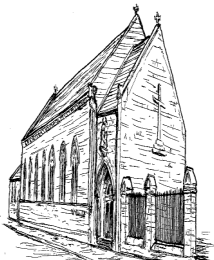


20TH
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2009

25TH SUNDAY
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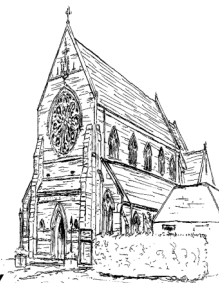
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A Stewardship Parish in
a Stewardship Diocese



SOUTHAMPTON CENTRAL AND WEST PASTORAL AREA

ALSO INCLUDES ST. BONIFACE, ST. VINCENT DE PAUL & HOLY FAMILY

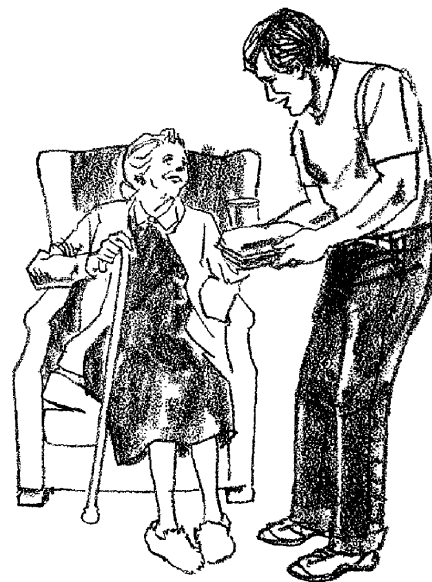


HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Fr. Paul writes:

'They will know him by the good works that you do'.

We all know someone who needs to hear the good news that God loves them unconditionally. Home Mission Sunday which we celebrate this weekend provides us as a community to reflect, pray and be empowered to share that Good news with the many people we encounter every day. This year's theme is *'they will know Him by the good works that you do'* and has been chosen in careful response to the content of the scripture readings for the day and the current economic climate. As a parish community we are being invited to consider how we can evangelise by showing our faith through loving support and service of those in need at this time. We are reminded to use the opportunities that present themselves to explain the reasons for our actions – in response to the love of Christ (*1 Peter 3: 15*).



OUR LUST FOR POWER AND CONTROL!

The Gospel this Sunday focuses on an altogether very human encounter. As they make their way to Capernaum a row breaks out between the disciples as to who is the greatest. Such an incident – not that far removed from our own behaviour at times – gives the Gospels an authentic flavour. It could hardly be described as a piece of propaganda – to be squabbling as to who is the greatest hardly shows the disciples in the best light. Instead their insecurity and self-doubt are on show for us all to see. Once again, we see the logic of Jesus and the Gospel turn things on their head. If you want to be great – Jesus tells them and us – become the least, the servant of all.

TODAY - SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER

SECOND COLLECTION: CASE (Catholic Agency to Support Evangelism) - Home Mission Sunday

WELCOME RITE Sunday 9am Mass



PARISH GET TOGETHER
Sunday 20th Sep.
12pm—4pm at
Springhill School
*A day of celebration,
reflection, fun and
sharing, for all ages.*



BAPTISM We welcome into our faith community Agatha Foy, daughter of Darren and Sandra who is to be baptised in St. Edmund's Church 12.30pm.

FILIPINO CHOIR—7pm Mass. Rehearsal 6pm.

RECENTLY DIED: June Whyman, Kerrigan Court, Westwood Road, Southampton. Funeral Mass on Fri. 25th Sep. at 12 noon in St. Edmund's Church. Died unexpectedly in Guernsey while staying with her brother Edward. June regularly received Holy Communion at her home. Cremation in Guernsey on Mon. 21st September. Our sympathy to the family. **May she rest in peace.**



THIS WEEK

MONDAY CLUB FOR SENIORS—Bingo, prizes, tea and cake. Please come and join us. 2pm—3.30pm every Monday in St. Edmund's Hall.

BAPTISM PREPARATION—All parents who have planned a baptism are invited to attend a special meeting on Mon. 21st Sep. 7pm—8pm in St. Edmund's Hall.

MANAGEMENT GROUP FOR YOUTH PROJECT to meet at 7.30pm on Tues. 22nd Sep. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

CHOIR REHEARSAL for 11am choir, Tues. 22nd 7.30pm in St. Edmund's Church. Please do come and join the choir, all welcome.

CHURCH CLOSED, ADORATION CANCELLED Wed. 23rd Sep. 9am—2pm due to organ tuning. Adoration to resume at 2pm.

CATHOLIC TEACHERS / EDUCATORS MASS—4.15pm Wed. 23rd Sep. at St. Anne's School, Carlton Road, Southampton. Reception to follow. All Catholic teachers & auxiliary staff welcome to attend, whether they teach or not in a Catholic School.

LITURGY GROUP to meet at 7.45pm on Wed. 23rd Sep. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Or knowing more about our faith? If so, please come and join us on Thursday 24th September at 7.30pm in St. Edmund's Hall. A warm welcome assured.

WELCOME TO FR. JACK PADUA who is to preside at the 12.15pm Mass at St. Joseph's on Thurs. 24th Sep.

WELCOME MASS FOR ST. ANNE'S Year 7 Pupils and Parents at 2.30pm on Fri. 25th Sep. in St. Edmund's Church.

NEXT WEEKEND

CELEBRATE WEEKEND

2009: At St Mary's College,

26-27 Sep. Faith and fun for the whole family. Variety of workshops and seminars.

Full programme of activities for children and young adults. Guest speakers etc.

Contact Lynda & Peter Szymanski Tel. 023 8029 2058. See Notice Board. Website: www.celebrateconference.org.

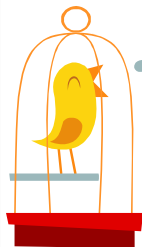


GOSPEL CHOIR 7pm Sun. 27 Sep. Rehearsal 6pm

NEXT WEEK

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE—open evening Monday 28th Sep. 6.30pm—9pm. 57 Midanbury Lane, Bitterne Park. Tel. 023 8067 1267. Entry points for boys and girls 3—11 yrs (Charlton House) and 11—16 yrs (Senior House). Entrance exam Sat. 16th Jan 2010 for Sep. 2010 entry. See Notice Board.

BAPTISM PREPARATION Mon. 28th Sep. 7pm—8pm in St. Edmund's Hall.



SING IT! Youth Gospel Choir

invites young people of 13+ to join in singing with this vibrant, modern Gospel choir. Due to begin again on **Monday 28th September in Springhill School 6.30pm—9pm.** All welcome. Professional tutors to lead the singing.

HEALING PRAYER EVENING

The Wellspring prayer meeting in St Edmund's Hall on Tues. 29th Sep. at 8.00 pm will focus on healing. This will be an opportunity to receive prayer for healing. All are welcome.



ST. GEORGE OPEN EVENING on Wed. 30th Sep. from 6.00pm. We encourage all parents with boys entering secondary education next year to explore the opportunities at St. George for quality Catholic education.

STEWARDSHIP GROUP to meet at 7.45pm Wed. 30th Sep. St. Edmund's Presbytery.

HARVEST FAST DAY Friday 2nd October.

FAREWELL PARTY FOR FR. GERRY at 7.30pm on Sat. 3rd Oct. in St. Joseph's Hall. All welcome, please come along to wish Fr. Gerry well in his new parish. Please bring a plate of finger food.

GENERAL ITEMS

BELIEVE—REFLECTIONS ON THE CREED—come and join us for an inspiring 6 part video series 7.15pm—9.00pm, 7th, 14th, 21st Oct. and 4th, 11th, 18th Nov. in St. Boniface Church Hall, Shirley. All welcome!

BARN DANCE Sat. 10th Oct. 7pm—10.45pm Colbury Hall, A27 Lyndhurst. See Notice Board.

WELCOME & RECEPTION FOR STUDENT'S
8pm after Mass
on Sun. 4th Oct.
in St. Edmund's Hall.
Student choir to lead singing at this Mass.



INVITATION to explore mission and message of St. Louis Marie De Montford at 3pm Sun. 11 Oct. at St. Joseph's Mission, Centre, Ashurst, SO40 7DU
PLEASE PRAY FOR Danny McKillen (had op. on Tues.), Teddy Blake (2 yrs), Faith (15 months), Kitty Cummings, Anthony Whelan, Joseph Smartt, Eileen Coles, Brian Cunio, Margaret Stobbart, Maria Mascarenhas, Sheila Morris, Yvonne Robertson and all parishioners who are sick or recovering. Please let parish office know if you would like to add someone to the list.

INVITATION TO JOIN the City Centre Pastoral Group (CCPG). We meet once a month to co-ordinate the various activities and initiatives within our parish. We need 2 volunteers to replace members. Offers to Fr. John, Fr. Paul or the parish office.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ST. ANNE'S on their excellent GCSE results, 87% gained 5 A* - C grades. 78% gained 5 grades A*-C incl. English and Maths. Best results in any maintained school in Southampton and now in The Times list of top school in the country.

OPEN EVENING—ST. ANNE'S for entry into Year 7, 1st Oct. 5.30pm—8pm. Entry into Lower 6th, 6th Oct. 6pm-8pm. See Notice Board.

GREEN LIVING CONFERENCE Sat. 3rd Oct. 10am—3.30pm, Avenue St. Andrews Church. Speaker Chris Packham BBC Spring Watch.

SOUTHAMPTON CATHOLIC DINNER & DANCE Saturday 28th November at the Novotel Hotel. Tickets reduced to £25. Now is the time to arrange and join a table of 8—10 people. Further information from St. Edmund's 8033 3589.



FOLLOWING ROTAS NOW AVAILABLE IN THE SACRISTY:

- 11AM MASS CO-ORDINATORS
- 11AM MASS WELCOMERS
- READERS
- EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS



VISIT OF RELICS OF ST. THÉRÈSE



The Child of Grace (Thérèse of Lisieux)
Full version
by Mike Stanley © CIM Music Ltd 2009

Ste. Thérèse: "For me, prayer is a surge of the heart; it is a simple look turned toward Heaven, it is a cry of recognition & of love, embracing both trial & joy; in a word, something noble, supernatural, which enlarges my soul and unites it to God ... I have not the courage to look through books for beautiful prayers ... I do as a child who has not learned to read, I just tell our Lord all that I want and He understands.

Our diocese were blessed to have Ste. Thérèse of Lisieux make her home with us for 24 hours in the Cathedral from Wednesday 16th Sep. For those who were able to honour God in the life and works of one of the greatest saints or our modern era, the memories will stay with us forever. We all prayed together seeking the intercession of Ste. Thérèse that she will teach us her Little Way into the heart of the Lord. Fr. John joined the procession for the Welcome Mass when the relics arrived; some attended the Mass with the Anointing of the Sick and the Mass of Thanksgiving; others took part in the night vigil. Thousands of pilgrims passed through the Cathedral and were able to touch the casket & light candles. An event to be treasured!

Prayer to St. Thérèse

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus and of the Holy Face:
Teach us to follow your way of confidence and trust. Help us to realise that a Father's love watches over us Each day of our lives. Obtain for us the light to see in sorrow as in joy, in trials as in peace, the loving hand of our Father. Give us your own faith and trust, so that we may walk in darkness, as in light, holding fast to the way of love, knowing as you did,



**MASS INTENTIONS FOR
WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2009**

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| SAT | VIGIL MASS 19 SEPTEMBER | OUR LADY ON SATURDAY | 6.15PM SJ MARY JANE & JIM MCATEER RIP ANNIVERSARY (BM) 7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH |
| SUN | 20 SEPTEMBER | 25th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME | 9.00AM SE OMAVUEZI DAVID & HIS FAMILY SP. INTS. (OD) 10.00AM SJ CHARLES KUITENBROUWER RIP (IK) 11.00AM SE NAN HARTIGAN RIP (CH) 7.00PM SE BRENDAN GREALLY & FAMILY INTS. (DO'S) |
| TUES | 22 SEPTEMBER | 25th WEEK OF O.T. | 10.00AM SE PATRICK CREMINS INTENTIONS (PC) |
| WED | 23 SEPTEMBER | ST. PIO OF PIETRELCINA | 7.00PM SE MRS. O'KEEFE RIP (JS) |
| THUR | 24 SEPTEMBER | OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM | 12.15PM SJ JENNIFER LAGERWALL 21ST BIRTHDAY INTENTIONS (AW) |
| FRI | 25 SEPTEMBER | 25th WEEK OF O.T. | 12.00PM SE FUNERAL MASS—JUNE WHYMAN RIP 7.00PM SE GERALD HEALY RIP (JS) |
| SAT | 26 SEPTEMBER | OUR LADY ON SATURDAY | 11.00AM SE NORA CONLAN RIP (JS) 6.15PM SJ SEAN, KATHLEEN & STEWARD ADAMSON RIP (DC) 7.00PM SE MASS IN POLISH |
| SUN | 27 SEPTEMBER | 26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME | 9.00AM SE PETER TURNER RIP (M&S) 10.00AM SJ RAY GODDARD RIP (SB) 11.00AM SE BIRTHDAY INTENTION (SF) 7.00PM SE LEO LEEGY 7 YEARS BIRTHDAY INTENTION (LV) |

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25th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

Psalm Response

The Lord upholds my life

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
 anyone who follows Me will have the light of life.

Alleluia!

Prayer of the Church Week 1

SECOND COLLECTION

TODAY

**CASE (Catholic Agency to
 Support Evangelism)**

SECOND COLLECTION

NEXT WEEK

CATHEDRAL

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 27th SEPTEMBER

26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

First reading: Numbers 11:25-29

Second Reading: James 5:1-6

Gospel Reading: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

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