

CLEAR SIGHT

I set a riddle to the rulers of the land:
Is your God's Law clearer than a man's right hand?
Would you be sons of God or sons of man?
And don't you hear the children, for they understand?
Let's play a game:
let's pretend their ox has fallen lame,
let's see if God's Law remains the same.

I set a riddle as I hung on a tree,
as I stretched out my arms across eternity,
as I drew the whole world in from the ends of the sea,
and I gave it to the children who were following me.
Let's play a game:
let's pretend that love is each man's name,
let's see if the world remains the same.

Here's a riddle of the fire, that is the strength of the weak,
the wealth of the poor and the power of the meek,
that the blind can see, of which the dumb can speak,
and a fire only found in the children who will seek.
Let's play a game:
you're the ring of roses, I'm the flame,
just to bring this fire was why I came.

Malcolm Stewart

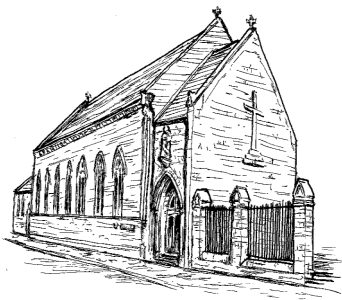
As we enter Holy Week.....the 'Great Week'.....where do you stand in respect of Jesus? Are you 'for him' or 'against him'? Do you 'support him' or 'run from him'? You can establish where you are by what you do, what you say and who you are! Be true! Be faithful! Be of the Lord!

Vincent Harvey

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. The disciples betrayed and denied Jesus. Have you? When? How? Why? How do you feel about it?
2. Jesus prayed intensely. When have you prayed with passion? Why? How did you feel about it?
3. Jesus 'emptied himself' (2nd Reading): when have you 'emptied' yourself for someone else? For God? How did you feel about it?

Vincent Harvey



17 APRIL 2011

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



**CITY CENTRE
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SOUTHAMPTON
ST JOSEPH'S &
ST EDMUND'S**

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**SOUTHAMPTON
CENTRAL AND WEST
PASTORAL AREA
ALSO INCLUDES
ST. BONIFACE,
ST. VINCENT DE PAUL
& HOLY FAMILY**



TODAY - SUNDAY 17 APRIL

SECOND COLLECTION: Catholic Care.

PALM SUNDAY today. Procession and Blessing of Palms St. Joseph's with St. Michael's, to meet **10.15am at the West Gate, please note change to usual Mass time.** Blessing of Palms in front of St. Edmund's 11am.

EASTER DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS are now available in the porch, adults £1, juniors 50p, infants are free!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: 6 pm St. Edmund's Church.

NO FILIPINO CHOIR at 7pm Mass as they will be singing at Easter Sunday 7pm Mass on 24 Apr.



RECENTLY DIED: *Eric Chiara* of West Acre Care Home, Winchester. Funeral 2.15pm Mon 18 Apr in St. Joseph's Church followed by cremation in the West Chapel. Our sympathy to his wife Sandra and family.

Eileen Rushford of Barnfield Close, Weston. Funeral at 4pm on 19 April at Wessex Vale Crematorium. Our sympathy to her family.

Cecilia Coutinho of Northlands Road, Southampton. Funeral Mass 12.45pm Wed. 20th Apr in St. Edmund's Church followed by burial in Hollybrook Cemetery. Cecilia was a St. Edmund's Parishioner for many years and will be sadly missed. Our sympathy to her brother Romeo and all her family. **May they rest in peace.**

THIS WEEK—HOLY WEEK

PARISH LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE
Mon. 18 Apr 7.30pm in St. Edmund's Church.

CANCELLED: 10AM TUESDAY MASS 19 APRIL IN ST. EDMUND'S due to Chrim Mass at the Cathedral.

CHRISM MASS: 11am St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. A coach will depart from Holy Family Church in Millbrook at 9.30am prompt on Tuesday 19th April. If you **signed up** for the coach please be at Holy Family at 9.20 am the latest.

BIG CLEAN to begin at 2.00pm in St. Edmund's on Tues. 19th April **volunteers urgently needed.** Please add your names to the list in the porch.

ALTAR SERVERS First Practice for Holy Thursday and Good Friday at 6.00pm—7.00pm on Tues. 19th April in St. Edmund's. Please sign the form in the sacristy.

LAST 6.30AM MASS DURING LENT Holy Wed. 20April in St. Edmund's.

NO WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB 20 & 27 April.

EASTER PREPARATIONS OF ST. EDMUND'S CHURCH
Wed 20 April & Thurs 21 Apr from 10.00am—4.00pm
Saturday 23rd April 11.00am—4.00pm. **Please sign up for one hour, join the happy group—many hands make light work.**

TRIDUUM JOINT CHOIR REHEARSAL 7.30pm Wed 20th April in St. Edmund's Church. Volunteers from all choirs are invited to lead the singing over the 3 great celebrations.

NO THURSDAY 12.15PM MASS IN ST. JOSEPH'S on Holy Thursday 21 April.

FAMILY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 6.15pm on Holy Thurs. 21 April in St. Joseph's Church.

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER: 8.00pm Holy Thurs. 21 April in St. Edmund's Church.

ADORATION HOLY THURSDAY AFTER 8PM MASS: Thurs. 21 April up to 11.30pm. A half hour slot is offered for you to sign up on the form at the back of the church. Watch and pray before the Blessed Sacrament in the Lady Chapel. Please sign up.

TIMINGS ON GOOD FRIDAY 22nd April: 9.00am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer St. Edmund's.
10.00am Stations of the Cross in St. Edmund's.
11.30am Family Liturgy of the Cross, St. Joseph's.
3.00pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion, St. Edmund's.

SPECIAL COLLECTION GOOD FRIDAY for Holy Places.

SOUTHAMPTON PASSION Good Friday 22 Apr. Live music from 6pm *The Passion* starts 7.30pm, Guildhall Square. Web www.southamptonpassion.org.uk or Tel. 075 1930 3925. All welcome!

FOR INFO: Mon: VH/PL Day Off.

Tues: Chrim Mass: VH/PL; Lourdes meeting London: VH

Wed: Team Meeting: VH/PL

NEXT WEEKEND

EASTER COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND is for our two priests. It is the most substantial part of their personal income along with the Christmas collection. Please be generous.

HOLY SATURDAY 9am Sat 23 April Office of Readings & Morning Prayer, St. Edmund's.

ALTAR SERVERS: second practice for Easter Vigil 11.30am Sat. 23rd April in St. Edmund's Church.

POLISH BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD 2pm—4pm Holy Saturday 23rd April in St. Edmund's led by Fr. Wojciech (every 15 minutes).

EASTER VIGIL CELEBRATION MASS 9.00pm in St. Edmund's Church on Holy Saturday 23rd April.

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES: Polish Mass 6.00am, 9am, 11am & 7pm Masses in St. Edmund's. 10am Mass in St. Joseph's.



EASTER BONNET PARADE after 9am Mass (meet in St. Edmund's Hall) or 10am Mass (meet in Stella Maris Centre) Easter Sunday 24 April £1.00 entry. All ages. Prizes for best three at each Parish.

NEXT WEEK

PARISH SECRETARY ANNUAL LEAVE 26 Apr—6 May. Parish Office will be manned by volunteers.

YOUTH PROJECT 7.30pm Tues 26 Apr in St. Edmund's Lodge.

WE WELCOME Fr. Michael Peters who will preside at the 12.15pm Mass in St. Joseph's Thurs 28 Apr.

BANK HOLIDAY—ROYAL WEDDING: Friday 29th April. No Adoration.

PRAYER FOR PRINCE WILLIAM & CATHERINE MIDDLETON:

Heavenly Father, we ask your blessing upon his Royal Highness, Prince William and Catherine as they pledge their love for each other in marriage. May your love unite them throughout their lives. Grant them the strength to serve you, our country and the Commonwealth with Integrity and faithfulness. Through Christ our Lord. Amen. Pray also for all who are getting married this year.

FAITH ALIVE group to meet at 7.45pm Fri 29 Apr in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

11AM MASS CANCELLED Sat. 30 Apr in St. Edmund's due to Polish First Holy Communion's taking place.

FR. PAUL'S 100KM ENDURANCE WALK FOR CAFOD:

Fr. Paul will be undertaking an endurance walk, from April 30 - 1st May over 24 hours, in an attempt to cover 100km, approx. 62 miles. This will take place on an ancient pilgrimage route over the South Downs Way from Arundel to Winchester. For your donations, please log on to the following Just Giving website www.justgiving.com/Paul-Leonard2 & log on to his blog cafodportsmouth.wordpress.com/2011/03/30/father-pauls-new-challenge/ to see how he's getting on.

WEDDING BELLS: Elizabeth Parker and Suleiman Fofana to be married in St. Edmund's Church 2pm Sat. 30 Apr. May God bless them all the days of their lives.



'ROYAL BRUNCH' Sun 1 May after 9am, 10am and 11am Masses, in St. Edmund's Hall. £5 per adult, £3 per child. Tel. Fiona on 077 1753 5221 to book a ticket.

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY: Mass 3pm Sun. 1 May in St. Peter's Church, Winchester in honour of the Feast, in thanksgiving for the Beatification of Pope John Paul II, Veneration of the Image and praying The Divine Mercy Chaplet. Tea to follow. Contact Gillian 019 6285 2986.

GENERAL ITEMS

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & STEWARDS required for the 3 Triduum celebrations, please put your name on the list in the porch at St. Edmund's and St. Joseph's.

CHRISTIAN GRAPHIC DESIGN (posters, fliers, websites) for you, your group or your church. Email rob@dreamdreams.org or Tel. 075 1551 9632.

CARE FOR THE FAMILY CHARITY PRESENT 'MY FAMILY—helping it survive and thrive': an evening with international speaker and bestselling author Rob Parsons that's all about helping your family bloom! 7.30pm—10pm Wed 4 May Above Bar Church, 69 Above Bar Street, Southampton. Tickets £7.50 or £6.50 each for 4. Tel. 029 2081 0800. See leaflets & Notice Board.

STATUES OF THE HOLY FAMILY.....will be given to Holy Family community this week so that they can have a shrine to the Holy Family.....their name's sake!

P.O.S.H. RESTAURANT CURRY NIGHT: in aid of The Mayor's Charities (Sunday Lunch Project & St. Mary's Titanic Memorial Window) 7.30pm for 8pm Sun 8th May £15 per head for a 3 course buffet. Tickets from 023 8083 2433 or 023 8033 3589. Cheques to "The Mayor of Southampton's Charity Fund."

NEW 11AM & 7PM ST. EDMUND'S CO-ORDINATORS ROTAS now available in the Sacristy.

VACANCY—CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH: A full-time Secretary/Administrator to work in the Finance and Property Office located in St. Edmund House, Edinburgh Road, Portsmouth, 35 hour week Mon to Fri 9am to 5pm. To start 1st June 2011. Skills: excellent secretarial, interpersonal, time management and prioritisation skills needed. Computer literate, skilled in word processing, spreadsheets and data management as well as use of the internet and good all-round office skills with recognised secretarial qualifications. Personal Attributes: Sympathetic to the Ministry and Mission of the Catholic Church. Strong team player. Self-motivated and very flexible, with ability to work on own initiative and judgement without supervision, able to work under pressure, cope with change and deal with conflicting work demands. Diplomatic and discreet with a sympathetic nature and emotional resilience. Web www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/vacancies.php for an application pack. Closing date 12 noon Fri 6th May 2011 (12 noon). Interview Date Tues 17 May 2011.

'SCRATCH' CHARITY SPONSORED BIKE RIDE 10am Sat. 7 May from St. Andrews Church, Dibden Purlieu. Route £5 reg. fee incl. cost of the BBQ at Calshot Beach. Proceeds to SCRATCH. See Notice Board.

SOUTHAMPTON STREET PASTORS—2ND BIRTHDAY! Join us for a celebratory meal at La Margherita's, Town Quay, SO14 2AW at 7pm on Tues 15 May for a 3 course meal; £15 per head. All welcome! See Notice Board for menu. Contact Adam 023 8033 3387 to book or e-mail: southampton@stretpastors.org.uk.

TWO ROOMS TO LET IN STUDENT HOUSE: 13 Rockstone Place, rent £230 & £260 respectively incl. all bills. Contact the Parish Office on 023 8033 3589.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE: Marcus Anthony Massiah & Tsitsi Arikana Mufunde are to marry in July 2011.

REVISED ORDER OF MASS AND ROMAN MISSAL:

- **Information evening:** This will provide concrete information and practical help, and present the national resources that are available to help parishes and communities make the transition to the new texts. Tuesday 24th May at St. Boniface Church.
- **Information evening for musicians:** This will present new and revised settings of the Mass texts from a variety of different sources. Tuesday 14th June, at St. Edward the Confessor, Chandlers Ford.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: 19-28 Aug. For people of all ages and abilities. Young helpers (aged 17+) are welcome to help fellow pilgrims who require assistance. **Brochures available in the porch.**

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 17 APRIL 2011

	VIGIL MASS	OF 5TH WEEK OF LENT		6.15PM SJ	MICHAEL & NORA HUNTER RIP (MH)
SAT	16 APRIL			7.00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	17 APRIL	PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION		9.00AM SE	AGOSTINHO GONSALVES RIP (MG)
				10.00AM SJ	HELEN RIP (BM)
				11.00AM SE	SHEENA IAMSON INTENTION (MD)
				7.00PM SE	REG FARRINGTON RIP (F)
MON	18 APRIL	OF HOLY WEEK		2.15PM SJ	FUNERAL MASS—ERIC CHIARA RIP
TUES	19 APRIL	OF HOLY WEEK		10.00AM SE	CANCELLED (DUE TO CHRISM MASS)
WED	20 APRIL	OF HOLY WEEK		6.30AM SE	MAX BACON RIP (F)
				12.45PM SE	FUNERAL MASS: CECILIA COUTINHO RIP
				7.00PM SE	BASIL DAVIES RIP (MD)
THURS	21 APRIL	MAUNDY THURSDAY		6.15PM SJ	ROSS DORRIAN RIP (CH)
				8.00PM SE	JEAN & FRANK KERR RIP (TK)
FRI	22 APRIL	GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION		3.00PM SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
SAT	23 APRIL	HOLY SATURDAY		9.00PM SE	DANIEL IVUERAH RIP (CI)
SUN	24 APRIL	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION		6.00AM SE	MASS IN POLISH
				9.00AM SE	ALEXANDER PONNIAH BIRTHDAY INTS. (DAD & ANUSHKA)
				10.00AM SJ	PATRICK & MARY HANRAHAN RIP (M&SH)
				11.00AM SE	BASIL DAVIES RIP (MD)
				7.00PM SE	MARGARET STOBART (MB)

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Psalm Response

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
 Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 24 APRIL

EASTER SUNDAY YEAR A

1st reading: Acts 10:34, 37 –43

2nd reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel Reading: John 20:1-9

2ND COLLECTION TODAY

CATHOLIC CARE

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

FOR OUR TWO PRIESTS

10/4/2011	1st Coll	CONFESSION TIMES : St. Edmund's Sat. 11.30am St. Joseph's Sat. 5.45pm & Thurs 11.45am
Total	£2491.232	
Cash	950.74	
S / O	1232.39	
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 & work of the Parish possible.

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.