



23 NOVEMBER 2014

**OUR LORD  
JESUS CHRIST,  
UNIVERSAL  
KING**



**CITY CENTRE  
CATHOLIC PARISH,  
SOUTHAMPTON  
ST JOSEPH'S &  
ST EDMUND'S**

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF  
PORTSMOUTH REG. CHARITY NO. 246871

**SOUTHAMPTON  
CENTRAL AND WEST  
PASTORAL AREA  
ALSO INCLUDES  
ST. BONIFACE,  
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL  
& HOLY FAMILY**



**Christ the King** Feast was established in 1925 by Pope Pius XI in the encyclical *Quas primas*. It stated that it ought to be “celebrated in the whole world, every year, on the last Sunday of October” and that “every year, on this very day, Christians are to renew the consecration of humankind to the Sacred Heart of Jesus”.

Pius XI’s motto which was “Christ’s peace through Christ’s reign”, began the encyclical, which then looked at the way he saw the world developing into a “deluge of evils” because of people who have “banished Christ” and His Laws from individual, family and civic life. He encouraged Catholics to “actively work at preparing and hastening the ardently wished for return of society to its Saviour”. He saw ‘secularisation’ as an evil and the need for Catholics to be fervent in their faith so as to counter the spread of secularism.

Pope John XXIII in his encyclical *Pacem in terris* in 1963 develops the need for Christ to be at the centre of life, but the manner in which he did it is striking in so many ways. The Church, he wrote, must exercise its ministry with conviction, but also with humility, aware of the values of which human beings, even if they do not belong to the Church, are bearers and active agents. His encyclical is not just addressed to Bishops, clergy and the faithful but also “people of Good Will”.

Vatican II, convoked by Pope John, adopted the same perspective, especially in the Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World (*Gaudium et spes*). The Council, it said, “addresses not only the sons of the Church and all who call upon the name of Christ, but the whole of humanity as well, and it longs to set forth the way it understands the presence and function of the Church in the world today” (#2).

With the liturgical reform implemented by the Council the Feast was moved to the end of the Liturgical Year (last Sunday before Advent) so that Christ, as it were, “crowns” the year.

How do we enable Christ to “crown’ the year and all that we do. To quote Pope Francis in *Evangeliium Gaudium* (*The Joy of the Gospel*): “An evangelising Community gets involved by word and deed in people’s daily lives; it bridges distances, it is willing to abase itself if necessary, and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others” (#24).

Vincent Harvey

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**THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:**

1. How sensitive are you to the needs of those around you?
2. What are the limits to your care and concern for others? On what do you base whether you will help or not?
3. In what way are you tending to Christ’s brothers and sisters?

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# TODAY: SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2014

**NO SECOND COLLECTION TODAY.**

**WELCOME AND THANKS** to Fr Des Connolly who will be celebrating the 9am and 11am Masses today.

**PRESENTATION OF CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES** at 7pm Mass tonight (Sunday) at St Edmund's Church. Please pray for them on their journey.

**ALTAR SERVERS** ..... please pick up a letter about Christmas and St Stephen's Day.

**ST ELIZABETH CONVENT, BELARUS** will be selling items at the 6:15pm Mass and 9am & 11am Masses THIS WEEKEND. The Convent, founded in 1999 in the outskirts of Minsk, currently has just under 100 nuns and around 300 sisters of mercy. Taking up the ministry of their patron saint, the sisters of their convent provide spiritual and social help to the sick and the suffering. *It supports 200 orphaned children with psychophysical deficiencies. Their help ranges from purchasing diapers for the bedridden children to the implementation of different activities on their rehabilitation and socialization.* The Convent has created a Rehabilitation Centre. Sick, socially vulnerable and disadvantaged people go there for help and find spiritual care and protection. *To support and develop the above ministries, more than twenty workshops and studios operate within the frameworks of the Sisterhood.* These include sewing and embroidery shops, candle workshop, wood-carving, stone and blacksmith workshops and many more. Some of the people working in the workshops are those who lost all hope in realizing their potential due to various illnesses. Together with the sisters these people produce beautiful articles with love and prayer in the convent's workshops.

**YOUTH CHOIR** 7pm Mass.



**RECENTLY DIED: John Faller RIP** late of Thornhill Park Road, Thornhill. Requiem Mass to be held at 10am on Tuesday 25 November in St Edmund's Church. Please pray for John who died in the General Hospital two weeks ago after only a short time in hospital. John was a regular at the 7pm Mass. May he rest in peace. Pray also for

## THIS WEEK

**FOR INFORMATION:** Mon: VH day off

Tues: Clergy Meeting: VH. St George Governors: VH

Wed: St Anne's: VH

Thurs: Christian Resources Exhibition: VH

St George Presentation Evening: VH

Fri: Youth Group: VH

**BINGO CLUB** meet 2pm on Mondays in St Edmund's Hall.

**WELLSPRING PRAYER GROUP** meet Tuesdays at 7:30pm in St Edmund's Hall. All welcome!

**WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB** every Wednesday 12noon in St Edmund's Hall.

**CCPG (City Centre Pastoral Group)** meet at 7:45pm on Wednesday 26 November in St Edmund's Presbytery. *If you would like to raise any issues to do with the pastoral life of the Parish, or any initiatives for consideration please contact the Parish Office or Father Vincent.*

**HANDING ON THE FAITH:** 'Journey in Faith' group meet 7:30pm every Thursday in St Edmund's Hall. *Would you like to find out more about the Catholic faith?* All welcome.

**FRIDAY LUNCHTIME PRAYER GROUP** meet 1:10pm-1:50pm in St Edmund's Hall for prayer and reflection.

**EU WELCOME INFORMATION EVENING** 6pm-8pm Friday 28 November in St Edmund's Lodge.

**DISCOVERING OUR IDENTITY** youth group meet at 7:45pm (after Mass) on Fridays in St Edmund's Hall.



**CHRISTMAS FAYRE SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER** after morning Mass in **St Edmund's Hall**. **Raffle tickets** are now on sale after Mass - 1st prize £150 plus paint ball vouchers, photo shoot, Christmas hamper and lots more. Bacon and egg sarnies. Bottle stall, cake stall, Bric a brac, Kids corner, sale of Christmas cards and gifts. All donations for stalls or raffle to be left at the Parish Office. **Helpers needed** Tel Fiona, Mob. 07717 535 221 or email [fionalennon76@gmail.com](mailto:fionalennon76@gmail.com). All funds will go towards sorting out our churches' sound systems.

## NEXT WEEKEND

**BAPTISM:** We welcome into our faith community **Briain Newland**, son of Niki and Aideen, who is being baptised in St Edmund's Church at 1:30pm Saturday 29 November.

**IRISH SOCIAL EVENING - HOLY FAMILY CHURCH HALL:** 7.30pm-11pm Saturday 29 November in Holy Family Church Hall, Redbridge Hill, Southampton, SO16 4PL. McDonnell-Haynes School of Irish Dance present their Christmas Social Evening with Irish folk band Shebeen, display of Irish dancing and Christmas raffle. Tickets £10 per adult and accompanied children are free. Contact Charlotte Haynes on 07740 645 665



**KEEP CALM AND EAT (MORE) CAKE:** afternoon tea and quiz fundraiser for HCPT Group 170 (the local branch of the national charity which takes sick, disabled and disadvantaged children on pilgrimage-holiday to Lourdes). Sunday 30 November at 3pm in Holy Family Church Hall, Millbrook. Tickets £6 adult / £4 child.

**MISSING HYMN BOOKS AND MASS LEAFLETS** ... We have bought hundreds of **Mass leaflets** and only a handful are left! Also **hymn books** are still going missing .... **please check at home and in your cars and return to either church.**

**ADVENT** ..... a week away ..... some extra events at **St Edmund's Church!**

- **Advent Vespers** Sunday 30 November at 5:30pm to celebrate the groups in the Parish and the involvement of many. **Please come along to mark the beginning of Advent and to pray for all our volunteers.**
- **'Jingling Bells':** Christmas Carols Sunday 7 December 3:30pm-4:30pm, followed by refreshments and a raffle. Silver collection. Choir practice - 6pm Tues 25 Nov in St Edmund's Church. All welcome. No need to book.
- **Evening Prayer** 6:30pm every Wednesday and Friday before Mass
- **Penitential Service** on Monday 22 December at 7:30pm.

**TRADICRAFT CHRISTMAS CARDS & GIFTS** available for sale at St Joseph's Church after the 6:15 Saturday Mass and after Sunday 10:00 Mass. A selection of cards will also be on sale in the repository area at St Edmund's. Catalogues will be available at both churches. Please do not take these away. Order forms will be available at St Joseph's. *(Ordering through the Parish Office will ensure a percentage is given to Parish funds).* Email Parish Office [southamptoncitycentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:southamptoncitycentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

### CHILDREN'S NATIVITY - 6PM CHRISTMAS EVE MASS:

Parents please confirm if your children would like to take part in the Nativity on Christmas Eve.

Child's Name: .....

I give permission for my child to take part in the Children's

Nativity Mass: Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Please

hand slip to a Children's Liturgy facilitator at 9am Mass.

## NEXT WEEK

**AN EVENING OF HEALING** with Little Way Healing Ministries 7pm-9:30pm Monday 1 December at Highfield House Hotel, Highfield Lane, SO17 1AQ. Fr. Laurence Brassill OSA and Mrs. Pauline Edwards and team offer an evening of teaching and healing. Jesus said: 'Lay your hands on the sick and they will be healed'. **Come and see.**

**SOUTHAMPTON AND WINCHESTER VISITORS GROUP:** are holding their AGM 7pm Monday 1 December at Avenue St Andrews. Roy Millard (*South East Strategic Partnership for Migration*) will talk on 'Young Asylum Seekers in Limbo'. Do go along! *Please book on Tel. No. 01962 866 215 / email [secretary@swvg-refugees.org.uk](mailto:secretary@swvg-refugees.org.uk).*

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION:** workshop for Parents and Candidates 10:30am Saturday 6 December in St Joseph's Hall/Stella Maris Centre.

**NIGHT FEVER:** Dates for your diary: 6 December at *Our Lady Immaculate Parish : Bournemouth* and 13 December at *St Mary's Gosport*. Do support these local events. This is a first for Bournemouth and Bishop Philip will be celebrating the Mass and attending Gosport on 13 December.

**MASS OF INSCRIPTION FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES** will take place at 9am and 11am Masses at St Edmund's and 10am Mass at St Joseph's Sunday 7 December.

**ANNUAL GOAN COMMUNITY EVENT:** Feast of St Francis Xavier Celebration taking place on Sunday 7 December from 12:30pm - 5:30pm in St Boniface Church Hall, Shirley, Southampton. Tickets £10 for adults and 13-18 year olds. Children (5-12) = £6. Live Goan Band. Dress Formal. Authentic Goan Buffet. Complimentary Drinks. Spot Prizes & Raffle. Dina 023 8078 0774 or Text Roque 07816 195 002, email [roquevaz@yahoo.co.in](mailto:roquevaz@yahoo.co.in). See Notice Board for info.

**ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE** Ichen Valley Country Park. Meet at 2pm Sunday 7 December at 'The Barn'. See Notice Boards for info.

**TAIZE SERVICE FOR CHURCHES TOGETHER IN THE CITY TO MARK ADVENT** will take place in St Mary's Church at 6pm on Sunday 7 December. *Come along. Taize musicians welcome too.*

## GENERAL ITEMS

**SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION** Monday 8 December in St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. Commencing with Holy Mass at 12:15pm, followed by candle-lit procession of the Statue of Our Blessed Lady, hymns, prayers and Benediction. All welcome!

**ST MARY'S CAROL SERVICE** 7pm Tuesday 9 December in St Edmund's Church. *(Rehearsal at 11am).*

**EU WELCOME PROJECT GROUP** meet 7pm Thursday 11 December in St Edmund's Presbytery.

**THE CITY'S JUBILEE CHRISTMAS STREET PARTY** is taking place on Saturday 13 December, between 4pm-7pm in the Guildhall Square; all invited to come along, bring friends and celebrate the real meaning of Christmas.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION** for Candidates 2pm—5pm Sunday 14 December at St Boniface Church Hall, Shirley. Contact Charlie on email: [confirmation@pughonline.co.uk](mailto:confirmation@pughonline.co.uk).

**THANK YOU TO JUDY BROWN AND VOLUNTEERS** for all the work they have done to improve St Edmund's Hall.

**REFURBISHMENT OF ST EDMUND'S PARISH HALL:** *Jenepher Parry Davies will donate £1 from each sale of her first solo album, 'The Spinning Wheel' towards the costs of refurbishment of St. Edmund's Hall. Call 07891 733939 or Email: [sineadnicdaihi@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sineadnicdaihi@yahoo.co.uk) to purchase a copy. Website: [www.jenepher.co.uk](http://www.jenepher.co.uk).*

**MONGU** ..... a thank you received from the Treasurer for the £499 sent recently from monies collected in the Parish.



**HOMECARE CLIENTS CHRISTMAS GIFTS:** Last year we asked for new **unwrapped presents** for our elderly; this worked very well as their carers were able to pick the most suitable gifts for their clients – diabetics were given a gift that they could use and others received their favourite biscuits etc. While you're out shopping **in the next two weeks**, please think about picking up a gift or two for us to pass on, many of the Christmas offerings in the shops at the moment would be most suitable along with stationery, stamps, jams and toiletries etc. Thank you! Baskets available in the porches from this weekend.

**ST EDMUND'S CAR PARKING** ... some people are being complacent and parking on the private road into the estate behind us ..... and getting fined! No parking is allowed in the estate or on the approach roads. We can park 4 cars in front of the Lodge and 4 or 5 behind on the graveled area only.

**ST ANNE'S ADMISSIONS CONSULTATION:** As required by the Admissions Code, the Governing Body of St Anne's will be conducting a consultation on its proposed admissions policy for the school year 2016/2017. The consultation period runs from 17 November 2014 to 26 January 2015. Copies of the proposed policy can be obtained from the school office. Comments on the policy should be sent to the Clerk to the Governors at the school by 26 January 2015.

**CHAPLAINCY DAY: 10 January 2015, 10am-1pm, Discovery Centre, St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth, followed by buffet lunch and networking.** *Are you a chaplain (lay or clergy) working in any capacity? Hospital, pastoral care, police, prison, ethnic chaplaincies? Are you interested in volunteering for any one of the Chaplaincy Teams?* The Chaplaincy Department of the Diocese of Portsmouth would like to invite you to a morning to: hear Bishop Philip Egan speak on his vision for chaplaincy in the context of the new evangelisation; understand how the Framework for Collaboration will promote and support chaplaincy services in the diocese; meet the chaplaincy teams and hear about their activities. We will also be seeking your views on the development of chaplaincy services in the diocese. Please RSVP to [cvirgo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:cvirgo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

**MEDJUGORJE PRAYER GROUP:** Starting Wednesday 14 January 2015 from 7:30pm - 9pm and then every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month (excluding August). A small group meeting monthly to pray and reflect on the Scriptural Rosary and Our Lady's messages. Venue: 125 Hill Lane Southampton. Contact Heather on email: [heather.hauschild@gmail.com](mailto:heather.hauschild@gmail.com) or Dudley 023 8067 9079 for further details. All welcome. Just go along and join them.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Nenum (Anushka's sister), Marge Whiteman, Mary Davies (fall recovery), Phyllis Grattan, Maria Gibzinska, HE, Virginia Monteiro, Stella Grace Krumina (toddler), Marie Adams, Patricia Penny, Joyce Mnguni, James Adie, Peter Hunt, Edward O'Donovan, Maria Annunziata, Jean Kaye, Hélène Scrase, Emma Bailey, Laura Pinson, Madeleine Clarke, Debbie Murphy, Albie Escorcio, Vera Morris, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, Maria Farrao, Pat Cummings, NW, Carlene Metcalf, Bosco & Myra Andrade, Joe Sculley, Tegar Marriott, Josie Franklin, Joan Wheeler, Bertie Radcliffe, Ken Woodford, Joy Grant, John O'Reilly, Bridget Busk, Joan Roberts, Phoebe, Tony O'Donnell, Pam Bennett, Pauldia Grant, Terry Clarke, Grace Baxter, Evelyn Nolan, parishioners who are ill or having surgery and all listed in the Lady Chapel Prayer Book at St Edmund's. Thank you for keeping all these people in your prayers.

**MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 23 NOVEMBER 2014**

SAT	22 NOV	<b>VIGIL MASS</b>	6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	DONALD & MAURA GORMAN RIP (GH) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	23 NOV	<b>OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING</b>	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	ANNA EGAN RIP (KN) ROBERT—CONVERSION OF HEART TO GOD'S WILL (RK) OLIVIA LEE RIP (MONDAY CLUB) YVONNE PROWING RIP (DB)
TUES	25 NOV	<b>ST CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA</b>	10:00AM SE	REQUIEM MASS: JOHN FALLER RIP FATHER PAUL SPELLMAN RIP (ROSARY GROUP)
WED	26 NOV	<b>34th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	7:00PM SE	MICHAEL BRENNAN RIP (EB)
THURS	27 NOV	<b>34th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	12:15PM SJ	CONCETTA (CONNIE) OVERY RIP (JP)
FRI	28 NOV	<b>34th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	7:00PM SE	CONCETTA LONGO RIP (MM)
SAT	29 NOV	<b>OUR LADY ON SATURDAY</b>	11:00AM SE 6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	KATE & FRED McEWING RIP (MD) SIMONE HUGHES RIP (TONY'S MUM) (TH&VH) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	30 NOV	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	STOY & JESSIE—THANKSGIVING (JS) JOHN & MAUREEN WADE RIP (TW) PJ PHELAN RIP (DP&GP) ELIZABETH DORLING RIP (JMD)

**PASTORAL AREA PARISHES:** MASS TIMES Holy Family, Millbrook Sat Vigil 18:30; Sun 11:00am; 1:00pm (Polish); Holy day 19:00.  
St. Boniface, Shirley Sat Vigil 18:30; Sun. 08:30; 10:30; Holy day 10:00; 20:00. St. Vincent de Paul, Lordsood Sun 09:15; Holy Day 10:00.

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**Prayer of the Church week 2**

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING**

**Psalms Response**

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!  
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. **Alleluia!**

**READINGS SUNDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2014  
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR B**

1st Reading: Isaiah 63:16-17; 64:1, 3-8  
2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9  
Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

**NO 2nd COLLECTION TODAY 2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEK  
CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND**

Collections	16/11/14 1st	16/11—2nd CATHOLIC HOME CARE
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,176.23</b>	<b>£514.32</b>
Cash	772.01	264.94
S / O	1,139.85	199.50
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	264.37	49.88

Thank you for your generous contributions. Your donations make the life and work of the Parish possible.

**CONFESSION TIMES:**

**St. Edmund's:** Saturdays 11:30am  
**St. Joseph's:** Thursdays 11:45am; Saturdays 5:45pm