



7 FEBRUARY 2016

**FIFTH SUNDAY  
OF ORDINARY  
TIME**



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

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF  
PORTSMOUTH REG. CHARITY NO. 246871

SOUTHAMPTON CENTRAL, WEST &  
EAST DEANERY ALSO 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



**THE GOSPEL Luke 5:1-11**

**'All were overcome by the catch they had made'**

Broken nets,  
holds over-  
loaded  
with  
fish.

"Do not be afraid  
From here on  
you will be  
catching  
men  
and  
women."  
Alright  
then,

give us your worthiness  
instead of our un-  
worthiness;  
make us  
deeper  
than  
our  
doubts.

Let us fall  
on our knees  
as did Simon Peter.  
Help us in the catching  
and surely in the being caught.

Anne Osdieck  
(With permission)

**THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:**

1. When, like Peter, have you recognised your sinfulness (Gospel)? How did you feel? What did you do?
2. When have you felt/experienced the presence of God (1<sup>st</sup> reading)? How did you feel? What did you do?
3. When, and how do you 'preach' the Good News (2<sup>nd</sup> reading)? Do you allow 'the grace of Christ' to motivate you? *Vincent Harvey*

## TODAY SUNDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2016:

**NO RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND.**

**WELCOME TO FATHER DES** celebrating 6:15pm and 10am Masses at St Joseph's.

**CAKES AND PANCAKES SALE IN AID OF CAFOD** after Sunday morning Masses at St Edmund's today in the hall. Come along and enjoy one last feast before the fast.

**ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE** 2pm today at Stokes Bay. Meet in the car park next to the 2nd golf club entrance. Tel. 023 8022 3389. See noticeboard.

**GOSPEL CHOIR** 7pm Mass, rehearsal at 6pm.



**RECENTLY DIED: Darren Newcombe RIP** late of Regents Park Road, Southampton. Funeral service 10:30am Monday 8 February in St Edmund's Church followed by burial at Stoneham Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Please keep the family in your prayers.

## THIS WEEK

**FOR INFO:** Fr Tomy home to India until 19 Feb.

Mon Day off: VH.

Tues Diocesan Interfaith: VH; PA clergy meeting: VH/AP  
Meditation Group: VH; St George Gobs: VH

Wed Ash Wednesday: St Anne's VH; Springhill: AP

Thurs C&G meeting: VH; School Gathering Portsmouth: VH

Fri CGA in Portsmouth: VH; Dept Voc meet: VH

**ST GEORGE CATHOLIC COLLEGE—DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING**—a Day of Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration from 9am to 3pm Monday 8 February in St George Chapel to remember all those who are victims of human trafficking and modern slavery. Please sign in at Reception.

**PANCAKES AND BURNING OF ASHES** after 10am Mass on *Shrove Tuesday* 9 February in St Edmund's Hall.

**WELLSPRING PRAYER GROUP** meet at the new time of **2pm—3pm** on Tuesdays in St Edmund's Hall. All welcome.

**FINANCE MEETING** at 7:30pm on Tuesday 9 February in St Edmund's Presbytery.

**WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB** meet 12 noon Wednesdays in St Edmund's Hall. New members welcome! Contact Anne Monaghan in the Parish Office (023 8033 3589) if you wish to join.

**WELCOME TO FR DES** celebrating 7pm Mass on Ash Wednesday 10 February at St Edmund's.

**AL-ANON FAMILY GROUP** meet in central Southampton on Wednesdays for anyone whose life is, or has been affected by someone else's drinking. Call 020 7403 0888 for more info. See noticeboard.

**RCIA** to meet after 7pm Ash Wednesday Mass this week instead of Thursday in St Edmund's Hall.

**CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY** Friday 12 February.

**HILARY'S PILATES CLASS** 10am—10:45am Fridays in St Edmund's Hall. Phone Hilary on 07786 617 302.

**GRANDPARENTS' MASS** 12:15pm Friday 12 February St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth, PO1 3HG, all welcome.

**FROGZ JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP (for years 3-8)** meet 5:45pm—7:30pm Friday 12 February at St Boniface Church Hall, Shirley High Street for a **FILM NIGHT**.

## NEXT WEEK

**CANCELLED: EARLY 6:30AM MASS 17 FEBRUARY** in St Edmund's is cancelled.

## LENT 2016

**LENT: Wednesday 10 February, Lent begins** with the Imposition of Ashes at all Masses. The ashes are a reminder of our frailty and sinfulness but also, primarily, of the centrality of God. Without God we are nothing. Without God we can do nothing. With God we are everything and can do 'anything'!

**Make Lent** a true 'desert experience' where you can encounter the 'God of Mercy'.

1. Use the **booklets or calendars** available....not many left
2. Come along to '**Stations of the Cross**' on Fridays (6:30pm) and Sundays (6:10pm) at St Edmund's.
3. Attend the '**Lent Course**' on Reconciliation on Tuesdays at Stella Maris (first on 16<sup>th</sup> February)
4. Get involved with '**Sharing the Joy of the Gospel**' at Holy Family Church (first on 9<sup>th</sup> February)
5. Pop into St Edmund's during the day for '**Adoration**'
6. Come along to the **6:30 am** Wednesday Masses (except 17<sup>th</sup> February)
7. **Rosary Prayer Chain** for Lent: join in our parish Prayer chain by signing up to say a decade of the Holy Rosary every day during Lent. When you sign up you will be given a specific decade to say each day with intentions and instructions. Sign up after Masses as announced.
8. **Mongu Jars:** to support the work of Father Pat and the parish in Mongu

**ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES** 10 February. Mass times: 6:30am and 7:30pm at St Edmund's and 12:15pm at St Joseph's.

**REFLECTION DAY: 'CALL TO CONVERSION':** the second of four retreat days in connection with the Year of Mercy. Encouraging all those who came to the first but a warm welcome to anyone who would like to come to this one as part of their own Lenten journey. **Date: 13 February 10am—3:30pm at Saint Joseph's, 8 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst SO40 7DU.** Cost £18pp which includes lunch.

**LENT 6 WEEK COURSE ON RECONCILIATION:** 7:30pm—9pm Tuesdays 16 February to 22 March in the Stella Maris Hall, Bugle Street, SO14 2AH. **Tina will be leading and facilitating the 'Anchor Programme' on Reconciliation.** Email [tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org](mailto:tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org) to book.

**HUNGER LUNCHESES DURING LENT** every Thursday at 1pm in St Michael's Church **starting on Thurs 18 February.** All proceeds in aid of Mongu and Christian Aid.

**PARISH LENTEN PROJECT—SUPPORTING THE MONGU COMMUNITY IN ZAMBIA:** collect a label from the porches and fill those jam jars during lent to support Father Pat Cashin and the village in Zambia where they are building vital hospitals and schools etc.

**ALPHA TEAM** meet 7pm Thursday 18 February in St Edmund's Lodge.

**EU INFO EVENING** 6pm Friday 19 February in St Edmund's Lodge.

**WELCOME TO Fr Michael Cronin** celebrating 10am Mass Sunday 21 February in St Joseph's Church.

**NIGERIAN AND AFRICAN MASS** 2pm Sunday 21 February at St. Patrick's Church 45 Portsmouth Road, Southampton, SO19 9BD.

## GENERAL ITEMS

**PLEASE PRAY FOR HILARY PARKER** who was taken seriously ill on Tuesday last. As we go to press she is still in Intensive Care.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR FATHER EZEKIEL'S' FAMILY** in South Sudan where war rages again. As he writes: "Yes indeed some of my family members are in danger, some are displaced, others are exiled Congo and the situation in the refugee camp is also another bad experience. One uncle was killed at Ezo Prison where he was working for the same government."

**RITE OF ELECTION:** Please pray for all who are participating in the Rite of Election in the Cathedral on Saturday. There are 17 people from our Parish who are to be Baptised or Received into 'Full Communion' or Confirmed at Easter.

**VOCATIONS:** There are a number of events on the diocesan website to help young adults discern a possible vocation to religious life. One of these upcoming events is a Monastic Experience Weekend at Quarr Abbey, a Benedictine monastery on the Isle of Wight. Catholic men aged 18-35 are invited to sample and find out about monastic life. It runs from the evening of Friday 4 March to the afternoon of Sunday 6 March 2016. Email [novicemaster@quarr.org](mailto:novicemaster@quarr.org) if interested.

### FEBRUARY 200 CLUB WINNERS

1st prize Linda Ralph £20  
2nd Prize Pam Oates £10

**NEW READERS' & EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS' ROTAS** now available in the porch at St Joseph and Sacristy at St Edmund's.

**HYMN BOOKS** ..... **PLEASE** ..... even more hymn books are missing at St Edmund's. At a guess we are 50 books down!! ..... please, please look around the car, the house ..... anywhere and bring them back (even sneak them back if you have to) ..... please.

**'WHAT NEXT FOR THE FAMILY?'** Join Bishop Peter Doyle and Father Daniel O'Leary as they give their thoughts on the recent synod. **Saturday 27 February** from 9:30am—3pm at St Peter's Church, Jewry Street, Winchester, SO23 8RY. More info on noticeboards. Contact Robin Correa 07825 392 925.

**ALPHA COURSE Taster Session Thursday 10 March St George Catholic College 7pm—9pm.** Explore the meaning of life. Listen, Learn, Discuss, Discover, Ask. What can I expect at the Taster session? A hot meal provided free of charge. An interesting introductory talk. The opportunity to learn more about **the Alpha Course taking place 7pm – 9:30pm Thursdays 14 April – 30 June 2016 at St George Catholic College, Swaythling.** To book Tel. 023 8033 3589 or email the Parish Office at [southamptoncitycentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:southamptoncitycentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

**YOUTH ALPHA for 18-25 year olds every Friday 8pm—9:30pm from 22 April at St. Edmunds Hall, Rockstone Place, SO15 2EQ.** Come along to the **Taster Session Friday 11 March** for a free hot meal and introductory talk. As well as covering the basics of Christianity, 'Alpha' also provides an introduction to the Catholic way of living out our Christian faith. For info contact Adrienne 07710 529 535 or Tina 07827 810 457.

**CALLED & GIFTED:** Do you want to understand better what God wants to do with your life? Do you want to know how God is calling you to reach out to others? How does God invite you to serve him? Do you want to grow in your personal relationship with Christ? These and other questions will be looked at during the Called and Gifted weekend which is coming to New Forest Pastoral Area (St. Theresa's Totton). Please consider coming and being with others in the area for this Called and Gifted workshop Friday 7pm to 9pm & Saturday 9am to 4.30pm 13/14 May at St. Theresa's Church Hall, Totton. You will find it inspiring and personal to you, and there is no cost. To book Tel: 023 8086 2270/email [totton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:totton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

## YEAR OF MERCY



This Sunday we bring up the 'knots' that have been tied up outside and inside the churches over the past 2 months. We do this at the end of the Intercessions. As we do we ask 'Our Lady, Untier of Knots' to pray for us as we pray together saying:

*"Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary! Amen."*

**FOR THE DIARY** ..... **FUTURE EVENT:** Corpus Christi Procession after the 11am Mass at St Edmund's Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> May ..... make a note.

**PROMISES AUCTION THANK YOU!** from Edward Quinn: "Thank you to all who participated or contributed in any way to a great evening where 24 of our lots were successfully auctioned off to the highest bidder. We managed to raise, through the auctions, entry fee and donations, just under £1,000 which will pay for the whole cost of my pilgrimage to Krakow for World Youth Day 2016. Once again I am overwhelmed and humbled by everyone's generosity, more than words can say. There are several lots which were carried over still up for grabs on a first come, first serve basis so if there are any you would like, go to the Parish office with your bid and the item is yours:

- Ironing service: A basket load of washing - £20
- 2 hours of free legal advice - £20 per hour
- An hour of book-keeping/tax return advice - £15
- An hour's extra Maths tuition for primary school age - £15
- IKEA furniture builds - 2 x £10 (smalls); 2 x £20 (large items)
- Soprano singer for special occasion (Jenepher P-D) - £20".

**MARTHA'S CHARITY & GIFT SHOP—HELPERS NEEDED:** Are you retired? Do you have kids at School? Do you have a few hours each week where you want to do something to benefit the community? Martha's in Bedford Place are looking for volunteers to join their team. They support local charities such as Catholic Home Care, Wednesday Lunch Club and HCPT. Contact Fiona on 023 8033 3400 Mondays to Thursdays between 10am & 3pm.

**CAFOD & UK Aid Match Funding:** Good news! The UK government has promised to match every pound and penny you give to CAFOD's Lenten appeal (from 10 Feb – 9 May) up to the value of £3.5M. You can also text 'LENT16 £5' to 70070 to donate £5. Thank you for your generous compassion for those living in poverty and for fasting in solidarity with them on Friday.

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE:** Maria De Las Mercedes Real Rodriguez and Dean Tony Christie to marry in Spain in May.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Hilary Parker, Tony McCall, Alex Boyle (op. recovery), Ruth Spencer (op. recovery), James McConnell (op. recovery), Elvira Davidson, Janette Brookes, Bernie Murray, Joy Grant, Pat Feighery (op. recovery), Joanne Cunio, Shane Wing (stroke recovery), Mr. Kruger (stroke recovery), Ludwig Basisty, Irene Green, Rachel de Melo (op. recovery), Karen Nugent, Dame Sheila Quinn, John Redhead, Pat Friters (op. recovery), Jayanthi Jayasinghe, Joan Moore, Pat Cummings, JL, Malcolm Cross, Irene Cartledge, Teresa Adams (stroke recovery), Judy Brown, O'Hanlon family, John Morris, Paul Sassu, Moyra Clearkin, Peter Scott, Phyllis Grattan, HE, Virginia Monteiro, Patricia Penny, Joyce Mnguni, James Adie, Maria Annunziata, Jean Kaye, Vera Morris, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, Maria Farrao, NW, Bosco & Myra Andrade, Joe Sculley, Tegar Marriott, Josie Franklin, John O'Reilly, Bridget Busk, Tony O'Donnell, Pam Bennett, Pauldia Grant, Laura Pinson, Evelyn Nolan, parishioners who are ill, having surgery and all listed in the Lady Chapel Prayer Book at St Edmund's.

# MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2016

\*(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	6 FEB	<b>VIGIL MASS</b>	6:15PM SJ	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH	
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH	
SUN	7 FEB	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	9:00AM SE	ALEX STANLEY RIP (MB)	
			10:00AM SJ	KAY KELLY—WELLBEING (IK)	
			11:00AM SE	ERIC CLARKE RIP (MC)	
			7:00PM SE	DECEASED & LIVING MEMBERS OF THE WARREN & DOYLE FAMILIES (SD)	
MON	8 FEB	<b>ST JOSEPHINE BAKHITA</b>	10:30AM SE	<b>FUNERAL SERVICE: DARREN NEWCOMBE RIP</b>	
TUES	9 FEB	<b>5th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME</b>	10:00AM SE	SISTER JULIE MARSH-COLLIS O.P. INTS (AM)	
WED	10 FEB	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	6:30AM SE	ELLEN BROPHY INTENTIONS (F)	
			12:15PM SJ	RAYMONDE CHARTIER—HEALING & WELLBEING (FM)	
			7:30PM SE	ELIZABETH DORLING RIP (JMD)	
THURS	11 FEB	<b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	12:15PM SJ	MRS. ROSE ROBERTS RIP (KK)	
FRI	12 FEB	<b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	7:00PM SE	GERALD JAMES LIPROT RIP (AW)	
SAT	13 FEB	<b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	11:00AM SE	DON DONAWA RIP (WEDNESDAY LUNCH CLUB)	
			6:15PM SJ	LEEGY VARGHESE—GOD'S BLESSINGS (SV)	
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH	
SUN	14 FEB	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</b>	9:00AM SE	AGOSTINHO GONCALVES RIP (MG)	
			10:00AM SJ	SARAH KENNEDY-DONNELLY RIP (F)	
			11:00AM SE	BLOSSOM & VYVILLE'S 50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY & RUKIE'S 90th BIRTHDAY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (ANUSHKA & FRANCIS)	
			7:00PM SE	ELLEN, GEORGE & TONY PATTERSON RIP & BERNADETTE KERR RIP (F)	

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**Prayer of the Church Week 1**

**SUNDAY 7 FEBRUARY 2016  
5th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C**

**Psalm Response**

Before the angels I will bless you, O Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. **Alleluia!**

**READINGS SUNDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2016**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR C**

1st Reading: Deuteronomy 26:4-10

2nd Reading: Romans 10:8-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

**NO 2ND COLLECTION ASH WEDNESDAY 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK**

	TODAY	LIFE	CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND
<b>COLLECTIONS</b>	31/1/16 1ST	31/1/16—2ND CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND	
<b>Total</b>	<b>£2,359.48</b>	<b>£384.27</b>	
Cash	788.72	279.89	
S / O	1256.61	83.50	
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	314.15	20.88	

Thank you for your generous contributions. Your donations make the life and work of the Parish possible.

**CONFESSION TIMES:**

**St. Edmund's:** Saturdays 11:30am  
**St. Joseph's:** Thursdays 11:45am  
 Saturdays 5:45pm