

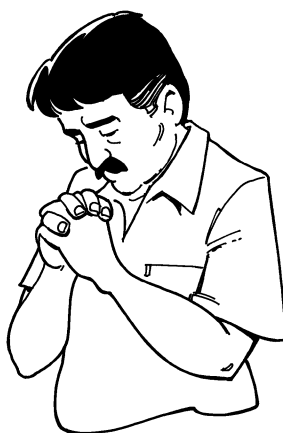
# CHARTER FOR CHRISTIAN LIVING

There can be few more challenging passages in the scriptures to measure our attitudes and actions against than the Beatitudes. As popular as this bible passage is, the Beatitudes are more than just a lovely introduction to the teaching that follows, Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. Do we really grasp the radicality of what is being stated? Set before us in the Beatitudes is the foundation of Jesus' entire teaching and the values that will transform our lives into the likeness of Christ. They seem a tall order as to attain the standards they propose means having to walk the life Jesus set before us. Indeed, this is impossible on our own strength. But, with God's strength and grace and being docile to the promptings of God's Spirit within us, it becomes a blueprint for us to live by.

Each of the Beatitudes deals with a different aspect of human life. Qualities like meekness, gentleness and being merciful may at first sight indicate weakness but reflection will bear out that they demand strength of character and

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.”

Mt 5:3



sturdy determination. To make peace and offer forgiveness requires firmness of character when the easier option is to lose our temper, cause a row and exact revenge. We are called to hold up the Beatitudes as a mirror in which we examine our own lives and consciences. The Beatitudes are our charter for being authentic disciples. Discipleship is a way of life that involves commitment and activity. It is not a passive endeavour but rather a continuous choice to deepen our relationship with God and to then allow this relationship to guide all of our thoughts, words and actions.

*Fr. Paul Leonard*



30 JANUARY 2011

**FOURTH SUNDAY  
OF ORDINARY  
TIME**



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

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a Stewardship Diocese**

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



## TODAY - SUNDAY 30th JANUARY

### **NO SECOND COLLECTION TODAY**

**WELCOME RITES:** 9am, 11am & 7pm Masses.

**SOUTHAMPTON'S CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE** will take place at 3.30pm in St. Edmund's today. *Please come along to celebrate 'All Things in Common' with other Christians from around the City.*

### **THIS WEEK**

**MONDAY CLUB** meet at 2pm in St. Edmund's Hall for Bingo. All welcome!

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** 7pm—8pm Mon. 31 Jan. in St. Edmund's Hall.

**WELLSPRING PRAYER GROUP** meet Tuesdays at 8pm in St. Edmund's Hall.

**CCPG** to meet at 7.45pm on Wed. 2nd Feb. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

**JOURNEY IN FAITH** group meet on Wed. 2 Feb. at 7.45pm in St. Edmund's Hall.

**HALF PINTS TODDLERS GROUP** meet every Thursday at 10am in St. Edmund's Hall.

**NEW SEEKERS COURSE:** If you or someone you know would like to find out about the Catholic Faith, you are welcome to attend the New Seekers course. The next meeting is at 7.45pm on Thurs. 3 Feb. in St Edmund's Hall, Rockstone Place. For further information please call Dudley on Tel. No. 023 8067 9079.

### **FOR INFO:**

Mon: Day off: VH/PL

Tues: Springhill Chaplaincy: VH/PL SCOF: VH

Fri: IOW meeting: VH

Sat: FHC workshop: VH/PL

### **NEXT WEEKEND**

**CHANGE OF MASS TIME:** On **Saturday, 5<sup>th</sup> February**, Mass will be at **10 am**. There will be no confessions. This is to enable both Frs. Vincent and Paul to attend the First Holy Communion session taking place that Saturday. **Please note change.**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP** for parents and children at 10.30am—12noon on Sat. 5th February in Stella Maris Centre / St. Joseph's Hall.

**HCPT** to meet 12pm—6pm on Sat 5th Feb. in St. Joseph's Hall.

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION** to meet 2pm—6pm Sun. 6th Feb. in Holy Family Church, Millbrook.

**ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE** 2pm Sun. 6 Feb. at Ithen Valley Country Park. Walk is about 3 miles around the Park. No stiles. Boots or wellies necessary for some of the paths. Meet at the front of the Barn. See Notice Board.

**BAMENDA:** Members of the Portsmouth/Bamenda Committee & others are travelling to Cameroon for a sponsored trek between 6<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup> Feb. They will be hiking between remote rural health centres in Bamenda

Diocese. They hope to raise funds in support of Clinicare International (which gives much of its aid to Bamenda clinics) and our own projects aided by the Diocesan Bamenda Fund. To donate online visit [www.justgiving.com](http://www.justgiving.com) enter 'Clinicare' or 'Jo Overton' into the charity or person 'search'.

### **NEXT WEEK**

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** 7pm—8pm Mon. 7 Feb. in St. Edmund's Hall.

**THE HAZARDS OF THE JOURNEY: Pilgrimage & Travel in the Middle Ages** presented by the Winchester Catholic History Group. Imogen Corrigan, Lecturer in Anglo-Saxon and Medieval History, Kent Federation of History, 7.45pm for 8pm Mon. 7 Feb. 2011 in the Milner Chapel, St. Peter Street, Winchester.

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The Italian Fitness Job is now pleased to offer **Zumba Fitness** classes as well as **Nordic Walking** and **Pilates**. **Ring/text/email Michela 0780 4769617** if you are looking for a new, stress-free cardio activity, then you'll love the **Zumba** classes! You don't need to be a dancer or have coordination: **Zumba** is all about having fun, shaking your body and smiling all the time! Easy to follow steps of Latino and International dance music. Keep your heart healthy, reduce bad cholesterol, decrease your blood pressure, burn fat, and let your mind... feel happy! All these benefits with a new, easy, effective fitness class disguised as a dance: **ZUMBA!**

**ZUMBA CLASSES<sup>NEW!!</sup> start on 2 Feb:**

Chilworth Parish Hall, Wed 20.00 - 21.00  
Eastleigh Spirit Health Club, Thu 12.30 - 13.30  
Chilworth Parish Hall, Fri 18.30 - 19.30



### **GENERAL ITEMS**



**FR. PAUL'S ITALIAN FOOD NIGHT & QUIZ** at 8pm on Sun. 6 Mar. in St. Edmund's Hall. Cost & ticket details to follow.

**FUNDING ISSUES:** As you will be aware the Government cuts in funding will affect various charities and funding them is going to get more and more difficult. To be pro-active we need to begin to seek other sources of funding. So we are asking: **Do YOU have experience in applying for bids? Do you know ANYONE who has such experience? Please let us know. Please do get in contact with us.** We cannot simply sit and wait otherwise we could find ourselves in the position of closing some of our much needed services! By supporting Martha's you are, indirectly, supporting some of the at risk services we administer. **Martha's...in Bedford Place...do support.....as it sustains many charitable projects.**

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT PRAISE MASS MUSIC?** If so, then come along to St. Peter's School, Winchester from 2 – 5pm on Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. Led by the Catholic Rock Band – Crossbeam. Visit [www.hampshiredowns.org.uk](http://www.hampshiredowns.org.uk). To book a place, call Paul & Clare Robinson on 0162885858 or email [hampshiredownspraise@ymail.com](mailto:hampshiredownspraise@ymail.com).

**PRAISE & WORSHIP MASS IN WINCHESTER:** at 5.30pm Sun. 6<sup>th</sup> Feb. in St. Stephen's Church. For more details please contact Paul & Clare Robinson on 01962 885858 or visit the Parish Website [www.hampshiredowns.org.uk](http://www.hampshiredowns.org.uk)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Fran Elsdon, Betty Ashbolt, Carlos Fernandes, Eileen & Alex Aitken, Sheila Quinn, Percy White, John Dorling, Pat Cummings, André Neves, Peter Scott, Cecelia Coutinho, George Francis Ponniah, Carolyn, Lee Henninghan, Jenson Pearce, Phyllis Richmond, Teddy Blake, Brian Cunio, Yvonne Robertson, Eileen Smedley, Margaret de Groen, Terry Clark, Kay Gills, Kathy Kelly, Ian McKenna, Myra Andrade and all parishioners who are sick or recovering. Please call the parish office if you would like to add someone to the list.

**A VOCATION PRAYER** Loving Father, thank you for the gifts you have given me: life, faith, family and friends. Shine your light so that I may see the path that leads to you. Help me to make those choices which respond to your personal love for me, so that I may become more fully the person you call me to be. Amen

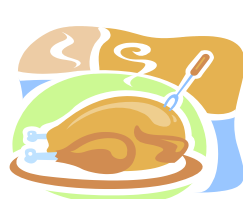
**MARRIAGE CARE:** *Being pulled apart by life's pressures—money, unemployment, sex, parenting...? Marriage Care can help you pull together.* For an appointment with a relationship counsellor, contact 0800 389 3801.



**THE 11AM CHOIR** at St. Edmund's are back from their rest this week. Hopefully the congregation enjoyed assuming a greater role in the musical ministry of our liturgy and considering the many benefits that a fully sung Mass can offer our spiritual & theological needs.

If you have considered joining the choir please see our Musical Director, Ian Richardson after Mass to make arrangements to join them at their next rehearsal.

**READERS & EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS ROTAS** now available for Feb.—May 2011. Please collect your copy from St. Joseph's & St. Edmund's Sacristies.



**PARISH ROAST LUNCH** 12.30pm—2.30pm Sun. 3 Apr. in St. Edmund's Hall. (Mother's Day). Further info to follow re tickets etc.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES INFO. EVENING** 7.30-9pm. You are invited to come and join us to find out all there is to know about our Annual

Pilgrimage to Lourdes (19-28 August 2011). Our Pilgrimage is for people of all ages and abilities. We are also on the lookout for young helpers (aged 17+) to join us and help the fellow pilgrims who require assistance. See poster on Notice Board for details of all the dates and venues across the Diocese. **Brochures for the Pilgrimage are available at the back of the church.**

**HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: VACANCY FOR FOUNDATION GOVERNOR**

Bishop Crispian, who has absolute discretion in the appointment of Foundation Governors, is seeking applications from committed baptised Catholics who wish to be considered. The governors of a Catholic school work as a team, in close co-operation with the headteacher and all staff. Appropriate training is available during the period of service. Lack of experience in education in a Catholic school should not deter anyone from applying if there is a genuine desire to serve the mission of the Church. Application packs are available from the Parish Priest, the School Office or the Department for Schools Governance, Park Place Pastoral Centre, Winchester Road, Wickham, PO17 5HA. Closing date for receipt of applications: 25 February 2011.

**CHRISTIAN AID - BETTER TOGETHER Road Show** to celebrate Christian Aid week Mon. 14 Feb. **Beyond the Envelope** 10.30am—12noon Underhill Centre, Hedge End or 2.30pm—4pm Isaac Watts Memorial URC, Winchester Road (an inspiring workshop of fresh ideas & practical advice for Christian Aid Week). 7.30pm—9pm **Better Together: Poverty Over**, Avenue St. Andrew's URC, The Avenue (a multi-media presentation revealing Christian Aid's work with the poorest communities). Contact 023 8070 6969. See Notice Board for details.

**PILGRIMAGE TO THE CHURCHES OF ASIA** from 22<sup>nd</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> October 2011 led by Mgr Vincent Harvey. The pilgrimage will visit the Churches of Asia (see Revelation Chapter 1) which includes the great ancient City of Ephesus where St Paul spent many years and wrote many of his pastoral letters. Cost from £995 (for 20 people) to £935 (for 40 people). All bookings must be through the Parish. **Brochures still available from Fr. Vincent.**

 **BIKE RACK NEXT TO ST. EDMUND'S CHURCH / THE LODGE.** Please do consider parishioners trying to put their bicycles on the new rack leaving enough space for the riders and bikes to get through to the rack. Many thanks for your co-operation.

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**CONFESSION TIMES:** Sat. 11.30am St. Edmund's Sat. 5.45pm St. Joseph's, Thursday 11.45am St. Joseph's  
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**MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 30th JANUARY 2011**

SAT	VIGIL MASS 29 JANUARY		6.15PM SJ LIVING & DECEASED MEMBERS OF CLARKE & CUMMINS FAMILIES (F)
SUN	30 JANUARY	<b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
TUES	1 FEBRUARY	4th WEEK OF O.T.	9.00AM SE PJ PHELAN RIP (E&AA)
WED	2 FEBRUARY	<b>THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD IN THE TEMPLE</b>	10.00AM SJ NORA HUNTER RIP (MH)
THURS	3 FEBRUARY	4th WEEK OF O.T.	11.00AM SE GEORGE & KATHLEEN CHANDLER (F)
FRI	4 FEBRUARY	4th WEEK OF O.T.	7.00PM SE BRIDGET LENNON RIP (GL&TL)
SAT	5 FEBRUARY	<b>ST. AGATHA</b>	10.00AM SE PJ PHELAN RIP (ROMEO MASCARENHAS & FAMILY)
SUN	6 FEBRUARY	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	7.00PM SE REV. TERENCE CORRIGAN RIP (F)
			12.15PM SJ ELLEN BROPHY (F)
			7.00PM SE MARGARET GROVER RIP (MB)
			10.00AM SE MARGARET GROVER RIP (BM)
			6.15PM SJ MICHAEL HARGADEN RIP (KW)
			7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
			9.00AM SE PJ PHELAN RIP (EK)
			10.00AM SJ KATHERINE BARLTROP RIP (AB)
			11.00AM SE MARGARET GROVER RIP (MB)
			7.00PM SE ELIZABETH DORLING RIP (JMD)

**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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**4th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**

**Psalm Response**

How happy are the poor in spirit;  
theirs is the kingdom of heaven

**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 4**

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 6 FEBRUARY**

**5th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A**

1st reading: Isaiah 58:7-10

2nd reading: 1 Corinthians 2:1-5

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:13-16

**NO 2ND COLLECTION TODAY 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK  
CATHOLIC CARE**

23/1/2011	1st Collection	2nd Coll. Church Bldg Fund
<b>Total</b>	<b>2104.31</b>	<b>413.15</b>
Cash	862.06	231.65
S / O	970.51	181.50
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	271.74	—

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.

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 St Anne's 8032 8200, St George 8032 2603