



**16 SEPTEMBER 2018**  
**TWENTY-  
FOURTH**  
**SUNDAY IN**  
**ORDINARY TIME**



**ST JOSEPH'S &  
ST EDMUND'S**  
**CITY CENTRE**  
**CATHOLIC PARISH**  
**SOUTHAMPTON**  
ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF  
PORTSMOUTH REG. CHARITY NO. 246871

**STELLA MARIS DEANERY**  
**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**



## **TO BE THE CROSS OF CHRIST**

Last Sunday we were reminded that we should not only profess the faith but that we should live the faith.

This Sunday we need to progress the challenge and not only take up the cross but 'be the cross.'

In the gospel Christ remonstrated with Peter because he did not understand the depth and implications of the commitment of discipleship. It would involve taking a share in the sufferings of Christ and each other. We in turn are called to put aside those things which we cling on to knowing in the depth of our hearts that they are not part of the kingdom: stability, material wealth, questionable relationships.

Denying ourselves is an acknowledgement that the temporary nature of the things that we hold on to is not where Christ is calling us to be.

Each of us will have our crosses to carry: broken relationships, childless marriages, state of life, instability, disability and sickness, but these are for a reason. Two weeks ago I spent a week with an amazing group of people who had truly learnt what it was to carry the cross of Christ in their daily acceptance of their disabilities and illness. Lourdes is truly a place where trials are not only endured but are lived for the sake of the gospel. And people come back again and again and again!

Each time we make the sign of the cross, as we enter church at the beginning of Mass, at the beginning of each prayer we are marking ourselves with that declaration. It cannot be a token, the Cross needs to be visible and lived. It is our uniform!

Our world is full of contradictions; reluctant democracy, rivalry, power and powerlessness, deception and self-interest. The Cross is often referred to as a contradiction, how can the Son of God be subjected to a criminal's death? But the message of the Cross is that God so loved the world .... We are commanded to love God with all our heart and soul and might and to love our neighbours as ourselves. That love will also be the Cross that we carry.

Our lives are made for eternity and the cross is the gateway to that eternity, the place where there will be no more suffering, no more tears.

Those around us should see an identification with the sufferings of the one that we follow, one another and ourselves and an acceptance of what this entails.

Let us be that Cross!

*Tina Quinn*

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### **THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK:**

1. "Who do people say I am?" Jesus asks the disciples in today's Gospel. Peter says "You are the Christ". Who is Jesus for you? What do you believe about Jesus? Where is 'The Christ' in your life?
2. "The Lord has opened my ear" Isaiah writes (1<sup>st</sup> reading). Do you allow your ear to 'be opened' by God? Do you listen to God? How? When? Where?
3. How do you 'judge' your faith (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)? Good works/faith: how are they connected in your life?

*Vincent Harvey*

## TODAY: SUNDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2018

**SECOND COLLECTION TODAY:** Home Mission Sunday.

**BAPTISMS:** We welcome into our faith community:



**Felizia-Savannah Dela Cruz**, daughter of Joel & Agnes  
**Princeton Fernandes**, son of Patrick & Loella  
**Zoe Dulay**, daughter of Erlito & Shaula  
**Riley Mazurek**, son of Rafal & Ashley, who are being baptised at 12:30pm today in St Edmund Church.



**FLOWER FESTIVAL HAS BEGUN AT ST JOSEPH CHURCH.** The theme this year is 'Peace'. The festival *runs from 10am – 4pm daily until Saturday 22 September.* Do go along and see the magnificent floral displays that have been created. All welcome!

### PARISH THEME SEPTEMBER—PEACE IN AND THROUGH EDUCATION:

Education for Peace: We pray for all young people in our schools and colleges. We pray that they may be encouraged to follow the way of peace and justice, that they may have the strength and confidence to speak up for what is right and true and that they as they grow in faith and love they are able to contribute to the building up of a fair and just community for all. We pray that every young person will be treated justly, will be safe and will be able to access their education according to their own needs.

### POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER:

**Universal: Young People in Africa.** That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

**ANNUAL MASS COUNTS** will take place on weekends of 23/30 September and 7/14 October.



**RECENTLY DIED: Mrs. Francesca Ardani** late of Redwood Close, West End. Funeral 10am Thursday 20 September in St Edmund Church followed by burial at Quob Lane Cemetery.

*May she rest in peace. Please keep her family in your prayers.*

## THIS WEEK

### FOR INFORMATION:

Mon JP day off

Wed VH back. VH on call to Hospital

Thurs VH on call to Hospital. Funeral: VH

Bamenda Committee: VH

Fri St George Mass (x2): VH

Sat Wedding: VH. Teams of Our Lady: VH

Sun Walking 'pilgrimage': VH

**INTERESTED IN FINDING MORE ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH?** Come along to the parish Journey in Faith group. They start to meet on Wednesday 19 September at 7:30pm in St Edmund Hall, Rockstone Place, SO15 2EQ and every Wednesday thereafter. They look forward to welcoming you. For more information, please contact the parish office.

**BAMENDA COMMITTEE MEETING** 7pm Thursday 20 September in St Edmund Presbytery.

**RICHARD ROHR GROUP** meet at 4:30pm Thursday 20 September in St Edmund Presbytery.

**PILATES WITH HILARY** 10am Fridays in St Edmund's Hall. Text Hilary 07786 617 302 to join.

**EU WELCOME INFO EVENING** 6pm Friday 21 September at St Edmund Lodge.

## NEXT WEEKEND



**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to **Sam Pascoe & Sarah Hogarth** who are getting married at 1pm on Saturday 22 September in St Edmund Church. May God bless them all the days of their lives.

### SAINT PADRE PIO OF PIETRELCINA REFLECTION DAY:

Father Des Connolly SMM invites you to join Padre Pio prayer groups and other devotees to celebrate Padre Pio's birthday/Feast day on **Sunday 23 September** on the 50th Anniversary of his death. Venue: Saint Joseph's Centre, 8 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7DU. Starts at **10am for 10:30am and finishes at 4pm and will include Mass.** A donation of £22.50 per person would be appreciated. Please bring a packed lunch.

**WALKING PILGRIMAGE IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY** to St Mary's, South Stoneham next **Sunday 23 September leaving St Edmund Church at 12:25pm.**

## NEXT WEEK

**BAPTISM PREPARATION** for parents who have booked to have their children baptised in the parish. From 7pm—8pm Tuesday 25 September in St Edmund Hall, Rockstone Place, Southampton, SO15 2EQ.

**ST ANNE'S SCHOOL** 'Day of Reflection' from 9am to 3pm Wednesday 26 September in St Edmund Church.

**MISSION TEAM** meeting 7pm Thursday 27 September in St Edmund Presbytery.

**POETRY SHARE—THEME 'JOY'!** 7:15pm Thursday 27 September in St Joseph Church, Bugle Street. Please bring a poem on the theme of 'joy'; one of your favourites or one you have written yourself, or just come and listen. But do come, you will be most welcome!



**WEDDING BELLS:** Congratulations to **Tom Bell & Tara Anglim** who are getting married at 1pm Saturday 29 September in St Edmund Church. God bless them all the days of their lives.

### PRAYER FOR PRIESTS AND VOCATIONS TO THE RELIGIOUS LIFE:

The 7pm evening mass on the last Friday of each month from the end of September will be offered for Priests and vocations to the religious life. The Mass will be followed by half an hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and will include a Rosary for the same intention. "There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood, just as there can be no priesthood without the Eucharist" Pope John Paul II 2004. All welcome.

## **GENERAL ITEMS**

### **LGBT+ CHRISTIANS SOUTHAMPTON AND AROUND**

warmly invite you to an evening with Revd Steve Chalke Baptist Minister, Broadcaster, Author, Activist, Evangelist, Educationalist. 'What's Love got to do with it? – LGBT+ Inclusion, the Bible and the Church' 6:30pm for 6:45pm Friday 5 October at St Albans Church, Tulip Road, Swaythling, SO16 3BB. (Disabled-friendly church building and disabled parking next door. For all others easy parking in surrounding roads).

- 6:30pm—6:45pm Tea and Coffee
- 6:45pm Welcome and worship and brief introductions
- 7:00pm Talk: 'What's Love got to do with it?'
- 8:00pm Responses to questions, and other views
- 8:30pm You are warmly invited to tea, coffee and biscuits and plenty to talk about!

### **NATIONAL MASS FOR ALTAR SERVERS**

2:30pm Saturday 6 October at Westminster Cathedral. Principal celebrant Bishop John Sherrington. Servers to bring their vestments to the Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue (entrance by the rear door) and be ready to process into the Cathedral by 2pm. See noticeboards for more info.

### **A DAY WITH MARY AT THE CATHEDRAL**

has become an annual event being held on Saturday 13 October from 9:30am—5pm this year. You are welcome to join the event for a little while or for the whole day. It includes the Mass, Scripture, Rosary, Meditations on the Passion, Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction, Processions of the Blessed Sacrament and of Our Lady, Act of Consecration, Theological Instructions, Hymns, a programme on the story of Fatima and periods of rest with refreshments.

### **DAY FOR ADULTS WHO HELP WITH CHILDREN'S LITURGY, FIRST COMMUNION, CONFIRMATION, BAPTISM, RCIA:**

Saturday 20 October, 10am to 4pm at Portsmouth Cathedral, led by the Formation for Mission Team (mainly Dominican Sisters from Sway). Bishop Philip will celebrate Mass in thanksgiving for all diocesan catechists and Children's Liturgy teams. The day will be spent reflecting on the mission, charisms and role of the catechist, and sharing insights in workshops about 'making our teaching session great'. Lunch will be provided. Everyone involved or interested in catechesis and children's Liturgy is welcome. **Book online at:** <http://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/catechists> or phone the Dominican Sisters: 015 9068 1874.

### **ANNUAL 'INTERNATIONAL MASS'**

when we celebrate the universality of the Church which is reflected very much in our City Centre Parish. This will take place on Sunday, 21 October at 7pm. **Please make a note** ..... bring your 'national food dish' to share; dress in your 'national costume', be prepared to carry your 'national flag' in procession, some people will be approached to read in their native language ..... WATCH THIS SPACE.

**THE PARISH MISSION IN 2019:** Watch this space.

**CONFIRMATION 2019:** Thank you to all who contacted and came to see Father Vincent. Please do make sure your forms are returned as soon as possible.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019:** Throughout October we are inviting registration for First Holy Communion 2019. Children should be baptised Catholics, in year 3 or above and regularly attending Mass with their family in the City Centre Parish of St Joseph & St Edmund. Sessions will involve the attendance of children together with their parent/s. Registration for the programme will take place after 9am, 10am and 11am Sunday Masses throughout October (last registration date Sunday 28 October). Please come with your child to St Edmund Hall or the Stella Maris Centre on any of these Sundays where Catechists will be available to sign you up, give you the full programme details and answer any questions. The cost per child will be £35 to cover materials etc. Please bring both the fee and your child's baptism certificate with you to register.

### **SCIENCE – OR – RELIGION? A SYMPOSIUM:**

Saturday 3 November from 10am—4pm in The Discovery Centre, Winchester (opposite St Peter's Church). Two key speakers are: Professor Alister McGrath, Professor of Science and Religion at the University of Oxford, and Dr Andrew Pinsent, Professor from Oxford University and Ian Ramsey Centre for Science and Religion. They will be tackling the issue of whether recent research on the universe suggests the existence of a Creator. List of other speakers includes and topics:

- *Christianity and Extra Terrestrial Life* (Bernard Barrett, theologian)
- *The Ethics of Artificial Intelligence* (Professor Maria Burke, Winchester University)
- *Quantum Physics and the Quantum Physicist* (Dr. Vincenzo Tamma, University of Portsmouth)
- *Is Consciousness immortal?* (Dr. Andrew Beards, Academic Director, School of the Annunciation, Buckfast)
- *In the light of evolutionary psychology, can humans have free will?* (Dr. Rebecca Page-Tickell, Hampshire Business School)
- *In the light of current medical advances, could people live forever?* (Dr. John Ochai, St Mary's Hospital, Ryde).

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Margot Lagerwall, Dianne Franklin, Karen Bell, John Hennessy, Aruni Panabokke, Biddie Gooding (treatment recovery), Pat O'Neill, Dolina MacKinnon, Judy Brown, Valerie Summerton, Myra & Bosco Andrade, Marcus Boulton-Smith, Jean Mooney, Anushka Ponniah, Kushmi De'Saram, Keiran Wastall, Eloise Chessman, Albert Tan, Christopher Browne, Padraig Murphy, Bobby Murphy, Andrea Reiter, Abid & Abbas Akperally, Lucky, Sujatha & Mano Disshnayake, Daham Koralage, Jackie Galbraith, Joan Forbes, Doris Leggett, John O'Reilly, Bill Eastman, Shane Wing, Kathryn Morley, Carol Butt, Maureen Lee, Roy Reeves, Joachim Rodrigues, Donna Madden, Joyce Mguni, Noreen Kealy, Kay Kelly, Colm O'Riordan, Simon Parry, Sue Tutton, Alex Boyle, Janette Brookes, Joy Grant, Joanne Cunio, Ludwig Basisty, Irene Green, JL, Malcolm Cross, O'Hanlon family, Paul Sassu, Peter Scott, Phyllis Grattan, Maria Annunziata, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, NW, Joe Sculley, Pauldia Grant and all parishioners who are ill.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 16 SEPTEMBER 2018

\*(Church 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	15 SEP	<b>VIGIL MASS</b>	6:15PM SJ	SEÁN, KATHLEEN & STEWART ADAMSON RIP (DC)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
			9:00AM SE	KAREN NUGENT RIP (AO'D)
SUN	16 SEP	<b>24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	10:00AM SJ	PÁDRAIG & BOBBY MURPHY—HEALING & WELLBEING (GM)
			11:00AM SE	ANGUS MacKINNON RIP (GC&HP)
			7:00PM SE	THANKSGIVING TO ALL WHO TEND TO OUR PHYSICAL, SPIRITUAL & MENTAL WELLBEING (KB)
TUES	18 SEP	<b>24TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	10:00AM SE	MARY SPRAGUE RIP (TUESDAY A.M. ROSARY GROUP)
WED	19 SEP	<b>ST JANUARIUS</b>	7:00PM SE	FAUSTINA NANZIRI RIP (AK)
THURS	20 SEP	<b>24TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	10:00AM SE	FUNERAL SERVICE: FRANCESCA ARDANI RIP
			12:15PM SJ	PRAISE & THANKSGIVING TO GOD (THEOS)
FRI	21 SEP	<b>ST MATTHEW</b>	7:00PM SE	EDGAR WARDROP RIP (TW)
SAT	22 SEP	<b>OUR LADY ON SATURDAY</b>	11:00AM SE	VERA MORRIS RIP (BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY) JM
			6:15PM SJ	JOHN LEONARD RIP (JH&CH)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	23 SEP	<b>25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	9:00AM SE	DEPARTED SOULS OF GOMES FAMILY & RELATIVES (AG&PG)
			10:00AM SJ	DERRY DONOVAN RIP (DONOVAN FAMILY)
			11:00AM SE	BEATRIZ FERNANDEZ VÁZQUEZ (RV)
			7:00PM SE	ALESSANDRO COSTA—BIRTHDAY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (EE)

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### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH 4

#### 16 SEPTEMBER 2018 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

##### Psalm Response:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord  
in the land of the living.

##### Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life, says the  
Lord; no one can come to the Father except  
through me. **Alleluia!**

#### READINGS 23 SEPTEMBER 2018

##### 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

1st Reading: Wisdom 2:12.17—20

2nd Reading: James 3:16—4:3

Gospel: Mark 9:30—37

#### 2ND COLLECTION TODAY

#### HOME MISSION SUNDAY

#### 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK

#### CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND

COLLECTIONS 9.9.18	1st	2nd—Catholic Education Service
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,897.24</b>	<b>£211.42</b>
Cash	1,289.74	108.29
S / O	1,286.00	82.50
Gift Aid	321.50	20.63

### CONFESSIONS TIMES

**St Joseph:** Thurs 11:45am • Sat 5:45pm  
**St Edmund:** Saturdays 11:30am