



21ST NOVEMBER 2010
OUR LORD JESUS
CHRIST, UNIVERSAL
KING



CITY CENTRE
CATHOLIC PARISH,
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



SUFFERING KING

The media are ecstatic with the announcement of Prince William and Catherine Middleton's wedding next year. Such events seem to boost the morale of people.

As they plan their special day Prince William and Kate are aware that they must not to be too extravagant in the present economic climate. By nature they probably wouldn't be anyway. Nevertheless the day will be full of pomp and ceremony. It will be full of pageantry, ritual and, I am sure, visually and musically stunning. It will be obvious from all who see and watch it that it is a Royal Wedding. It will leave no-one in doubt that this is a future King and Queen getting married.

Christ's Kingship is of an entirely different kind. As we hear in today's Gospel our King reigns not with pomp and ceremony but from a cross! The 'power' of Christ the King lies in frailty, suffering and death! As opposed to every other king, Christ is unguarded. He disavows the protection of armies. He rejects self-defence. He abjures force. This is a king? No, this is a scandal. This is a stumbling block.

The mystery of the Cross is so difficult for humans to comprehend that even Christians have devoted their lives and scholarship to ignoring the awful truth of Christ's sovereignty. Christ's kingship is an abomination for any earthly royal aspiration. It is an assault upon the desires of every tribe or nation that ever craved ascendancy (*John Kavanaugh, S.J*)

In celebrating Christ's Kingship at the end of the year we are forced to remember and reflect on the fact that our salvation is achieved because God has spoken a 'Word' that has become 'enfleshed' and defies human cleverness! God in Christ upturns worldly values and systems and in doing so enables us to be 'lifted up', to be 'recreated', and to be 'resurrected' now and for all time.

We are called to be that 'Word'. We are called to defy human cleverness. We are called, in Christ and with Christ (end of Eucharistic Prayer) to upturn worldly values and systems so that all can experience the power of God's love, a love that heals, uplifts and transforms.

Vincent Harvey

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. What Gospel passage would I have chosen for this Feast?
2. What does today's Gospel teach me about Christ's way of life?
3. For me to say Christ is my King means.....?

TODAY - SUNDAY 21st NOVEMBER



BAPTISM: We welcome into our faith community **Niamh Magee** daughter of Stewart & Rebecca who is to be baptised at St. Edmund's Church at 12.30pm.

A NOBLE ADVENTURE: Youth event in St Patrick's, Woolston 1pm – 6pm. A mixture of talks, various activities, workshops and finishing with a youth Mass. Come along to take part or to help out. **WYD 2011 Prep. meeting also happening at this event.** Tel. Peter McGeedy 077 6925 8378 for further info.

SOUTHAMPTON COUNCIL OF FAITHS ceremony to celebrate the start of National Interfaith Week 4.00pm for 4.30—5.30 at Medina Mosque, Compton Walk, off St. Mary's Road, Southampton, SO14 0BH. Come and join the faith communities in Southampton for a time of prayer and contemplation.

FILIPINO CHOIR 7.00pm Mass, rehearsal at 6.00pm.



RECENTLY DIED: **Matthew Ralph** late of Wilton Manor Nursing Home, Southampton. Funeral at 1pm on Wed. 24th Nov. in the West Chapel, Southampton Crematorium. Our sympathy to his family. **May he rest in peace.**

NOVEMBER—MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE: A month long celebration of remembrance and prayer for those who have gone before us. Write the names of your deceased family members in The Book of the Dead.

THIS WEEK

NATIONAL INTERFAITH WEEK 21st - 27th Nov. 2010 across England & Wales for the 2nd time. The aims are to strengthen good interfaith relations and increase awareness of the different and distinct faith communities in the UK, celebrating and building on the contribution members make to their neighbourhoods and wider society; and increase understanding between people of religious and non-religious belief. It builds on the very successful pattern of events held last November. Hampshire Interfaith Network. www.hants-interfaith.org. email: info@hants-interfaith.org.

CHANGE OF MASS TIME: Mass on Tues. 23rd Nov. at St. Edmund's will be at **9.30am not 10am.**

WELLSPRING PRAYER GROUP meet on Tuesday evenings in St. Edmund's Hall at 8.00 pm.

TOWARDS THE TURNING OF THE YEAR: an evening of reflection preparing for Advent. 7.30pm—9.00pm Wed. 24th Nov. in the Wisdom Centre, Wisdom House, Romsey, SO51 8EL. Tel. 017 9483 0206.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Or knowing more about our faith? If so, please come and join our **Journey in Faith** group on Wed. 24th Nov. at 7.45pm in St. Edmund's Hall.

CCPG to meet 7.45pm Wed. 24th Nov. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

SCCCF to meet 7.45pm Wed. 24th Nov. in St. Edmund's Presbytery (breakfast room).



WHITE RIBBON WALK against domestic abuse. Meet at 7pm for 7.30pm Thurs. 25th Nov. at Holyrood Church, Below Bar Street. Walk will take approx. 1 hour). Tel. 023 8083 3988. Helpline: 0800 2000 247

INSPIRE: New group for people aged 11-13 from 7pm—8.30pm Fri. 26th Nov in St. Boniface Church Hall, Shirley. A mixture of activities, games and learning about our faith. Contact Peter McGeedy 077 6925 8378, e-mail pmcgeady@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION WORKSHOP for parents and children 10.30am—12 noon Sat. 27th Nov. in the Stella Maris Centre and St. Joseph's Hall.

HEAL THEM AND STRENGTHEN THEM, LORD: St. Edward the Confessor, 10.30am—3.30pm Sat. 27th Nov. in 191—193 Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, SO53 2DU. A day on making good use of the rites of the Scrutinies in the RCIA. Please bring a packed lunch (tea and coffee will be provided).

FOR INFO: Mon: Day off: VH
Mon-Fri: PL leading retreat in Edinburgh
Tues: Diocesan Schools Committee: VH
St George's Presentation Evening: VH
Wed: Supervision: VH
Sat: Family Baptism: VH



NEXT WEEKEND

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Mass of Inscription of candidates into the First Holy Communion Programme at 9am and 10am Masses, Sun. 28th Nov.



ST. JOSEPH'S & ST. EDMUND'S CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Sunday 28th November
St Edmund's Hall
10.00 am - 1.00pm

Donations of bottles, preserves, gifts,
bric-a-brac & homemade cakes. Draw tickets
available today after Mass.

GOSPEL CHOIR 7pm Mass, Sun. 28th Nov.

NEXT WEEK

YOUTH PROJECT meeting 7.30pm Tues. 30th Nov. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

WORLD AIDS DAY— Wednesday 1st December.

ADVENT EVENING OF REFLECTION: *Stewards of the Story: Isaiah and John the Baptist.* 7.30pm—9pm Wed. 1st Dec. Wisdom Centre, Romsey, SO51 8EL.

DAY OF RECOLLECTION for Ministers of Communion, Readers, Musicians 9.45am—4pm Sat. 4th Dec at Douai Abbey, Reading, RG7 5TQ. Tel. 011 8971 5333. Share lunch, beverages & soup will be provided.

MASS OF HEALING (with anointing) at 11am on Sat. 4th Dec. in St. Edmund's Church.



G.F. HANDEL MESSIAH: PART ONE • *Hallelujah* • Amen. Cantores Michaelis. The Musicians of St. Michael's Caroline Balding and Keith Davis directors.

6.30pm Sun. 5 Dec. 2010
St. Michael's Church, Bugle Street,
Southampton, SO14 2AG.

Concert presented by the Music Dept. of the University of Southampton, and the City Centre church communities of St. Michael's, St. Joseph's and St. Edmund's. All proceeds to Christian Aid and CAFOD. **Homemade mince pies, sausage rolls, brie & tomato tartlets, chips & dips & wine & refreshments in St. Joseph's Church Hall, Bugle Street after the performance. Tickets £10 incl. eats/refreshments for sale after all Masses or from the Parish Office.**

GENERAL ITEMS

SILENT RETREAT Mon. 6th—Fri. 10th Dec. A chance to have time to rest, pray, meditate, enjoy the countryside and simply to be, with the opportunity of participating in the monastic prayer. Cost £130. Douai Abbey, Upper Woolhampton, Reading RG7 5TQ. E-mail: douaiabbey@aol.com. Tel. 011 8971 5333.

SOUTHAMPTON CITY CHRISTMAS CONCERT IN AID OF AOS: 7pm Mon, 13th Dec. Mayor of Southampton & Southampton Youth Brass Band & local choirs; hosted by Nick Girdler of BBC Radio Solent. At the Ocean Terminal, access via Dock Gate 4, Eastern Docks, free parking. Refreshments afterwards. A family event, all welcome. Tel. Rev Roger Stone 07963 345618 for info.

SOUTHAMPTON SINGS: Carol Service at St. Mary's Stadium 17th Dec. 7.15 - 8.30pm. **We are doing a block booking for the parish. Please leave your names on the sheet in the porch if you wish to attend and the money for your tickets to Fr. Vincent, Fr. Paul or the Parish office.** Tickets are £4 or £12 for a family of 4. The money will go towards the **Southampton Passion** which will take place in the Guildhall Square Friday 22nd April 2011. Website address: www.southamptonpassion.org.uk.

Martha's Parish Gift Shop in Bedford
Place for all those special gifts, religious
cards and nativity cribs, lovely new gifting
lines now available.

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

CHRISTMAS CARDS & GIFTS NOW ON SALE IN THE REPOSITORY. Little red robins and snow make pretty pictures, however Christmas is about the birth of the Saviour of the world with the true message of Christmas.

CAFOD Volunteers wanted! Join our team of fully trained School Volunteers and help children and young people become aware of poverty and injustice, and how they can create a fairer world. Experience in school not essential but may help. Full training and support provided. Contact CAFOD Portsmouth on portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or call us on 01252 329385 for more details.

CAFOD World Gifts - If you're stuck for ideas this Christmas or want to try and give your friends, colleagues and loved ones something really meaningful, why not consider buying a CAFOD World Gift and help people fight poverty and injustice all over the world! Gifts start from as little as £7 and range from school starter packs to tools for an apprentice and water for a family. Web: cafod.org.uk/worldgifts.

ALONE THIS CHRISTMAS? Come and join our Franciscan Community of Friars & Sisters at Cold Ash Centre and celebrate the real meaning of Christmas. 24th—27th Dec. Cold Ash Centre, Thatcham, RG18 9HU. Tel. 016 3586 5353. See Notice Board.

TALL SHIPS ADVENTURES: Calling all young people between the ages of 12—25! Would you like to join a group of young people from different faiths for an adventure of a lifetime! From 27th Dec. 2010 — 2 Jan. 2011, the Southampton Council of Faiths, in partnership with Tall Ships Adventures are offering 18 young people the opportunity to join this exciting trip. Go to www.southampton-faiths.org/tallships and fill in the enquiry form. See Notice Board.

THANKS RECEIVED FROM: MONGU: £746.00; **CAFOD:** £107.00, amount received from the Diocese so far £358,476.00; **The Medaille Trust:** £545.00.

BAPTISED PEOPLE: 'light in the darkness' 21st—23rd Jan. 2011, weekend of opportunity to explore how we are called, as baptised people, to share our faith and experience with others. Practical sessions, input, prayer, reflection and liturgy. See Notice Board.

THANK YOU FROM ROS COYLE to Fr. Vincent, Judy and all parishioners who sent cards of condolence, had Masses said and supported her during her bereavement.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2010

SAT	VIGIL MASS 20 NOVEMBER		6.15PM SJ NORA HUNTER RIP (MH) 7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
SUN	21 NOVEMBER	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING	9.00AM SE FELIX & MONICA MCCARTAN RIP (F) 10.00AM SJ BARRY USCINSKI RIP (MMcD) 11.00AM SE OLIVIA & JOY HOLLAND SPECIAL INTS. (AR) 7.00PM SE MILDRED SPECIAL INTENTIONS (M)
TUES	23 NOVEMBER	34TH WEEK OF O.T.	9.30AM SE JOSIE FRANKLIN & JEANNE CARNEY BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS (AW)
WED	24 NOVEMBER	34TH WEEK OF O.T.	7.00PM SE GRACE MBOTELA PRIVATE INTENTION & THANKSGIVING (PL)
THURS	25 NOVEMBER	34TH WEEK OF O.T.	12.15PM SJ THANKSGIVING (PL)
FRI	26 NOVEMBER	34TH WEEK OF O.T.	7.00PM SE JOHN JAMES MURPHY RIP (F)
SAT	27 NOVEMBER	OUR LADY ON SATURDAY	11.00AM SE CLEMENTINA ADEBAYO RIP (AP) 6.15PM SJ EDDIE WELCH RIP (DN) 7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
SUN	28 NOVEMBER	1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	9.00AM SE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH 10.00AM SJ ELLEN LIVETT RIP (PL) 11.00AM SE MICHAEL BRENNAN RIP (EB) 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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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

Psalm Response

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
 "Let us go to God's house."

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David! **Alleluia!**

Prayer of the Church week 2

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER

1ST SUNDAY IN ADVENT YEAR A

1st reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

2nd reading: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel Reading: Matthew 24:37-44

	2nd COLLECTION TODAY CATHOLIC CARE	2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEK CHURCH BUILDING FUND
14/11/2010	1st Coll.	2nd Coll. Youth Project
Total	£2369.53	£351.44
Cash	812.55	124.94
S / O	1216.39	226.50
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	340.59	-

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.

Our Catholic Schools: Springhill Catholic Primary 8033 3954
 St Anne's 8032 8200, St George 8032 2603