

**24 AUGUST 2014**  
**TWENTY-FIRST**  
**SUNDAY OF**  
**ORDINARY**  
**TIME**



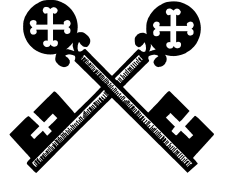
**CITY CENTRE**  
**CATHOLIC PARISH,**  
**SOUTHAMPTON**  
**ST JOSEPH'S &**  
**ST EDMUND'S**

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**



## THE ROCK WHICH IS GOD!



Stone chosen to bear the building  
where God gathers his children,  
Simon, strengthen this Church  
upon the rock where you yourself rest!

*Jesus, Son of the living God,  
unique rock that saves us!*

Who is the rock, if not our God?  
He is the God who fills me with courage  
and shows me a way beyond reproach.

Come near the living stone  
rejected by humans  
but precious in God's sight.

You yourselves, living stones,  
form a building in the Spirit  
to present your sacrifices to God

*Commission Francophone Cistercienne*

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### THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. Eliakim became a 'throne of glory for his father's house' (1<sup>st</sup> reading). How have you expressed and lived the glory of God in your daily life?
2. The 'depths of God' are rich (2<sup>nd</sup> reading). When have you tried to plumb these depths? How have you done so (prayer, good deeds, sacraments)?
3. Peter professes his faith in the person of Jesus and recognises him as 'the Christ' (gospel). When have you witnessed to Christ in your life? When have you 'announced' Christ to others? What helped you? How did you feel?

*Vincent Harvey*

## **TODAY: SUNDAY 24 AUGUST 2014**

**THE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES** left on Friday 22nd August. Please pray for the Bishop and pilgrims (many from the Parish) who will be on pilgrimage with the Dioceses of Southwark, East Anglia, Northampton and Clifton; also Stonyhurst College and the Carmelites. *Be assured that Parishioners will be prayed for at the Grotto and throughout the week.*

**WELCOME RITE:** 9am and 11am Masses.

**WELCOME BACK TO FATHER STAN.**

## **THIS WEEK**



**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to **Darren Ediss and Edyta Rzepa** who are getting married at 12 noon Tuesday 26 August in St Edmund's Church. *May God bless them all the days of their lives.*

### **FOR INFO:**

VH: Lourdes until 29 August; wedding on 30 Aug; family baptism in Alderney on 31 Aug. Holiday commences on the 6 September.

Father Andrew here until end of September (to help in Fr Vincent's absence)

Mon: Day Off: SG/AM

## **NEXT WEEKEND**

**THE CATHOLIC DISABILITY FELLOWSHIP** invites all members and parishioners to the Annual Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians, Farnborough, GU14 6JS at **2:30pm on Saturday 30 August.**



**WEDDING BELLS** on Saturday 30 August in St Edmund's Church: Our congratulations to **Jessica Holland and Stuart Greig** who are getting married at 1pm;

**Ian Carter and Samantha Clayton** who are getting married at 3pm.

*May God bless them all the days of their lives.*

**EXTERNAL TIDY UP!** Members of the local residents association (around St Edmund) have been tidying up the spaces between St Edmund and the YMCA. They are next going to have a tidy up and planting on Sunday 31 August at 10 am. Sadly this clashes with 9am & 11am Masses ..... which they will try to avoid in the future. If anyone does want to help please turn up ..... or provide outdoor plants which they could use to plant in the non-grass areas. Thanks Fr V.

## **NEXT WEEK**

**BAMENDA COMMITTEE** meeting 7pm Monday 1 September in St Edmund's Presbytery.

**WELLSPRING PRAYER GROUP** recommence meeting 2 September and every Tuesday evening thereafter at 7:30pm in St Edmund's Hall. All welcome!

**OPEN DOOR RETREAT REUNION** 3pm—4pm Wednesday 3 September in St Edmund's Hall.

**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.

**CHILDREN'S SAFEGUARDING TRAINING** 10am to 12:30pm Saturday 6 September in the Father Louis Suite, Holy Family Church, Redbridge Hill, Millbrook, Southampton, SO16 4PL. Please phone Soraya Ciccarone in the Diocesan Safeguarding Team to book, Tel. 0239281 6396/023 9282 5430 or email [soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).



**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to **Stefano Centola and Marta Karbowniczek** who are getting married at 2pm Saturday 6 September in St Edmund's Church. *May God bless them all the days of their lives.*

## **GENERAL ITEMS**

**FAREWELLS FOR FATHER STAN:** These will take the form of light refreshment after Masses in September (so that he can meet the maximum number of people: 6:15pm Saturday 20 September and 10am Sunday 21 September; then 9am, 11am and 7pm on Sunday 28 September. His first weekend in North Hinksey will be the weekend of 4/5 October.

**THE DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH** now issues a weekly e-newsletter with photos, news, and information from around the Diocese. Go to [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) and add your email address to receive these updates. Are you on Facebook? Like 'Diocese of Portsmouth' to get all the latest info as it happens. You can also follow @BishopEgan and @PortsmouthRC on Twitter.

### **ROTAS ... EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS & READERS**

... a month ago an email went out to all Ministers asking if they were happy to continue their ministry. Some have replied saying they are happy to continue ... thank you; but the majority didn't respond ... another reminder will go out soon. **Please do respond if you have not yet out of courtesy to the community.** Both ministries are important for a beautiful, beneficial and uplifting celebration of Mass. **We need a response by 10 September ... please.**

**MARYVALE CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS:** 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 from 7.30pm - 9pm on Wednesday 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.

**FRIENDS WITHOUT BORDERS** are a newly-named Portsmouth based charity which befriends and supports refugees and asylum seekers. They are holding an event to celebrate their 20th anniversary. Friday 12 September from 2pm to 5pm at All Saints Church, Commercial Road, Portsmouth.

**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](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk).



**CONFIRMATION 2015:** First session 2pm—5pm Sunday 14 September in St Boniface Church Hall, Shirley Road, Southampton. Candidates wishing to join the programme to send a short letter or e-mail to Father Vincent ([vharvey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto: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.**

**HANDING ON THE FAITH: 'Journey in Faith' starts at 7:45pm Thursday 18 September 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.

**OPEN DOOR RETREATS:** Next retreat will take place at 7pm on Mondays from 22 September — 17 November in St Edmund's Hall and will run over 9 weeks. Please contact Tina on Mobile No. 07827 810 457 or email: [tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) to book.

**SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND:** This annual Catholic Charismatic conference will take place on 27 and 28 September 2014 at St Mary's College, Bitterne Park. See poster on Notice Boards. To book go to the Website: [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org) or contact Lynda & Peter 8029 2058 or Frank & Angela 8077 2868.

**'CHRISTMAS WHISPERS'** fundraising concert, **3:30pm-4:45pm Sunday 26 October** in St Edmund's Church with refreshments afterwards in the hall. All welcome. Tickets: £5/£3 (concessions) available in advance and on the door. Contact Jenepher on Mob. No. 07891 733 939/[sineadnicdaithi@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:sineadnicdaithi@yahoo.co.uk).

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** for Naresh Carnelio and Vera Domingos to be married in Mumbai in December.

**BANKING** ..... the weekly collections need to be banked. Our norm is for one person to drive and the other to bank. Are you willing to be involved on a rota (once a month)? Further details as to times, days etc. can be obtained from Fr Vincent or the Parish Office.

**MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT:** Anna, *Judy Brown's daughter*, is running the Berlin Marathon (25 miles) at the end of September in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support. To donate to this worthy cause please go to website [www.justgiving.com/Anna-Brown13](http://www.justgiving.com/Anna-Brown13).

**CARDINAL NICHOLS' IRAQ APPEAL:** "Help and protect persecuted communities facing a threat to their very existence." Cardinal Vincent Nichols has released a statement on Iraq calling for urgent "help and protection" for the persecuted communities in the north of the country. He calls on the UK Government to "lead the efforts in the face of such a human calamity" to restore communities and facilitate essential humanitarian aid. Website <http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/Cardinals-Iraq-Appeal.php>.

**NOVENA: Message from Bishop Philip** "Thank you to everyone who took part in the novena for those suffering from persecution in Iraq. There was an overwhelming response on Facebook. Special thanks to those who have shared the prayers on their own walls. We trust in the powerful prayers of Our Blessed Mother to bring relief to the suffering, and comfort to the afflicted. Many people have asked how their parishes can help practically. I have been in touch with the charity Aid to the Church in Need and they are doing some wonderful work, and would value our support immensely. If you are able to donate, please do so at <http://www.acnuk.org/donate2.php>."

**STATEMENT: THE MUSLIM COUNCIL OF BRITAIN** once again condemns the actions of the so called "Islamic State in Syria and the Levant", ISIS. Today we express once again our rebuke of this reprehensible organisation. We are horrified at the abhorrent murder of James Foley, a reporter who initially went to the region to expose the human rights abuses of the Syrian regime. ISIS has murdered this man for no reason at all.

Each day ISIS seeks to carry out an act more barbarous than the day before, craving the oxygen of publicity to give credibility to their heinous acts. We condemn unreservedly their psychopathic violence, whether it is on minorities, on civilians, or on fellow Muslims.

The MCB expressed the British Muslim community's common censure of the group as early as June, and called for joint action to ensure the poison of extremism and sectarianism is not injected into our communities.

ISIS does not speak for Islam, and has been repudiated by all Muslims. Their message only appeals to those who are easily duped by their twisted message purporting to be Islam. They seek to glamorize their violence, and unfortunately, the media has a part to play in adding to that glamour.

We urge the media in refraining from giving them any further undue exposure beyond conventional reporting. And we urge Muslim communities to re-double their efforts in coming together, condemning the barbarity of ISIS and persuading those gullible enough to take in their message that they are on a path to futility.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Patricia Penny, Sonia Perello, Joyce Mnguni, 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 24 AUGUST 2014

SAT	23 AUG	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM SJ	NORA & MICHAEL HUNTER RIP (MH)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	24 AUG	<b>TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	9:00AM SE	MORGAN MURRAY RIP (DP&GP)
			10:00AM SJ	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
			11:00AM SE	HUGH JOSEPH McCONNELL RIP (JPM)
			7:00PM SE	MARGARET MURRAY'S FAMILY INTENTIONS (MM)
TUES	26 AUG	BLESSED DOMINIC BARBERI	10:00AM SE	SEAN DAVIS RIP (HP)
WED	27 AUG	ST MONICA	7:00PM SE	50TH ANNIVERSARY BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING— (RUTH & DAVID SPENCER)
THURS	28 AUG	ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO	12:15PM SJ	CHARLES KUITENBROUWER RIP (IK)
FRI	29 AUG	THE BEHEADING OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST	7:00PM SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
SAT	30 AUG	<b>SS MARGARET CLITHEROW, ANNE LINE &amp; MARGARET WARD</b>	11:00AM SE	SEAN DAVIS RIP (MC)
			6:15PM SJ	SEAN DAVIS RIP (PC & CUMMINGS FAMILY)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	31 AUG	<b>TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	9:00AM SE	NORA KEARNEY RIP (CC)
			10:00AM SJ	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
			11:00AM SE	PAKIE KEOGH RIP (FL)
			7:00PM SE	GILLIAN FLYNN—WELLBEING (FF)

**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/

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Prayer of the Church week 1	
<b>24 AUGUST 2014</b>	
<b>21st SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A</b>	
<b>Psalm Response</b>	
Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands.	
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	
<b>Alleluia, alleluia!</b>	
God in Christ was reconciling the world to himself, and he has entrusted to us the news that they are reconciled. <b>Alleluia!</b>	
<b>READINGS SUNDAY 31 AUGUST</b>	
<b>22nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A</b>	
1st Reading:	Jeremiah 20:7-9
2nd Reading:	Romans 12:1-2
Gospel:	Matthew 16:21-27
<b>2nd COLLECTION TODAY</b>	<b>NO 2nd COLLECTION</b>
<b>CHURCH MAINTENANCE</b>	<b>NEXT WEEK</b>
<b>Collection</b>	17/8/14 1st
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,149.66</b>
Cash	<b>745.44</b>
S / O	1,139.85
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	264.37
Thank you for your generous contributions. Your donations make the life and work of the Parish possible.	
<b>CONFESSION TIMES:</b>	
<b>St. Edmund's:</b> Saturdays 11:30am	
<b>St. Joseph's:</b> Thursdays 11:45am; Saturdays 5:45pm	