



OUR PARISH VISION

English Martyrs is a welcoming community, inviting, encouraging and supporting all to have an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus. We are inspired to show God's love to the world with joy and hope

THE ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC CHURCH

64 Liebenrood Road, Reading RG30 2EB
Registered Charity No. 246871

PARISH CLERGY

PARISH PRIEST: CANON MICHAEL DENNEHY
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Sunday Mass 4.00pm at RBH
Old Chapel by London Road entrance.
All are welcome.

ASSISTING PRIEST: FR RICHARD MANIAK

PARISH OFFICE

Secretary: **Barbara Poole** Tel: 0118 957 2149

OFFICE CLOSED FROM FRI 14TH TO MON 24TH JUNE

Open Tues 25th – Fri 28th from 9am –3.30pm
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SAFEGUARDING REP - CHARLIE MCARTHUR
Contact via the Parish Office

OUR PARISH SCHOOLS

ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
Dee Road, Reading RG30 4BS T: 0118 937 5466
www.englishmartyrs.reading.sch.uk

BLESSED HUGH FARINGDON CATHOLIC SCHOOL
Fawley Road, Southcote Reading RG30 3EP
T: 0118 957 4730
<https://www.hughfaringdon.org/>

ON ADMISSION TO ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL

all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic and if they wish to have Communion or see a Priest.

All arrangements in RBH are "Patient Led".

Hospital Chaplain – Fr JP Lyttle

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ENGLISH MARTYRS' NEWSLETTER

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

15th / 16th June 2019

and

CORPUS CHRISTI (The Body and Blood of Christ)

22nd /23rd June 2019

We have a series of special Solemnities on four consecutive Sundays this year. The Solemnity of Pentecost is followed by the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity and then the Solemnity of Corpus Christi. And the month of June concludes with the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul.

St. Athanasius describes the Orthodox and Catholic teaching on God as Trinity, three persons in one divine nature, the holy creative and energising reality. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit are an inseparable unity, always acting together. He says: "We acknowledge the Trinity, holy and perfect, to consist of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. In this Trinity there is no intrusion of any alien element or of anything from outside, nor is the Trinity a blend of creative and created being. It is a holy creative and energising reality, self-consistent and undivided in its active power, for the Father makes all things through the Word and in the Holy Spirit, and in this way the unity of the holy Trinity is preserved. Accordingly, in the Church, one God is preached, one God who was above all things and through all things and in all things (Eph. 4:6). God is above all things as Father, for he is principal and source; he is through all things through the Word; and he is in all things in the Holy Spirit."

The Solemnity of Corpus Christi is a celebration of the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist. Jesus is literally and wholly present - body and blood, soul and divinity - under the appearances of bread and wine. St Ignatius of Antioch said: "I have no taste for corruptible food nor for the pleasures of this life. I desire the bread of God, which is the flesh of Jesus Christ.... And for drink I desire his blood, which is love incorruptible." (Letter to the Romans 7:3).

Corpus Christi Sunday is the final Sunday of celebrations of First Holy Communion in the parish. This year the emphasis has been on belief in the presence of Jesus in the Eucharist and on the importance of participation at Sunday Mass each week. Reception of the Body of Christ means belonging to the body of Christ, the Church. Only children who regularly attend Sunday Mass were enrolled in the process of preparation this year. Without this Eucharistic commitment Christian initiation is reduced to the status of a secular rite of passage which devalues the sacrament. The Lord is truly with us in the Eucharist!

Fr Michael

The BOOKSTALL is open in Room 2 after 9.30am and 11.30am Cards & Gifts for First Holy Communion are available

ENGLISH MARTYRS YOUTH CHOIR

'Singing Together as One Voice'
Every Monday 4 – 5.15pm
 at English Martyr's Church.
 Age 7+ (School Years 3-13) welcome.
Choir sings: Every Sunday at 5pm Mass

YOUTH OF OUR PARISH**CHILDRENS NEWSLETTERS**

'LOOK' AGE UP TO 7
'ICHTHUS' AGE 7+
PLEASE PICK ONE UP AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

GLOW 'let your light shine' Matthew: 5. 16

SENIOR YOUTH GROUP
NEXT MEETING 28TH JUNE
SPORTS DAY IN THE PARK

GLOW "TWEETS"

What is God's purpose for me?
<https://youtu.be/o-GH0D5Allc>

"DON BOSCO" BOYS CAMP

-Sunday 28th July to Saturday 3rd August 2019
 Fr Mark Hogan will be leading a camp for boys of secondary school age at St. Cassian's, Kintbury, Berkshire. To find out more or to reserve a place, please contact Angela Mulkerns on 07764 761006 or email dbcamps@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

THE NEXT

CHILDRENS LITURGY

is **Sunday 7th July** at 9.30am
 (Name Badge Sunday)

ELEVATE**JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP**

"Exploring Faith Through Fun"
 Next Meeting **Friday 21st June** 4.30-5.30pm
 in the Parish Hall

ALTAR SERVERS MEETING

2pm on Saturday 22nd June
 In English Martyrs Church

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

This year 28 Children are making their First Holy Communion.
 Please keep them and their families in your prayers

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Eisha Gueverra On Saturday 15th June 6.30pm Mass.

Jakub Trojak, Bartek Darzewski, Giovanni Orrea, Holly O'Gorman and Nicole Lubi
 On Sunday 16th June at 9.30am Mass.

Calliah Fernandes, Olivia Dihen, Olivjia Buke, Natalia Czajkowska, Nico Girynski and Maya Zawadzka
 On Sunday 16th June at 11.30am Mass.

Deon Dony On Sunday 22nd June 6.30pm Mass

Klaudia Berdak and Amelia Basinska On Sunday 23rd June at 9.30am Mass.

Eve Mc Elligott, Camile Tavares, Aleksander Michalski, Michal Gorgon, Yash Gill and Maddy Dredge
 On Sunday 24th June at 11.30am Mass.

Joele Mattea Morga, Luka Emilius Mwanyika and Ava Bernward Emilius
 On Sunday 24th June at 5.00pm Mass.

At this very special time for children and their families there will inevitably be extra people at services and special seating arrangements and there will also be more cars in the car park – so please take extra care.

Your patience and assistance are appreciated

SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

40 DAYS OF LIFE CAMPAIGN IN SEPTEMBER 2019

Presentation on **Tuesday 18th June at 8.15am** in the Carl Barton Room at the church of Our Lady of Peace and Blessed Dominic Barberi 338 Wokingham Road, Earley RG6 7DA
 There is plenty of car parking space.
 The Presentation will be given by a Franciscan friar.
 This is a worldwide and unique opportunity to help parents who want to abort their babies and to save babies lives.

EMMAUS GROUPS

There are five Emmaus Groups here at English Martyrs to provide the opportunity for parishioners to get together in small groups to pray together and chat about the Sunday Bible readings. No expert knowledge required!
 Why not come along and see for yourself?
 The next meetings are on
Monday 17th June at 7.30pm in Room 1
Wednesday 19th June at 10.30am in Room 2
Friday 21st June at 10.30am in Room 2

ENGLISH MARTYRS

SUMMER FAIR & BBQ

Saturday 29th June 2019 from 11.00am to 3.00pm
 See poster on the noticeboard for more information

VOCATIONS

How do you hope to share in God's glory..... as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life?
 To explore further, contact Fr John Cooke.
vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
 or call 01329 318869

PASTORAL AREA DAY OF RECOLLECTION

Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion in Reading Pastoral Area are invited to a day of recollection, **Saturday 6th July 2019, 10.30am-3.00pm** (registration from 10.00am), St Dominic Savio Primary School, Western Avenue, Woodley.
 Attendees must complete an application form via English Martyrs Parish Office

CAFOD - THE TIME IS NOW!

“The earth, our home is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth” Pope Francis.
 In his encyclical *Laudato Si’* Care for our Common Home **Pope Francis urges us to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to take action.**
 Climate Change is the biggest threat to our planet, and **we are calling on everyone to tell their MPs that the time to act is NOW! Please join us on**

Wednesday 26th June for ‘The Time is Now’ Lobby of Parliament.

For more information and to sign up go to <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby>



The Parish is also holding a **CREATION MASS**
On Thursday 27th June at 7.30pm

AND A PETITION WILL BE AVAILABLE TO SIGN AT ALL MASSES ON THE WEEKEND OF 29TH /30TH JUNE 2019

SVP Afternoon Tea

The SVP will be holding their Monthly Afternoon Tea this month on **Thursday 20th June** at 3pm in Room 1.
 Please come along for tea, cake and chat.
 We would be delighted to see you.
 If you want to come and would like a lift, then please contact Stephen Hogg on 0118 9427646 or 07891 773379.”

THE HIBERNIAN SOCIETY

are hosting a **TEA DANCE** here in the Parish Hall **2-4.30PM on Sunday 23rd June 2019**

ENGLISH MARTYRS

OPEN AIR YOUTH & FAMILY MASS

Sunday 30th June 2019
 2.00 – 4.30pm
 Prospect Park

MASS AND PICNIC IN THE PARK
 See posters for more information
Make sure you pick up a flyer.

MISSION ANIMATION EVENING AT ENGLISH MARTYRS:

“**Baptized and Sent:** The Church of Christ on Mission in the World” is the theme chosen by Pope Francis for the Extraordinary Mission Month. Fr Kevin Hughes MHM (the Red Boxes) will give a presentation (one hour) about this initiative of Pope Francis on Wednesday 3rd July at 7.30pm at the English Martyrs, 64 Liebenrood Road, Reading, Berkshire RG30 2EB.



Tel-02392376151 - Email- scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. A very warm Welcome to Local Secretaries of Missio. All are welcome. Refreshments available from 7pm.

A CONVERSATION WITH A MUSLIM NEIGHBOUR

Alia Rashid, one of our neighbours, will join us for a conversation about her daily life as a Muslim wife and mother on

Wednesday 26th June at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall

Alia will be happy to answer questions about her faith. If you would like to submit any questions in advance, please email them or drop them into the parish office by **Monday 24th June.**

RECENTLY DECEASED

Please pay for the repose of the soul of



Terence Morse RIP who died on Monday 13th May 2019. He will be received into The English Martyrs Church on Thursday 4th July at 4.30pm. His funeral Mass will take place on Friday 5th July at 9.30am followed by interment at Henley Road Cemetery.

Donald Mann RIP who died Monday 10th June 2019. Funeral Details to be confirmed.



BAPTISMS – A WARM WELCOME TO

Jamil Serr who is receiving the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday 16th June at 1pm
Ava Louise Walker, Roman Andre Terence Walker and Kya Christine-Rose Walker who is receiving the Sacrament of Baptism on Saturday 22nd June at 1.00pm
 Please keep them and their families in your prayers at this special time

In brief	22 nd June	“ON FIRE” Prayer & Healing Service. 5-7pm at St Joseph’s Church, Tilehurst
	8 th July	Healing Seminar 4. ‘HEALING FAMILIES’ at Douai Abbey – See Noticeboard for more details
	24-30 th July	Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes - See lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for more info.
	10 th August	AYLESFORD PILGRIMAGE FOR THE DEAF. See poster on Noticeboard for more details
	19 th – 23 rd August	FANNING THE FLAME CATHOLIC MISSION An Amazing Adventure Summer Camp 19th – 23rd August www.FanningTheFlame.co.uk See Poster on our Noticeboard for more details
	28 th /29 th September	CELEBRATE SOUTHAMPTON 28th/29th September. Spaces still available. Book at https://www.celebrateconference.org/southampton

COUNTERS	CHURCH CLEANING	WEEKLY COLLECTION 9th June
16th June Harry Mullin & Martin Wills.	Friday 21st June - Group 2	Envelopes £261.00
23rd June Anne & Stephen Hogg	Friday 28th June - Group 3 after morning Mass	Plate £1,063.30

PARISH MASS & SERVICES TIMETABLE

SAT 15TH JUNE TO SUNDAY 30TH JUNE 2019

<u>DAYS</u>	<u>TIMES</u>	<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u>
Vigil Mass – Saturday 15th June THE MOST HOLY TRINITY	6.30 pm	Nanda Perera RIP
Sunday 16th June THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Responsorial Psalm: <i>How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!</i>	9.30 am	Romeo Suzara RIP & Marina Dizon RIP
	11.30 am	Kevin Conroy RIP
	5.00 pm	People of the Parish
Monday 17th June	9.30am	Gwen Adams RIP
Tuesday 18th June	9.30am	Sheila Farral RIP
Wednesday 19th June	9.30 am	Intentions of Natalie Hopner & Carole Jones
Thursday 20th June St Alban, Martyr, <i>memorial</i>	9.30 am	Vithayathil Family, Thanksgiving.
	10am to 9pm	Continuous Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.30 pm	Kevin Thomas's Intentions
Friday 21st June St. Aloysius Gonzaga, <i>memorial</i> St John Rigby, <i>English Martyr,</i>	6.30am	Canon Henry Murphy RIP
	9.30am	Fraser McKechnie, Intention
	10am to 9pm	Continuous Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 22nd June Ss John Fisher & Thomas More, Martyrs, <i>feast</i>	11.00am	Jan Niec
	3.00 – 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Devotions and Confessions
Vigil Mass – Saturday 22nd June CORPUS CHRISTI (The Body and Blood of Christ)	6.30pm	Senani Perera's Intentions
Sunday 23rd June CORPUS CHRISTI (The Body and Blood of Christ) Saint Thomas Garnet, <i>English Martyr,</i> Responsorial Psalm: <i>You are a priest forever. A priest like Melchizedek of old.</i>	9.30 am	Timothy Guidera RIP
	11.30 am	Ryan Flood RIP
	5.00 pm	People of the Parish
Monday 24th June THE NATIVITY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST	9.30am	Moises Paez RIP
Tuesday 25th June	9.30am	John James Lee RIP & Dorothy Lee RIP
Wednesday 26th June	9.30 am	Elsy Thomas Vithayathil RIP
Thursday 27th June	9.30 am	Louis Fearn's RIP
	7.30pm	CREATION MASS
Friday 28th June THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS St John Southworth, <i>English Martyr,</i>	6.30am	Fr Herbert Miranda RIP
	9.30am	Buhay Family, Thanksgiving
	10am to 9pm	Continuous Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 29th June The Immaculate Heart of Mary	11.00am	Christopher O'Dowd RIP
	3.00 – 4.00pm	Divine Mercy Devotions and Confessions
Vigil Mass – Saturday 29th June SS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES	6.30pm	Tony Walsh RIP
Sunday 30th June SS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES	9.30 am	Buhay Family, Thanksgiving
	11.30 am	Deceased members of the Mangan & Mullins Families RIP
	2.00pm	Canon Peter Turbitt, Intention
	5.00 pm	People of the Parish
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sat. 11.30–12.30pm, Sun. 8am–9am, Mon-Fri. 8.25am–9.25am Thurs & Fri 10.00am – 9.00pm (in the Baptistry) Confessions: Saturday 5.30 – 6.15pm and Sunday 4.00 – 4.45pm.		

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK – 15TH JUNE 2019 is for ' DAY FOR LIFE'

SECOND COLLECTION ON SUNDAY 30TH JUNE 2019 is for ' PETERS PENCE'