Parish at the end of July to live nearer family. Over many years, Maria has provided music which has enhanced Parish celebrations of The Liturgy, whilst also supporting the Christian community in The Holy Land with her attractive Christmas Labels.

Dr John Rowntree, who visits St Michael's Church often whilst on holiday from his role as Director of Music at Douai Abbey, has commented favourably on the standard of music at the Sunday Masses Maria is responsible for. She has contributed, with her small choir, immensely to the good music in the Tadley part of our Parish over the years. This she has done alongside our Music Group, which also gives fitting praise to the Lord in more modern settings.

Fr Patrick hopes that Maria will be able to return with Colin, her husband, on 18th October (The Feast of St Luke) for a special celebration that evening and a Parish Reception afterwards. Until then, "Thank you for the Music!" Maria.

We are also blessed with fine music in St Oswald's Church with the splendid organ playing of our organist, Harry Russell. His charitable organ recitals at the church rightly cause great applause. Parishioners at St Oswald's Church have also grown to appreciate the modern liturgical music of Rick Wallis, which has developed with a small Parish group over the period since Christmas. Fr Patrick, having a catholic, or universal, taste in music also enjoys their music!

Recently, people have begun to clap Rick and the group after the Sunday Mas, but Fr Patrick became a little concerned when a clap started after <u>The Dona Noblis Pacem (Give Us Peace)</u> following Holy Communion last Sunday.

This was a beautifully sung piece. Understandably, people were moved by it and wanted to show their appreciation. However, Fr Patrick and Rick both agree that within The Liturgy of the Eucharist we focus on worship to the Lord and allow God to be the centre of our thanksgiving. We are but His humble servants. So please do not clap during Mass—although Fr Patrick appreciates that this was done last Sunday in recognition of good spiritual music. The ancient tradition of the Church is: When you sing well, you pray twice!

CARITAS SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUB: SUPPORT-ING THOSE FAMILIES IN NEED 27-30 AUGUST 2019.

We are running a Holiday Club at St Bede's Primary School for those children who will not have a holiday this year, we are now taking applications for children aged 5-11.

We are looking for volunteers to help with this venture. There is a volunteers' meeting at Sacred Heart Church, Hook on Tuesday 16th July at 7pm, for those people interested in supporting those children who are less fortunate than ourselves.

If you are fortunate enough to be able to help us financially or if you would like more information or an application form please email me on caritas_nwhpa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or text me on 07719 012955.

MAINTENANCE NOT MISSION— THE STORY CONTINUES!

If you are visiting the Church/Presbytery next week, be aware that three days of work takes place on our grounds in Tadley. The work runs from Monday to Wednesday. Nash Contract Services will be engaged in a major cutting back of shrubbery and other vegetation. Please take care when visiting the site.

Obviously, this will take up some of Fr Patrick's time, but he is grateful to Helen Warner for taking the major lead at the request of the Finance Committee. On Tuesday, Diocesan electricians will be at St Oswald's Church in the morning to fix a flashing strip-light above the Sanctuary, and then at St Michael's Church and Presbytery for other electrical work. Again, this will take up some of Fr Patrick's time. He apologises if he is not readily available from Monday to Wednesday. Often he feels that he is more an administrator than a priest!

OFFICE CLOSURE

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed from the afternoon of Thursday 18th July through to the morning of Monday 4th August, as Mrs Winsper is on holiday. No Emails will be addressed until her return. Should you need to seek Fr Patrick urgently, please telephone the Presbytery.

Fr Patrick may not be readily available during the week beginning Monday 29th July because of various commitments and trying to have a short break