



Parish of Blessed Hugh Faringdon & Buckland
2ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME – JANUARY 16TH 2022

Focusing the Gospel
Second Sunday of Ordinary Time – 16th
January 2022

Key words and phrases:

disciples were also invited, water that had become wine, beginning of his signs, revealed his glory, disciples began to believe in him

To the point:

Jesus' epiphany—the revelation of his glory—did not end with the sign he performed but with the belief to which his followers came. Not only does Jesus change water into wine, but he transforms his disciples from being mere companions to becoming those who believe in him. They move from fellowship to the intimacy of belief and their lives will never be the same. He changed them. He will change us. And our lives will never be the same.

To the First Reading:

Isaiah provides us with language to describe believing: **"I will not be silent ... I will not be quiet."** He gives us as well language to describe the intimacy of belief: **"My delight," "Espoused," "the Lord delights in you," "your Builder shall marry you," "God rejoice in you."**

To experience:

Some changes are self-initiated, for example, we stop smoking, resolve to exercise daily, watch less TV. Other changes are generated by an outside catalyst, such as a natural disaster or the loss of a job because of a bankrupt company. When we open ourselves to God's actions within us, the most life-changing transformations occur.

Bible Study

We have a Bible Study, reflecting on the coming Sunday Mass Readings, with Fr. Claro on Zoom on Mondays from 8 – 9 pm. For the Bible Study visit the website and click the link on the homepage.

Offertory figures for December

Monthly (by Bank Standing Order) **£2483**
Weekly (Direct to Bank) **£370**
Mass Collections (£282); plus Gift Aid (**£684**)
Total £3819
The Christmas Collection
(at Mass and Direct to Bank) was **£344.**

Mairead Boyce - Rest in Peace

You may have already heard through the grapevine that Mairead had been suffering from cancer for many months. She'd chosen to be very private about this, insisting that life continue as normal.

Last week on Thursday, she went into hospital with a number of additional complications, and since Saturday she'd been receiving only palliative care.

This Wednesday afternoon, she passed away peacefully, with Tony by her side, having received the Last Rites.

Mairead, you have no idea how much we'll all miss you.

The immense hole you leave behind is filled with wonderful, beautiful memories, where helping others always came first.

May you rest in peace and be welcomed into heaven.

We pray for Mairead, Tony and the rest of the family.



Mairead Boyce
1941 – 2022

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Liturgies at the Cathedral

Bishop Philip will celebrate the following liturgies. They will be live streamed on the Cathedral website: www.portsmouth-catholiccathedral.org.uk
Saturday 09:00 Holy Mass
Sunday 12:00 Holy Mass (Cathedral)
Monday - Friday
07:30 Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
08:10 Morning Prayer & Benediction
08:30 Holy Mass (Latin on Wednesday)



Ministries

Music Director: Sjoerd Vogt
Organist: Karen Vogt
SafeGuarding Officer: Mary Hughes
Children's Liturgy: Clare Cottingham
Parish Hall: Sue Cole (01367 241446)
Pastoral Assistant: Tony Fecher
Altar Servers: Denise Cocquerel
Gift Aid: Jack Thornton
Webmaster: Neill Taylor

Praying the Readings at Home
The Baptism of the Lord

1st Reading: Isaiah 62: 1-5
Psalm 95(96):1-3, 7-10
2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11
Gospel: John 2: 1-11
And when the headwaiter tasted the water that had become wine, without knowing where it came from: ... you have kept the good wine until now."
(Gospel)

Hymns
The Baptism of the Lord

Entrance: 368 Into one we are all gathered
Psalm: P186/C99
Proclaim the wonders God has done, tell all the nations God is king.
Offertory: 637 Take and bless our gifts
Communion: 893 Ubi Caritas
Recessional: 421 Let love be real

Masses at Blessed Hugh

Sunday Mass is at 10am. We will continue to stream Sunday 10 am on Zoom and Facebook for the benefit of those who are unable to come to the church. See here for details: <https://blessedhugh.org.uk/events-and-services/>

You can follow Fr. Claro's daily Masses from his home on Facebook Live here:

<https://facebook.com/claro.conde>

His current schedule is:
7.00 am Regular Daily Masses Monday to Sunday, 6pm Wednesday and Sunday.
1st Wednesday of the month, mass in the church at 6pm. (Our lady of perpetual help.)

Lift to Church

Peter Cole is willing to give a lift to anyone who needs it to come to the church for Mass.
Please contact him on 01367 241446 or email scole1951@aol.com.

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BIBLICAL REFLECTIONS. We listen to Fr. Greg Friedman OFM on biblical commentary of the Readings

<https://bible.usccb.org/podcasts/video/2022-01-16-reflection-66>

Last Sunday we discussed about how we express baptismal commitments in the life of the parish. Today we review the meaning of the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is also a lesson for those candidates, 14 of them in the list as of the moments. Again, we express our Confirmation seal by being actively involved of the Life of the Spirit in the Church. The seven gifts of the Holy Spirit-- wisdom, piety, fear of the Lord, understanding, counsel, knowledge and fortitude -- are outlined in the Bible in Isaiah, chapter 11, verses 2-3.

CONFIRMATION

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b05PSjAZvJ0>

During our PPC meetings we encourage the young people to get involved in the different ministries of the parish. Today, we are training young people especially those confirmation candidates to the ministry of the Altars as Servers and Readers.

In whatever activities we do, let us always keep in mind always our parish missions and objectives which is found in our parish website.

https://blessedhugh.org.uk/docs/parish_mission_statement.pdf

Blessed Hugh Parish Mission Statements

1. To go out and Mission to Everyone;
2. Support and Strengthen the Community;
3. Prayerful and Committed to the Faith;
4. Outreach to ethnic minorities;
5. Outreach to key workers;
6. To Nurture the young people and youth of our parish to ensure they feel valued members of our community

FINANCE/MAINTENANCE joint committee and PPC committee Minutes of Meetings are found in the Parish Website

VILLAGE MINISTRIES. I still getting to know people in different Villages. I will be asking individuals to join this very important ministry and to represent their villages. Meeting in Buckland 1230am Sunday 16 January.

Rite of Election 2022

The Rite of Election for 2022 is at 11am on Saturday 5th March 2022 in the Cathedral. Please find attached a letter from Sr. Hyacinthe with the information you need for its preparation. There are two forms (one attached and one online) that need to be completed and returned as soon as possible to prepare for the Rite of Election. One of the forms that needs filling is online, and the link is here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd5mqb5iPQ8QurAghmrvmBYbI3I4g6gN08S0OfEEiDyx1Xx8w/viewform>

PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

Mairead Boyce, RIP died 12 January 2022

Kieran Brady, RIP (husband of Susan) died 12 January 2022

Carla Barnes, RIP died 12 January 2020



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EVENTS & MEETINGS

JANUARY 2022

Bereavement/Wednesday Meeting resumes

10am 12 January 2022

BIBLE ZOOM MEETING resumes 7pm

Monday 17 January 2022

OCTAVE of PRAYER for CHRISTIAN

UNITY January 18 - 25

Women Fellowship Group c/o Joan Boreham 01367 240903 3pm URC Wednesday 19 January

FEAST OF THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, 25 January TUESDAY

Deanery meeting at Douai Abbey Arrival and coffee from 10.30 Thursday 20 January

FEBRUARY 2022

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD,

Wednesday 2 February

Wednesday Group RETREAT at the Carmelites Boars hill 23 February

MARCH

ASH WEDNESDAY 2 March

ST PATRICK, 17 March Thursday

ST JOSEPH, 19 March Saturday

ANNUNCIATION of the LORD, 25 March Friday

APRIL

PALM SUNDAY 10 April

EASTER VIGIL 16 April Saturday

EASTER SUNDAY 17 April

**Sacrament of Reconciliation and the
Sacrament of the Eucharist**

Attention to Parents who would like their daughter or son to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of the Eucharist in June 2022, exact date to be confirmed.

Although we have spoken to each other about your child/children preparing to receive the sacraments, please can you confirm via email the following information:

- your child's name
- date of birth
- date of Baptism/Christening
- your names, home address and email addresses (for both parents)

Requesting this information is to enable us to abide with Child Protection. Please feel free to ask any questions you may have. Once I have received responses a schedule will be arranged. Therefore, please may I ask for replies as soon as possible?

Clare Cottingham

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