

# Precious Treasure

Pearl of great price,  
wisdom,  
precious treasure,  
the kingdom!

Happy are those who discover them  
and in their joy sell all their goods.  
Their hearts are free to love.

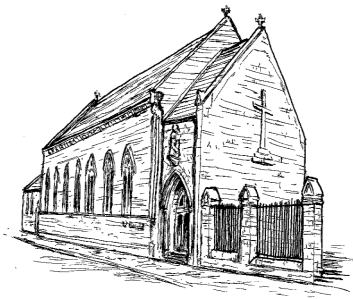
*To those who look for the kingdom,  
everything will be given.*

Seek and you will find;  
ask and it will be given you.

Where your treasure is,  
there too is your heart.

Share with the poor,  
You will have treasure in heaven.

*Commission Francophone Cistercienne, Tropaires des dimanches*



**27 JULY 2014  
SEVENTEENTH  
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**



## THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. If like Solomon the Lord offered you anything you wanted, what would you ask for? Why? What does your request say about your values, faith etc.?
2. How have you come into the 'Kingdom of God' ..... by birth (e.g. child baptism) .... by chance ..... by desire ..... by design?
3. Like the merchant in the Gospel what have you had to give up in order to have the 'treasure' which is faith?

*Vincent Harvey*

**Father Stan** commences in his parish in Oxfordshire the first weekend of October. We plan to say farewell to him after Masses the weekend 27/28 September (6:15pm, 9am, 11am & 7pm). St Joseph will have a special Mass (to accommodate the 10am congregation) on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> at 7pm followed by a reception. **There will be a collection for Fr Stan the weekend of 3<sup>rd</sup> August.**

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

## **TODAY: SUNDAY 27 JULY 2014**

**9AM CHOIR ON HOLIDAY** for the month of August. Thank you to Mary and the choir for all they do to enhance the 9am Mass with music and singing. Will recommence on 31 August.

**WELCOME TO FATHER MICHAEL** who will be celebrating 10am Mass at St. Joseph's.

**DAY FOR LIFE** today is dedicated to celebrating the dignity of life. *This year young people are called upon in particular to protect and cherish life from conception to the natural death.* Pick up a postcard with details and the Day for Life prayer in the porches.

### **DAY FOR LIFE PRAYER**

We thank you Lord for the gift of life

Holy Mary, mother of Love,  
Holding in your arms, the fruit of your womb,  
Graciously look upon our earth and remove from it  
All that hardens our hearts and dims our eyes  
To the preciousness of human life,  
From the moment of conception to natural death.

Through the example of your tenderness  
Teach us the ways of compassion and love  
That we may build up the civilisation of love among us  
And a society that is truly worthy of the human person.

Help us to reject all that contributes to a culture of death,  
And to work with others of goodwill  
in promoting the culture of life.

Bring us ever closer to your Son,  
So that we may know the fullness of life that he offers us  
And come to know that life more perfectly,  
With you, and all the angels and saints,  
In the eternal life of Heaven.  
Amen.

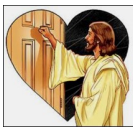
**BAPTISMS:** We welcome to our faith community:

**Christel Biboh Momah & Ethel Shamlah Momah**, twin daughters of Peter and Joyce who were baptised Saturday afternoon in St Edmund's Church.

**Bonnie Brown**, daughter of Marcela and Stuart who will be baptised at 12:30pm today in St Edmund's Church.



### **THIS WEEK**



**OPEN DOOR RETREATS** final session of the current group takes place at 2:30pm Tuesday 29 July in St Edmund's Hall. Those who attended have been enriched, spiritually nourished and have deepened their relationship with God and one another. *"Through the retreat I have drawn closer to Jesus. I have experienced His healing love in the caring and sharing within the group. I feel refreshed and restored and have been truly blessed. I can highly recommend it."* Anne Wheeler. Next retreat from Tuesday 16 September. To run over 9 weeks. Please contact Tina on email: [tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or Mob 07827810457

**FINANCE MEETING** 7:30pm Tuesday 29 July in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

**ORGAN TUNING** Wednesday 30 July from 9am—4pm in St Edmund's Church. *No Adoration until 4pm.*

**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: Multicultural Evening

Fri: Lourdes meeting Bishop's House

### **NEXT WEEKEND**

**NO CONFESSIONS 11:30AM SATURDAY 2 AUGUST** due to Mass of Anointing of the Sick.

**MASS OF ANOINTING 11am Saturday 2 August at St Edmund's Church.** If you are ill with a serious or long term illness or you know someone who is, then come along, or bring them along to be anointed with the 'Sacrament of the Sick' during Mass. Light refreshments after the Mass.



**WW1 COMMEMORATION MASS —100th ANNIVERSARY:** 11am Sunday 3 August in St Edmund's Church. A Mass to mark the centenary of the outbreak of World War 1 which was to have momentous consequences for families and nations, and which helped to shape the world in which we now live.

**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.

**WWI '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.

**COLLECTION FOR FATHER STAN:** Envelopes will be available next weekend 2/3 August.

### **NEXT 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 available for use whilst the work is in progress. *Thank you to the two parishioners who have made this upgrade possible!*

**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.

### **GENERAL ITEMS**

**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.

**PRAYERS FOR CHRISTIANS IN MOSUL:** "Please keep in your daily prayers and Masses our persecuted brothers and sisters, especially the Christians of Mosul. Let us pray to the Holy Spirit as Pope Francis prayed on Sunday, that this violence may be conquered with peace." Bishop Philip.

**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](mailto:southampton@streetpastors.org.uk).

**WELCOME BACK TO KRIS SLADEWSKI** who arrived at St Edmund's at 10pm Wednesday night after cycling from Sicily to Southampton (2008 miles!) to raise funds for 'Mary's Meals'.  
**Well done Kris!!**



**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.**

**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.

**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.

**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.

**CASPIAN CULTURAL** are hosting an event to explore the Influence of Religions on Art and Art on Religion from 6:30pm - 9:30pm Wednesday 30 July at 3AC, 11 Cranbury Terrace Southampton SO14 0LH. This will run for 10 days (26 Jul - 3 Aug) and aims to celebrate skills and individuality of people from different cultures. Includes: Islamic Calligraphy; Photographic illustrations and Techniques of Christian Icon painting. Tel. Stephen 07527 157 108.

**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.

**GODFREY DOYLE** has for the past 18 years been a governor at St George's College. For most of that time he has acted as Chair of Governors. Godfrey was influential in helping to maintain St George during difficult times and, together with Graham Wilson, the Staff and the Governors, to help move St George to the College it now is. Year on year St George's improves in all aspects. Godfrey has now stood down as Chair, but is remaining for a while on the Governing Body.  
**Godfrey ... thank you!**

**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.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SOUL OF BRENDAN O'RIORDAN** (Tim's father) who died during the week. Our condolences to Tim and the family. May Brendan rest in peace.

**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:** 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](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. (Fr Vincent is away the last week of August, do contact him in July & first 2 weeks of August.)**



**SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND:** This annual Catholic Charismatic conference takes place 27 & 28 September 2014 at St Mary's College, Bitterne Park. Details on website: [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org) or Frank & Angela Capocci: 023 8077 2868.

**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 27 JULY 2014

SAT	26 JULY	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM SJ	GAIL FEBRUARY—HEALING & WELLBEING (AW)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	27 JULY	<b>SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	9:00AM SE	ERIC CLARKE RIP (MARTHA'S)
			10:00AM SJ	EDWARD GALLAGHER RIP (MH)
			11:00AM SE	PATRICK CUMMINGS RIP (PC & FAMILY)
			7:00PM SE	EDWARD WIZNER (GACA FAMILY)
TUES	29 JULY	ST MARTHA	10:00AM SE	M.R. FULFORD—HEALTH (MD)
WED	30 JULY	ST PETER CHRYSOLOGUS	7:00PM SE	GIANPAOLO DAZZINI—FOR RELIGIOUS CONVERSION (VD)
THURS	31 JULY	ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA	12:15PM SJ	ENA WEST RIP (ST JOSEPH'S HOUSEKEEPER) (F)
FRI	1 AUG	ST ALPHONSUS LIGUORI	7:00PM SE	RICHARD PARRY—HEALING & WELLBEING (JPD)
SAT	2 AUG	<b>OUR LADY ON SATURDAY</b>	11:00AM SE	MASS OF ANOINTING
				FRED & KATE McEWING—THANKSGIVING 50th WEDDING ANNIV.
			6:15PM SJ	SEAN, KATHLEEN & STEWART ADAMSON RIP (DC)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	3 AUG	<b>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	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 WORLD WAR 1 (100TH ANNIVERSARY)
			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/

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

Prayer of the Church week 1

**27 JULY 2014**  
**17th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A**

### Psalm Response

Lord, how I love your law!

### 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 3 AUGUST**  
**18th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A**

1st Reading:	Isaiah 55:1-3
2nd Reading:	Romans 8:35, 37-39
Gospel:	Matthew 14:13-21

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

<b>Collections</b>	<b>20/7/14</b>
	<b>1st</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,149.30</b>
Cash	745.08
S / O	1,139.85
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	264.37

Thank you for your generous contributions. Please note, the Gift Aid tax rebate on the 2nd collection is retained by the Parish. 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