



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

ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF
PORTSMOUTH REG. CHARITY NO. 246871

16 AUGUST 2015

**THE ASSUMPTION
OF OUR LADY**



**SOUTHAMPTON CENTRAL,
WEST & EAST DEANERY
ALSO INCLUDES:**

- ST. BONIFACE, SHIRLEY
- HOLY FAMILY, MILLBROOK
- ST. VINCENT DE PAUL,
LORDSWOOD
- CHRIST THE KING &
ST. COLMAN'S, BITTERNE
- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION,
PORTSWOOD
- ST. PATRICK'S, WOOLSTON
- THE ANNUNCIATION,
NETLEY ABBEY



One Bread One Body

We continue to 'revisit' the document 'One Bread One Body' to help us understand more fully the mystery of the Eucharist and how we celebrate it and receive it.
Vincent Harvey

42. Each of us worships at Mass according to our degree of communion with the Catholic Church. There are many different ways to take part in the Mass..... At nearly every Catholic celebration of Mass there are people in differing degrees of spiritual and visible communion with the community gathered there.

45. Jesus Christ.....is with us in many different ways. He is present through the word of God, 'in that he himself is speaking when the Scripture is read in the Church'. He is present in the sacraments, and when the Church prays in word or song. The Church community itself is the sacrament of Christ's presence in the world. Christ is present in a special way in the poor, the sick and the imprisoned, and must be recognised there. All these forms of presence are linked with one another, and cannot be separated.

46. The 'supreme form of Christ's presence' is in the Mass. There too the Risen Jesus is present and active in various ways, offering his Church the special gift of himself.....

51. Each person who receives communion receives the whole Christ. This has the power to bring about an extraordinary unity among those who receive, a true unity 'in Christ'.

53. Christ is present in this special way whether or not we believe in him or are open to him. His presence 'does not depend on the individual's faith in order to be the Lord's real gift of himself to his Church'. But as in any relationship of love, his offering of himself has to be met by faith if a life-giving encounter and deep personal communion is to take place. Although Catholics rightly emphasise the conversion of bread and wine in the Eucharist, it is ultimately the conversion of human hearts that is God's loving will.....

56. The Mass.....should be something deeply personal, but never private. In all its parts, it is the action of a community rather than merely a gathering of individuals.....

(Extracts from the 'Teaching Document on the Eucharist' in the life of the Church promulgated by the Bishops of England and Wales in 1998)

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD ... Feast of the Assumption

- 1 How, like Mary, might you make your whole life a song of praise to God?
- 2 What is God accomplishing in you? Are you co-operating?
- 3 All generations remember Mary as blessed because she surrendered herself to God's 'plan'. Where is God asking you to surrender yourself to the Divine 'plan'?
- 4 Recall some of the 'great things' God has done for you!

Vincent Harvey

TODAY: SUNDAY 16 AUGUST 2015

NO RETIRING COLLECTION

AFTER SUNDAY 9AM MASS COFFEE/TEA GROUP will not meet during the summer holidays (23 and 30 August).

9AM MUSIC AND CHOIR ON HOLIDAY - for most of August; they will be back on the 30th. Thank you to Mary Berridge and the Choir for their dedication and commitment.

BAPTISMS: We welcome into our faith community:



Amelia Grzybowska, daughter of Damian and Anna, and **Florence Taylor**, daughter of Robert and Grace, who are to be baptised at 12:30pm today in St Edmund's Church.

OUR LADY OF GRACE SOUTHAMPTON: The Annual Service of Devotion to Our Lady of Grace in Southampton will take place **TODAY at 5pm in St Mary's Church, St Mary's, Southampton.** Bishop Philip (our Bishop) will be attending and preaching. After the Service there will be refreshments, and then we will all process down the Causeway to the site of the Chapel of 'Our Lady of Grace'. Come and join us Father Vincent.

FILIPINO CHOIR 7pm Mass, rehearsals at 6pm

REMINDER: 2016 PARISH DIARIES are now available in the porches for a donation of £1.

RECENTLY DIED: Margaret Mary O'Connor RIP late of Saxholm Dale, Southampton. Funeral Service at 11.00am Thursday 20 August in St Edmund's Church, followed by burial at Hollybrook Cemetery. Our sympathy to her family. May she rest in peace.



VOLUNTEERS MEETING Thank you to all who came to the meeting on Tuesday, and thank you to those who have volunteered to help with different areas of Parish life. There will be another meeting in the Autumn. **Please keep the offers of help coming.**

THIS WEEK

FOR INFO:

Mon: Day Off: VH/TC

Wed Vicariate for Vocations Meeting: VH

Fri/Fri Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: VH

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES Mgr Vincent will offer Mass for the whole Parish whilst in Lourdes. If anyone wishes him to take a specific intention to leave at the Grotto please put in an envelope clearly marked 'Lourdes Intention' and put it through the letterbox of No 14 Rockstone Place **before Thursday 20th.** These intentions are eventually burnt so please do not put any money inside!

WELCOME BACK to Anne Wheeler, our Parish Secretary, who returns from her well-deserved break. Normal service is resumed!

ST JOSEPH'S, ASHURST: There is Mass at **7pm every Monday** evening in the chapel at St Joseph's, preceded by Evening Prayer and the Rosary. All welcome.

GENERAL ITEMS

PLEASE NOTE - POSTPONED: CATHOLIC - SEPARATED OR DIVORCED? Unfortunately, the day of gentle prayer and refection arranged at St Joseph's, Ashurst, for Saturday 29 August has had to be postponed. New date to follow.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBA - AUGUST SPIRITUAL BOUQUET: Did We See You In The Young? Children on school holidays, young adults leaving education and starting their adult life - do we encourage and support the youth? Do we set them an example? Do we see the good or the bad?

THE PROMISED LAND: Portsmouth Diocese Catholic Youth are planning a coach trip from our diocese to Walsingham for Youth 2000's Summer prayer festival! To join in, email youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. **When:** 27 - 31 August 2015. **What:** A 5 day Prayer Festival, packed with dynamic talks, live-band worship, powerful prayer times, fun social activities, creative workshops, in-depth discussions, evening entertainment and loads more. With top speakers from the USA and all over the UK! **Where:** The Roman Catholic National Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham, Norfolk, NR22 6AL. In this ancient and holy place we come with our Big Top and tents to create a great festival atmosphere. **Who's it for:** Youth 2000 events are primarily for 16-35 year olds. If you are in this age range and looking for answers to the big questions in life, then this retreat is for you. For more info, click away: <http://www.youth2000.org/#!/the-promised-land/c13gp>.

FANNING THE FLAME SPONSORED WALK AND BBQ

Fanning the Flame is holding a sponsored walk and BBQ to raise funds to support its work with young people. There are three different walk routes (1.5, 4 or 8 miles) to choose from. All start from St Dominic's Priory near Sway in the heart of the New Forest. The event will culminate with a BBQ at St Dominic's. Tickets for BBQ - £10 (adults); £6 (under 18s); Family tickets £25 (2 adults and 2 under 18s). BBQ tickets must be bought in advance. Contact Sr Veronica on 01590 681874 or dominican.sisters@talk21.com. For more information and to download route details and sponsor forms see www.dominicansistersofstjoseph.org

When: 6th September 2015

Where: St Dominic's Priory, Shirley Holms, Sway, Lymington, Hampshire SO41 8NH.

AN EVENING OF HEALING with Little Way Healing Ministries from 7.00pm - 9.30pm Monday 7 September at Highfield House Hotel, Highfield Lane, SO17 1AQ. Fr Laurence Brassill OSA, Mrs Pauline Edwards and team offer an evening of teaching and healing. All welcome, bring your friends, neighbours and relatives. No need to be a churchgoer to attend. Tea and coffee provided. Jesus said "Lay your hands on the sick and they will be healed". **Come and see.**



CAFOD PORTSMOUTH SUPPORTERS' MEETING

10am – 1:30pm Saturday 12 September at St Bede's RC Primary School (Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX). We will explore our new *Laudato Si'* study guide for parishes and hear more about CAFOD's work in Niger. To book a place please ring 01252 329385 or email portsmouth@cafod.org.uk by 4 September.

CONFRATERNITY OF THE ROSARY Day visit to the Isle of Wight on Thursday 17 September 2015. Visiting Quarr Abbey, with Holy Mass at St Mary's Ryde; a talk given by Peter Clarke and lunch at the Trouville Hotel, Sandown. Returning on the 6.00pm Ferry. Cost of all coach travel, two sailings and lunch is £40, with pick-ups in the surrounding area. For further details and to book, telephone 023 92 820744.

DIOCESAN E-NEWS: Keep in touch with the latest news! The Diocese of Portsmouth issues a weekly e-news with photos, news, and information from around the Diocese. Go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and add your email address to receive these updates. Like 'Diocese of Portsmouth' on Facebook to get all the latest info as it happens. You can also follow @BishopEgan and @PortsmouthRC on Twitter.

MIGRANT SLAVERY CONFERENCE 9:30am – 3:30pm Saturday 26 September at St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX. The Justice, Peace and Social Responsibility Team of the Diocese of Portsmouth are hosting this conference. There is an excellent team of speakers including:

- Kevin Hyland, Independent Anti Slavery Commissioner
- Fiona Cunningham, Centre for Social Justice
- Jess Gealer, Medaille Trust
- Laura Franklin, Assistant Commissioner to the Police and Crime Commissioner, Isle of Wight

Cost £10, early booking essential via websites <http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/migrant-slavery-day.php> or cvirgo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND at St Mary's College, Bitterne Park, Southampton from 26 - 27 September. Southampton Celebrate Weekend is in its eighth year. Full details can be found at www.celebrateconference.org or by contacting Lynda and Peter on 023 8029 2058. The Celebrate team looks forward to another faith-filled weekend with daily Mass, good teaching, brilliant music, and stream activities for all age groups.

NEW CATECHIST TRAINING BEGINS IN OCTOBER: 23 catechists are currently undertaking this two-year course based at Chandler's Ford, run by Maryvale Institute. The Formation for Mission team is now taking applications for this Autumn. For more information about the course see the Diocesan website: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Don't forget - tell us and we will tell the Hospital Chaplain. If you aren't visited, it is because he doesn't know you are there. Mistakes can sometimes be made by harassed staff at admission.

REMINDER : NO PARKING IN PARK CENTRALE - EVER! Thank you for respecting our neighbours - and ensuring you do not receive a parking fine!

BIG CHURCH NIGHT IN - a contemporary Christian music event for the winter months taking place on **17 November, at King's Community Church, Upper Northam Road, Hedge End, Southampton, SO30 4BZ.** Matt Redman, a Christian worship leader and singer-songwriter from Brighton, and Kari Jobe, an American singer and songwriter will be performing their sets of contemporary Christian music. Book online at <http://www.bigchurchnightin.com/>.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 22 November - 2 December 2015. Led by Bishop Philip, 3 nights in Bethlehem, 3 nights in Jerusalem, 2 nights in Tiberias, Galilee & last night in Tel Aviv. **Only 6 twin rooms left!** - for details contact Deacon Iain MacFirbhisigh as soon as possible. Tel: 01534 725 963 or [blessings41@gmail.com](mailto: blessings41@gmail.com).

CHRISTMAS CAROLS FOR MARY'S MEALS Date for your diary: Sunday 6 December from 3:30pm-4:30pm in St Edmund's Church followed by scrummy Christmas tea in St Edmund's Hall. (£1,200 will provide lunch at £12 per child for 100 children for one year).

SAFEGUARDING E-LEARNING If you have a role working with children, young people or adults who may be vulnerable, or if you are a parent who wants to understand on-line safety, you are encouraged to read the e-learning safeguarding brochure. This explains what programmes are available via e-learning and how to access the programmes that interest you. This e-learning package is part of the Church's commitment to safeguarding, recognising we all have a role to play in creating a safe environment. For further information go to: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/safeguarding.

ASSISTED DYING BILL POSTCARDS The very important debate on a Private Members Bill to legalise assisted suicide will take place in the House of Commons on 11 September 2015. Many MPs in the House are paying close attention to the views of their constituents, and it is very important that we should play our part as much as we can to make our voices heard. Postcards are available in the Church Porches which point out, simply and effectively, the grave risks in this Bill and are for signing and sending by anyone opposing this legalisation.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Joan Moore, Pat Cummings, Patrick Finley, Ronnie Mascarenhas (Op recovery), Malcolm Cross, Irene Cartledge, Teresa Adams (stroke recovery), Judy Brown, Nellie O'Hanlon and family, Kusun Senanayake, Richard Milne, Margaret Power, John Morris, Paul Sassu, Isabel Bradshaw, Moyra Clearkin, Peter Scott, Sita Hearn, Sheila Morris, Phyllis Grattan, HE, Virginia Monteiro, Patricia Penny, Joyce Mnguni, James Adie, Maria Annunziata, Jean Kaye, Albie Escorcio, Vera Morris, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, Maria Farrao, NW, Carlene Metcalf, Bosco & Myra Andrade, Joe Sculley, Tegar Marriott, Josie Franklin, Joan Wheeler, Joy Grant, John O'Reilly, Bridget Busk, Phoebe, Tony O'Donnell, Pam Bennett, Pauldia Grant, Laura Pinson, Evelyn Nolan, parishioners who are ill or having surgery and all listed in the Lady Chapel Prayer Book at St Edmund's. Thank you for keeping them all in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 9 AUGUST 2015

SAT	15 AUG	VIGIL MASS	6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	PAUL DORAN RIP (JB) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	16 AUG	THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	AGOSTINHO GONCALVES RIP (MG) TERRY CLARKE RIP - BIRTHDAY ANNIVERSARY (MC) ANDREW AND MARY McCONNELL (JPM) JOAN DOWDING RIP (F)
TUES	18 AUG	20th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	10:00AM SE	DOROTHY BRENNAN RIP (EB)
WED	19 AUG	ST JOHN EUDES	7:00PM SE	PETER EDWARDS RIP (F)
THURS	20 AUG	20th WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME	11.00AM SE 12:15PM SJ	FUNERAL SERVICE: MARGARET MARY O'CONNOR RIP TED CULLEN RIP (GA)
FRI	21 AUG	ST PIUS X	7:00PM SE	EVELYN WOOD RIP (AW & FAMILY)
SAT	22 AUG	THE QUEENSHIP OF MARY	11:00AM SE 6:15PM SJ 7:00PM SE	VIOLET McCONNELL RIP (JPM) SEAN, KATHLEEN & STEWART ADAMSON (DC) MASS IN POLISH
SUN	23 AUG	TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	9:00AM SE 10:00AM SJ 11:00AM SE 7:00PM SE	JOACHIM RODRIGUES - THANKSGIVING & PERSONAL INTENTIONS (AR) JOHN KENNEDY RIP (BK) McGOVERN FAMILY RIP (JPM) LIVING KOBESZKO FAMILY MEMBERS (RK)

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 St Anne's School 023 8032 8200
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DEANERY PARISHES MASS TIMES: *Holy Family, Millbrook* Sat Vigil 18:30; Sun 11:00am; 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.

SUNDAY 16 AUGUST 2015 THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY Psalm Response

On your right stands the queen, in garments of gold.

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia!

Mary has been taken up into heaven;
all the choirs of angels are rejoicing.

Alleluia!

Prayer of the Church Week 4

READINGS SUNDAY 23 AUGUST 2015 21st SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

1st Reading: Joshua 24 : 1-2, 15-18
 2nd Reading: Ephesians 5 : 21-32
 Gospel: John 6 : 60-69

NO SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEK 2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND

Collections	09/08/15 1st	09/8/15 CATHOLIC HOMECARE
Total	£2146.84	£tba
Cash	1106.60	167.83
S / O	832.19	tba
Gift Aid Tax	208.05	tba

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