

MASS TIMES

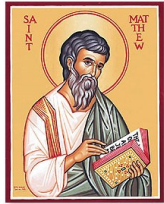
SATURDAY VIGIL 11th February

6.30 pm *People of the Parish*

SUNDAY 12th February

9.00am *Lucy Pallett RIP*

11.00am *Peter Davies RIP*



Sacrament of Reconciliation
Confessions will follow 09.30 mass on
Saturday morning or by appointment

Monday 13th February

No mass

Tuesday 14th February

09.30 *Ann O'Donnell RIP*

Wednesday 15th February

09.30

Deceased Members of Guidera Family

Thursday 16th February

09.30 *David Hendy RIP*

Friday 17th February

09.30 *Bridget (Delia) Davies RIP*

Saturday 18th February

09.30 *Katie Norris—Intentions*



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12th February 2017 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Yr A)



The Heart of the Matter

How often do we hear solicitors wrangling over the law, looking for a loop hole to suit their own agenda? Those seeking loopholes seem perfectly happy to ignore the spirit of the law in their quest to win.

In today's gospel reading Jesus invites us to consider that it is not just laws in themselves that are important but our attitude towards those laws. Perhaps we haven't committed murder, but have we harboured hatred? We might not have committed adultery, but have we failed to live up to the love we once promised our spouse? We might not have committed theft, but are our hearts set on the wealth our neighbours have earned? Laws might seem to fence our lives with rods of uncompromising iron, but most laws are simply expressions of how we should behave towards each other. The unwritten laws of love bind us in promises that we wouldn't dream of compromising let alone riddling with loopholes.

When it comes to those we love, we don't need a statute book, our hearts tell us what to do. The written law should be no different. Laws are written down in books of statute and commandments are written in the Bible, but the spirit of the law must exist in our hearts.

What exists in our hearts is as important if not more important than our actions because it's what written in our hearts that defines us.

Important Contacts.

Safeguarding: Richard Roberts 0118 978 9059 e-mail: richard.x.roberts@gmail.com

Other Priests in the area : Fr Marcus Brisley 01252 876820

Fr. Danny Mc Avoy 01344 425729, Fr Kevin Bidgood 01344 620591

Hospital / Home visits. Sick Communion, Baptism Preparation

If you are sick or going into hospital and would like a visit or Holy Communion, call the office on 0118 978 0348 or call Fr. David.

Baptisms—see Fr. David after Mass on any Sunday for further details

Parish Office Opening Times :- Tuesday to Friday, 09.00 to 13.00

The Parish Office is closed all day Monday

Your Parish Administrator, Una Smith, can be contacted on Tel: 0118 978 0348

or email , wokingham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

*Please remember to switch off your mobile phone before Mass
God deserves all our attention Thank you.*



In your prayers, please remember all those who have recently died . Also pray for all those who are sick, in hospital or housebound especially Eileen Hendy, Pam Sheridan, Mary Ann Froud, Daniel Sutton, Ruth Murphy, Miriam Terry, Joseph Nemeth and Michael Sigwasa

Racial Justice Sunday—‘Justice For All’ - 12th February

Racism is expressed in destructive patterns of relating, for example:-

- Hardening the boundaries between groups
- Overlooking others
- Belittling, dehumanising or demonising others
- Justifying or collaborating in the domination of others
- Physically or verbally intimidating or attacking others.

Justice takes time.... but take heart that change does happen where there's a will... we simply need to understand what racism is and spread the will to challenge it.



World Marriage Day is celebrated on the second Sunday of February. Set the day aside to re-affirm the qualities you first saw in each other and to recognise the qualities you’ve developed since.



Valentine’s Day Green Hearts - Look again at our care of our common home; show you love it by joining the climate coalition call to respect both the poor and the earth to which they are linked.
<http://cafod.org.uk/News/Campaigningnews/green-hearts-valentines-day>

Pilgrimages this summer—check out the notice boards for further information

Mill Hill Missionaries—National Novena to St Joseph 10-18 March

St Joseph’s Church, 36 Cookham Road, Maidenhead, SL6 7EG
 An invitation to join in prayer—please see our notice board for further details and Novena mass times.

Parish Database—Thank you to the parishioners that have added their details to the database and to those that have handed in their forms. If you have not done so yet, please log on to <https://p1.pamis.co.uk/sberks/online122bb9> or email the Parish Office on wokingham@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for assistance. Alternatively, paper copies are at the back of the church, please complete and drop it into the Parish Office. Thank you

Collection Envelopes for the coming financial year will be available for you to pick up next weekend

Youth Mass—The next Youth Mass will be on **Saturday 18th February at 4.30pm**. Come and join our young people for an uplifting, musical celebration. This mass will fulfil your Sunday obligation

Parish Quiz , Saturday, March 4th at 7.30 pm. Tickets are £5.00 , to include cheese and biscuits plus a glass of wine. Quizzers to bring their own extra refreshments if required. **Do sign up for this fun evening!** the form is at the back of the church and drop the money into the Parish Office in an envelope containing names of participants and labelled 'Parish quiz.' Everyone is welcome , don't worry if you are not In a team as you can join one on the night.

Toddlers Group—A warm welcome waits toddlers and their carers in the Keenan Rooms on **Wednesday 22nd February** at 10.00 am until 11.30 am and on each Wednesday in term time thereafter. Healthy snack time, lots of toys, singing and making new friends. We look forward to seeing you.

DBS Training—A reminder for those who have volunteered to help with all our Children’s groups that the Diocesan Safeguarding Training will be taking place in the Keenan Rooms on **Saturday 4th March from 10.00 to 12.30**. Please let Una in the Parish Office know that you can attend. Thank you

The 35 children of the parish that are celebrating their **First Holy Communion** this summer are now half way through their preparation. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare to receive this holy sacrament. The dates for their special days are **10th and 17th June at 11.00**. Please also pray for the 4 boys from Ludgrove School, with thanks to Kathy Osbaldeston who is preparing them, and they will be receiving the sacrament on **Sunday 18th June at the 09.00 mass**