



**3 AUGUST 2014
EIGHTEENTH
SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY
TIME**



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

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF
PORTSMOUTH REG. CHARITY NO. 246871



SACRIFICE!



Abbé D'Août, a Belgian priest, lived at St Edmund's Presbytery for several months during 1914–1915 and in October 1915 wrote to Father Denis O'Mahony, the Parish Priest here, and to the congregation of St Edmund's. Belgian priests served as chaplains or stretcher-bearers and did not bear arms as did priests of other countries. Extracts from the letter:

"For 15 days I have been at the front. Since then I have spent my nights on loose straw and I have not yet managed to take any clothes off; I haven't yet had the chance to and that could go on for a long time. This is how I pass my time. I spend 2 days and 2 nights on the front line in the advanced trench. There I find myself several paces from the Germans who are in their trenches on the other side of the water. I have there a shelter in which I am obliged to crawl on hands and knees because the shelters are very low. During the day I go out twice to make my rounds in the trench close to the soldiers who are at the parapets or in the shelters. During the day you are surrounded by artillery fire; but at night it is more often rifle and machine gun fire.

You see the poor young men slide like shadows along the parapets and they are ready to face any eventuality. What strikes me most here is the sort of courage that you wouldn't find anywhere else. Here there is a spirit of enormous sacrifice and of resignation and of admirable obedience - no complaints not even a whisper, even though we are surrounded by sadness, filled with terror. There is absolutely nothing here not even a place to rest one's weary limbs. What sacrifices and what immense merits!

The beautiful land of Flanders, previously so wonderfully cultivated are now deserts. The houses and the churches are ruined, there's nothing left but the base of the walls. The trees are well and truly stripped of their branches carried away by the bullets or even broken by the shells.

I hope that you will not forget me in your prayers. I would really like to see again the land where I was born; but if God decides otherwise I am content and that the Will of God will prevail. I send you my best wishes."
(See over page for more WWI info)

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. Do you spend your money on that which does not satisfy you (1st reading)? If 'yes', why?
2. Do you find satisfaction in your faith, your relationship with God through Christ? If 'yes', how can you deepen it? If 'no' what can you do to develop it?
3. Are you worried, troubled (2nd reading)? God still loves you, always loves you! How can you enable God's love of you to help you, support you, uplift you?
Vincent Harvey

TODAY: SUNDAY 3 AUGUST 2014



WW1 COMMEMORATION MASS — 100th ANNIVERSARY takes place today in St Edmund's Church today to mark the centenary of the outbreak of WW1.

WORLD WAR 1:

- 1914: 28 June Archduke Franz Ferdinand assassinated in Sarajevo
- 20 July: Austria-Hungary sends troops to Serbian border
- 25 Jul: Serbia orders mobilisation of troops
Russia arranges for troops to be stationed on Russo-Austrian frontier.
- 28 Jul: Austria-Hungary declares war on Serbia
- 1 Aug: French military mobilisation ordered
Germany declares war on Russia
Italy announces neutrality
Belgium announces neutrality
- 3 Aug: Germany declares war on France
Great Britain gives orders for troops to mobilise
- 4 Aug: Germany declares war on Belgium
United States declares neutrality
Great Britain gives Austria-Hungary ultimatum to stand down from hostilities.
When Austria-Hungary doesn't comply a state of war is declared at 11am
- 1918: 11 Nov: The Armistice is signed at 5am and comes into effect at 11am. At 10:57am Canadian Private George Lawrence Price is killed while on patrol in Canal du Centre. He is the last soldier to die in action on the Western front.

Over 17 million people died due to conflict, famine and disease (over 10m military and 7m civilian) and twenty million were wounded. *We pray for them all. We pray for those currently affected by war*

WORLD WAR 1 'Roll of Honour', naming those from St Joseph and St Edmund who died in the conflict, is on display in both churches. *Thanks to Carole and Tom Olding for producing these and other historical documents and photo.* (See Notice Boards).

TODAY we welcome back to **Father Andrew Mwesigwa Ateenyi** who will be helping out during August and September (rest of Fr Stan's holiday and then when Mgr Canon Vincent is in Lourdes and on holiday). You will remember that Fr Andrew is from Uganda, studying in Rome and was with us last year.

TODAY: retiring collection for Fr Stan or please take home an envelope and return it during the next 2 weeks. **Father Stan** commences in his parish in Oxfordshire the first weekend of October.

RECENTLY DIED: Sean Davis RIP late of Hill Lane, Southampton. *Funeral to be held in Ireland.* Sean has been a parishioner of St Edmund's Church for many years. May he rest in peace. Please remember his wife Elizabeth and family in your prayers.



THIS WEEK

UPGRADE OF TOILETS IN ST EDMUND'S CHURCH to commence Monday 4 August; this will take approx. 3 weeks. There will be one toilet in use at all times.

WW1 ANNIVERSARY VIGIL OF SILENT REFLECTION—Lady Chapel, Immaculate Conception Church, Portswood 7pm – 8pm Monday 4 August. At this present time of crisis, a vigil of silent reflection, prayer and rosary will be held for peace in the Middle East, and for the victims of conflict throughout the world.

ROADWORKS—INNER AVENUE: resurfacing from Wednesday night 6 August to Friday night 8 August between 7pm and 6am. This covers the area on Inner Avenue between the junctions of Rockstone Lane and Rockstone Place.

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

FOR INFO: SG on holiday until 21 August.
Mon: Day Off: VH. Wed: Dept for Vocation meeting: VH

NEXT WEEK

THE FEAST DAY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY on Friday 15 August is a holy day of obligation. Mass times are: 7am and 7:30pm at St Edmund's and 12:15pm at St Joseph's.

DIVINE MERCY RETREAT 11am to 4pm Saturday 16 August at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth, led by Fr. Andrew. Contact Janet Tel. 023 9282 0744 for info.



MARIAN SERVICE—WITH ROSARY at St Mary's Church, Southampton 5pm Sunday 17 August. Includes refreshments, walk along the causeway of Our Lady of Grace, devotional prayers at the site of the Pilgrimage Chapel. The pilgrimage chapel of The Holy Trinity otherwise known as Our Lady of Grace of Southampton (*which gives its name to the area Chapel*) is Southampton's long lost centre of mediaeval pilgrimage. Kings visited it and referred to it in their charters. **Do join Father Vincent for this annual event in honour of Our Blessed Lady.**

GENERAL ITEMS

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: Dominic Delegate & Agnieszka Kaczor in Poland on Saturday 23 August 2014.

A SUMMER BREAK: 9am Choir, 9am Children's Liturgy Team, 9am Refreshments Team and 7pm Gospel Choir are having a break during August and will be back at the beginning of September. Thank you to all involved.

THANKS TO VOLUNTEERS AT ST JOSEPH'S the church is being kept open on some days during the week. If you wish to volunteer please contact the Parish Office or see Sue McCall.



OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (*Protectress of the Unborn*): The Miraculous Relic Image of Our Lady of Guadalupe will visit St John's Cathedral in Portsmouth from Friday 5 September to Thursday 11 September.

MARYVALE CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS: The Formation for Mission Team is offering the chance to study for a Certificate in Catechesis, awarded by Maryvale Institute in Birmingham. This course is open to anyone who wishes to study their Faith systematically and be able to explain it to others. It is for all parish catechists as well as those who simply want to give an account of their Faith to others. **A special introductory taster evening will take place at the new Maryvale Centre in the Diocese of Portsmouth - St Edward the Confessor, Chandlers Ford - at 7.30pm - 9pm on 10 September.** See Notice Board.

DAY TO THE ISLE OF WIGHT (with the Confraternity of the Rosary) **Thursday 11 September.** Coach leaves outside St Edmund's Church, Southampton at 8am sharp (please be on time). Includes visit to Quarr Abbey, Holy Mass at St Mary's Church, Ryde, a talk by Peter Clarke and lunch at the Trouville Hotel in Sandown. Ferry returns at 6pm. Cost £40 includes return ferry and coach fares and lunch. Tel. 023 9282 0744 to book.

CAFOD meeting for all supporters from 10am - 1.30pm Saturday 13 September at St Bede's RC Primary School Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX. To book call 012 5232 9385 or email portsmouth@cafod.org.uk.

CONFIRMATION 2015: The Sacrament of Confirmation for our Pastoral Area will next be celebrated on Pentecost Sunday, 24 May 2015 at 3pm in the Cathedral (all Confirmations are currently being celebrated there). It is for those aged 13 by 31 August 2014, i.e. mostly school Year 9, although because there has been no Confirmation this year, there will be others from year 10 also. **The first session of the programme will be on Sunday 14 September 2014, and thereafter on the second Sunday of the month (third Sunday in April and May), each session is from 2pm-5pm in the Hall at St. Boniface.** Candidates to send a short letter or e-mail to Father Vincent (vharvey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) applying to join the programme and saying why they would like to be confirmed. **Closing date to apply is 1 September. (Father Vincent is away the last week of August, do contact him in the first 2 weeks of August.)**

OPEN DOOR RETREATS: Next retreat will take place from Tuesday 16 September and will run over 9 weeks. Please contact Tina email: tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or Mob 07827 810 457 if you would like to take part.

CALLED and GIFTED: Discernment interviews are now taking place for those who attended the workshop run by Sherry Weddell. Please pray for the interviewers and interviewees. There will be more workshops later this year and in 2015. These will be advertised on the Diocesan website. Sherry Weddell's book 'Forming Intentional Disciples' is a summer read not to miss.

SOUTHAMPTON STREET PASTORS WANTED! If you would like to find out more there are taster sessions on Sundays 3, 10 & 17 August from 4pm-5 pm. For info Tel 023 8033 3387 or southampton@streetpastors.org.uk.



KRIS SLADEWSKI'S CYCLE RIDE from Sicily to Southampton has raised **£2,407.95** (197% above target) and will provide meals for **212** children for a year. He cycled exactly **2,081.51 miles**. Well done Kris!! Thank you to all who supported Kris on his journey and for your generous donations.

STEWART WARDELL: congratulations and welcome to Stewart who was Confirmed and Received into Full Communion with the Church last Thursday at St Joseph's Church. Please keep Stewart and his family in your prayers.

CHANGES TO PASTORAL AREAS & NEW DEANERIES: after discussion with Pastoral Councils, the Council of Priests and Co-ordinating Pastors, the Bishop has decided to cluster Pastoral Areas in to groups (Deaneries). For us this will mean working closer with East Southampton. More later.

PUSH UPS thank you to all who sponsored Anthony on Easter Sunday. The total raised: £1865. This will be split between Poitier Care and Basics Bank.

HANDBAGS & VALUABLES—Please take good care of all valuables whilst at Mass and in the Halls.

HOLY FAMILY RC PRIMARY SCHOOL— seek to appoint a Foundation Governor. Call Tina Perry 023 8073 3278. Closing date 29 August 2014. See Notice Boards.

SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND: This annual Catholic Charismatic conference will take place on 27 and 28 September 2014 at St Mary's College, Bitterne Park. Excellent speakers and workshops plus children's streams and crèche. Praise and worship, with Mass every day. Book now for this popular, joyful and spirit-filled celebration where all are welcome: young and old, singles and families. See poster on Notice Boards. Details from website: www.celebrateconference.org or from Lynda & Peter Szymanski: 023 8029 2058 or from Frank & Angela Capocci: 023 8077 2868.



200 CLUB WINNERS—AUGUST 2014		
1st Prize	Anushka Ponniah	£25
2nd Prize	Karen Nugent	£10

PLEASE PRAY FOR Richard Parry, Helen Thomas (op. recovery), James Adie (18yrs old—accident recovery), Peter Hunt (awaiting op), Elaine Buxton (op. recovery), Helmy Duyvesteijn (op. recovery), Edward O'Donovan, Maria Annunziata, Jean Kaye, Hélène Scrase, Emma Bailey, Laura Pinson, Fred & Kate McEwing, Madeleine Clarke, Marie Adams, 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, Liz Flaherty, 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.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 3 AUGUST 2014

SAT	2 AUG	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM SJ	SEAN, KATHLEEN & STEWART ADAMSON RIP (DC)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	3 AUG	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM SE	EILEEN AITKEN RIP (GC)
			10:00AM SJ	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
			11:00AM SE	IN MEMORY OF PARISHIONERS WHO DIED & THOSE WHO FOUGHT & SURVIVED WW1 (100th ANNIVERSARY)
			7:00PM SE	MARIA TOMLINSON—WELLBEING (JR)
TUES	5 AUG	DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST MARY MAJOR, ROME	10:00AM SE	JULIANA BOYD—SPECIAL INTENTIONS (RL)
WED	6 AUG	THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD	7:00PM SE	STAFF & RESIDENTS OF GREENSLEEVES (MRS. S)
THURS	7 AUG	18TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	12:15PM SJ	PAUL RICHARD DICKSEE RIP (KD)
FRI	8 AUG	ST DOMINIC	7:00PM SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
SAT	9 AUG	ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS (EDITH STEIN)	11:00AM SE	KATHLEEN (PADDY) CHANDLER RIP (F)
			6:15PM SJ	PEGGY WHITTAKER—GOOD HEALTH & INTS (KC)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	10 AUG	NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM SE	AGOSTINHO GONSALVES RIP (MG)
			10:00AM SJ	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
			11:00AM SE	ANDREW & DR LAURA—1ST ANNIVERSARY & BABY AIDEN'S BAPTISM BLESSINGS (ANUSHKA)
			7:00PM SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

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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Vocations to Priesthood: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/vocation/

Prayer of the Church week 2

3 AUGUST 2014

18th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

Psalm Response

You open wide your hand,
O Lord, you grant our desires.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! **Alleluia!**

READINGS SUNDAY 10 AUGUST

19th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

1st Reading:	1 Kings 19:9, 11-13
2nd Reading:	Romans 9:1-5
Gospel:	Matthew 14:22-23

NO 2ND COLLECTION TODAY	2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEK
FATHER STAN'S FAREWELL GIFT	CATHOLIC CARE

Collections	27/7/14 1st	27/7/14 Church Maintenance
Total	£2,157.64	£315.33
Cash	753.42	175.83
S / O	1,139.85	139.50
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

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:

Springhill Primary 023 8033 3954
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