

26 MAY 2019

**THE SIXTH
SUNDAY OF
EASTER**

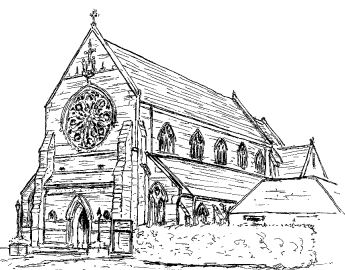


**ST JOSEPH'S &
ST EDMUND'S
CITY CENTRE
CATHOLIC PARISH
SOUTHAMPTON**

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



PEACE BEGINS WITH US!

We have bathed in the joy of Easter for the last 50 days. We have been invited to share in the resurrection appearances and to resound the Gloria and the Alleluia. Our readings this weekend give us the assurance that this is not just a liturgical season that will end when the resurrected Christ ascends to His Father, but one that will be completed and sealed by Jesus' farewell gift to each one of us. That gift is a deep and abiding peace. This has variously been described as 'the peace that the world cannot give', 'a peace that passes all understanding', 'my peace I give to you' and we pray for our deceased that they may 'rest in peace'.

Peace in human terms is described as freedom from disturbance, tranquillity, a concept of societal friendship and harmony in the absence of hostility and violence.

In our first reading we see a community that is divided and in contention over rituals and purity laws. Paul is called in to arbitrate and is not afraid of opposing powerful respected members of the Church. He puts his faith to work and is led by the ultimate advocate, the Holy Spirit. There is resolution.

We are living in times of confusion and disagreement in our own complex community, in society and in the Church. Various bodies and councils are approached and everything is very unclear but that is because we are here on earth!

As Christians we can face the world confident that we are not alone because we have that promise of the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in Christ's Name. The Church will continue to grow, as it did in those early missionary years but will also have to face questions honestly in the light of the Spirit. We cannot and should not run away from confusion, we need to work through it and aim for peace. In the passion, death and resurrection of our Lord and Saviour we have relived one of the most confusing times.

To those who accompanied Him it just did not make sense. But in the light of the resurrection we begin to understand that peace came through the redemptive acts of dying and rising. Peace was breathed into that upper room when Jesus appeared to His frightened disciples. We are called on a daily basis to die to ourselves and live for others. It will not be until we reach the heavenly Jerusalem described in the book of Revelation that we will know total peace. But whilst we are here on earth peace begins with each one of us. We have been given the word of God, the presence of the Spirit and the love of the Father. This is why our joy is complete!

Tina Quinn

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK:

1. "Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid" Jesus says in today's Gospel. When have you been 'troubled or afraid'? Why? How did you resolve the feelings? Did you ask Jesus? Did you call upon the Holy Spirit? Try it!
2. Paul and Barnabas in the First Reading say that some members "have disturbed you with their demands". When have you done that to others? Why? Did you support them or help them? How do you 'help' others live the 'demands' of faith?

Vincent Harvey

TODAY SUNDAY 26 MAY 2019

MISSION TIMETABLE please take one home.....

- o Come along to the talks
- o Come to the Masses
- o Come to the Devotions
- o Come to the Vigil
- o Come to 'something' so as to continue to develop as a disciple
- o Invite someone to join you

FATHER DES preaching at 9am & 11am Mass.

CANON NICK FRANCE presiding/preaching at 10am Mass.

FINAL MISSION APPEAL collection by Dominic Tildesley.

PASTORAL LETTER FROM THE BISHOP available in the porches. Please take one.

We recite the Mission Prayer together after Holy Communion: *I thank you almighty and ever loving Father for you have created me in such a way that I am able to experience and become a source of your merciful presence to my neighbour. Give me a renewed desire and the courage to be still in your presence. Allow your Holy Spirit to renew my inner-life. As I grow ever more conscious of my vocation to be a Disciple of your Son Jesus, with Mary as my companion on this journey; may your Light shine more brightly within me, your Love be shared more widely through me and my Gospel Witness be profound. Amen*

VOCATIONS: Sixth Sunday of Easter, 19 May 2019. *"Whoever loves me will keep my word."* Are you called to bring the word of Christ to his flock? To explore further, email Fr John Cooke vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call Tel. 01329 318 869.

RECENTLY DIED:
John Boyle, late of Wilton Manor Care Home, Southampton. Funeral 2:30pm Tuesday 28 May at Southampton Crematorium.

Josephine Rodriguez late of Newcombe Road, Polygon. Reception into the St Edmund Church at 4pm Thursday 30 May; Requiem Mass 11am Friday 31 May in St Edmund Church, followed by burial at Hollybrook Cemetery.

David Palmer late of Banister Gardens, Southampton. Reception into St Edmund Church 4pm Monday 3 June; Requiem Mass 10am Tuesday 4 June followed by burial at Hollybrook Cemetery.

May their dear souls rest in peace. Please hold their families in your prayers.

THIS WEEK

FOR INFORMATION:

- Mon Day off: JP
Tues Clergy gathering: VH
Zoom Conference: VH
Meeting with Bishop: VH
Wed Safeguarding training: VH/JP/EN
Divine Renovation SLT meeting: VH/AP/AW/TQ
Thurs Ascension
Fri Requiem Mass: VH

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 27 MAY. St Edmund Church closed; no Adoration.

CONCERT—MONASTIC CHOIR 7pm Wednesday 29 May at St Michael's Church, St Michael's Square, SO14 2AG. All welcome. After the concert a special fair put on by the St Elisabeth Convent workshops. See posters.



PARISH MISSION PROGRAMME

Only 3 Days until THE PARISH MISSION If you have not taken a copy of the Parish Mission Programme, take one home or download online. No-one need miss out.

Today pray Mission Prayer together after Holy Communion

The Mission week (30th May—9th June) begins on the **Feast of the Ascension** (30th May) with Masses at 7am & 7:30pm in St Edmund and at 12:15pm in St Joseph (Rosary before Mass) and then:

- **A talk every weekday** in St Joseph (12:45pm) and St Edmund (7:40pm) on the person of Christ, the Sacraments, Evangelisation
 - **A Mass every weekday** in St Joseph at 12:15pm and St Edmund at 7pm
 - **A Mass of Anointing of the Sick** on Thursday, 6th June at 12.15pm Mass in St Joseph and at 7pm Mass in St Edmund
 - **The Rosary on weekdays** in St Joseph at 11:40am and St Edmund at 5:40pm
 - **Meditation or Prayer around the Cross or Night Fever** and Night Vigil in St Edmund after the 7:40pm talk in St Edmund
 - **Children's activities** in St Joseph on Saturday, 1st June at 3:30pm ending with a 'tea party' and the same with FHC children and families in St Edmund on Saturday, 8th June at 3:30pm
 - **Rosary before Sunday Masses**
- Blessing of crucifixes on Pentecost** 9th June 10am & 7pm Masses

To celebrate Pentecost 9 June and the 'Birth of the Church' we will have refreshments after all our Masses **please plan to bring cakes** of all shapes and sizes!!

A full timetable is being distributed TODAY. Let's make this Mission a time of 'renewal and commitment' for us and 'out-reach' into the community.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP meet at 8pm Friday 31 May In St Edmund Hall.

CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP meet at St Michael's Church, Bugle Street, Tuesdays 6pm—6:45pm. Entry through the North door.

"LET IT BE DONE UNTO ME" Café Course last session St Edmund Hall 7:30pm to 9pm Tuesdays 28 May.

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION: Thursday 30 May—Masses: 7am & 7:30pm in St Edmund and 12:15pm in St Joseph. The Ascension is a Holy day of obligation.

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

NEXT WEEKEND

CHILDREN'S LITURGY—MISSION SESSION—TEA PARTY
3:30pm—5:15pm Saturday 1 June in St Joseph Hall. RSVP to dee.phelan@bt.com see noticeboards.

WORLD COMMUNICATION SUNDAY 2 June.

RETIRING COLLECTION 2 JUNE ... World Communications.

ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE 2pm Sunday 2 June at Matley Wood (New Forest). Starting point: Matley Car Park. Tel. 023 8077 2868. See noticeboard.

NEXT WEEK (PARISH MISSION CONTINUES UNTIL 9.6.19)

MARRIAGE PREPARATION Tuesdays 4, 11, 18, 15 June and 2 July 7:30pm in St Edmund Hall for couples who have booked.

BAMENDA MEETING 7pm Thursday 6 June in St Edmund Presbytery.

NIGHT FEVER 8pm Friday 7 June in St Edmund Church. Please contact Adrienne adriennehendry@yahoo.co.uk if you would like to help.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION **3:00pm
Saturday 8 June in St Edmund Church.



PENTECOST SUNDAY 9 JUNE—Birthday of the Church. We will celebrate with cakes and refreshments after all Masses.

GENERAL ITEMS

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR MAY 2019:

Evangelisation: That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

WINTER SHELTERS FOR THOSE ON THE STREETS ... A group of people interested in providing night shelter for those on the street next winter got together after Easter to discuss a way forward. We need volunteers to get involved: in planning, in staffing a shelter for a night ... etc. If you are interested please let Father Vincent know. Winter is a long way off but we need to plan... **Thank you for those who have expressed an interest we will need a large team so more volunteers still required.**

PILGRIMAGE THROUGH SOUTHERN ITALY TO SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO: *Monday 30 September - Saturday 5 October 2019 Led by Father Des Connolly SMM. We will visit Padre Pio's birthplace, celebrating Holy Mass in the Parish Church.* Ground Package Price £595 per person based on 2 people sharing. Flight price is extra from London Gatwick with EasyJet (the sooner you book the cheaper the flight). Supplementary charges: Single Room £100 per person and Travel Insurance £33 per person. If you would like to go please contact: Gill at Tangney Tours. Telephone: 01732886666 or email her on: gill@tangney-tours.com

BANNS OF MARRIAGE for Marcin Jakobik and Magdalena Stachurska to be married in Poland AND Paul Cator and Maria Sabatino to be married in Italy.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO MALTA 2019

The Pilgrimage to Malta is planned for 8 - 15 October 2019, led by Father Vincent and Godfrey. For information please contact Godfrey Doyle via the Parish Office, or see the brochures in the porch.

WORD OF APPRECIATION FROM FATHER ELIJAH

FRU: Fr Elijah Fru sincerely thanks all parishioners of St Joseph and St Edmund, Southampton, for your generous care and concern, and especially for the Christmas donation which Fr Elijah offered to assist those affected by the ongoing Anglophone Crisis in Cameroon.

About 800 beneficiaries received much needed food and toiletries. They have expressed their huge appreciation (seen in the photos/posters on the noticeboards) for your brotherly and sisterly affection and generosity. The posters/photos in the porches/noticeboards/glass doors show pictures of the food and toiletries being distributed amongst the various communities. While appreciating you all, I wish to continue to appeal for your generosity and support. Please pray for the Cameroon and my family who's lives are deeply affected by the burning of homes and deaths. May God bless you all." Fr Elijah.

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP PHILIP: PRAYER FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE DIOCESE:

"Over the next months, I would like us all, clergy, religious and laity, to pray earnestly for the renewal of our Diocese of Portsmouth. I will be saying much more about this as time goes on, but please begin now by keeping this crucial intention in your prayers. Here is a prayer you could say:

O Sacred Heart of Jesus, we beg you to convert us, to change us and to make us holy. Fill us with a deeper faith, hope and love for you. Send into our hearts the cleansing fire of the Holy Spirit and powerfully renew all the clergy and laity of our Diocese. Unite us in love and respect for one another and unify us as your one, holy people. Grant us a new passion and zeal for the Catholic Faith, for mission, outreach and service. Help us to proclaim your Gospel generously to the poor and needy that many more souls may be saved by finding their way to you in your Church. May Mary Immaculate help us! May St Edmund of Abingdon and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati pray for us! Amen.

Holy Michael the Archangel defend us in the day of battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray. And do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust down to hell Satan and all the wicked spirits, who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Judy Brown, Myra & Bosco Andrade, Maddie Clarke, Jean Mooney, Christopher Browne, Jose Tew, Laszlo and Zsuzsanna Csermely, Stella Thompson, Daya, Janet Wastall, David Spencer, Pat & Don Devers, Valerie Summerton, NW, TG, Roque Vaz, Joanne G, Janet P, Azad & Viyille Perera, Elvira & Rocky, George Chesworth, Margaret Hicks, Jean White, Colette Clarke, Brian Gardiner, Sheila Morris, Karen Bell, John Hennessy, Aruni Panabokke, Pat O'Neill, , Marcus Boulton-Smith, Jean Mooney, Kushmi De'Saram, Eloise Chessman, Christopher Browne, Bobby Murphy, Abid & Abbas Akperally, Lucky, Sujatha & Mano Disshnayake, Daham Korallage, 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, Jeanette Brookes, Joy Grant, Joanne Cunio, Ludwig Basisty, Irene Green, JL, Malcolm Cross, O'Hanlon family, Paul Sasso, Peter Scott, Maria Annunziata, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, Joe Sculley, Pauldia Grant and all parishioners who are ill.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 26 MAY 2019

*(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	25 MAY	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM SJ PAUL GODDARD RIP (TH) 7:00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
SUN	26 MAY	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9:00AM SE KAREN NUGENT RIP—BIRTHDAY ANNIV. (RH&SH) 10:00AM SJ SPECIAL INTENTION—LEONA & FAMILY (MS) 11:00AM SE FATHER ANGELO PHILIPS RIP (RX) 7:00PM SE ROBERT & FAMILY—GOD'S BLESSINGS (RK)
TUES	28 MAY	OF THE 6TH WEEK OF EASTER	10:00AM SE ANUSHKA'S BIRTHDAY (27.5.19)—GOD'S BLESSINGS AND THANKSGIVING (AW)
WED	29 MAY	OF THE 6TH WEEK OF EASTER	7:00PM SE PHILIPPINE MASCARENHAS RIP (VRM)
THURS	30 MAY	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	7:00AM SE JAMES SWEEN RIP (MR) 12:15PM SJ ST JUDE—IN THANKSGIVING (MM) 7:30PM SE SISTER RITA RAFFERTY—FEAST DAY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (RS)
FRI	31 MAY	VISITATION OF THE BVM	11:00AM SE REQUIEM MASS: JOSEPHINE RODRIGUEZ RIP 7:00PM SE PRIESTS & VOCATIONS TO THE RELIGIOUS LIFE (HH)
SAT	1 JUNE	ST JUSTIN	11:00AM SE FATHER JAYA PRAVEEN & FATHER JOHN O'SHEA—BIRTHDAYS—GOD'S ABUNDANT BLESSINGS AND THANKSGIVING (ANUSHKA & FRANCIS PONNIAH) 6:15PM SJ EILEEN FRANCES KINGWELL RIP (NK) 7:00PM SE MASS IN POLISH
SUN	2 JUNE	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9:00AM SE ANNE LE FLOHIC RIP (GC & HP) 10:00AM SJ MYRA ANDRADE (INTENSIVE CARE) - WELLBEING (IK) 11:00AM SE MARY ANTOINETTE & HENDRY ROKIASAMY RIP (AH) 7:00PM SE PETER UVANOVIC RIP (ZU)

PARISHES MASS TIMES: Holy Family, Millbrook Sat Vigil 18:30; Sun 10:30am; 1:00pm (Polish); 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, Lordswood Sun 09:15; Holy Day 10:00. Christ the King & St Colman Sun 11:00; Holy Day 19:00. Immaculate Conception, Portswood Recon: Sat 10:30 (After Mass); Sun 08:30; 10:30; Holy Day 10:00; 19:30. Our Lady of the Assumption, Hedge End Sat Vigil 17.30; St Brigid, West End Sun 17:30; St Patrick, Woolston Sat Vigil 18:00; Sun 11:00; Holy Day 09:15 (term time); 10:00 (outside of term time). The Annunciation, Netley Abbey Sun 09:00, Holy Day 19:00.

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 St Anne School 023 8032 8200
 St George College 023 8032 2603

26 MAY 2019—6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Psalm Response: Let all the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him." **Alleluia!**

READINGS 2 JUNE 2019

7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

1st Reading: Acts 7: 55—60
 2nd Reading: Apocalypse 22:12—14, 16—17, 20
 Gospel: John 17: 20—26

2ND COLLECTION TODAY

MISSION APPEAL

2ND COLLECTION 19.5.19 WORLD COMMUNICATIONS

COLLECTIONS 19.5.19	1ST	2 ND —CATHOLIC HOME CARE
Totals	£2,488.72	£373.63
Cash	881.22	205.50
S / O	1,286.00	134.50
Gift Aid Rebate	321.50	33.63

CONFESSION / RECONCILIATION

St Joseph: Thursday 11:45 am
 Saturday 5:45pm
 St Edmund: Saturday 11:30am