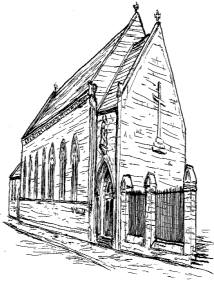


**30TH
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**22ND SUNDAY
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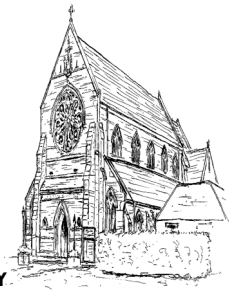
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ALSO INCLUDES ST. BONIFACE, ST. VINCENT DE PAUL & HOLY FAMILY**



FAREWELL TO FR. GERRY

Fr. John writes:

Sadly we have to say farewell to Fr. Gerry as he moves on to become 'Priest in Charge' of Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish in Southbourne, Bournemouth. He is to replace Fr. John Dunne who is to retire to Kiln Green Convent. Fr. Gerry has been with us for exactly a year. Prior to that he had served in Addiscombe and in Deptford in London. We have many good memories of Fr. Gerry, not least of which was his African dance during the procession of the gifts at the ordination of Fr. Paul Leonard. Fr. Gerry is now to have a holiday and then take up his new appointment for Sunday 27th September. Our prayers and good wishes to Fr. Gerry as he moves on to his new ministry in Bournemouth. A parish farewell has been arranged for Fr. Gerry on Saturday 3rd October in St. Joseph's Hall at 7.30pm (after Mass).

WELCOME TO FR. PAUL LEONARD

We are delighted to welcome Fr. Paul Leonard as our new Assistant Priest in the parish. We were honoured and blessed to be host to his ordination to Priesthood on 4th July. Fr. Paul is known to many in our community as a result of his time during his pastoral placement in our parish and also because he has been resident in St. Edmund's Presbytery during his holiday time. He comes to us fresh from his studies at Oscott College, Birmingham, full of enthusiasm and commitment to serve as a newly ordained priest in our community. Fr. Paul arrived on Thursday 27th August to take up his new position. A welcome reception has been arranged for him after the 10am Mass at St. Joseph's Church in the Stella Maris Centre on Sunday 30th August.

ARRIVAL OF NEW MUSICIANS

We are delighted to welcome Ian Richardson who is to help out with music at the 11am Mass at St. Edmund's and also Vince Morris who is to help out with music at the 10am Mass at St. Joseph's. Both Ian and Vince are due to begin studies in music at Southampton University. Ian has been leading a choir at his own parish near Guildford, he has recently got married and set up home in Fareham. We hope with the arrival of these 2 new musicians to help out with our choirs that new volunteers will come forward to join in the singing at Masses. It is a great blessing to us to have these 2 very gifted musicians.

TODAY - SUNDAY 30th AUGUST

SECOND COLLECTION: Church Building Fund.

RECEPTION FOR FR. PAUL LEONARD in the Stella Maris Centre after 10am Mass at St. Joseph's.

WELCOME RITE Sunday 11am Mass



WEDDING BELLS: Chris Ball & Carly le Marchal to wed at 1.30pm in St. Edmund's Church. May God bless them both all the days of their lives.

THIS WEEK

CHURCH CLOSED—NO ADORATION—PARISH OFFICE CLOSED on Monday 31st August due to the Bank Holiday.

WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON CLUB recommences Wed. 2nd Sep. Drivers urgently needed, if you can help, please contact the parish office.

SCHOOLS REOPEN ON FRIDAY 4TH SEP. not 3rd Sep. as mentioned in last week's Newsletter.

STUDENT CHOIR—Sun. 6th Sep.

NEXT WEEK

CHOIR REHEARSAL for 11am Mass with Ian Richardson on Tuesday 8th September at 7.30pm. New members are welcome.

SOUTHAMPTON COUNCIL OF FAITHS to meet at 7.30pm on Tues. 8th Sept. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

STEWARDSHIP GROUP to meet at 7.30pm on Wed. 9th Sept. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

HALF PINTS (BABY & TODDLER GROUP) starts again on Thurs. 10th Sept at 10am in St Edmund's hall.

COMMUNITY WEIGHT LOSS CHALLENGE—starts again on Thurs. 10th September at 6:30pm in the Stella Maris Centre. Cost £39 for 13 weeks of healthy eating, talks & weekly weigh-ins with cash prizes for the biggest weight losses. Places limited – Contact Catherine on 8033 4464.

NEXT WEEKEND

PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP to meet at 9.45am on Sat. 12th Sep. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

GOSPEL CHOIR—Sun. 13th Sep. 7pm Mass, rehearsal 6pm all welcome.

SOWETO GOSPEL CHOIR—Mayflower Theatre Sun. 13th Sep. 7.30pm. Ticket prices £18—£24. Tel. 8071 1811 or on-line: mayflower.org.uk. See Notice Board.

GENERAL ITEMS

SPRINGHILL SCHOOL beginning of school year Mass in Springhill 2pm Tues. 15th Sep. Presider Fr. John.

PASTORAL AREA PASTORAL COUNCIL to meet at 7.30pm Tues. 15th Sep. in St. Boniface Church Hall.

CITY CENTRE PASTORAL GROUP to meet at 7.45pm on Wed. 16th Sep. in St. Edmund's Presbytery.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Teddy Blake (2 yrs. diagnosed with liver cancer), Faith (15 months), Mary Berridge, Kitty Cummings, Anthony Whelan, Brian Cunio, Maria Mascarenhas, Sheila Morris and all parishioners who are sick or recovering. Please let parish office know if you would like to add someone to the list.

GIFT AID: do you need information on your Gift Aid contributions to complete your tax return for the Tax Year April 2008-09? Contact the parish office.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED HCPT

SOUTHAMPTON—GROUP 170 for Easter 2010. Contact Roxy Tel. 07590312407 .

AUGUST 200 CLUB WINNERS!

1ST PRIZE MRS. G. C. MCDONALD £30.00
2ND PRIZE MR. ANTONY CROFT £15.00

PARISH GET TOGETHER

Sunday 20th Sep. 12pm—4pm at Springhill School

CELEBRATE WEEKEND 2009: At St Mary's College, 26-27 Sep. Contact Lynda & Peter Szymanski Tel. 023 8029 2058.

VISIT OF RELICS OF ST. THÉRÈSE OF LISIEUX: 16th Sep. 2009, St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth.
See Notice Board for details



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? Or knowing more about our faith? If so, please come and join us on Thursday 17th September at 7.30pm in St. Edmund's Hall. A warm welcome assured.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 30th AUGUST 2009

VIGIL MASS 29th AUG	BEHEADING OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST	6.15PM SJ	SEAN, KATHLEEN & STEWART ADAMSON RIP (DC)	MASS IN POLISH
		7.00PM SE		
	22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9.00AM SE	WEDDING ANNIVERSARY INTS. (AW&NW)	
30th AUG		10.00AM SJ	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
		11.00AM SE	FRANCESCO PISANI (SP)	
		7.00PM SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
1 SEP	ST. JOHN VIANNEY	10.00AM SE	RUSS MYLES RIP (BM)	
2 SEP	22ND WEEK OF O.T.	7.00PM SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
3 SEP	ST. GREGORY THE GREAT	12.15PM SJ	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
4 SEP	22ND WEEK OF O.T.	7.00PM SE	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
5 SEP	OUR LADY ON SATURDAY	11.00AM SE	THANKSGIVING/WEDDING ANNIVERSARY/FAMILY INTENTION (MC)	
		6.15PM SJ	ESMÉ RALPHS BIRTHDAY INTS. (AW)	
		7.00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH	
6 SEP	23RD SUNDAY OF O.T.	9.00AM SE	SEBASTIAN MONTEIRO RIP (F)	
		10.00AM SJ	CONNOR GRIFFITHS BIRTHDAY INTS. (AW)	
		11.00AM SE	ANUSHKA PEACE PRAYER—WORLD PEACE (AP)	
		7.00PM SE	GARETH WHEELER BIRTHDAY INTS. (AW)	

22ND SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

Psalm Response: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life:
you have the message of eternal life. **Alleluia!**

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B)

First reading: Isaiah 35:4-7; Second Reading: James 2:1-5
Gospel Reading: Mark 7:31-37

COLLECTION 23/8/09: Cash £969, Standing Orders £1230, Gift Aid £363 = Total £2562