

# Love's burden which transforms

A niece of mine, and her new husband, both from Australia, are touring around the Northern Hemisphere. At present they are in Guernsey. The small roads, the lack of sign posts are a challenge to them. Something occurred last week and my response was "like mother like daughter!" The emails were fast and furious!

Our Gospel has this sense: "like Father like Son!" Jesus' relationship with 'the Father' was such that to see Jesus was to see the Father. To experience Jesus was to experience the Father. Through Jesus we are invited into a special and life-transforming relationship with God (isn't that what we have been celebrating: Resurrection, Ascension, Pentecost & Trinity?).

This relationship is one of love and is fully experienced when we love unconditionally as God does! This may be a high expectation, but one worth aiming for.

One of the weaknesses of many religions and faiths is the burdens they seem to load onto people. Initially for good reasons, minor laws, rules and regulations are created to help people clarify their responsibilities. Over time these can lose their meaning and become burdens too heavy to bear, burdens that break the camel's back!

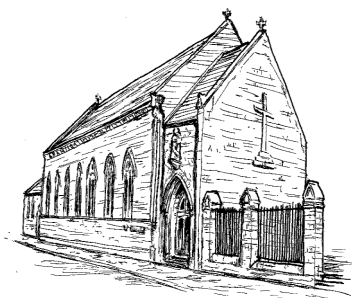
The hearers of Jesus' message, and his disciples, must have been excited by his message that his "yoke is easy and his burden light". To move away from the 600 or so minor laws of the Pharisees must have been a breath of fresh air, an opportunity to stand upright and not feel pressurised by burdensome legislation.

The yoke of Jesus, and the burden it brings, is easy and light because it is one brought about by love: love of God and love of neighbour. If we respond in love to all the situations we find ourselves in, then that transforms the situation, the people involved and myself. Such a response brings about a burden but because it is a response in love and of love, God is in that response and the burden becomes a gift!

*Vincent Harvey*



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**3 JULY 2011**

**14TH SUNDAY IN  
ORDINARY TIME**



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## **THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:**

1. What have you learnt from 'little ones'? About life? About faith?
2. How has 'knowing' Christ affected your burdens?
3. We are called to 'live in the Spirit'. In what ways do you so live? How can you improve? What do you need to do to live more fully in the Spirit of God?

*Vincent Harvey*

## TODAY - SUNDAY 3 JULY

**CONGRATULATIONS!** to Father John Chandler who was ordained to the priesthood yesterday in St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. *May God bless him and his ministry all the days of his life.*

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Church Building Fund.

**WE WELCOME FATHER MARK HOGAN** who will be celebrating the 9am and 11am Masses at St. Edmund's today. Father Vincent has been asked to 'Admit to Candidacy for Ordination as a Deacon' a candidate in Father Mark's Parish of St Joseph. Bi-location is still not on the agenda hence the swop!!!!

**ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE** today 2pm at Hayling Island. No stiles, the going is flat and hard under foot. Wonderful sea views. Meet at the Havant Road car park. Mob. No. 077 5153 1984. See Notice Board.

**PASTORAL AREA CONFIRMATION MASS:** to be celebrated by Bishop Crispian at 3pm today in Holy Family Church, Millbrook. *Please pray for the candidates on their special day:* Christopher Amedu, Aleyxz Anatalio, Monique Anatalio, Weronika Andrzejewska, Harry Barham, Weronika Banda, Wiktorja Banda, Hettie Beale, Marta Brodzka, Lucia Campbell, Ambrose Chou, Anjulie Chou, Sarah Davis, Lawrence Del Rosario, Shonah Dougan, Will Doyle, Peter Fenton, Harvey Hiscock, Megan Humphries, Finn Butterworth Kenny, Erin Lynch, Paddy Marsh, Ashley Mascarenhas, Ruth McCullen, Ciaran McGowan, Stephanie McGrory, Alice Mintoff, Hannah Moody, Georgia Murray, Jack Perry, Charlotte Platt, Quantae Ramdin, Zoe Salanitro, Jack Shiner, Tim Stringfellow, Hannah Strong, Ben Warburg, Jess Weltevreden.

**GOSPEL CHOIR** 7pm Mass, rehearsal at 6pm.

**WELCOME RITES:** 7pm Mass.



**RECENTLY DIED:** *Vincent Latham* of Bassett, Southampton. Funeral Mass at 2.15pm on Wed. 6 July in St. Joseph's Church, Bugle Street. Vincent was a member of our parish community for many years and will be sadly missed. Our sympathy to his wife Maureen and all the family. *May he rest in peace.*

*William (Bill) O'Carroll* of Northlands Care Home (previously St. Basil's). Funeral at 4pm on 5 July in the West Chapel, Southampton Crematorium. Bill has no family. Our sympathy to those who cared for him and brought him Holy Communion. *May he rest in peace.*

## THIS WEEK

**SCOF** meeting 7pm Tues 5 July in Stella Maris Centre.

**WANTED:** Married couples to join the **Marriage Preparation Team**. We have a large number of Weddings every year and a growing number of couples who marry outside the parish. Please contact Father Vincent, Father Paul, Marjorie Dean, Wilma Boddeke or the Parish Office. An information evening will be held on **Wednesday 6 July at 7.30 pm in St Edmund's Hall.....come along and find out more.**

**CCPG** to meet at 7.45pm on Wed 6 July in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

**FOR INFO** Mon: Day off VH/PL. Tues: Requiem; Academy meeting; SCOF: VH. Wed: Team meeting: VH/PL. Thurs: Diocesan Trustees; Retirement Fund: CH Fri: Springhill Mass; Heads & PPs: VH

## NEXT WEEKEND

**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to *Eilish Ryan and Neil McKeown* who are getting married at 3pm on Sat 9 July in St. Edmund's Church. *May God bless them all the days of their lives.*

**CHARITY BBQ** 2pm—10pm Sat 9 July in Immaculate Conception Church Hall, Portswood Road, Southampton, SO17 3SB. Raising funds for underprivileged children in Bambui, Cameroon. Website [www.bukda.org](http://www.bukda.org).

**SEA SUNDAY** next Sunday 10 July.

**CAFOD CONNECT2: Rwanda – Deepen the Connection:** Sun 10 July 12 noon in St Theresa's Parish Hall, 20 Beaumont Rd, Totton SO40 3AL. For tickets/info contact Edna Wharton: 023 8086 5823.

**GOSPEL CHOIR** 7pm Mass Sun 10 July.

## NEXT WEEK

**FINANCE GROUP** meeting 7.30pm Thurs 14 July in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

**HEALING DAY** with Little Way Healing Ministries 10am - 4.30pm, Sat 16 July, Highfield House Hotel, Highfield Lane, SO17 1AQ. Fr. Laurence Brassill OSA, Pauline Edwards and team offer a day of teaching and healing. Tea and coffee provided. Jesus said: 'Lay your hands on the sick and they will be healed'. **Come and see.**

**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to *Rachel Edwards and Robartus Krol* who are getting married at 3pm on Sat 16 July in St. Joseph's Church. *May God bless them both all the days of their lives.*

## **PARISH MISSION**

**(SOUTHAMPTON CENTRAL & WEST)**

**AN OPPORTUNITY FOR NEW LIFE:** The Mission is taking place in our Pastoral Area (*Holy Family & St Vincent de Paul, St Boniface and St Joseph & St Edmund*) from 18-22 July 2011.

### Programme:

- 10am Mass: Mon & Wed in St Boniface Church
- 10am Mass: Tues & Thurs in Holy Family Church  
.....**volunteers will be required to transport people who wish to attend at St Boniface and Holy Family**
- 7pm Mon—Thurs talks and prayer in St Edmund's ending with Mass at 7pm on the Friday.  
**(NB: no Masses at St. Joseph or St Edmund except Friday)**  
**Make a note to be free those mornings and evenings!**  
*Members of the team will be speaking in our schools—Springhill, Holy Family, St Anne's and St George's. It will be led by St Patrick's Community, John Pridmore, Niall Slattery, Matthew Beine, Breda Coman and Catherine Leigh. Mission website: [www.faithalive.org.uk](http://www.faithalive.org.uk). Please pray for the Mission. ....use the prayer cards.....see the dates on the reverse side..*

## PRAYER FOR THE MISSION JULY 2011:



Lord Jesus, we thank you for the Mission to our city and for the guidance of the St Patrick's Community team.

We ask that your Spirit of Truth transform us, inspiring us to listen and act. Grant that the fruits of this mission will be a deepening and refreshment of our spiritual lives which will renew your local church. Amen.

## MISSION PRAYER FOR YOUNG PEOPLE / CHILDREN:

Lord Jesus, we thank you for this Mission.

Bless our priests, our parents, our teachers and all those involved in the Mission.

Through the power of your Holy Spirit, help us to listen to and live your Word. As we come alive in you we ask that this change will be reflected in our parishes, our schools and our homes. Amen.

## GENERAL ITEMS

**ANNUAL MISSION MASS** 7.30pm Wed 20 July in Christ the King Parish Hall, Bitterne Road, Southampton. After Mass a 27 minute documentary film produced by 'Missio' in the Czech Republic entitled "Uganda—the Suffering Pearl of Africa". The APF helps 1,069 mission diocese, supporting the Church in some of the poorest and most isolated parts of the world. Through your prayers and contributions you play an integral part in this. Thank you.



**CEILI NIGHT:** 8pm til late Sat 30 July. Eastleigh Irish Social Club, Station Hill, Southampton Road, Eastleigh. Members £5, Non-members £7. Contact 023 8025 2248 for tickets.

**FATHER PAUL LEONARD** has been appointed by the Bishop to the Havant Pastoral Area which particular responsibility for 'St Michael & All Angels' in Leigh Park. This is sad for us but a blessing for them! The move will not happen until the autumn...time to adjust!! More details later. Father Paul will be replaced by Father John Chandler (who is being ordained on the 2<sup>nd</sup> July). Please keep Father Paul and all who are moving to new parishes, in your prayers.

## 6. THE NEW TRANSLATION OF THE ROMAN MISSAL - BIBLICAL INFLUENCES:

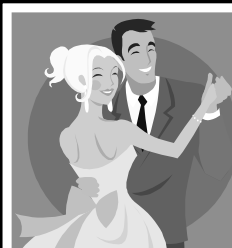
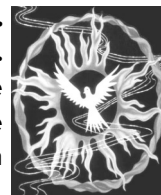
As we use the new translation we will perhaps notice more biblical connections than we have been used to. The texts of the Mass are precious to us, partly because they were inspired by the Bible. These words have come down to us over the centuries, and most of the words we speak at Mass are rooted in the Bible. When we gather for Mass, we are praying with words that have been given to us by our ancestors, who knew the Bible well and prayed it well. The new translation of the Missal tries to make the connections between the Bible and the Mass clearer than they are now. Over the coming weeks we will be looking at some of the revised words we will be saying and hearing at Mass from the beginning of September.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** for **Grzegorz Dobiecke** and **Kristy Olszewski** to be married in St Edmund's in July and **Adam Filo** and **Ewelina Drozda** marrying in Poland in September.

**THANKS FROM CARJ** (Catholic Association for Racial Justice) have been received for the amount of £233 donated by our parish. Racial Justice Sunday is on 11 September this year and the theme 'Created by God, Treated like Slaves: Tackling Human Trafficking. Love your neighbour as yourself, do this and you will live (Luke 10:27-28). Website: [www.carj.org.uk](http://www.carj.org.uk).

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Daniel McKillen Jr. (op. recovery), Vincent Latham, Joe Smartt, James Smith, Baby Iga, David Taylor, Oke Hammed, Joan Hunt, Angus MacKinnon, Baby Ava Evans, Josie Franklin, Stephen Brooks, Byron Reynolds, Myra Andrade, Anne Brackenbury, Brenda Hibberd, Carlos Fernandes, Eileen & Alex Aitken, Sheila Quinn, Percy White, John Dorling, Pat Cummings, André Neves, Peter Scott, George Francis Ponniah, Carolyn, Lee Henninghan, Jenson Pearce, Phyllis Richmond, Teddy Blake, Eileen Smedley, Virginia Monteiro, Stella Smith, Sheila Morris, Terry Clark, Kay Gills, Kathy Kelly, Ian McKenna and all parishioners who are sick or recovering. Please call the parish office if you would like to add someone to the list.

**2011 CELEBRATE WEEKEND 1st & 2nd Oct.** Sat 9am—9pm; Sun 9.30am—5.30pm at St. Mary's College, 57 Midanbury Lane, Bitterne Park, SO18 4DJ. Faith & fun for the whole family. Workshops & seminars both days. Book at [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org).



**SOUTHAMPTON CATHOLIC DINNER & DANCE** 7.30pm for 8pm Friday 18 November 2011 in the Novotel Hotel, Southampton. Tickets £25.00 for a 3 course dinner and disco. Perhaps you would like to organise a family / friends table of 8 - 10. Please contact the Parish Office 023 8033 3589 to book your tickets or donate a prize for the raffle.

**MARTHA'S...IN BEDFORD PLACE.....**(our charity shop run by volunteers from the parish) for all those unwanted gifts and clothing items you may have no use for. New gifting lines also available. Pop in and have a look! All profits go towards supporting good causes.

**JULY 200 HUNDRED CLUB WINNERS**  
1st Prize £25 to Antony Croft  
2nd Prize £10 to Cecily Head

**CONFESSION TIMES:**  
St. Edmund's Saturdays 11.30am  
St. Joseph's Saturdays 5.45pm;  
Thursdays 11.45am

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 3 JULY

SAT	VIGIL MASS 2 JULY		6.15PM SJ BABY KEVIN KAPUSCHINSKI RIP (LK) 7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
SUN	3 JULY	<b>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	9.00AM SE ANEELA—THANKSGIVING (AH) 10.00AM SJ PHYLLIS STEINBERG RIP (F) 11.00AM SE TARANGITH'S 40TH BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS FROM ANUSHKA (AP) 7.00PM SE DANIEL MCKILLEN JNR HEALING (DM)
TUES	5 JULY	14TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	10.00AM SE ANGUS MACKINNON WELLBEING (HP&GC)
WED	6 JULY	ST. MARIA GORETTI	7.00PM SE DENIS MALONEY RIP (F)
THURS	7 JULY	14TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	12.15PM SJ PEGGY BLAKE (JF)
FRI	8 JULY	14TH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	7.00PM SE JAMES & ELIZABETH LOUGHRAN RIP (F)
SAT	9 JULY	OUR LADY ON SATURDAY	11.00AM SE YVONNE MCCARTHY RIP (KMCE) 6.15PM SJ JAMES O'DONNELL RIP (F) 7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
SUN	10 JULY	<b>FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	9.00AM SE AGOSTINHO GONSALVES RIP (MG) 10.00AM SJ BRIAN CUNIO RIP (LL) 11.00AM SE PETER CLUNE RIP (PC) 7.00PM SE JULIETTE WHITE RIP (F)

**PASTORAL AREA PARISHES - MASS TIMES:** Holy Family, Millbrook Sat Vigil 18:30; Sun 11:00am; 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 Sun 09:15; 11:30 in Polish; Holy Day 10:00.

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### FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### Psalm Response

I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

#### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.

**Alleluia!**

### Prayer of the Church Week 2

### READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 10 JULY FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st reading: Isaiah 55:10-11

2nd reading: Romans 8:18-23

Gospel Reading: Matthew 13:1-23

<b><u>2ND COLLECTION TODAY</u></b>	<b><u>2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK</u></b>
<b>CHURCH BUILDING FUND</b>	<b>APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA</b>

Collections	26/6/11	2nd Collection Peter's Pence
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2533.23</b>	<b>£365.44</b>
Cash	992.83	170.94
S / O	1232.30	194.50
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	308.10	-

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.

**Our Catholic Schools:** Springhill Catholic Primary 8033 3954;  
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