



**St Francis de Sales
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Sat 30 Mar	10am	Confession	
	6 pm Vigil Mass	FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT - MOTHERING SUNDAY	Private Intention
Sun 31 Mar	10 am Mass		For all mothers
Tues 02 Apr	12 noon Mass	Of the 4 th week of Lent	Association for Latin liturgy
Wed 03 Apr	12 NOON Mass	Funeral Mass	Ted Snook R.I.P.
	7.30 pm Mass	HOUSE MASS	CONTACT OFFICE
Thurs 04 Apr	9 am Mass	Of the 4 th week of Lent	For victims of sexual abuse
	9.30 am - 10.30 am	Adoration	
Sat 06 Apr	10 am	Confession	
	6pm Vigil Mass	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	In thanksgiving
Sun 07 Apr	10 am Mass		Jeanette Honeyman R.I.P. Molly & Terry Collins R.I.P.

DIARY DATES

Sat/Sun 30/31 Mar – SECOND COLLECTION –

Clergy Assistance Fund

Sun 31 Mar – Cake Sale for J&P Charities

Wed 03 April – House Mass – 7.30pm at Hy Cobb's house.

Fri 05 April – Stations & Talk – 7.30pm

Sat/Sun 6/7 April – URN COLLECTION for Cyclone Idai survivors

Mon 15 April – Penitential Service – 7.30pm – St Joseph's Church

From the Parish Priest

It's always good to welcome friends and I am pleased to welcome Bishop Paul with us this weekend. Friendship is a gift and is an expression of a relationship which is forged through different circumstances and events, but in all these happenings, love is that gift which forms this type of relationship. It is the same love which is experienced between members of families, a theme which we are celebrating this weekend in relation to our Mothers. Friendship is an extension of the respect and love that we should experience in our families, so often expressed so well by our Mothers. Let us hope and pray that we may extend that love we have found in our families to the wider Community, of which our friends hold a special place.

Fr Bruce

If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for **Bernard & Victoria Kilkenny, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner** who ask for our prayers.

BISHOP PAUL MASON, Bishop to the Forces, is coming to celebrate Mass and preach next Sunday. Bishop Paul and I were seminarians together in Rome. Do come and meet him.....however, no tales will be told.

FUNERAL MASS for TED SNOOK: Wednesday 3rd April at 12 Noon followed by a Reception in the Hall. Please pray for Sandy and the Family at this time. Eternal Rest grant to him O Lord....+

CONFESSIONS: If Saturday mornings are not good for you to celebrate Confession, then a time which is more convenient to you can be made by appointment with Fr Bruce.

Pope's intention for April

For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

HYMNS FOR SUNDAY

Ent: 416 Off: 140

Holy, Holy: 576 (Laudate)

Comm: 628 Rec: 479

NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

The statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will be visiting our Cathedral at Portsmouth as part of the Dowry Tour from 4th to 7th April. Full details from <https://www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk/dowry/>

Vocation Seekers Evening – Fri 5th April – 7-9pm - **Sacred Heart Church, Fareham** – see noticeboard

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - For those who were unable to attend last Saturday's very informative meeting on practice, this is being repeated on Saturday 13th April 1030 - 12.00 at St. Francis de Sales which we understand you are able to attend.

LENT TALKS on FRIDAY EVENINGS at 7.30pm

Please support **Stations of the Cross and the Lent Talks** which follow. The Talks will be in the Hall and I hope that we shall be joined by members of other Churches in the area.

We shall be joined by other members of local churches. All are welcome.

5th April – Elsa Hewitt

**Our Work with the Orphans of Mexico
– An Update**

12th April – Nicholas Fogg

Weeds from the Same Dunghill

ALLOTMENTS: there are two allotments if people would like to use them at the bottom of the garden. There is even some rhubarb there to start you off. Please have a word with Yvonne Eaton. Contact through Parish Office or after 10.a.m. Mass.

Significant Wedding Anniversary this year?

Mass of celebration at St Bede's church in Basingstoke on Saturday 6th July 2019 at 11am.

If you would like to come, please visit the Cathedral website :

<http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/anniversaries/> and complete the on-line form, or send an email to

anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Contribute to our Website You can now request access to add content to our website. This opens the possibility of adding your own events, managing a group you run or writing articles. If interested, please fill in the simple form on the website to request access. <http://www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk/user/register> Any queries, feel free to contact Andrew at andrewpolland@gmail.com

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES: please take a leaflet from the porch which has the dates and times of Holy Week services.

COMING SOON: Last Autumn's successful "Life to the Full" series of engaging DVDs, plus delicious cake, is being repeated, this time at **St Joseph's** RG14 1JP on Monday evenings from April 29th to June 3rd. Full details soon. No need to come every week. Everybody welcome. Offers of help welcome.

ST JAMES WAY – Reading to Southampton. A group of walkers have arranged to walk the old pilgrim route from Reading – Southampton in 6 stages (10-12 miles each). 2nd stage Mortimer – Worting on Apr 13th. Information St James, Reading: 0118 957 4171.

Newbury Chamber Choir presents a Concert Spirituel on Saturday 6 April 2019 at 7.30 pm in St George's Church, Newbury RG14 6NU. Tickets: £15 on the door (school pupils £5), or Early Bird offers at www.newburychamberchoir.org

Bookings for Hall and Parish Rooms An increasing number of users of the Parish Hall who have booked are complaining that they arrive to find other people using the facilities. It is important that **anyone** who wishes to use the Parish Hall, etc., especially for parish events, checks and books with Maureen Hudd. Please contact her by telephone on 01635 30108 or email Maureen.hudd@btinternet.com

WELCOMING:

Sat 6 Apr: Maureen Slade

Sun 7 Apr: Lola Emetulu & Lefevre family

CLEANERS:

Fri 5 Apr: Pat Johnston, Bridget Lister & Noreen Postlewaite

COUNTER:

Sun 31 Mar: Paul Cobb & Ivy Goree