



28 AUGUST 2016

**22nd SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY
TIME**



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

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF
PORTSMOUTH REG. CHARITY NO. 246871

SOUTHAMPTON CENTRAL, WEST &
EAST DEANERY ALSO INCLUDES:

- ST. BONIFACE, SHIRLEY
- HOLY FAMILY, MILLBROOK
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL,
LORDSWOOD
- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,
PORTSWOOD
- CHRIST THE KING &
ST. COLMAN'S, BITTERNE
- OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION,
HEDGE END
- ST BRIGID, WEST END
- ST. PATRICK'S, WOOLSTON
- THE ANNUNCIATION,
NETLEY ABBEY



THE POSITIVE VALUE OF SELF-EFFACEMENT

Uriah Heep, the character in *David Copperfield*, is far from a useful model of humility. His humility is of a cloying unctuous, obsequiousness, and complete insincerity. True humility, Christian humility, is nothing less and nothing more than true humanity. Both words have indeed the same root. On the path of humility, Christ alone shows us the perfect way. Indeed, those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Jesus observes the figurative jostling for places at dinner in his parable this week. Nowadays, maybe it is not always about the best places at a dinner. Maybe it is about having the nicest car or house. Maybe it is about being able to keep up with our neighbours. Maybe it is about having our own way. Maybe it is about political power, or about cultural status, or about striving for more material things than we really need. Maybe it is about the use of military or economic power by nations. Maybe it is about consuming more than others. Maybe it is about getting our self worth by being better than someone else. Maybe it is about being a celebrity at any cost.

Jesus seems to be saying that we should consider taking the lowest place. Jesus' message is a challenge to individual behaviour. Jesus' message is a challenge to our institutions and organisations. Jesus' message is a challenge to those with political power. Jesus' message is a challenge to those who want to use military power. Jesus' message is a challenge to the nations of the world, and to the large international companies of our day.

If we get trapped by the desire always to be better than someone else, we miss something. If we try to get our value by saying our race is better, or our ethnic group is better, or our group is better than yours, then we miss something. If we get trapped by some kind of striving for wealth, or material things, or status, we miss something. We miss the truth and freedom of Jesus Christ.

Jesus challenges our culture of upward mobility by inviting the lowest and neediest to the banquet. Jesus creates an option for the poor. Jesus invites us to something more than possessions and power over others. Jesus offers a path to great life, and peace, and happiness. Jesus guides us to humbly recognise the dignity and worth of other people and to leave the ranking to God.

Andy Philpott

TODAY SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 2016

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our faith community:



Jonah Taylor, son of Benjamin & Tamlyn
Stanislaw Arlukowicz, son of Adam & Karoline
Reagan Nolan, daughter of David & Kelly
Joseph Hayes, son of Alexander & Philippa
being baptised at 11:30am at St Joseph's.

WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to:



Peter Chrenko & Katarina Janekova getting married at 2pm today St Joseph's Church. May God bless them all the days of their lives.

RECENTLY DIED: **Evelyn Rose Nolan** (4 years old) late of



Church Lane, Highfield, Southampton. Requiem Mass 10am Friday 2 September in St Edmund's Church. Private burial. May her dear soul rest in peace. Please keep Elliot, Debbie, Fergus, grandparents and all the family in your prayers.

THIS WEEK

SUMMER BANK HOLIDAY Monday 29 August. St Edmund's Church closed, no Adoration.



AUGUST BANK HOLIDAY CREAM

TEAS: 2pm—4pm Monday 29 August at St Dominic's Priory, Sway, New Forest. Entrance fee £4.50. See notice board.

SEEKERS' COURSE continues with an introduction to the Catholic faith and life. Topic for this *last* meeting is The meaning of Love, starts 7:30pm Thursday 1 September in St Edmund's Hall. All welcome.

WEDDING BELLS: Congratulations to **Brian Harrison and Nicola Royale** who are getting married at 2pm Friday 2 September in St Edmund's Church. May God Bless them all the days of their lives.



CAFOD YEAR OF MERCY—REFUGEE SOLIDARITY WALKING PILGRIMAGE TO PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL Saturday 3 September. Depart 9:30am from St Thomas' Church, Emsworth, PO10 7QP (10.8 miles) arrive St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth at 5pm. Mass at 6pm. (Joining points along the way, see noticeboards for all the details).

NEXT WEEKEND:

ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE 2pm Sunday 4 September at Lepe. Starting point Lepe country Park (SO45 1AD). Tel. 023 8022 3389. See noticeboard.

NEXT WEEK:

CONFRATERNITY OF THE ROSARY—A visit to the Divine Mercy Church Slough and then to Ealing, Thursday 8 September (Our Lady's Birthday). After viewing the church with its stained glass windows, one of Sr. Faustino and another of Pope John Paul II, the group are invited for lunch. Leaving for Ealing at 1:15pm. Holy Mass at 2:30pm followed by Divine Mercy prayers at 3pm, includes tea. Coach home at 3:45pm. Coach pick up at St Edmund's, The Avenue. For time of coach and to book please phone 023 9282 0744. Cost of coach £28pp.

BAMENDA COMMITTEE MEETING 7pm Thursday 8 September in St Edmund's Presbytery.

ALPHA 2 REUNION & FINAL MEETING CELEBRATION 7pm Thursday 8 September in St Edmund's Hall for all attendees and facilitators. *Bring and share!*

PILATES WITH HILARY *recommences* Friday 9 September at 10am in St Edmund's Hall.

CAFOD PORTSMOUTH SUPPORTERS' MEETING **Saturday 10 September** from 10am until 1:30pm at St Bede's RC Primary School (Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX) where they will explore their Harvest resources and hear more about CAFOD's work in Bolivia. To book call 01252 329385 / portsmouth@cafod.org.uk.

MONTHLY 'PRAISE & WORSHIP' MASSES starting from **6pm for 6:30pm Sunday 11 September** at St Margaret Mary's, Park Gate followed by a 'bring and share' supper and fellowship in the hall. All welcome!

APPEAL AT ALL MASSES by Francis Davis on Sunday 11 September on behalf of International Young Leaders Network.

GENERAL ITEMS:

POETRY SHARE: YEAR OF MERCY 'Reaching Out: The Outsider' 7pm Thursday 15 September in St Joseph's Church, Bugle Street. All welcome. See noticeboard.

ST ANNE'S IN ACTION: A state funded 11-18 Catholic school for girls with a mixed sixth form. Places are open to all families seeking a school with a Christian ethos. **Open morning 5 October for Yr 4, 5 & 6.** Arrive between 9am and 10am for guided tours of the school in action and a presentation from the Head girls and Year 7 students.

At the **open evening Wednesday 5 October for Yr 4, 5 & 6** you will be able to visit all subject areas, tour the school and take part in activities that will be provided and talk to students and staff. At the **open evening Wednesday 12 October for Yr 9, 10 & 11** you will be able to explore the 'Outstanding 16 to 19 programmes' (Ofsted 2016) offered at St Anne's Sixth Form College. Staff and students will be on hand to talk about A level courses on offer and give you a glimpse of the exceptional sixth form experience. See website: www.st-annes.uk.com.

CONFIRMATION 2017: The Sacrament of Confirmation for our Pastoral Area will next be celebrated by Bishop Philip Egan on Saturday 27 May 2017 at 11am in **St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth**. It is for those aged 13 by 31 August 2016, i.e. mostly school Year 9, but also older. Those eligible must be attending Mass at St Joseph's or St Edmund's (6:15pm, 9am, 10am, 11am or 7pm). **The first session of the programme is on Sunday 9 October 2016, and thereafter on the 2nd Sunday of the month (with a retreat weekend 13th & 14th May 2017).** Each session is from 2pm-4 pm in **St. Boniface Hall, Shirley**.

Candidates need to send a short letter or e-mail to Father Vincent (vharvey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) applying to join the programme and saying why they would like to be confirmed. **Closing date to apply is 30 September 2016.** (Father Vincent is away the last week of August and 3 weeks in September.)



BAPTISM OF POLAND—CONCERT WITH ‘AVE VERUM’ CHOIR: This year Poland has been celebrating the 1050th anniversary of its baptism. The conversion to Christianity began in the year 966 with the baptism of Mieszko I, the first ruler of Poland and most of his court. As a result, Poland joined the ranks of established European states recognised by the papacy. To mark this occasion a concert called ‘*Bogiem Slawiena*’ is being organised. **The Polish Choir ‘Ave Verum’ from London** will be performing in **St Edmund’s Church on 17 September at 5pm**. The concert ends at 6:30pm and will be followed by Mass at 7pm. On behalf of the Polish Community and ‘Ave Verum’ choir you are cordially invited.

SPRINGHILL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL VACANCY—ASSISTANT SITE MANAGER. For further details and an application form please visit the school website www.springhillcatholic.co.uk/staff-vacancies. Closing date 12noon Monday 5 September.

SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND 2016: at the new venue St. George Catholic College, Leaside Way, Southampton. Starts **Saturday 24 September 9am—9pm** and **Sunday 25 September 9am—5:30pm**. Speakers **Ros Powell, Russ Parker, Emily Leakey and Michelle Moran**. To book online go to www.celebrateconference.org or call 023 8029 2058.

CALLED AND GIFTED TEACHING AND RETREAT WEEKEND 1– 2 OCTOBER 2016 taking place at Cold Ash Retreat Centre, Newbury. A time of teaching, discussion, praying, reflections, opportunity for Confession and Adoration. Starts 11am on 1st and finishes at 3:30pm on the 2nd. Cost £70 to cover accommodation and meals. Email csimpson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to book.

FOYER DE CHARITÉ RETREAT: from Sunday evening 2 October—Saturday midday 8 October at St Joseph’s, Ashurst (New Forest). Foyer retreats are held mainly in silence, with three talks a day covering major aspects of the Catholic faith, helping participants to deepen their life of prayer and Christian life. Contact Mgr. Keith Barltrop Mobile No. 07879 953 953 or email keithbarltrop@rcdow.org.uk. See noticeboards for info.

CAR PARKING: A reminder that Park Centrale Estate is private and no parking is allowed.

DAY FOR CATECHISTS 10am to 4pm Saturday 15 October at Portsmouth Cathedral with Bishop Philip Egan. The day will include:

- Pilgrimage through the Holy Door
- Keynote speech by Bishop Philip
- Mass of thanksgiving celebrated by Bishop Philip
- Lunch provided
- Practical workshops to discover/help the work of catechesis
- Times for sharing and discussion

Register by calling 01590 681 875 or online at website www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation or email: ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

THANK YOU to Father Vincent and parishioners from Claire Donnarumma for the kindness shown to their family on the death of their mother, Jenni. They felt really loved and supported. It is very much appreciated.



EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS TRAINING: Fr Antony Gatt will be running a training course for those wishing to volunteer as Extraordinary Ministers. **These will be run on Tuesdays 18 & 25 October and 1 November at 7:30pm in Immaculate Conception Church, Portswood Road.** Forms available from St Edmund’s Lodge. Let Father Vincent know if you would like to volunteer as an Extraordinary Minister at St Joseph’s or St Edmund’s; they are needed at all Masses. **There will be practical training in our parish St Edmund’s Church Saturday 15 October at 1pm (halfway through the course).**

DIOCESAN LAUDATO SI’ CONFERENCE 10am to 3pm Saturday 12 November at the Winchester Discovery Centre, Jewry Street, Winchester (opposite St Peter’s Church). Chaired by Bishop Philip Egan. *Speakers include Prof. Mary Grey and Rev Dr Augusto Zampini on Laudato Si’ and Robert Nutchison on the Paris Summit Conference.* Panel discussion, refreshments and lunch provided. Suggested donation £5. Register by email at laudatosi12nov@gmail.com.

TASTE OF CHRISTMAS AT THE DELMONT HOTEL, SCARBOROUGH trip away for the elderly from 12—16 December 2016. Cost £218pp includes return coach travel, half board accommodation, all rooms en-suite, live entertainment, 2 full day excursions, inclusive of £1 house bar 7–10pm nightly. Call Anne Monaghan 8033 3589 if you are interested. *Arranged by Opal Travel Group.* See noticeboard for more info.

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT FOR CARITAS MANAGEMENT BOARD: Caritas Diocese of Portsmouth will be launched in November 2016 at the close of the Year of Mercy. The Caritas Management Board, reporting to the diocesan trustees, is seeking 2-4 experienced individuals with a passion for the work of Caritas, who cannot only contribute to the effective governance of the organisation, but have some capacity to offer a limited number of voluntary hours towards the development of Caritas. If you would like to be considered for one of these positions, and are not an employee of the Diocese of Portsmouth, email caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Caroline Gailor, Rosa Santos, Irene Cartledge, Tony McCall, Father David Hutton, Lucky & Sujata, Mano, Nelum, Karen Nugent (op recovery), Felicity Singleton (op. recovery), Sheila and Clare Morris, Morris & Patricia Penny, John Redhead, Jackie Duggan, Esther Pananwela, Noreen Kealy, Kay Kelly, Colm O’Riordan, Valerie Summerton (op recovery), Simon Parry, Sue Tutton, Alex Boyle, Janette Brookes, Joy Grant, Joanne Cunio, Ludwig Basisty, Irene Green, JL, Malcolm Cross, Teresa Adams (stroke recovery), Judy Brown, O’Hanlon family, John Morris, Paul Sassu, Moyra Clearkin, Peter Scott, Phyllis Grattan, HE, Virginia Monteiro, Maria Annunziata, Jean Kaye, Vera Morris, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, Maria Farrao, NW, Bosco and Myra Andrade, Joe Sculley, Josie Franklin, John O’Reilly, Bridget Busk, Pam Bennett, Pauldia Grant, Laura Pinson and all parishioners who are ill, having surgery or on our prayer list.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 2016

*(Key to City Centre Catholic Masses below are SJ = St Joseph's Church, Bugle Street, SO14 2AH and SE = St Edmund's Church, The Avenue, SO17 1XJ)

SAT	27 AUGUST	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM	*SJ	ANTHONY & MARY ROUSE—GOD'S LOVE & BLESSINGS ON THEIR MARRIAGE AND ALWAYS (BM, TG & PG)
			7:00PM	SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	28 AUGUST	22nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM	SE	ALEX AITKEN RIP (GC)
			10:00AM	SJ	CHARLES KUITENBROUWER RIP (IK)
			11:00AM	SE	KUSUM'S 1ST ANNIVERSARY RIP (ANUSHKA)
			7:00PM	SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
TUES	30 AUGUST	SS MARGARET CLITHEROW, ANNE LINE & MARGARET WARD	10:00AM	SE	RUSSELL MYLES RIP—10th ANNIVERSARY (BRIDIE, NICKY & JOSEPH MYLES)
WED	31 AUGUST	22nd WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM	SE	PHIL—A MOTHER'S INTENTIONS (MM)
THURS	1 SEPTEMBER	22nd WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	12:15PM	SJ	LEN HUNT RIP (KK)
FRI	2 SEPTEMBER	22nd WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	10:00AM	SE	REQUIEM MASS: EVELYN ROSE NOLAN RIP
			7:00PM	SE	JON—A MOTHER'S INTENTIONS (MM)
SAT	3 SEPTEMBER	ST GREGORY THE GREAT	11:00AM	SE	ANGUS MacKINNON RIP (DMMack)
			6:15PM	SJ	KEN & ALISON ROUSE & FAMILY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING FOR YOUR 40th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY (BM, TG & PG)
			7:00PM	SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	4 SEPTEMBER	23rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM	SE	SEBASTIAN MONTEIRO RIP (F)
			10:00AM	SJ	MADELEINE ELIZABETH WARBURG RIP
			11:00AM	SE	RANJITH'S 70th BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (ANUSHKA & FRANCIS)
			7:00PM	SE	EDGAR WARDROP RIP (2nd ANNIVERSARY) (TW)

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Prayer of the Church Week 2

SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 2016
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Psalm Response

In your goodness, O God,
 you prepared a home for the poor.

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my
 Father will love him, and we shall come to him.

Alleluia!

READINGS SUNDAY 4 SEPTEMBER 2016

23rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 9:13—18
 Second Reading: Philemon 9—10, 12—17
 Gospel Reading: Luke 14:25—33

2ND COLLECTION TODAY	2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK
CATHOLIC HOME CARE	CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND

Collections 21.8.16	1st
Total	£2,569.50
Cash	998.74
S / O	1,256.61
Gift Aid Tax	314.15

Thank you for your generous contributions. 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