

CATHOLIC PORTSMOUTH

Catholic Parishes and Schools in Partnership in the City of Portsmouth

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2015 – TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

Today is Home Mission Sunday, a day when Catholics in England & Wales are invited to pray for and support financially the missionary work of the Church in our country. When I was a child, I sometimes used to daydream about being an intrepid missionary, going off to some far-away country in Asia or Africa to preach the Gospel to those who had never heard it. I was mistaken about what being a missionary meant. Actually, all Christians, by virtue of their baptism, are called to be missionaries, and all the places Christians find themselves – work place, home, where they socialise – form part of mission territory. So, for you, your work place or your home in this coming week is where you are called to preach the Gospel by word and deeds. Doing your job as well as you can for love of God is mission work.

At the end of each Mass, we are dismissed with the words “Go in peace”, or “Go forth, the Mass is ended”, or “Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life”, or “Go and proclaim the Gospel of the Lord”. All of these phrases are an attempt to translate the words of dismissal in Latin, “Ite, missa est”, from which we get the English word “mission”. We are sent forth at the end of Mass, not to keep the Good News of the Gospel to ourselves, but rather to share the Joy of the Gospel with others.

Blessed Paul VI once wrote that the Church is missionary by her very nature. It is not the case that the Church has a mission, rather the Church **is** mission, she is sent by her Lord and Head to continue His work of salvation. Right from the beginning of his pontificate, Pope Francis has challenged us to be less concerned with internal, “churchy” things (it can so much more comfortable to talk about who ought to do what ministry) and to be more concerned with evangelisation, looking outwards, bringing the joy and peace of the Good News of salvation to those whom we meet. He once said that an inward-looking Church is a sick one, a Church that has lost her identity, her sense of mission and purpose. What is true of the Church as a whole, is true of each parish and each individual Christian.

For the past three years, Bishop Philip has been calling our Diocese of Portsmouth to respond to the challenge of the New Evangelisation, a proclamation of the Gospel that is new in its ardour, its methods and its expression. It is a task for each and every one of us, in a way appropriate to our gifts and talents. Please pray each day for the New Evangelisation of our country. If you would like to be considered for our Pastoral Area Evangelisation Strategy Team, please contact our Coordinating Pastor, Fr Steven Restori, at srestori@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

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

CONTACT Youth Club (11 – 16)

CONTACT Youth club will be continuing next Wednesday, 23 September, with a Tournament night. The club is for young people aged 11-18 and runs on a Wednesday evening from 1900-2100. £1 a week subs. If you are interested in finding out more please contact me.

THE BEACON PROJECT

The Beacon Project is an exciting prayer project at St Swithun's Catholic Church open to all (16+). It encompasses the rosary, praise and worship, great teaching and adoration. The evening runs from 1900-2130 in the church followed by tea and coffee. We are continuing on Monday 5 Oct with Sarah Beresford of the Catholic Bible School coming to talk to us on the theme 'Finding your Mission'.

SUNDAY NIGHT EXTRA (11 – 18)

Sunday Night Extra is the opportunity for those of you aged 11-18 to go deeper with your faith. We are restarting this Sunday, 20 Sept, from 1900-2045 in the Cathedral Hall with a session called 'Making Church meaningful'. £2 donation includes food (Chicken Nuggets and Waffles).



Feel free to get in touch:

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PUB CHALLENGE (18 – 30)

If you are aged 18-30 and looking to meet other young Catholics we invite you to come join us in our pub challenge - we are working our way through different Portsmouth pubs over the next couple of years, trying to visit as many as we can. It's a great opportunity to meet people and just hang out over a cold beer. Next Pub: The Phoenix, Southsea on Mon 21 Sept from 1930.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

At St Colman's Catholic Church from 1900-2115 on Tues 29 Sept. If you haven't had training and wish to sign up contact Dom by Wednesday.

ZONED In (Year 5 - 6 Youth Club)

ZONED In youth club will be continuing on Thursday 24 September and is our youth club for those in school years 5-6. We have an action-packed programme coming soon including lots of fun activities, trips, opportunities to learn new things and to get creative. It is held at Corpus Christi Catholic School from 1830-2000. £5 membership plus £1 a week subs.

CONFIRMATION 2016

If you are in school years 8 or 9 and would like to register for the confirmation programme 2016, please contact me via email and I will send you a booking form. The Confirmation meeting for all interested in being part of next year's programme will be on Tues 13 Oct at 1930 in the Friends' Hall at the Cathedral. Please make sure you have a representative at this meeting.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH

For those aged 14-18 (School year 10 and above), we are launching a Bronze Duke of Edinburgh programme this year. If you want to know more we will be having a meeting this Wednesday at St Colman's Church Hall from 1930-2030. At this meeting we will explain more about what is involved and give all the info.

RECONCILIATION

St John's Cathedral: Saturday 1100-1145 & 1700-1745
St Swithun: Friday 1930-2000 Saturday 1030-1100
Our Lady of Lourdes: Saturday 1730-1755
Corpus Christi: Saturday 0930
St Joseph: Saturday (before 1800 Mass)
St Colman: Saturday 1700 - 1730

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR our sick and our housebound who are unable to share the liturgy with us, their families and those who care for them:

Marie Munt, Antonetta Salerno, Helen Goodwin, Elena Dobeson, Elaine McDonald, Yvonne Tomkins, Michael Dyer, Carol Taylor, Frances Jennis, John Daley, Hazel Farmer, Maisie Hider, Gordon Lyons, Steward Russell, Maria Enright, John Foster, Anne Harkin, Mark Hamilton, Kerry Kirby, Dominic Fox, Nora & Fred Harkin, Mark Turnbull, Thomas O'Grady, Doreen Yates

PLEASE REMEMBER all our faithful departed and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Christopher Kirby, Helen Walter, Jan Cleuren, Robert Carter, Vera Brookes, Ellen Ward, Corinne Anne Michelle Underwood, Margaret McClaverty, John Greenwood, Eileen Northcott, James McClaverty, Marguerita Gertrude Lynch, Catherine Bird, Harry Brown, Francis Turner, Mary Goves, George Colgan, Elizabeth (Rayne) Collins, Alan Freeman

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

PARISH DIARY

SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER

- Mass in Ordinary Form (English, today only): 0800
- Legion of Mary: after 1000 Mass, St John's Room
- Baptism Preparation Session (for children aged 5-11 with their parents): 1700-1745 Jubilee Room

WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER

- Annual Apostleship of the Sea Mass: 1215 celebrated by Canon Dominic Golding. All welcome.

THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER

- St Edmund's School Year 7 Retreat: 0900 -1500
- Retreat Mass: 1400 celebrated by Fr John Paul Lyttle

FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

- St John's Primary School Year 4 Liturgy: 0915
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: 1000-1800 (please note Exposition starts at 1000 and not 0800 due to School Liturgy)

SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER

- Sacrament of Baptism: 1500

WEDNESDAY 30 SEPTEMBER

- Friends of the Cathedral Committee Meeting: 1300 St John's Room, Cathedral Centre.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE LAST WEEKEND'S COLLECTIONS WITH THANKS

- Corpus Christi with St Joseph: not available
- Our Lady of Lourdes & St Swithun: £935.87 (63% GA) inc SO/DD
- St Colman with St Paul: £1,321.08
- St John's Cathedral: £ 2,042.72 inc SO (43 % GA)

NEWSLETTER NOTICES

If you have articles, news, notices or anything you wish to advertise in this newsletter, please email it to info@catholicportsmouth.org.uk. Please ensure that it is received by 1800 on the preceding Wednesday.

COLLECTION 19/20 SEPT HOME MISSIONS

Today is Home Mission Sunday and is themed: PROCLAIM God's Mercy. We are encouraged to pray for those who are distant from the life of faith. Please support the second collection after all Masses which funds the Bishops' national work of evangelisation. Commemorative cards are available to take away as well as a Pastoral Letter from the Bishops of England and Wales from all exits of the Cathedral.

COLLECTION 27/28 SEPT CATHEDRAL

Next week is our annual diocesan collection for the upkeep of the Cathedral. Please be generous in giving what you can to help ensure that what was built in 1882 can continue to be a beautiful and well-maintained place of worship for everyone in the diocese.

THE BEACON PROJECT

All are most welcome to regular evenings of prayer at St Swithun's Church on the following dates: 14 Sept; 5, 19 Oct; 2, 16, 30 Nov and 14 Dec. The evening begins with praying the rosary at 1900 but you are welcome to join at 1930. It also includes teaching, faith sharing, praise, worship and Adoration.

ASCENT GROUP

Monday 28 Sept at 1415 St Swithun's Church Hall, Waverley Rd. Molly Morris will give a talk on 'The Julian Experience'. Note that at this meeting the £10 deposit required for our Christmas lunch will be collected.

MASS IN ITALIAN - ALL WELCOME

On 27 Sept at 1700 in St Joseph's Church, Tangier Road Copnor PO3 6JH. Celebrated by Fr Serafino Lanzetta.

PONTIFICAL HIGH MASS AT ST AGATHA'S CHURCH, MARKET WAY PORTSMOUTH

On Saturday 26 Sept at 1100 for the Feast of Our Lady of Walsingham. Celebrant: Mgr Keith Newton with Mass setting: Haydn's Missa in tempore belli (Mass in Time of War). An address, after the Mass, will be given by Anglican Bishop Michael Nazir Ali on 'Persecuted Christians.' Refreshments will follow. All welcome.

UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH STUDENTS

Angela O'Donoghue, University Catholic Chaplain writes: *"Today Sunday 20 Sept we will be gathering outside St John's on the street after midday Mass to go to Wetherspoon's for a relatively inexpensive pub lunch. Please come along - it is a chance for us to get to know one another. Next Sunday 27 Sept at 1345 there will be a Welcome Buffet in my home at Flat 33, Brandon Court, Lawrence Road Southsea E:angela.odonoghue@port.ac.uk Tel: 023 9284 3030.*

Some members of the Catholic Society will walk with you to the flat. They will be waiting outside the Cathedral after the midday Mass. The programme with Faith and Light events for the year will be on the two notice-boards in St John's. I wish you every blessing for the new academic year."

FRIENDS OF BAMENDA

The Diocesan Bamenda Committee is seeking to set up "Friends of Bamenda" to promote awareness of the plight of the Bamendan people and to raise funds. There will be a meeting on Wed 7 Oct at 1900 at the Manor House Pub, Court Lane, Cosham, PO6 2LJ. Please come along.

THE SEARCH - ENQUIRY SESSIONS

Do you ask yourself: What is the meaning of life? How can I be a better person? How can I come to know God's love? How can I know the right path God has in store for me? For centuries, people have turned to the Catholic Church to find answers to the deepest and hardest questions of everyday life. If you are not a Catholic and would like to find out more about the Catholic Faith, you are invited to enquiry sessions. Perhaps you are a Catholic who has not yet received all the sacraments. You are warmly invited, too. The next series starts on Thurs 1 Oct and runs every Thursday evening, 1930-2030 at the Discovery Centre, St John's Cathedral. To find out more, or to speak to someone: cathedral@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

DON'T HATE, DONATE

...is a Portsmouth based campaign to deliver aid and support, without prejudice or judgement, to those most in need. A group of local guys from Portsmouth are delivering aid to the refugee camps in Calais. There is an urgent need for medical supplies, such as: plasters, antiseptic wipes, saline solution, bandages, Calpol, Paracetamol, toothpaste, toothbrushes, shampoo, all in-date - and any medicines to be sealed. Please drop off any over the counter medicines, sleeping bags, tents, (anything useful for those with nothing) to the Discovery Centre for collection. The next trip is in a week so please act as soon as possible. All supplies are managed by the aid agencies in situ. For more information and up to date news: <http://www.facebook.com/Don'tHateDonate>

Cathedral Parish News

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2015-2016

Applications forms are now available online to download. Please note that it is only open to children born before 31 August 2008, who are already baptised Catholics and belong to the Cathedral parish either through registration or by living within our boundaries. We are not accepting applications from those parents from other parishes who wish their children to make it here because of convenience or some other reason.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY 2 OCTOBER

Your support of this Harvest with our second collection after all Masses on 3/4 October will ensure millions of people around the world are able to grow enough food to eat. Our specific focus this Harvest is with Niger, the poorest country on Earth. Your support will aid an entire community in Niger not only to survive the most extreme droughts, but to flourish and become self-sufficient.

SHOEBOX APPEAL 2015 IS COMING

A 'donation station' will be set up throughout October and we will be asking for new stationaries; toiletries; small toys and knitted hats, gloves, etc. The appeal will finish with a 'Build a Box' event in November. More details to follow. Contact Kelly on 0756 8133 788 or Dom.

RIDE+STRIDE 2015

Many congratulations to all our people young and old who participated in Ride+Stride last Saturday! Our two groups visited 16 local churches and at the Cathedral welcomed 45 visitors including some from Petersfield and Winchester. A big thank you to all our sponsors! Sponsor money can now be given to Nick. Total raised will be announced soon.

CHOIR VACANCIES

Our choir, which sings at the 1000 Mass each Sunday as well as at all the other major liturgies throughout the year, has vacancies for Sopranos, Altos, Tenors and Basses. If you are interested in joining the choir please speak to any of the organists to arrange a date/time for an informal audition, or pop along to choir practice on a Thursday evening from 1830-2000.

THE AFTERNOON SOCIAL GROUP

Meets every second Wednesday at the Friends Hall from 1400-1600. Our next day out will be on Wednesday 21 Oct going to Milestone Living Museum and also St Bede's Basingstoke - Canon Dominic's previous parish. Cost £25.

MEDJUGORJE (ROSARY) PRAYER

The group meets every first and third Mondays from 1100-1200 in the Jubilee Room. All welcome.

FR JP WRITES ...

"Canon Dominic has asked me to get together all those young people or adults who would like to serve at the Altar and have a training session. I am delighted to invite you to come along to the training morning on Saturday 3 October at 1000 - 1100. Here, we will look at the various duties of a server and there will be a chance to ask any questions so that we will continue to offer a really reverential service at all our Masses here in St John's Cathedral. It's a great privilege to serve at Mass and I look forward to seeing you then!"

SIGN UP FOR ADORATION!

We need committed people to sign up so we can continue Adoration! Please consider signing up for at least one hour per week so we can continue to offer this great gift to our Cathedral parish. In the Eucharist Jesus is just as present with us as He was when He walked on earth 2000 years ago. We ask that when you visit the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, please maintain a disposition of silence and reverence so those who are in the chapel with you are able to worship and pray. *Jesus waits for you in the Blessed Sacrament!* Adoration Times: Friday 0800-1600 Benediction - First Fridays 1800.

Liturgical Calendar and Mass Times

SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER Vigil Mass of 25 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	1800	St John's Cathedral Elson Carvalho RIP
		Our Lady of Lourdes
		St Joseph Eileen Sheehan F
		St Colman Thanksgiving (FD)
SUNDAY 20 SEPTEMBER TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME <i>Wisdom 2:12, 17-20</i> <i>James 3:16-4:3</i> <i>Mark 9:30-37</i> <i>Parish Mass Book p 135</i>	0800 St John's Cathedral Mass in Ordinary Form (English, today only)	
	0830 St Swithun Edward Michael Crispin RIP F	
	0930 St Colman Ron Horsey RIP (MH)	
	1000 St John's Cathedral Liz Merritt RIP	
	1015 St Swithun People of the Parish	
	1100 St Paul All Parishioners of St Pauls (PS)	
	1200 St John's Cathedral People of the Parish	
	1600 QA Hospital Private Ints Friends & Relatives (Alive & Dec'd)	
	1800 St Swithun Mass in Polish	
	1800 St John's Cathedral Private Intention	
MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER ST MATTHEW, Apostle, Evangelist, feast	1000 St Swithun Laurence Warren RIP P	
	1215 St John's Cathedral Constance Bernadette Locke RIP	
TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER Feria [25 th Week of Ordinary Time]	0915 St Colman Mrs May Clark RIP (FM)	
	1000 St Swithun	
	1215 St John's Cathedral Sheila Yeates INT	
	1900 St Swithun John Doyle RIP F	
WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER St Pio of Pietrelcina, <i>Religious, memorial</i>	0730 St John's Cathedral People of the Diocese	
	0915 St Colman Mary Taylor RIP	
	1000 St Swithun John Greenwood RIP F	
	1215 St John's Cathedral Gerard Noel RIP	
THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER Our Lady of Walsingham, memorial	0915 St Colman Jennifer Shields (HW)	
	1000 St Swithun	
	1200 Our Lady of Lourdes Robert Hancock Wilson RIP P	
	1215 St John's Cathedral Richard West F	
FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER Feria [25 th Week of Ordinary Time]	0730 St John's Cathedral Maxima Ponponne RIP	
	1000 St Swithun Sr Bernadette Duggan RIP	
	1215 St John's Cathedral Barry Yeates RIP	
	1400 St Colman Funeral Mass of Bridget Cooper RIP	
	1830 St Colman Gerald Quinn RIP (J & DQ)	
	1900 St Swithun	
SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER Ss Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs	1000 St Swithun Fr Tony Harris' Wellbeing	
	1215 St John's Cathedral Angela Meyer RIP	
SATURDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2015 Vigil Mass of 26 th Sunday of Ordinary Time	1800	Our Lady of Lourdes People of the Parish
		St Joseph William "Willie" Moran RIP
		St Colman Fr A Birrer RIP (FM)
		St John's Cathedral Josie Taylor INT
SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2015 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME <i>Numbers 11:25-29</i> <i>James 5:1-6</i> <i>Mark 9:38-43.45.47-48</i> <i>Parish Mass Book p 138</i>	0800 St John's Cathedral Joseph Salerno RIP	
	0830 St Swithun Molly Sexton RIP (Dawn Davies)	
	0900 St Joseph People of the Parish	
	0930 St Colman Paula Medd (HW)	
	1000 St John's Cathedral People of the Parish	
	1015 St Swithun Rita Vella RIP F	
	1100 St Paul Val & Conn O'Donnell (HW)	
	1100 Corpus Christi Albert Edward & Catherine Mason P	
	1200 St John's Cathedral Christy Lonergan	
	1600 QA Hospital John Joseph Cummings RIP (CC)	
	1800 St Swithun Mass in Polish	
	1800 St John's Cathedral Private Intention	

MASS TIMES AT THE ORDINARIATE CHURCH OF ST AGATHA'S, MARKET WAY

Sundays: 1100 Solemn Mass – Mondays and Fridays: 1100 Low Mass - Saturdays: 1100 Mass of Our Lady
 Holy Days of Obligation and Festivals: Services times as announced.