



22 FEBRUARY 2015

**1ST SUNDAY
OF LENT**



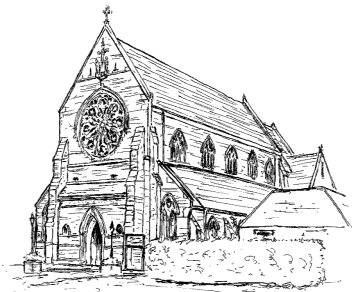
**ST JOSEPH'S &
ST EDMUND'S
CITY CENTRE
CATHOLIC PARISH
SOUTHAMPTON**

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
- CHRIST THE KING & ST. COLMAN'S, BITTERNE
- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, PORTSWOOD
- ST. PATRICK'S, WOOLSTON
- THE ANNUNCIATION, NETLEY ABBEY



The Journey begins

Those who seek you, Lord, you lead toward the light,
You, the Road of those who lost their way.

*Light of humankind, we walk toward you.
Son of God, you will save us!*

To those who find you, Lord, you promise eternal life,
You, the Easter of those who are baptised.

*Light of humankind, we walk toward you.
Son of God, you will save us!*

Those who follow you, Lord, you feed with your Word,
You, the Bread of those you invite to your table.

*Light of humankind, we walk toward you.
Son of God, you will save us!*



J. Martin (Fiche de chant G 128)

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK AHEAD:

1. What drives you out into 'the desert', to face the sin within you and find the mercy of God?
2. Who are the 'angels' who minister to you when you are tempted or struggling?
3. 'Repent and believe in the Gospel' (Ash Wednesday and today's Gospel) from what must you repent? How/when are you going to do it? How will it help you live the Gospel more faithfully?
4. What are you going to do as a Lenten Penance? How will that penance help you experience 'conversion' and 'change of heart'?

Vincent Harvey

LENT HAS BEGUN as well as observing the 'pillars of Lent', Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving, other things to help:

- **Today:** Evening Prayer at 5:00pm
- **Wednesdays** in Lent: Mass 6:30am and 7:00pm
- Day by Day booklets and Lent Calendar for children a few left
- **Stations of the Cross** on Fridays and Sundays
- **Discussion Groups** on 3 Thursdays: about evangelisation
- **Reconciliation** on Thursdays, Saturdays and Monday 30th March
- **24 hours of Prayer/Adoration** on 13th/14th March



TODAY: SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2015

RETIRING COLLECTION: Catholic Care.

WELCOME and thanks to Father Des presiding at 6:15pm Mass and Father Michael Cronin at the 10am Mass.

CAFOD appeal at all Masses to highlight Family Fast Day see Government pledge elsewhere in newsletter.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER SERVICE will take place in St Edmund today (Sunday) at 5:00pm, to help us make the most of Lent, and to enter this sacred season in right heart and mind.



RECENTLY DIED: Laszlo Maros RIP late of Alexandra Road, Freemantle. Funeral Service 11:30am Tuesday 24 February at St Edmund's Church followed by burial at Millbrook Cemetery.

Peter Hunt RIP late of Monarch Way, West End. Reception of the Coffin into St Edmund's Church at 5pm Tuesday 3 March. Requiem Mass Wednesday 4 March at 10:30am followed by cremation at St Mary's Extra Cemetery. May he rest in peace. Please keep his wife, Joan, and their son Matthew and family in your prayers.

Anne Campbell RIP. Please pray for Anne who died a week ago. Many of you will have known Anne when she taught at St Anne's School. Her funeral will be at St Teresa's in Totton, Thursday, 5 March at 10:30am followed by burial at Eling Cemetery at 11:30am

THIS WEEK

FOR INFORMATION: Mon: Day Off: VH

Tues: Funeral: VH. PA Clergy meeting: VH

Wed: St Anne's: VH. Solent Interfaith meeting: VH

Thurs: Alpha meeting: VH

Fri: Called & Gifted clergy meeting: VH

MONDAY SOCIAL CLUB meet 2pm on Mondays in St Edmund's Hall for a cup of tea and a chat; bingo if you like and a raffle. All welcome!

'MUSIC – THE INTERNATIONAL LANGUAGE' CONCERT: Tuesday, 24 February at 7:30pm in St Joseph's Church in aid of the Southampton and Winchester Visitors Group, (*supports refugees and asylum seekers*).

WELLSPRING PRAYER GROUP meet at 7:30pm on Tuesdays in St Edmund's Hall. All welcome!

LITURGY PLANNING meeting 7:30pm Tuesday 24 February in St Edmund's Presbytery.

LUNCH CLUB meet at 12 noon on Wednesdays in St Edmund's Hall.

MARRIAGE COUNSELLING—facing difficulties in a relationship? Counselling sessions take place on Wednesdays in St Edmund's Lodge. Call 0800 389 3801 to book an appointment.

CCPG (City Centre Pastoral Group) meet 7:45pm Wednesday 25 February in St Edmund's Presbytery.

ALPHA COURSE MEETING: Thursday 26 February at 7:30pm in St Edmund's Hall for all who would like to help in any capacity. Confirm your attendance with Tina 07827 810 457 or email tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. There will be an Alpha taster session on Thursday 16 April from 7pm—9:30pm in St Edmund's Hall. The Alpha course will run from 14 May—30 July from 7pm—9:30pm on Thursday evenings in St Edmund's Hall. Helpers needed for welcoming, catering, table host, table volunteer, advertising, praying.

LENT 2015

EARLY MORNING MASS 6:30am Wednesdays in Lent.

HUNGER LUNCHES 1:05pm on Thursdays during Lent at St Michael's Church (February 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26). All proceeds for CAFOD/Christian Aid.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 6:15pm Fridays led by the Friday Youth Group and 6:10pm Sundays in St Edmund's Church led by different Parish groups.

SUNDAY MASSES during Lent we will kneel for the Penitential Rite.

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY on Friday 27 February.

PARISH LENTEN MONGU APPEAL (jam jars) for Father Cashin's work in Zambia. Please take a label home from the porch.

ADORATION: Treat yourself to an hour of peace, relaxation and prayer before the blessed Sacrament of the Altar at St Edmund's Church. If you could commit to one of the following hours every week pop into the Parish Office: **Tuesday 1pm—2pm; 2pm—3pm. Wednesday 10am—11am. Thursday: 12noon—1pm or 2pm—3pm; Friday 10am—11am.**

DISCUSSION GROUPS on 3 Thursdays: about evangelisation (see elsewhere in the Newsletter).

RECONCILIATION Thursdays (St Joseph's), Saturdays (St Edmund's & St Joseph's); Monday 30 March (St Edmund's).

NEXT WEEKEND

SWIMMING AGAINST THE TIDE: Saturday 28 February - St Peter's Catholic Primary School, Winchester, SO22 4JB - 11am-4pm. Fr PJ Smith has organised a day of renewal for all those working with young people in the diocese. *Collette Power, a youth worker from Birmingham diocese (an inspiring speaker) will be the keynote speaker.* Will Hince will be speaking on evangelising young people, being renewed and not losing hope. All who are involved in youth ministry, i.e. chaplains, teachers, catechists, youth group leaders or anyone interested in becoming involved in this important ministry, are welcome. To book, contact Will Hince email whince@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/Mob. 07780221686.

ECUMENICAL FAMILY RAMBLE to Upper Hamble Country Park. Meet 2pm Sunday 1 March at the Car Park of Norman Rodaway Pavilion and Football Sportsfield, Heathhouse Lane. Tel 023 8044 2403. See Notice Board.

NEXT WEEK

NEWMAN & THE NEW EVANGELISATION Monday, 2 March at 7:30pm, Pastoral Centre, St Peter's, Winchester. Winchester Catholic History Group invites you to a talk on John Henry Newman and the New Evangelisation. Dr Stephen Morgan of St Benet's Hall, University of Oxford and a Deacon of our Diocese will speak on the unique contribution that the life and thought of Blessed John Henry Newman can make to the New Evangelisation, through his theology of friendship and his bringing together faith and reason. Members free, Guests £5.

EVANGELISATION Continuing on from the 1st meeting held last week you are invited to join with Father Vincent to reflect upon 'evangelisation' using material from 'Proclaim 15'. Thursdays: 5 March at 7:30pm; 19 March at 8pm in St Edmund's Hall.

A DAY OF HEALING with Little Way Healing Ministries 10am coffee, 10:30am—4:30pm Saturday 7 March at Highfield House Hotel, Highfield Lane, SO17 1AQ. Father Laurence Brassill OSA, Mrs. Pauline Edwards and team offer a day of teaching and healing. All welcome. 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 & see.
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION workshop for parents and candidates 10:30am Saturday 7 March in Stella Maris/St Joseph's Halls.

WHAT NEXT FOR THE FAMILY SYNOD? A day conference at St Peter's Church, Jewry Street, Winchester 10:30am—4:00pm Saturday 7 March. Plenary Address by Professor Mary Grey 'The Church, a space for honest dialogue, listening and even disagreement (Pope Francis) - priorities for the future.' Register on email twoodman@btopenworld.com. See Notice Board.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION for candidates from 2pm—5pm Sunday 8 March in St Boniface Church Hall, Shirley. Mob. Charlie 07740 301 390.

GENERAL ITEMS

ST MARY'S COLLEGE OPEN MORNINGS: 9am—12:30pm Wednesday and Thursday 18/19 March at 57 Midanbury Lane, Bitterne Park, SO18 4DJ. See Notice Board.

FIRE SAFETY TRAINING & FIRE WARDENS: The safety of Parishioners whilst at Mass or on Church premises is extremely important and we are legally required to have procedures in place in the event of fires and other similar emergencies. *In addition to the existing fire wardens there is an urgent need for us to recruit new able bodied volunteers who would be willing to take on the role of fire and emergency wardens.* This is especially important at weekends so that we can have a rota of duty fire wardens for all Saturday evening and Sunday Masses across the Pastoral Area. Stephen Short (the Diocesan Fire Safety Officer) has kindly agreed to provide some refresher training for existing fire wardens and also for new volunteers at **St. Boniface Hall to take place Saturday 21 March from 10.30am and 12.30pm.** Please would all existing fire wardens and new volunteers confirm their attendance with the Parish Office or Father Vincent as soon as possible but by Monday 16th March at the very latest. *Chris Barber, Area Property Administrator.*

PASTORAL AREA RETREAT: Date for your diary Saturday 28 March 10am—4pm at St Joseph's, Ashurst. "What does it mean to be saved?" Led by Fr Des Connolly and Tina Quinn. There will be Mass, a shared lunch and opportunities for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

ASSISTANT PRIEST IN CITY CENTRE: As announced in the newsletter last week a priest is coming from Kerala in India to be the Assistant here in St Joseph & St Edmund. He is Father Tomy Chirackalmanavalan from the Archdiocese of Ernakulam.

STATEMENT BY THE SOUTHAMPTON COUNCIL OF FAITHS 'Against a background of violence, poverty, fear and destruction around the world the members of the Southampton Council of Faiths would like to declare their dedication and commitment towards peace and understanding in the city between all of its residents - people of faith and people of no faith. Outside influences can so easily affect the stability of communities across the city. In response SCOF encourages everyone to demonstrate tolerance, peaceful dialogue and acceptance of each other at all times'. All of the faith communities are keen to invite people to visit them at their places of worship to understand their customs and beliefs and for more info contact us on www.southampton-faiths.org.

200 CLUB MEMBERSHIP: Reminder to members the 2015 fees are now due. New members needed (call the Parish Office).

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND ... SEE POSTER: 22 Nov - 2 Dec 2015 Bishop Philip Egan, together with Mgr Canon Vincent Harvey and Fr James McAuley will be leading the Pilgrimage in November. Bookings are now being accepted for this pilgrimage. See website www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for electronic enquiry form. Should you wish, do contact the Pilgrimage Organisers Deacon Iain & Cheryl MacFirbhisigh: email: [blessings41@gmail.com](mailto: blessings41@gmail.com) / Tel. No. 015 3472 5963.

YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEER: The Diocese are currently looking for an enthusiastic young volunteer to commit for a period of 2 years on a part-time basis to help out with the exciting youth ministry activities and WYD 2016 preparations. The work required would average between 7 to 10 hours per week mainly during evenings or/and weekends. In return, we will cover the cost and expenses for you to study a Foundation Degree in Youth Ministry at St Mary's University, Twickenham. The course is part time over 2 years and comprises distance learning along with occasional classroom lectures (for which travel expenses will be covered). Working under the supervision of the Project Co-ordinator you will gain substantial knowledge and experience to transmit your faith and inspire the young people of our parishes. Should you wish to carry on with your personal development, you could gain a BA in Theology by studying one more year straight after successful completion of your FDYM. Please apply before 30 March 2015 as the hope is that you could start your studies after the summer break 2015 but there is some flexibility on dates. For further info, contact Angie Carroll on 07713 567 161 ASAP.

THE HOLY FATHER'S UNIVERSAL FEBRUARY PRAYER INTENTION: "That prisoners, especially the young, may be able to rebuild lives of dignity." His intention for evangelisation is: "That married people who are separated may find welcome and support in the Christian community".

CAFOD & GOVERNMENT 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 18 February – 17 May) up to the value of £5 million.

LARGE BEDSIT NEEDED TO RENT: Professional female (non-smoker) requires large bedsitting room to rent from March with own cooking facilities in the Highfield, Hill Lane, Lower Bassett or Portswood area. Text Mob No. 07787 645 195 or email ferris_rachel@hotmail.com.

ADMIN OFFICER—ST SWITHUN WELLS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL: temporary, fixed term contract until summer 2016. 19 hours per week; term time only. Salary Grade E (£24,102 - £27,126 fte). See Notice Board for Roles & Responsibilities. Closing date 9 March. Add: Hillcrest Avenue, Eastleigh, SO53 2JP, Tel. 023 8026 6210.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Isabel Bradshaw, Moyra Clearkin (fall recovery), Anni Chetcuti, Peter Scott, Gail February, Sita Hearn, Nelum, Sheila Morris, Phyllis Grattan, Maria Gibzinska, HE, Virginia Monteiro, Patricia Penny, Joyce Mnguni, James Adie, Edward O'Donovan, Maria Annunziata, Jean Kaye, Emma Bailey, Laura Pinson, Madeleine Clarke, Debbie Murphy, Albie Escorcio, Vera Morris, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, Maria Farrao, NW, Carlene Metcalf, Bosco & Myra Andrade, Joe Sculley, Tegar Marriott, Josie Franklin, Joan Wheeler, Bertie Radcliffe, Ken Woodford, Joy Grant, John O'Reilly, Bridget Busk, Joan Roberts, Phoebe, Tony O'Donnell, Pam Bennett, Pauldia Grant, 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 all these people in your prayers.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2015

SAT	21 FEB		6:15PM SJ	ROY HUGHES RIP (TONY'S DAD) (TH&VH)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	22 FEB	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	9:00AM SE	AIDEN WHELAN RIP (DP&GP)
			10:00AM SJ	NIJOLE STANISLAVA VILIME RIP (SM)
			11:00AM SE	ELIZABETH & JOHN WARD RIP (F)
			5:00PM SE	LENTEN SERVICE—(FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT)
			7:00PM SE	MARGARET TURKINGTON RIP (LG)
TUES	24 FEB	OF THE 1ST WEEK OF LENT	10:00AM SE	ANGELA BENSON RIP (CL)
			11:30AM SE	FUNERAL SERVICE: LASZLO MAROS RIP
WED	25 FEB	OF THE 1ST WEEK OF LENT	6:30AM SE	IN THANKSGIVING (HP&GC)
			7:00PM SE	ROSEANN BERRY RIP (CL)
THURS	26 FEB	OF THE 1ST WEEK OF LENT	12:15PM SJ	DEANE FAMILY RIP (MK)
FRI	27 FEB	OF THE 1ST WEEK OF LENT	7:00PM SE	THILAN KUMARAJEEWA—BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS
SAT	28 FEB	OF THE 1ST WEEK OF LENT	11:00AM SE	CONCETTA LONGO RIP (YA)
			6:15PM SJ	PAUL BARNETT RIP (PAH)
			7:00PM SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	1 MAR	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	9:00AM SE	AIDEN WHELAN RIP (M&CP)
			10:00AM SJ	TERRY CLARKE RIP (HP)
			11:00AM SE	THANKSGIVING (PA)
			7:00PM SE	JULIA BROOKING RIP (F)

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. 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. *(Key to City Centre Catholic Masses above SJ = St Joseph's Church, Bugle Street, SO14 2AH and SE = St Edmund's Church, The Avenue, SO17 1XJ)

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

SUNDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2015 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR B

Psalm Response

Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love
for those who keep your covenant.

Gospel Acclamation

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
 Man does not live on bread alone, but on every
 word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Prayer of the Church Week 1

READINGS SUNDAY 1 MARCH 2015 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT, YEAR B

1st Reading: Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18
 2nd Reading: Romans 8:31-34
 Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

2nd COLLECTION TODAY	2nd COLLECTION NEXT WEEK
CATHOLIC CARE	CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

Collections	15/2/15
	1st
Total	£2,157.98
Cash	753.76
S / O	1,139.85
Gift Aid Tax Rebate	264.37

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