

**Today**

**Education Sunday:** We welcome pupils and staff of St Edmund's Secondary School at 1000 Mass and St John's Cathedral Primary at 1200 Mass. They will be joining us in our celebrations and contributing to the liturgy.

**Latin Mass:** 1500 Solemn High Mass using the Tridentine liturgy with musical setting of Palestrina's Missa Brevis. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the Hall.

**CrossBar:** 1900 Abingdon Room. Social gathering of young adults (18+) who meet on the first Sunday of every month.

**Forthcoming Events**

**06/10 - and every Monday - Christian Meditation Group:**

1900-2000 St John's Room. All welcome.

**07/10 - and every Tuesday - Hatha Yoga:** 1830-2200

Cathedral Centre. Places are still available.

**07/10 Exploring God's Word:** 1900 Jubilee Room.

Continuing the study of St Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. All welcome.

**08/10 - and every Wednesday - Parents' Group:** 1000-

1130 Abingdon Room. Parents meet while children play!

**09/10 Guardians of the Cathedral:** 1300 Abingdon Room.

Meeting for all Guardians.

**09/10 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** 1930-

2045 St John's Room. On-going programme every Thursday to gradually welcome adults into the faith.

**11/10 - and every Saturday - Meditation Group:** 1700-

1730 St John's Chapel. All welcome.

**12/10 Youth Justice & Peace:** 1600-1800 Cathedral Hall.

**14/10 Editorial Meeting *Inside Out* Magazine:** 1800 St

John's Room.

**15/10 St John's Cathedral Primary School Year 5 Liturgy:**

0930 Cathedral. Parents are welcome.

**18/10 Play of St Augustine of Hippo** 1400 Cathedral.

Cathedral Curia

Priests: Canon David Hopgood and Father Steven Restori

Mrs Lily Peach, Parish Secretary: 023 9282 6170

Sister Rita, FMDM, Pastoral Assistant: 023 9296 0376

Mr Peter Newman, Director of Music: 07590602437

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Mr Dave Yates, Cathedral Verger: 023 9287 0348

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St John's Cathedral Primary School: 023 9282 1055

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Discovery Centre: 023 9287 0348

Jordan James, University Chaplain: 023 9284 3030

Mary Ellen Donnelly, Deanery Youth Worker: 0781 446 7102



St John's



Catholic Cathedral Portsmouth

Thought of the Week

Canon David Hopgood

**Education Sunday**

I am very conscious how blessed we are in this Cathedral Parish to have two very good Catholic schools, St John's Cathedral Primary School and St Edmunds' - both in Arundel Street. Blessed, because of the commitment of the staff and governors (and indeed the children). I am also very conscious of how, within our Parish community, we have many wonderfully dedicated teachers who, by their faith and commitment, take the Gospel to other schools and children. It does not stay there! We have excellent catechists and teachers of the faith leading our First Holy Communion, Confirmation, RCIA, Baptism and Marriage Preparation. And so the list goes on.

What about parents? They are described in the liturgy as 'the best of teachers in the ways of faith'.

This year we are focusing on the life and ministry of St Paul, who was a great and bold teacher of the faith. He communicated the teaching of Christ in a variety of different ways: through the written word; the spoken word; visiting communities; encouraging people; and in describing the Word of God as alive and active like a double-edged sword - always educating and bringing new vision and ideas into the lives of those who break the Word of God open in order to learn more the ways of God.

Education is something which must be part of our Christian calling, for we can never stop learning about creation and God.

**The theme for the month of October is Learning and Education**

It is hoped that this theme might be developed through the liturgy in the various Cathedral groups this month.

Hymns				Mass Intentions
1800	831	772	852	If you would like to have a Mass celebrated for a particular intention, please see the Verger or one of the priests.
1000	458	698	108	
1200	465	772	713	
1800	684	772	831	

**Liturgical Calendar**

**& Mass Times**

**Sunday 5 October**

1000 Constance Cronin Locke RIP  
 1200 Bill Fisher RIP  
 1800 People of the Parish

**Monday 6 October Feria**

0730  
 1215 Ramira Moorcroft RIP

**Tuesday 7 October Memorial**

Our Lady of the Rosary  
 0730

1215 Eileen & Michael RIP

**Wednesday 8 October Feria**

0730  
 1215 Edward Vidgen RIP

**Thursday 9 October Feria**

0730 Marjory Fisher RIP  
 1215 James Clarke (F)

**Friday 10 October Feria**

0730 Eileen Marshall RIP  
 1215 Requiem Mass, Rita Lynch +

**Saturday 11 October**

Our Lady on Saturday  
 1215 Poor Souls in Purgatory  
 1700 Meditation in St John's Chapel  
 1800 Eve Ayling RIP

**Sunday 12 October**

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

1000 People of the Parish  
 1200 Carmel Cachia RIP  
 1800 Paul Paine Intention

**Retiring Collection Harvest**

**Fast Day for CAFOD**

Envelopes and offerings made on Friday 3 October Fast Day will be taken after all Masses this weekend.

**Visit our Website**

Please do not forget to visit the Cathedral website which offers a wide range of references, information and contacts: [www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk)

**Early Morning Mass**

This popular Mass is celebrated from Monday to Friday at 0730 in St John's Chapel. All are welcome.

**APF Appeal Boxes**

These are now due to be emptied. Please hand them in to Nora & Eileen at the Cathedral Discovery Centre. Donations are welcome.

**Confirmation**

This programme will commence on 9 Jan 2009. Application forms and a letter outlining the programme are available at the back of the Cathedral.

**Signing of School Forms**

Today, the priests will sign School Forms before and after the 1000 and 1200 Masses in the Cathedral Discovery Centre for those parents applying to send their children to our Catholic schools.

**Cathedral Guardians**

There will be a meeting in the Abingdon Room for all Guardians of the Cathedral on Thursday 9 Oct after the 1215 Mass.

**Human Fertilisation and Embryology Bill**

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales have issued a letter offering guidance on what action you can take (copies of letter available at back of Cathedral). After Parliament resumes on 6 Oct the House of Commons will be debating the final stages of the Bill. It is important that we contact our MPs to register our opposition.

**Deans' Conference**

Canon David will be attending the Annual National Conference of Cathedral Deans in Brentwood on 6-8 October.

**Stewardship Conference**

The Bishop has asked Canon David to attend the International Conference on Stewardship which will take place this year in Chicago from 10-15 Oct.

**Street Pastors**

There will be a recruitment evening on Monday 10 Nov at 1930 at the Oasis Centre in Arundel Street Portsmouth. If anyone would like to know more about becoming a Street Pastor, then please attend this evening or speak to one of the priests.

**Christmas Day Lunch**

We are looking for volunteer drivers to collect and transport elderly parishioners. Please contact Paula Medd on 92 369 183.

**Welcome**

To all relatives, friends and visitors to the Cathedral and the city of Portsmouth.

**Visitors:** You are invited to register in the Visitor's Book at the west end of the Cathedral.

**New Parishioners:** Please introduce yourselves after Mass to the priest (and to other parishioners) so that he (and we) can get to know you.

**Becoming a Catholic**

If you know of anyone who is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, with the possibility of being received into the Church, then please speak to one of the priests.

**Raffle Prizes**

We are already planning the Mass of Anointing (26 October) for our sick and housebound, and are asking parishioners to begin donating items for the raffle. We would be grateful for bottles, toiletries, food and drink, etc. Please drop off your donations at the Parish Office or Discovery Centre. Thank you.

**New Co-ordinator for Rosters of Readers & EUMINS**

Someone is needed to prepare and organise the rosters for Readers and Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. Jay Kettle-Williams, the present Co-ordinator is stepping down from the post after many years. If you can help please see either of the priests.

**Augustine of Hippo**

A new play on the life of Augustine will be performed in the Cathedral on Saturday 18 Oct at 1400. The cast is professional and directed by Robin Marchal, Vice-Chairman of the Catholic Actors Guild. Tickets are £5 (concessions £3.50).

Would any member of the congregation be happy to offer a night accommodation to one or two actors on Fri 17 Oct? Please ring Katy on 9283 7064.

**Charity DVD/CD Sale**

The Parish Justice & Peace Group will be holding this sale after all Masses on the weekend of 2 Nov. They would be grateful for donations of professionally recorded DVDs and CDs (no videos please). These may be left either at the Discovery Centre or the Parish Office. Further details later.

**Oaklands Vacancy**

A Teacher of Modern Languages (French) is required. Please contact Mr M Quinn on 023 9224 8043.

**Please pray for those who are ill, especially:**

Kay Cronin, Mary Walsh, Fiona Allen, Chris Carter, Wellington Souza, Dominic Fox, Thomas O'Grady, Philip Doherty, Christine Millham, Geoff Obermaier, John Cotter, Maria Makins, Carole Winsler, Albert Hider, Eilish Cregan, Laurie Payne, Brenda Hamilton, Adelaide de Battista, Maisie Hider, Doreen Yates, Jenny Edwards & Fr Peter Sprague.

*If any parishioner is ill at home or in hospital and would like to receive Communion, even on a regular basis, please let the priests know.*

**For those who have died:**

Rita Lynch RIP (sister of Roger, at the Car Park)

**And for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:**

Patrick Herbert † Bridget O'Driscoll † Elizabeth Cook-Freeman † Florence Pitcher † Betty Quail † Minnie Florence Likely † Sr Catherine McAdden † James Hudson † Peter Heslop † Anna Jones † Joseph Morrissey † Mary Swan †

**May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen**

<b>Confession this Week</b>	
Saturday 1100-1200	1630-1730
<b>Devotions</b>	
<b>Midday Prayer</b>	
Monday-Saturday 1200	
<b>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</b>	
Friday	1100 - 1200
Saturday	1100 - 1200
<b>Rosary after 1215 Mass</b>	
Tuesday and Thursday	

**We acknowledge with thanks:**

Last weekend's collection, including Standing Orders, amounted to £2,270.81 of which £1,326.15 (58%) was gift-aided.

Cathedral: £555.55