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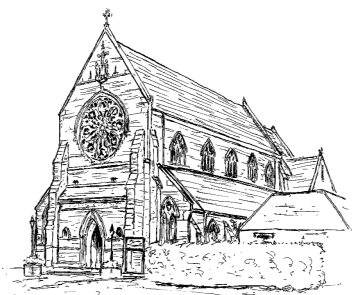
ALL SAINTS



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

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



All Saints/All Hallows, All Souls **A rich inheritance and an eternal reality!**

This weekend we celebrate All Hallows, All Saints and All Souls. What can we learn from days that appear to speak of death rather than life? All Hallows' Eve is often misunderstood. It is the vigil of All Saints marking the beginning of the Triduum of All Hallows: a time in the liturgical year when we are to remember the dead, especially the saints, martyrs and the faithful departed believers. Humour is used to ridicule death and to defeat its power, but as Christians we believe in the one who gives life and victory over death.

The Gospel for All Saints is the account of the Sermon on the Mount. Christ presents us with the Beatitudes. Not only are some of these difficult to grasp but extremely challenging to live up to: what does it mean to be poor in spirit; to hunger and thirst for righteousness? It has been suggested that 'the Beatitudes demand to be discovered, and practised in day to day life, they are a spur to becoming a saint'. It is not a coincidence that 'Blessed' is a step toward sanctification and we have the very recent examples of Pope John Paul II, Pope John XXIII and Pope Paul VI. The memory of the saints inspires us to rise above the things of earth and to pray that Christ might reveal himself to us as he did to them. We are assured by St Paul that we are already part of God's household, and citizens like the saints, no longer aliens or foreigners. On the way to sainthood!

When I introduce palliative care to patients or carers I remind them that it is not about what we cannot do (prevent death) but it is about what we can do (provide support and comfort to the individual and their loved ones). Sainthood is about what with God's grace we can achieve.

We celebrated the feast of St Jude on Tuesday, the patron Saint of lost causes or hopeless cases. There are times when we may feel lost in faith or life but with this season in mind we are not lost in death. This season is one of hope. The Church in her wisdom gives us this living reality in death.

We read 'Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be **God's children and** that is what we are and when it is revealed **we shall be like him** because we shall **see him as he really is**. Surely everyone who **entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.**' (1 John 3:3)

Tina Quinn . Pastoral Assistant

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. Who is your 'favourite' saint? Why? In what way is your life shaped by the lives of the saints?
2. Do you form and model your life on the Beatitudes? (Gospel) Which one inspires you? Which one disturbs you? Why?
3. 'Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord' the Psalmist says today. How much of your time/energy/choices are directed by your final destiny in heaven?

Vincent Harvey

TODAY: SUNDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2014

TODAY IS BAMENDA SUNDAY when we pray for and support financially the work of the Archdiocese of Bamenda in Cameroon. The twinning of Bamenda and Portsmouth Dioceses celebrates 40 years this year. There have been many blessings during this time with Portsmouth priests working in Cameroon, and Bamenda priests now working here. Many projects have been supported over the years: work in the prison, with victims of AIDs, health centres and hospitals, rehabilitation centres, schools and parishes, even the building of, maintaining and staffing a catechetical centre.

Our retiring collection is for the continuation of this work of evangelisation in a real and practical way. Please be your generous self!

TODAY: welcome and thanks to Fr Des Connolly (6.15pm Mass) and Fr Gerry Vervenne (10am Mass and baptisms). Thank you also to Fr Gerry for presiding during the week whilst Fr Vincent is at a conference (Wednesday and Thursday).

BAPTISMS



We welcome into our faith community:

Amy & Ryan Pegg, children of Derek and Amanda-Jane, to be baptised at 11.15am
Annabelle Southwell, daughter of Daniel and Sarah, to be baptised at 1.00pm - all in St Joseph's Church.

Nikola Marfiyany, daughter of Krzysztof and Kamila
Maja Filipaska, daughter of Hubert and Kinga, and
Edward Crudge, son of Andrew and Lindsay - all to be baptised in St Edmund's Church at 12:30pm

RECENTLY DIED



Geraldine Bolger RIP late of Sway Road, Brockenhurst, who died on 22 October 2014. Funeral Mass 11.00am Friday 14 November at St Edmund's Church, followed by cremation at East Chapel, Southampton Crematorium. May she rest in peace; our sympathy to her family.

Kate McEwing RIP Please pray for Kate who died peacefully last Sunday afternoon in the General Hospital. It would have been consoling to her to know her family were around her. Kate's Requiem Mass will be in St Edmund's on Thursday 20 November at 11.00am (her body to be received into the church on Wednesday, 19 November at 4.30pm). May she rest in peace. Please keep her husband, Fred also in your prayers.

THIS WEEK

FOR INFO:

Mon VH day off
Tues-Fri: Conference on Islam in Oxford: VH
Sun: Cenotaph: VH

WELCOME BACK to our Parish Secretary, Anne Wheeler, as she returns from leave. Business as normal!

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

OPEN DOOR RETREAT Monday evenings in St Edmund's Hall from **7pm-9pm**; current retreat finishes 24 November.

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

BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS and good wishes to Fr Vincent, Wednesday 5 November, as he celebrates another year young!

WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB every Wednesday 12noon in St Edmund's Hall. New members welcome! Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to join.

HANDING ON THE FAITH: 'Journey in Faith' meet 7:30pm every Thursday in St Edmund's Hall. Do you know anyone you can invite? Lapsed Catholics, Catholics not yet confirmed, people thinking about Catholicism (baptised and non-baptised) ... do invite people to attend those showing interest in faith wanting to know more about Catholicism.

ST EDMUND'S HALL We are planning to have a new carpet fitted to St. Edmund's Hall in the near future, and improved lighting. Prior to this we are appealing for volunteers to assist with the redecoration of the Hall ceiling on Thursday 6 and/ or Friday 7 November starting about 10am. If you are able to help please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

LOVE SOUTHAMPTON PRAYER MEETING – Thursday 6 November – St James Road Methodist Church, St James Road, Shirley, SO15 5HE. Meeting begins at 6.30pm with a chance to wander around displays from various Christian organisations in Southampton, before praying for their work in the city at 7.30pm, as usual. **Please try to arrive early.** 'Find out about: Christians Against Poverty, CLEAR, Friends International, Frontline Debt Advice, Groundswell, SAFE, Southampton Christian Family Trust, Southampton City Mission, Southampton Torch Fellowship, Street Pastors, The Gate, The Harbour and othersdo come along'.

AN "AMATA DEI - BELOVED OF GOD" RETREAT will be held for young women aged 18-35 years old **discerning religious life (7-9 November)** by the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph in Sway. Contact by email dominican.sisters@talk21.com or Tel. 015 9068 1874.

REARRANGED ORGAN TUNING 9.00am to 4.00pm Friday 7 November. **No Adoration until 4.00pm.**

LUNCHTIME PRAYER GROUP meet Fridays 1:10pm-1:50pm in St Edmund's Hall, Rockstone Place. This is open to our local neighbourhood Christian colleagues to join us for a time of shared prayer and reflection. All welcome!

EVENING MASS FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER - will be a normal 7.00pm Mass as the Catenian commemoration Mass has been relocated to St Boniface.

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

NEXT WEEKEND

EXPERIENCING GOD 'Understanding the way of meditation' 10am—4pm Saturday 8 November at Wisdom Centre, Romsey. Tel 01794 830 206. See Notice Board.

SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER - REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY
Welcome Rite - 11.00am Mass

CONFIRMATION PRERPARATION 2pm—5pm Sunday 9 November at St Boniface Church Hall, Shirley.

NEXT WEEK

PARISH FINANCE MEETING - Rearranged date Wednesday 12 November at 7:45pm in St Edmund's Presbytery.

VOICE IN THE DESERT Saturday 15 November, 10.30am – 4.00pm. If you are aged between year 8– young adult, we warmly invite you to join us for our preparation event for National Youth Sunday 2014! The day will kick-start with a performance from award winning theatre group, TenTen Theatre, and will involve workshops including drama, music & spiritual survival. The day will build towards our final Mass, which will be celebrated by Bishop Philip. Cost: £10. Venue: Saint George Catholic College, Leaside Way, Southampton. SO16 3DQ. Bookings and more info: Will Hince 07780 221 686 whince@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

CAFOD MASS OF REMEMBRANCE: *The 10.30am Sunday Mass on 16 November at Our Lady Help of Christians, 1A Sherborne Road, North Camp, Farnborough, Hampshire GU14 6JS will remember and hold in prayer all deceased CAFOD supporters from our diocese and celebrate their lives, faith and compassion. Everybody is welcome to attend. If you would like to remember a loved one (even if you cannot attend the Mass), please send their names to portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or phone the CAFOD office on 01252 329385 by 7th November and they will be included in the Book of Remembrance.*

GENERAL ITEMS

EBOLA CRISIS APPEAL The outbreak of the Ebola virus has now killed thousands of people across West Africa. Please pray for all affected and donate to the appeal being made by CAFOD (cafod.org.uk/ebola or 0500 85 88 85). The Disaster Emergency Committee (DEC) is also running an appeal.

CHRISTMAS WHISPERS CONCERT last weekend raised an astonishing **£178.15** for Mary's Meals! Kris says "with all that, we are only £50 short of £5,000 and shaving off my beard" (... beard has now come off!!) Jenepher adds "Now that is exciting! Massive thanks to the performers, stewards, the Parish for their hospitality and to the appreciative audience for making it such a lovely evening".

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SOUTHAMPTON (CTS) require a secretary to take and distribute minutes (three evening meetings a year) and to assist in producing an annual newsletter.

GARDENER STILL NEEDED FOR ST EDMUND'S PROPERTIES: Contact the Parish Office if you can help.

SOUTHAMPTON STUDENT NAMED NATIONAL YOUNG CATHOLIC WRITER OF THE YEAR 2014 A big 'congratulations' to Leo Stoy of St George's Catholic College, Southampton, who has been awarded 'Catholic Writer of the Year' award. Leo, along with other St George students, entered the competition organised annually by the Catholic Writers Guild and the Catholic Union of Great Britain. Leo's essay 'Why do Christians worship God on Sunday?' was chosen for its maturity, excellent style and careful research. As well as the winner's shield to keep in school for the year, Leo was presented with a selection of books including the new missal and a copy of "YouCat", the Catechism for young people by Catholic journalist Joanna Bogle. Leo serves at the 9 am St Edmund Mass well done Leo.

WISDOM CENTRE QUIET DAY for anyone who has experienced significant loss or bereavement 10.00am to 4.00pm Friday 21 November 2014, Wisdom Centre, Romsey. Suggested offering £25 to include lunch. For more information telephone 01794 830206 or email reception@wisdomhouseromsey.co.uk. See Noticeboards.

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. See website www.group170.org.uk or mail charlie@group170.org.uk for more info.

HAMPSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES training for 'fire safety advocates', involving attending a series of 6 weekly courses in the early part of 2015. We need to nominate a 'volunteer' who is prepared to represent our Parish. Please contact the Parish Office asap if you would like to be our representative. See Notice Board for details.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Maria Gibzinska, Virginia Monteiro, Stella Grace Krumina (10 months), Marie Adams (op. recovery), Patricia Penny, Sonia Perello, Joyce Mnguni, James Adie (15yrs old—accident recovery), Peter Hunt, Edward O'Donovan, Maria Annunziata, Jean Kaye, Hélène Scrase, Emma Bailey, Laura Pinson, Fred McEwing, 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.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME—Year 3 or above to join this year's Parish programme. Please complete & return to the Parish Office (or hand to Father Vincent or Father Des) by **SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER**. **Parents information evening 7:30pm Tuesday 18 November 2014 in Stella Maris Hall, 48 Bugle Street, Southampton, SO14 2AH.** (*Bring along copies of Baptism Certificates and £15 for the FHC book and programme*).

Candidate's Name:..... **Tel. No.**

Address: **School:**

Post Code:..... **Mass Attending:** **Email address**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 2 NOVEMBER 2014

SAT	01 NOV	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	SINEAD MACALASTER RIP (CM) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	02 NOV	ALL SAINTS	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	ETHNA & BRIAN NUGENT (F) MRS MARGARET GOLDING RIP (F) DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE BRENNAN FAMILY (F) ELIZABETH & JOHN DORLING RIP (JMD)
TUES	04 NOV	ST CHARLES BORROMEIO	10:00AM SE	MICHAEL, DOROTHY & KATHLEEN BRENNAN RIP (EB)
WED	05 NOV	31ST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM SE	FR VINCENT HARVEY - GOD'S BLESSING (Parish Office)
THURS	06 NOV	31ST WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	12:15PM SJ	BRIDGET KNOWLES RIP (RD)
FRI	07 NOV	ST WILLIBRORD	7:00PM SE	PAM WORAM RIP (EB)
SAT	08 NOV	OUR LADY ON SATURDAY	11:00AM SE 6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE EARLY FAMILY (F) SEAN, KATHLEEN & STEWART ADAMSON RIP (DC) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	09 NOV	THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	ANNA EGAN RIP (KN) CHRISTINA COMPLIN RIP (F) ALL THOSE WHO DIED FOR US TO HAVE A SAFER TOMORROW (ANUSHKA) FRANK SMEDLEY RIP (AT)

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, Lordswood Sun 09:15; Holy Day 10:00.

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St Anne's School	023 8032 8200
St George College	023 8032 2603

Prayer of the Church week 1

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Psalm Response

Such are the men who seek your face, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

Alleluia!

READINGS SUNDAY 9 NOVEMBER 2014

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

1st Reading: Ezekiel 47:1-2, 8-9, 12

2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 3:9-11, 16-17

Gospel: John 2:13-22

2nd COLLECTION TODAY

BAMENDA

2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

CHURCH MAINTENANCE

Collection	19/10/14 1st	26/10/14 1st
	£	£
Cash	1,917.62	1,753.25
S / O	1,139.85	1,139.85
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	tba	tba

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