

**3 & 10 NOVEMBER
2019**

**31ST & 32ND
SUNDAYS IN
ORDINARY
TIME**

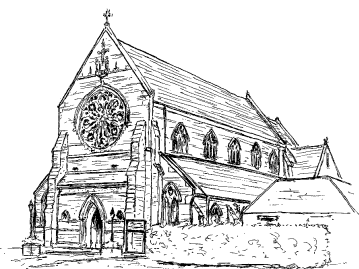


**ST JOSEPH'S &
ST EDMUND'S
CITY CENTRE
CATHOLIC PARISH
SOUTHAMPTON**

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



NAME BADGE SUNDAY

In the corporate world, company employees often wear name badges. In this setting, name badges can have a powerful, positive effect. They can help improve communication amongst employees, especially when people do not know each other and work in a large organisation. They can enhance security, especially in areas where highly sensitive information is stored allowing access only to those who are authorised. They can also improve customer relations, making employees easier to approach and allowing for greater transparency and accountability.

Last weekend and when you entered mass today, you were probably asked to put on a name badge. Like last week, after the Gospel is proclaimed, there will be another opportunity to talk to a member of the community you do not know or haven't spoken to before. I'm sure that like many of us who gather here each Sunday, there are probably many faces you are familiar with, but do not know the names of these faces and may know very little about them. In the same way that name badges in the corporate world make it easier for employees and customers to approach their fellow employees and open the lines of communication, we hope that by each of us wearing a name badge may also help us to open the lines of communication with each other. By swapping each other's name badges and taking them home and praying for each other, we hope that this communication is not just a one-off event but will help us to build relationships and grow as a community.

So why learn each other's names? By learning each other's names and learning a little about each other means that we will no longer remain distant figures or faces, but members of a community all with a unique individual identity and story to share. It allows us to feel valued and important, knowing we have the support of each other.

In times of adversity or difficulty, we can also support each other in prayer too. And by knowing each other, not only can we work together to help our community to flourish and grow by sharing our gifts and talents, but we can also use our gifts and talents in the work of evangelisation, so not only are we effective witnesses of the Word of God to each other, but as a community we can become effective witnesses of the Word of God to the world around us. *Father Ansel*

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK:

1. "I must stay at your house today" Jesus says to Zacchaeus (Gospel). We know how this 'sinner' responded!! How would you respond? What would you say to Jesus?
2. "All are yours" the Book of Wisdom says (1st reading). In what way do you belong to God? How does that affect what you say, do and are?
3. Paul (2nd reading) prays that God make the people 'worthy of His call'. In what way are you worthy? What must you 'do' to become worthy?
Vincent Harvey


TODAY SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER 2019

BAMENDA SUNDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND. Please remember our brothers and sisters in your prayers this weekend and be as generous as you can in your donation for the projects we support in our troubled twinned diocese in Cameroon. For an update please see your copy of the Bamenda Newsletter or visit our website: www.bamendaandportsmouth.com Do take home a Bamenda Newsletter.

NAME BADGE SUNDAY again when we will be invited during the homily slot to chat to someone we don't know or don't know well. After we will swap name labels, take the label home with us and pray for that person every day during the week. See comment elsewhere from a visitor

FAMILY MASS AT 9AM & 10AM MASSES, when the children take a more active part in celebrating Mass.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our faith community:


Harry O'Brien, son of Paul & Laura
Marc Ibanez-Garcia, son of Javier & Maria, being baptised in St Joseph at 11:30am.
Dawid Falkiewicz, son of Wojciech & Monika
Eloise Gordon, daughter of Martin & Mildred, being baptised in St Edmund at 12:30pm.

VOCATIONS: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time, 3 November 2019. *"But you have mercy on all, because you can do all things."* To explore, call Fr John Cooke on Tel 01329 318 869 or email vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

RECENTLY DIED:



Miss Kathy White (99 years) late of Abbots Way, Portswood. Requiem Mass 12noon Thursday 7 November in St Edmund Church, followed by burial at South Stoneham Cemetery. Kathy taught at Springhill School for 38 years and is well known in the parish.

Miss Mary King died on 27 October. She taught at Springhill School for over 30 years and was involved with music, teaching recorders and leading the choir. She died at Senior Sunrise Living in Bassett. Requiem tbc. *May they rest in peace. Please keep their families in your prayers.*

NEXT WEEKEND

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY when we remember and pray for all those who died in the two World Wars and all who are victims of war: in the past and in the present.

RETIRING COLLECTION is for the maintenance of our church buildings.

rites of WELCOME at 9am and 10am Masses.

FATHER VINCENT CO-LEADING THE CIVIC SERVICE at the Cenotaph.

VOCATIONS: Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 10 November 2019. *"May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God."* Are you being called to love the Lord with an undivided heart as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? To explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869.

THIS WEEK

FOR INFORMATION:

Mon Clergy day off. 7 & 14 Nov: Hospital on Call: VH
OPEN DOOR RETREAT ends on Monday 4 November in St Edmund Hall.



HAPPY 71ST BIRTHDAY FR VINCENT!
for Tuesday 5 November. May God bless you with many more. From Fr Ansel, Fr Jaya, Deacon Andy and all parishioners of St Joseph & St Edmund.

ST ANNE'S YEAR 8 MASS 2:25pm Tuesday 5 November in St Edmund Church.

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE finishes Tuesday 5 November in St Edmund Hall.

PARISH SECRETARY ANNUAL LEAVE 6—12 November. The Parish Office will be managed by volunteers.

LUNCH CLUB 12 noon Wednesdays in Stella Maris Centre, Bugle Street. Please contact Anne Monaghan in the Parish Office if you would like to join or if you can help with lifts.

JOURNEY IN FAITH (RCIA): For anyone looking to find out more about the Catholic Faith – come along and ask your questions, find out what the church teaches and what it means to live as a Catholic. A warm welcome awaits you, come and see. *Wednesday evenings 7:30pm—9pm, in St Edmund Hall, Rockstone Place, SO15 2EQ.*

RICHARD ROHR GROUP meet 4:30pm Thursday 7 November in St Edmund Presbytery.

EST meet at 7pm Thursday 7 November in St Edmund Presbytery.

LECTIO DIVINA GROUP meet at 7:30pm in St Edmund Hall Friday 8 November.

ANNUAL BEREAVEMENT MASS takes place on Saturday, 9th November, at 11am in St Edmund Church. The names of people who have died over the past year will be read out and families invited to light a candle. Everyone is invited to pray for a loved one and to pray for the bereaved.

LITTLEWAY HEALING MINISTRIES due to circumstances beyond our control, the Outreach on Saturday 9 November *has been postponed*. Our apologies.

WEEK OF ACCOMPANIED PRAYER (10.11—16.11.19) for those who have booked.

NEXT WEEK TWO WEEKS

MONDAY MASS IN ST JOSEPH Father John Lavers (AOS Chaplain) will be based in the City on certain Mondays and will therefore be leading the Angelus and Rosary, followed by Mass. *So please note that the Angelus, Rosary and Mass (12 noon & 12.15pm) will be celebrated on Monday 11, 18 and 25 November; this is open to the public.*

ST ANNE'S YEAR 9 MASS 2:25pm Tuesday 12 November in St Edmund Church.

ALPHA TEAM TRAINING SESSION 7:30pm Tuesday 12 November in St Edmund Hall.



HCPT AFTERNOON TEA Sunday 17 November 3pm St Boniface Hall, £10, under 3's free. Please email group170@hcpt.org.uk for more details.

VIANNEY PRAYER GROUP meet at 7:30pm Thursday 14 November in St Edmund Presbytery to pray for our priests and vocations. All welcome!

LECTIO DIVINA group meet at 7:30pm Friday 15 September in St Edmund Hall.

BAPTISM PREPARATION SESSION ONE 7pm—8pm Tuesday 19 November in St Edmund Hall for parents who have booked to have their children baptised in the parish.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION TEAM MEETING 7pm Wednesday 20 November in St Edmund Hall.

GRANDPARENTS GROUP meeting 11am Thursday 21 November in Stella Maris Hall.

CATENIANS MASS 7pm Friday 22 November in St Edmund Church.

CAFOD CANDLELIGHT MASS 11am Saturday 23 November in St Edmund Church followed by refreshments in the hall.

ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE CORRECTION: a session on Sunday, 24 November at 3pm in St Edmund. To continue to improve our serving Only for 1 hour.

GENERAL ITEMS

FAREWELL TO ELENA, EGBERT AND FAMILY who are returning to Malaysia in the next couple of weeks. The family are 11am Mass parishioners involved in Marriage Prep, Rosary Prayer Group, altar serving, and other activities within the parish. We say thank you, farewell, God's blessings and safe travels. Please do keep in touch.

NEW READERS AND EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS ROTAS now available in the Sacristy / Inner Sacristy.

LAST SUNDAY ROSA XUE (a parishioner) was in contact with one of the nuns and her Father in China. They both told her that there were no Masses in the most of underground churches in their Diocese last Sunday because the police were waiting to arrest their priests and force them against the Pope and to join the Government Church! Please pray for the Catholics in China especially in FuZhou Diocese that they can freely practice their faith.

ADVENT TEA at 5pm Sunday 1 December at Avenue St Andrew's URC. Gather together to share tea, cake, company and concern. See noticeboard.



PLEASE PRAY FOR all those on our prayer list who are suffering from serious illness, those undergoing operations or receiving treatment.

ADVENT DAY OF REFLECTION Saturday 7th December. As you prepare for Christmas why not take some time out to be with the Lord at the beginning of the Season of Advent? The theme of the day will be the Immaculate Conception of Mary, the Mother of the Lord. The day will be held at Saint Joseph's Centre, 8 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton SO40 7DU. The day will begin at 10am for 10:30am and finish at 4pm. Mass will be offered and there will be time for personal reflection and input from Father Des. Please bring some lunch. A suggested donation of £25 would be very helpful please.

NAME BADGE SUNDAY 'response' from a visiting Catholic from Barrow in Furness who emailed during the week: *"Thank you for making us so welcome yesterday. We came to Mass between disembarking a cruise ship and getting the train back north. It was an unusual 'sermon' with people chatting to each other. The gentleman in front of us wasn't expecting total strangers but made us very welcome. After Mass we didn't have time to join you for tea as we had a train to catch. We asked the gentleman about getting to the station and he offered to take us and all our luggage to the door. So, so kind. That's reinforces the idea of being part of a big Catholic family. Thanks and prayers to you and especially to him."*

ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP: In response to 'Our Common Home' in September, and the ongoing articles by Bethany, the EST and Father Vincent have decided to set up a group to look at the issues involved. To look at the bigger picture, and to see how we as individuals, families, parish and society can respond. If you are interested please email Father Vincent: vharvey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

MISSION SPIRITUAL QUESTIONNAIRE: As you know we did a questionnaire in the run up to the Parish Mission to help us plan the Mission. Over the next few weeks we will feedback some of the 'results'. Questions: 518 people filled in a questionnaire (Mass attendance usually between 800-900).

To the question 'Do you feel you belong to the Universal Catholic Church?' Yes 476 (91%) No 24 (5%), No response 21 (4%).

HOMELESS WELCOME BAGS: Can you put together 'welcome bags' for those staying in a hostel? If so then please fill a 'unisex' drawstring bag with the following: toothbrush, toothpaste, shower gel/shampoo, deodorant spray, wipes, razor, towel, bar of chocolate, carton of orange juice, new socks, new boxers (medium), new plain T-shirt (medium) and new tracksuit bottoms (medium). Please nothing else and do not gift wrap. Hand into the churches or to City life Church, 286 Burgess Road or CLEAR Office in James Street between 10am & 5pm weekdays.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS ('MIDNIGHT') AT ST JOSEPH After a recent Liturgy Group discussion, together with some 'key' people at St Joseph, we are considering a change of time for the St Joseph Midnight Mass (11:30pm/Midnight Mass). Over the past few years the numbers attending Midnight Mass at St Joseph has dwindled. No longer is the church full, not even as full as a normal Sunday! At the same time the 6pm Mass in St Edmund (geared to young families) has increased almost to 'beyond' capacity! Many who attend the 6pm do so because they want an earlier Mass than Midnight! The proposal is to have an 8:30pm Carol Service followed by 9pm Mass in St Joseph (e.g. 3 hours earlier than currently). All other Masses will remain: Vigil 6pm and 11:30pm (SE) Midnight Mass and 9am & 11am (SE) and 10am (SJ) Christmas Day. I would appreciate if you could indicate if you would/might take advantage of this earlier time. **Please ✓ relevant box and hand cut out slip to a Welcomer when next at Mass.**

Yes I would be interested

No I would not be interested

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEKS COMMENCING SUNDAY 3 & 10 NOVEMBER 2019

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

SAT	2 NOV	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM	SJ	IGNATIUS SOOSAI & ZERON SHEELA; DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE FERNANDO FAMILY (DF)
SUN	3 NOV	31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM	SE	CAROLINE IRO'S BIRTHDAY—THANKSGIVING, GOD'S BLESSINGS AND WELLBEING (MI)
			10:00AM	SJ	MRS. MARGARET GOLDING RIP (F)
			11:00AM	SE	SECURITY FORCES & ALL WHO SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES FOR OUR SAFER TOMORROW (ANUSHKA)
			7:00PM	SE	ADOLFO ANTONIO LONGO RIP (F)
TUES	5 NOV	31ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	10:00AM	SE	MARGARET MURRAY & FAMILY—GOD'S BLESSINGS (MM)
WED	6 NOV	31ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM	SE	RITA FORSTER RIP (MB & JB)
THURS	7 NOV	ST WILLIBROD	12:15PM	SJ	DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE EARLEY FAMILY (F)
FRI	8 NOV	31ST WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM	SE	WENCESLAUS MARIA CHRISTY RIP (1ST ANNIV.) (MC)
SAT	9 NOV	DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA	11:00AM	SE	BEREAVEMENT MASS DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE BRENNAN FAMILY (F)
			6:15PM	SJ	CHRISTINA COMPLIN RIP (F)
			7:00PM	SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	10 NOV	32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY	9:00AM	SE	AGOSTINHO GONCALVES RIP (MG)
			10:00AM	SJ	REYNOLDO CRUZ RIP (HP & MC)
			11:00AM	SE	MARY ANTOINETTE & HENDRY AROKIASAMY RIP (AH)
			7:00PM	SE	SLAVA UVANOVIC—HEALING, WELLBEING & GOD'S PROTECTION (ZU)
TUES	12 NOV	ST JOSAPHAT	10:00AM	SE	JOAN & ARTHUR BARRON 56TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY & ALL AT THE SALVATION ARMY (ANUSHKA)
WED	13 NOV	32ND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM	SE	MIKE GUTOWSKI RIP (EC & MC)
THURS	14 NOV	32ND WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	12:15PM	SJ	FRANCIS BERNARD KINGWELL—93RD BIRTHDAY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (NK)
FRI	15 NOV	ST ALBERT THE GREAT	7:00PM	SE	LINDA McDOUGALL RIP (ME)
SAT	16 NOV	ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON	11:00AM	SE	EILEEN COLES RIP (MB)
			6:15PM	SJ	SEÁN, KATHLEEN & STEWART ADAMSON RIP (DC)
			7:00PM	SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	17 NOV	33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM	SE	PATRICK D'COSTA RIP (JR & AR)
			10:00AM	SJ	PATRICK MORAN RIP (MM)
			11:00AM	SE	MUM & DAD, JUDY B, BRIDIE M, COLETTE C, DR ANULA N, SHEILA A, DULCIE F, ELSIE, ARUNA W & EVERY DEPARTED RIP (ANUSHKA)
			7:00PM	SE	ELENA, EGBERT & FAMILY—FAREWELL, THANKSGIVING AND GOD'S BLESSINGS FROM US ALL IN THE PARISH

2ND COLLECTION TODAY: BAMENDA
2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK: CHURCH MAINT. FUND
2ND COLLECTION 17 NOVEMBER: CATHOLIC HOME CARE

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH WEEKS 3 & 4

3 NOV 2019—31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalm Response: I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

10 NOV 2019—32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalm Response: I shall be filled, when I awake, with the sight of your glory, O Lord.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia! Alleluia! Stay awake, praying at all times for the strength to stand with confidence before the Son of Man. Alleluia!

COLLECTIONS 27.10.19	1ST	2ND—CATHOLIC HOME CARE
Totals	£2,930.18	£529.23
Cash	1,169.29	345.48
S / O	1,408.71	147.00
Gift Aid Rebate	352.18	36.75

CONFESSION / RECONCILIATION

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

READINGS 10 NOVEMBER 2019 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

1st Reading: 2 Maccabees 7: 1—2, 9—14
 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2: 16—3: 5
 Gospel: Luke 20: 27—38

READINGS 17 NOVEMBER 2019

33RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

1st Reading : Malachi 3:19—20
 2nd Reading: 2 Thessalonians 3: 7—12
 Gospel: Luke 21: 5—19

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