

# CATHOLIC PORTSMOUTH

## Catholic Parishes and Schools in Partnership in the City of Portsmouth

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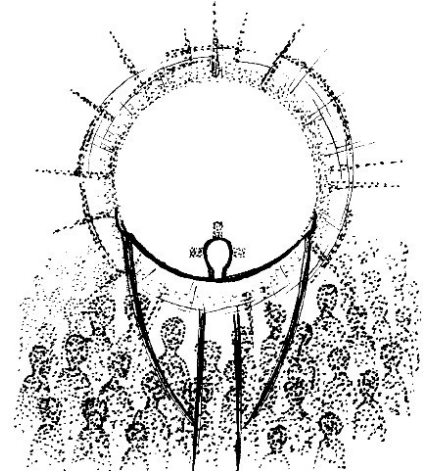
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**13 May 2012 – Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B**

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

The word "love" appears twenty-one times in today's readings! "God is love" and "love one another" are at the heart of this teaching. The love that we are talking of is a love that is active, that goes out and changes people's lives. This is the love that God has shown us in Jesus: God gives himself to us and for us to restore us to himself. He does this by becoming a man, giving himself, dying on the Cross and rising from the tomb – all for us.



Last week and this week our young people will be making their First Holy Communion: for the first time they are receiving the great gift of the Lord's Body and Blood – his gift of himself out of love for us. It is out of love that he gives himself to us in the Blessed Sacrament: as we receive him, may our lives be transformed by his life into lives of love – love for God and for one another.

**Fr Phillip Harris**

#### Parish Fête

Please keep the date Saturday 23 June free in your diary and in your mind. It is the day when we gather together to celebrate our Parish Fête, the proceeds of which will benefit the Cathedral and Sue Ryder Care charity. Each week you will be asked to provide something in preparation for this great parish event!

Next Sunday you are requested to bring gifts for the Raffle and Tombola. So please bring some of these items next week to Mass and drop them off in the sacristy.

**Hymns 1800:** 794 811 627 853 **1000:** 801 278 406 **1200:** 865 603 748 627 713 **1800:** 794 811 627 853

**Corpus Christi** Gladys Avenue, North End, PO2 9AZ – **St Joseph** Tangier Road, Copnor, PO3 6JH

Fr Steven Restori tel 023 9266 0927 – ccsj@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Parish Sister: Sr Mary Gleavey FMDM tel. 07586 801868- St Joseph Hall Bookings: Mrs Mary Vale 023 9267 0726

**Our Lady of Lourdes** Bransbury Road, Eastney, PO4 9JY - **St Swithun** 105 Waverley Road, Southsea, PO5 2PL– tel. 02392 828305

Fr Simon Thomson– southseaparish@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk – Pastoral Assistant: Sr Marie Elise Tel. 0774 7728 734

Parish Secretary: Mrs Clare Shore – Office Hours: 0900 – 1500 Tue-Wed-Thu

**St Colman** St Colman's Avenue, Cosham, PO6 2JJ – **St Paul** Allaway Avenue, PO6 4DG– tel. 02392 376151

Fr Joe McNerney– scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk - QA Hospital Chaplaincy: 02392 286408

Parish Secretary: Mrs Tess Pritchard Office Hours: 0900-1500 Tu-Fri

**PARISHES:** Corpus Christi & St Joseph • Our Lady of Lourdes with St Swithun • St Colman & St Paul • St John's Cathedral

**SCHOOLS:** Primary: Corpus Christi • St John's Cathedral • St Paul's • St Swithun's • Secondary: St Edmund's

## CATHEDRAL DIARY OF EVENTS

### TODAY

- Blessing of Engagement Rings Mass: 1000
- First Holy Communion Mass: 1200
- Sacrament of Baptism: 1400
- Taizé Prayer Evening: 1700

### TUESDAY 15 MAY

- Hatha Yoga (Week 5): 1830-2000 Cathedral Hall

### WEDNESDAY 16 MAY

- Mothers' Prayer: 1000-1100 Bamenda Room.
- Fraternal Lunch: 1300 St John's Room

### THURSDAY 17 MAY

- RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): 1930-2045 Abingdon Room

### FRIDAY 18 MAY

- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 0800-1800 Blessed Sacrament Chapel

### SATURDAY 19 MAY

- Annual Rosary Rally: 1215-1500
- Meditation Group: 1700-1745 St John's Chapel

### SUNDAY 20 MAY

- Wedding of Domika Mazur & Graham Parkes: 1600

**Please pray for our sick and our housebound who are unable to share the liturgy with us, their families and those who care for them:**

Antonetta Salerno Kathleen Martin, Baby Jasmine Andrew, June Kempster, Bishop Michael, Paul Knowles, Jerry Winsor Ann Jarczyk, Betty Copestreak, , Carole Winsor, Sean Ahern, David Powell, Mario Oakes, Gordon Lyons, Eva Sonnen, Steward Russell, Mary Langridge, Maria Enright, Anne Crowe, John Foster, Anne Harkin, Ann Lound, Laurie Jenkins, Willow Scotney-Williams, Mark Hamilton, Raymond Stanley, Bob McGowan, Kerry Kirby, Lucy Barrett, Yvonne Tomkins, Dominic Fox, Nora and Fred Harkin, Mark Turnbull, Maisie Hider, Thomas O'Grady, Doreen Yates.

**For those who have died:** Donald James Leslie Holmes RIP Cirin Pereira RIP

**Please remember all our faithful departed and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Joseph Talb Elizabeth Darracott Faunch Ivy Toza Lilian Rogers Joy O'Donovan Lawrence McGreachy Kathleen Burton Valerie Brennan Patricia Patey Hubert O'Connell Elizabeth Mary Douglas (Betty) Thomas Ashby

May their souls through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

## From YOUCAT



*The Sacrament of Baptism*

**Baptism is the way out of the kingdom of death into life, the gateway to the CHURCH, and the beginning of a lasting, communion with God.**

Baptism is the foundational SACRAMENT and the prerequisite for all other sacraments. It unites us with Jesus Christ, incorporates us into his redemptive death on the Cross, thereby freeing us from the power of Original Sin and all personal sins, and causes us to rise with him to a life without end. Since Baptism is a covenant with God, the individual must say Yes to it. In the baptism of children, the parents confess the Faith on behalf on the children.

**Why does the Church adhere to the practice of infant Baptism?**

From antiquity the CHURCH has practised infant Baptism. There is one reason for this: before we decide on God, God has decided on us. Baptism is therefore a grace, an undeserved gift of God, who accepts us unconditionally. Believing parents who want what is best for their child want Baptism also, in which the child is freed from the influence of original sin and the power of death.

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**We acknowledge last weekend's collections with thanks:**

- **Corpus Christi with St Joseph:** £625.37 (including Standing Orders) £211.20 Clergy Training Fund
- **Our Lady of Lourdes and St Swithun:** £977.38 (69% GA) including Standing Orders
- **St Colman with St Paul:** £1,180.00 (68 % GA including Standing Orders)
- **St John's Cathedral:** £1,986.00 (53 % GA) including Standing Orders

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## Pastoral Area Notices

### WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY, 20 MAY

There will be a second collection for the Catholic Communications Network (CCN) after all Masses next weekend 19/20 May. We are asked to keep those who work in the media in our prayers. The CCN provides support for the bishops of England and Wales and the Church more widely in promoting the Gospel through media on current issues. Please pray for and give generously to the work of the CCN.

### CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2012

A Retreat will take place from 18-20 May in Portsmouth. Rehearsal will be held on Saturday 26 May at 0930 in St John's Cathedral. The Sacrament will be conferred by the Bishop on Pentecost Sunday 27 May at 1430 Mass.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LOCAL MARRIAGE CARE CENTRE IN PORTSMOUTH AREA

Marriage Care is a national charity supporting marriage, relationships and family life through offering Counselling and Marriage preparation by trained volunteers in Centres across England and Wales. Someone is needed to lead the local Centre in the Portsmouth area with management and administrative experience, who has a great way with people and to help advertise their services. A Treasurer is also needed for their local Centre. Support will be given from a committed and friendly local group in counselling and preparation for marriages, as well as from the network of UK Centres and training and resources from the National Office.

For further details contact Gerry on oakmead@ntlworld.com or 02393 463989 or [http://www.marriagecare.org.uk/how\\_can\\_you\\_help.php](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk/how_can_you_help.php)

### PORTSMOUTH SUMMER FAIR AND PICNIC

A FREE, FUN and GREEN way to enjoy the day for all the family on Saturday 19 May from 1100-1700 in Victoria Park, Portsmouth. All are welcome to over 100 stalls, displays and demonstrations of green crafts and technology, kids action area, food zone, Information workshops and talks, free films, live entertainment with local bands.

### FIRST ANNUAL PFS GREEN FILM FESTIVAL

A spark for our community presented by Portsmouth Film Society on May 17-18-19 at the Omega Centre (Omega Road PO5 4LP) & Victoria Park. For details of programme visit: [www.portsmouthfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthfilmsociety.org.uk)

### CARPET OF FLOWERS IN ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL

To celebrate the Feast of Corpus Christi enjoy a day in Arundel with Holy Mass at 1730. Procession in Castle grounds and Benediction on Thursday 7 June. Pick up from St John's Cathedral at 1200. To book please ring the Confraternity of the Rosary on 023 9282 0744.

### CONFRATERNITY OF THE ROSARY PILGRIMAGE TO GLASTONBURY, BUCKFAST ABBEY

Monday 23 July to Friday 27 July. Holy Mass and Devotions each day.

Visits to Glastonbury Abbey and the famous Church of Our Lady. Day visit to Buckfast Abbey and short visit to Wells. Staying at Wessex Hotel. Cost £260. To book please ring 023 9282 0744.

### WONDERING ABOUT GOD?

#### THINK GOD IS WONDERING ABOUT YOU?

VOCATIONS weekend for young women (20s and 30s). Dates: 1-3 June 2012. Location: Broadstairs, Kent. The weekend will provide opportunity for prayer and reflection, as well as discussion and input about apostolic religious life. For more information contact Sr Mary Anne fcj [maryannefcj@gmail.com](mailto:maryannefcj@gmail.com)

### INVOCATIONS 2012

#### THE THIRD NATIONAL DISCERNMENT FESTIVAL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Now in its third year, this festival will be held in the grounds of St Mary's College, Oscott, in the Archdiocese of Birmingham from Friday 6 July - Sunday 8 July. This is aimed at young men and women aged 16-35 who are looking to deepen their relationship with Christ and who are searching for the knowledge and tools to develop their own personal formation, discernment and understanding of God's will in their lives.

The Invocation Festival provides Fellowship, Catechesis, Confession and Adoration with time for prayer, quiet reflection and discernment through keynote speakers, interactive workshops and space to encounter the Lord. For more information please visit <http://www.invocation.org.uk>

### INTERNATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS

Come to the 50<sup>th</sup> International Eucharistic Congress being held in Dublin, Ireland from 10-17 June. For further information please visit: <http://www.iec2012.ie>

### CAFOD 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY WALK

As part of our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations, CAFOD will be holding a circular walk (with prayer stops along the way) in Maidenhead/Cookham on Saturday 23 June. Length approx. 6 miles, starts with a special blessing from St Joseph's parish centre, at 1030. A great day out with spectacular views and picnic lunch (please bring food) and return at 1500. Sponsorship forms will be available for those who wish to raise money for CAFOD on the day. Please contact the CAFOD Portsmouth Office on [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk) or 01252 329385.

## Cathedral Parish Notices

### WELCOME & CONGRATULATIONS

To the engaged couples of our parish whose engagement rings will be blessed at the 1000 Mass.

To those of our children who will receive Holy Communion for the first time at the 1200 Mass.

To the infants and young children who will be baptized at 1400 today.

We welcome their families and friends to the Cathedral. We ask your prayers for our children, engaged couples and their families.

### THANK YOU

To Louise Stokes and her team of First Communion catechists in preparing the children throughout the year.

### TAIZÉ-STYLE PRAYER EVENING

Come and experience a different, gentle form of prayer in St John's Chapel this afternoon at 1700. Taizé prayer is contemplative in character with simple chants, words from Scripture and silent pauses for reflection. All welcome.

### LENTEN ALMS 2012 - THANK YOU

Missio, on behalf of Canon James Cronin, National Director, wrote to thank the generosity of the people of the parish for the very generous donation of £4,721.26.

The amount will be used to build much needed 30 new classrooms in Malawi where children have to sit under trees for their lessons - so they can finish their education and have a chance of a brighter future.

### TO ALL EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

There will be a morning of Reflection on Saturday 9 June from 1100-1200 in the Cathedral Discovery Centre led by Fr Philip.

### SUMMER FETE, 23 JUNE

Preparations for our Cathedral Parish Fête are underway. Proceeds will be split between Sue Ryder Care Charity and Cathedral maintenance costs.

Volunteers are needed to run various stalls. If you can help, please put your name in the Sign-Up sheet in the Centre after Mass today.

### PARISH SUPPER AND QUIZ NIGHT

There will be a Fish and Chips Parish Supper on Friday 13 July in the Cathedral Discovery Centre at 1900. Further details to follow.

### RETURNING TO THE CHURCH?

Perhaps you or someone you know has recently returned to the Faith or is thinking of doing so? Four relaxed sessions exploring the Mass and other issues may be just what you are looking for?

Mondays - 11, 18, 25 June and 2 July from 1900-2000 (coffee at 1845) in the Abingdon Room. For more information please contact one of the priests.

### EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Can you spend a short time with Jesus? Please join us at Eucharistic Adoration on Fridays from 0800-1800 and pray for the needs of the people of the world.

If you can commit to an Hour every Friday to this important ministry in the parish please speak to Cicy Parambi on 07772 3049 406.

*Prayer is breathing, nourishment, thirst, conversation, a glance, a desert, a wall, a never-ending plane, a joy which is not of this world.*  
St. Benedict

### MOTHERS' PRAYERS

A group of mothers and grandmothers meet together to pray for their children and grandchildren. All women in the parish are welcome every Wednesday from 1000-1100 in the Bamenda Room, Cathedral Centre.

# Liturgy Calendar and Mass Times

<b>SATURDAY 12 MAY</b> First Mass of 6th Sunday of Easter	1800	St Joseph	Mary Daly P
		Our Lady of Lourdes	Kathleen May Lee Scott RIP F
		St John's Cathedral	Eileen and Richard West F
<b>SUNDAY 13 MAY</b> <b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>  Acts 10:25-26.34-35.44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17	0830	St Swithun	People of the Parish
	0900	St Joseph	Win & Frank O'Leary and Family F
	0915	St Colman	John Higgins RIP (DW)
	1000	St John's Cathedral	People of the Parish
	1015	St Swithun	Bernadette and Gary's Intentions (Sr Katie)
	1100	Corpus Christi	People of the Parish
	1100	St Paul	Private Intentions (Relatives & Friends, Alive & Deceased) (CC)
	1200	St John's Cathedral	Cesare Sartori and Giacinto Maganzini RIP
	1600	QA Hospital	Patrick Joseph Sullivan
	1800	St John's Cathedral	In Thanksgiving
<b>MONDAY 14 MAY</b> <b>ST MATTHIAS, Apostle, feast</b>	1215	St John's Cathedral	Alec Gordon Gaylard RIP
	1215	St Colman	Maureen Brickwood RIP (HB)
<b>TUESDAY 15 MAY</b> of the 6th Week of Easter	0915	St Paul	Pat McKay (PM)
	1215	St John's Cathedral	Yvonne Harkin RIP
	1900	St Swithun	Louis Benny RIP P
<b>WEDNESDAY 16 MAY</b> of the 6th Week of Easter	0730	St John's Cathedral	Joy Barbara O'Donovan RIP
	1130	St Swithun	Peter Connolly RIP
	1200	Corpus Christi	Forgotten Dead
	1215	St Colman	Tess Duncan RIP (PM)
	1215	St John's Cathedral	Mgr John Conroy RIP F
	1930	St Swithun	Memorial Service
<b>THURSDAY 17 MAY</b> of the 6th Week of Easter, before Ascension or St Dunstan, Bishop, <i>op mem</i>	0930	St Joseph	Frederick Johnson F
	1200	Our Lady of Lourdes	William Smith RIP P
	1215	St John's Cathedral	Max Bischof RIP
	1900	St Paul	Liturgy of the Word and Communion Service
<b>FRIDAY 18 MAY</b> of the 6th Week of Easter, before Ascension or St John I, Pope, Martyr, <i>op mem</i>	0730	St John's Cathedral	Mrs Ponponne INT
	0930	Corpus Christi	Joan Taws RIP F
	1130	St Swithun	Funeral Mass for Susan Simms RIP
	1215	St John's Cathedral	John Payne RIP F
	1900	St Paul	Chris Davies RIP (JD)
<b>SATURDAY 19 MAY</b> DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL OF ST JOHN, PORTSMOUTH, <i>feast</i> <i>[solemnity in the Cathedral]</i>	0900	Corpus Christi	C Snelson's Intentions
	0900	St Swithun	Juanita Garcia RIP F
	1215	St John's Cathedral	Private Intention
<b>SATURDAY 19 MAY</b> First Mass of <b>The Ascension of the Lord</b> , <i>solemnity</i>	1800	St Joseph	Rose Allen P
		Our Lady of Lourdes	People of the Parish
		St Colman	Mick Woodgate RIP (PM)
		St John's Cathedral	Max Bischof RIP
<b>SUNDAY 20 MAY</b> <b>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b> , <i>solemnity</i>  Acts 1:1-11 Ephesians 1:17-23 Mark 16:15-20	0830	St Swithun	
	0900	St Joseph	Mary Colerick P
	0915	St Colman	Eileen Mary Fleming RIP (FM)
	1000	St John's Cathedral	MacArthur Mack INT
	1015	St Swithun	Brendan Freeman RIP
	1100	Corpus Christi	People of the Parish
	1100	St Paul	Deceased Members of the Miller & English Family (MM)
	1200	St John's Cathedral	People of the Parish
	1600	QA Hospital	Private Intentions (Priests, Nuns, Missionaries, Religious & Two Parishes) (CC)
	1800	St John's Cathedral	Rev Terence Green RIP F

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## Confession and Devotions

	Reconciliation	Rosary	Eucharistic Adoration	Evening Prayers and Benediction
St John's Cathedral	Saturday 1100 – 1200; 1630 – 1730	Tuesday & Thurs (following Mass 1215)	Friday 0800 – 1800 Saturday 1100 – 1200	First Friday of the month 1800
St Swithun	Saturday 1130 – 1200	First Saturday (following 1100 Mass)	Friday 1200 – 1500	-
Our Lady of Lourdes	Saturday 1730 – 1755	-	-	-
Corpus Christi	Saturday 1000	Sunday (following 1100 Mass)	Wednesday 1130 – 1155	-
St Joseph	Saturday (Before 1800 Mass)	Thursday (before 0930 Mass)	Saturday 1730 – 1755	-
St Colman	Saturday 1700 – 1730	Monday – Sunday 1900	Holy Hour with Adoration Wed & Fri 1930-2030 Every day at times as advertised	-