

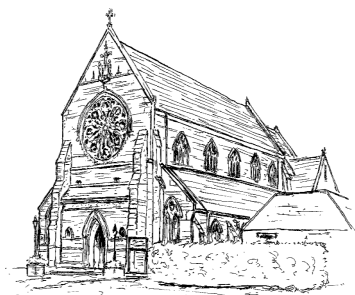
5 OCTOBER 2014
**TWENTY-
SEVENTH
SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME**



**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**



Chosen to Bear Fruit

O my Church,
how shall I love you more?
I have planted you as a choice vine,
for you my Son's blood has flowed,
new sap in your branches.
Where are the fruits I was hoping for?

*Master of the vineyard,
do not reject the work of your hands!*

If you mark faults, who will stand?
But with you is forgiveness.

Our sins are stronger than we are,
but you, you blot them out.

Visit this vine, protect it,
your right hand has planted it.

Your wrath lasts but an instant,
your mercy endures for life.

Commission Francophone Cistercienne

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. How do you view the 'ownership' of your life? as yours, as a tenant, as accountable to God? What difference does it make?
2. What is the 'produce' of your vineyard? How do you give it back to God?
3. How is Christ the 'cornerstone' of your life?

Vincent Harvey

TODAY: SUNDAY 5 OCTOBER 2014

THE MONTH OF THE ROSARY during October make an effort to pray the rosary, individually and/or as a family. Please see the display in the south aisle at St Edmund's.

OLDER CHILDREN'S ICHTHUS MASS ACTIVITY SHEETS now available in the porch. Please help yourself.

WELCOME to Father Gerrit Vervenne who is presiding at 9am & 11am Masses to help us out.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our faith community:

- **Sebastian Cleland-Smith**, son of Martyn & Caroline being baptised in St Joseph's Church at 11:30am
- **Zuzanna Jasinska**, daughter of Mateusz & Patrycja
- **Olivier Fiet**, son of Zbigniew & Barbara
- **Oliver Chalacinski**, son of Robert & Anna
- **Autumn & Phoenix**, daughters of Simon & Alice being baptised in St Edmund's Church at 12:30pm.

ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE meet 2pm Sunday 5 October at Cadman's Pool car park (GR 228124).

STUDENT BAND: 7pm Sunday Mass (and every 1st Sunday of the month at St Edmunds). New singers welcome: just turn up at 6pm for a rehearsal in the church. Contact Tim on timjimpatten@gmail.com for more info.

THIS WEEK

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

OPEN DOOR RETREAT Monday evenings in St Edmund's Hall from 7pm-9pm over 9 weeks, finishing 24 November.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY after 12:15pm Mass Tuesday 7 October at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. Recitation of the Holy Rosary at the Altar of Our Lady.

ST ANNE'S OPEN DAY & EVENINGS: 6pm—8pm Tuesday 7 October for a place in the Lower Sixth. See Notice Board for info.

'THE BLOKE WHO LIVED OPPOSITE HITLER': Seminar 6pm Tuesday 7 October in Lecture Theatre C, Southampton University. The seminar will be given by **Dr Edgar Feuchtwanger** who is an alumnus and a former member of staff at the History Faculty. For further information visit Parkes Institute website: http://www.southampton.ac.uk/parkes/news/seminars/2014/10/07_the_bloke_who_lived_opposite_hitler.page.

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

SCOF (Southampton Council of Faiths) meet 7:30pm Tuesday 7 October in Stella Maris Hall.

ST GEORGE OPEN MORNINGS: 9am—10:30am Wednesday 8 October and 10am—12noon Saturday 11 October. Tel. 023 8032 2603. See Notice Board for more info.

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.

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.

LITURGY GROUP meet 7:45pm Friday 10 October in St Edmund's Presbytery.

FOR INFO: Mon VH day off

Tues Hospital Chap meeting: VH

Clergy meeting: VH and local clergy; SCOF: VH

Wed Hospital On call (24 hrs): VH

Fri University Chaplaincy meeting: VH

NEXT WEEKEND

CONFIRMATION 2015: First meeting for those enrolled (i.e. spoken with Fr Vincent) from 2pm—5pm Sunday 12 October in St Boniface Church Hall, Shirley Road, Southampton.

NEXT WEEK

MEG HUNTER-KILMER will be speaking at St Edmund's Hall from 7:30pm-8:30pm on Wednesday 15 October after the 7pm Mass. Do come and meet her. Bring your friends and family too! Light refreshments afterwards.

EU INFORMATION EVENING 6pm—8pm Friday 17 October in St Edmund's Lodge.

WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to Andrea Boghi and Antonio Zhuravleva who are getting married at 3pm on Sunday 19 October in St Edmund's Church. May God bless them all the days of their lives.

GENERAL ITEMS

PRAYERS PLEASE FOR: The situation in the Middle East (advance of ISIS see elsewhere)

Bishop Michael Scott-Joynt: Please pray for Bishop Michael (former Bishop of Winchester) who died last week. He worked closely with Bishop Crispian and was a great friend of the Diocese. May he rest in peace.

Arundel & Brighton Diocese please keep all the people of the Diocese in your prayers at this difficult time. Pray for all involved in whatever way.

The Synod of Bishops meeting in Rome on 'Marriage and the Family'.

Father Stan who finally moved up to North Hinksey on Wednesday. He is unable to move immediately into the presbytery so faces a few weeks or so in temporary accommodation. *Thank you to all who organized the receptions after Mass the past two weeks.*

Father John Chandler who last Thursday moved into his new parish in Stubbington.

WASHING OF SMALL ALTAR LINEN CLOTHS (Purificators) at St Edmund's Church. Are you able to help wash the small altar linen at St Edmund's on a weekly basis? We are looking for a 2nd person to join the team; help urgently needed. Tel. Parish Office.

VOCATIONS NEWS We give thanks to God for the twelve men who are currently studying for the priesthood at various seminaries (St John's, Womersley; Allen Hall, London; Oscott, Birmingham; English College, Rome). Our seminarians are: Phillip Carroll, John-Paul Lyttle, Ross Bullock, Ansel d'Mello, Dominik Lau, Robert Stewart, Mohanraj Edward, Ben Huntley, Niall Farrell, Simon Jones, Matthew King, and Matthew Goggin. Please keep them all in your prayers.

FRAMEWORK NEWS: The Marriage and Family Life Team is made up of six married couples. Two couples have recently moved house outside the Diocese, and so the team is looking for new couples keen to work in this area. The current focus of the team is marriage preparation: the team is exploring what is currently on offer, and what can be improved. There is also some work being undertaken on natural fertility planning. Commitment on the team is for one evening meeting every two months and 4-6 hours per month to be spent in helping with the teams work, mostly at your own home. The team wishes to recruit married couples. If you are interested please contact Deacon Andrew Carter at acarter@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or Caroline Virgo cvirgo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Team membership is subject to the volunteer procedure, which includes an interview and a reference from your Parish.

THOSE DISCERNING THE PRIESTHOOD are invited to a **Discovering Priesthood Day** at St John's Seminary, Wonersh, on 1 November, 10am - 5pm. Lunch will be provided. Email: ichandler@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

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. No. 015 9068 1874.

HAMPSHIRE FIRE & RESCUE SERVICES are offering free training for **'fire safety advocates'**. This would involve attending a series of 6 weekly courses in the early part of next year. We need to nominate a **'volunteer'** who is prepared to represent our Parish. Please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible if you would like to be our representative. See Notice Board for details.

NEW EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS & READERS ROTAS now available in the Sacristy at St Edmund's and in the porch at St Joseph's.

MESSAGE FROM FATHER STAN: *"Dear all, I am touched and full of thanks to you for your kindness, good wishes and moving cards I was given. May the little poetry booklet bear echoes of God's presence written in my poem "Seven Miles Apart" be my gratitude to St Joseph's and Edmund's communities. As we spent a year together, I will pray and fast for all of you who have asked me and for all I have heard who carry various problems. I also need your prayers to become a shepherd according to the only One Lord, Teacher and Master - Jesus Christ. God bless you all. Fr Stan."*

THE REALITY IN IRAQI AND THE SURROUNDING AREA: *I was forwarded this from a nun I know who nurses in Lourdes: A friend just got a text message from her brother asking her to shower him and his parish in prayer. He is part of a mission and ISIS has taken over the town they are in today. He said*

ISIS is systematically going house to house to all the Christians and asking the children to denounce Jesus. He said so far not one child has. And so far all have consequently been killed. But not the parents. The UN has withdrawn and the missionaries are on their own. They are determined to stick it out for the sake of the families - even if it means their own deaths. He is very afraid, has no idea how to even begin ministering to these families who have seen their children martyred. Yet he says he knows God has called him for some reason to be His voice and hands at this place at this time. Even so, he is begging prayers for his courage to live out his vocation in such dire circumstances. And like the children accept martyrdom if he is called to do so.

She asked me to ask everyone we know to please pray for them. These brave parents instilled such a fervent faith in their children that they chose martyrdom. Please surround them in their loss with your prayers for hope and perseverance.

She was able to talk to her brother briefly by phone. She didn't say it but I believe she believes it will be their last conversation. Pray for her too. She said he just kept asking her to help him know what to do and do it. She told him to tell the families we ARE praying for them and they are not alone or forgotten -- no matter what. Her email broke my heart. Please keep all in your prayers. Thanks.

The following text also arrived:

"We lost the city of Queragosh (Qaraqosh). It fell to ISIS and they are beheading children systematically. This is the city we have been smuggling food to. ISIS has pushed back Peshmerga (Kurdish forces) and is within 10 minutes of where our CRI team is working. Thousands more fled into the city of Erbil last night. The UN evacuated its staff in Erbil. Our team is unmoved and will stay. Prayer cover needed!" Please pray sincerely for the deliverance of the people of Northern Iraq from the terrible advancement of ISIS. *Thanks, Father Vincent*

PLEASE PRAY FOR Maria Gibzinska (Fr. Stan's mother), Virginia Monteiro, Stella Grace Krumina (9 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 & Kate 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 5 OCTOBER 2014

SAT	4 OCT	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	THOMAS KENNY RIP (GL) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	5 OCT	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	FRANK HARRISON RIP (MH) BRIAN LORIMER RIP (GL&TL) JEAN RICKMAN RIP (F) JAMES CHRISTIE RIP (JC)
TUES	7 OCT	OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY	10:00AM SE	IN THANKSGIVING (MD)
WED	8 OCT	27th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM SE	CANON GERARD DWYER RIP (F)
THURS	9 OCT	BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN	12:15PM SJ	ANN (IN LIVERPOOL) (KK)
FRI	10 OCT	ST PAULINUS OF YORK	7:00PM SE	ANNA MARIA EGAN RIP (RAH)
SAT	11 OCT	OUR LADY ON SATURDAY	11:00AM SE 6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	WELFARE OF PAM AND BRAD BRADLEY (MD) PHYLLIS GRATTEN—THANKSGIVING & GOD'S BLESSINGS (N&AW) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	12 OCT	TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	AGOSTINHO GONSALVES RIP (MG) PADDY MURRAY RIP (AE) DAPHNE SINCLAIR RIP—2ND ANNIVERSARY (FS&BS) JEAN RICKMAN RIP

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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Prayer of the Church week 3

5 OCTOBER 2014
27th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Psalm Response

The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.

Alleluia!

READINGS SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER
28th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Isaiah 25:6-10

2nd Reading: Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

2nd COLLECTION TODAY
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2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEK
CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND

Collection	28/9/14 1st	28/9/14 CATHEDRAL
Total	£2,292.20	£295.11
Cash	887.98	167.11
S / O	1,139.85	128.00
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	264.37	-

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