



St John's Cathedral,
Portsmouth

CATHEDRAL PARISH NEWSLETTER

21 JULY 2024 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

4 AUGUST 2024 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



He took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd.

At this time of year, many priests and deacons celebrate the anniversary of their ordination. On Wednesday 24th July, I celebrate the 14th anniversary of my priestly ordination, which took place in this cathedral church at the hands of Bishop Crispian. So, it is a time for me to give thanks to God for the grace of a vocation to the priesthood and to ask Him for His continued grace and strength to enable me to fulfil the mission with which He, acting through our bishop Philip, has entrusted me. It is also a good time to thank you, dear members of our parish community, for your support, for your encouragement, and for your understanding when I have failed adequately to serve you as parish priest these past two years.

The school summer holidays have finally arrived. Hopefully the weather will continue to improve. We hear in the Gospel for Sunday 21st July that at one moment even the apostles were told by Jesus to have a break and a rest from their busy routine. Whatever we end up doing during this time, it is important to remember that Christian disciples should never take a holiday from the practice of their faith. This can require a bit of forward planning if we are travelling, whether at home or abroad, but the advantage of being a Catholic is that there are few parts of the world in which the Church is not present. I will be in Ireland visiting family and friends for much of August. Wherever you find yourself, I wish you a blessed time and, if you are travelling, I wish you a safe journey there and back. May God bless you all abundantly.

Canon James

CLERGY MOVES

Prayers and best wishes to Fathers Ambrose Chou and Thomas Hiney who were ordained priests for the diocese here on Saturday 13 July. Fr Ambrose has been appointed Assistant Priest in Jersey, where he will serve with Canon Dominic Golding. Fr Thomas has been appointed Assistant Priest at the cathedral to replace Fr Paul who will move at the beginning of September to become Assistant Priest in Holy Ghost and St Bede, Basingstoke. Today there will be a retiring collection to show our appreciation of Fr Paul's time with us. From September we will also have Deacon Ryan Browne serving at the cathedral. Deacon Ryan was ordained in Rome earlier this month and he will be ordained priest, God willing, next summer. Finally, we look forward to the ordination as a permanent deacon on Sat 27 July of our parishioner Zacharias Parambi. Please keep these men in your prayers at this time of transition.

Sunday 21 July: Parish Mass Books, readings begin on page 109.

Sunday 4 August: Parish Mass Books, readings begin on page 114.

TODAY AND THIS WEEK



WELCOME: A warm welcome to all our visitors and parishioners. Whether you a regular attendee, or joining us for the first time - all are welcome!

NEWSLETTER: Please note this is a double issue before the summer pause. The newsletter will appear again on 3/4 August.



BAPTISMS: Congratulations to those infants who are being baptized this weekend: Hudson Boy Arthur-Faithful, Titilayo Ariyo, Tolulope Ariyo and Bersabel Kesete.

Please keep them in your prayers.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: Pilgrims from across the Diocese are in Lourdes this week for the annual pilgrimage led by Bishop Philip. We wish all pilgrim a happy and blessed time. TV LOURDES (lourdes-france.org)

PLEASE NOTE CHANGES TO MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK AND THE NEXT:

- There will be no **07:00 Mass on Mon 22 July and Thu 1 Aug.**
- **Mass on Saturday 27 July** will be at **11:00.**

COLLECTIONS:

- Thank you for last Sunday's offertory **£1,768.90** (cash £945.19 and planned giving of £823).
- **Stella Maris £151.18**
- Our Bank details are: **Sort Code: 30-93-04 Account No: 0088 3884 Name: CDP Portsmouth St John's Cathedral**
- If you are making an offering by cheque, please make it payable to **CDP St John's Cathedral.**



ORDINATIONS TO THE PERMANENT DIACONATE: Bishop Philip will ordain Zacharias Parambi and Stephen Patterson as permanent

deacons on **Sat 27 July at 11:00.** All are welcome to join the Mass followed by a reception in the hall. Please keep them in your prayers.

NEXT WEEK AND BEYOND



WORLD DAY FOR GRAND PARENTS AND THE ELDERLY: will be celebrated on Sun 28 July, the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, Grandparents of Jesus. The theme chosen by Pope Francis for this year's celebration is *"Do not cast me off in my old age"* (cf. Psalm 71:9).

Pope Francis invites us to use this World Day to inspire us to recognise the value of the elderly not just once a year, but permanently. This year's theme highlights the loneliness suffered by many old people. Please visit www.laityfamilylife.va for more information, the Pope's message, resources, prayers for this Day. Can you visit a lonely elderly person, perhaps taking a gift such as flowers? Invite and bring to Mass an elderly person on the World Day remembering that transport may be needed?

PORTSMOUTH CATENIANS: will be walking for world peace on **Sat 3 Aug at 11:00.** Assemble outside St Thomas' Anglican Cathedral, Old Portsmouth for prayer. Afterwards, we will walk to St Johns' Cathedral to attend the 12:15 Mass. Then we will go for lunch nearby. All are welcome. E: nigel_d_miller@yahoo.com to book you in for lunch.



HOMEGROWN VEGETABLE AND JAM SALE: Sun 4 August after all morning Masses in the CDC – with all proceeds going

to the parish InSight Group. Please note cash payments only. This annual veg sale is organised by Mike and Pat Russell.

ADVANCE NOTICE: THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY The solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary falls on **Thursday 15 August**. This is a Holyday of Obligation when Catholics are expected to attend Holy Mass. Holy Mass is at **12:15 and 18:30**. Please put the date in your diary. This feast has for centuries been the principal feast of Our Lady in England.

SUMMER CAMP AT KINTBURY: 19-23 Aug for ages 11-21. Faith, fun, fellowship. Bookings will close on 12 Aug. www.fanningtheflame.co.uk/summer-camp-2024.



HOLY MATRIMONY: The following weddings will take place in August 2024:

- Elizabeth Bradbury and Alexander Ness on Friday 9 August at 13:30.
- Iona Jackson and Tom Kelliher on Friday 23 August at 14:00.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2024/25: Registration is now open for the First Confession and First Holy Communion journey for the next academic year. Parents, please take a form from the back of the church to register your child who will be in Year 3 or above. **Closing date: Sunday 29 September.**

OTHER NEWS



WOULD YOU LIKE A MISSIO 'RED BOX' IN YOUR HOME? *Missio* is the Pope's official charity for overseas mission.

For decades, our cathedral parish has been a top contributor to *Missio* through its Red Box scheme. We would like to reinvigorate our involvement. The Red

Box scheme enables parishioners to contribute, bit by bit, however much or as little they can, into a Red Box held in their own home. These boxes are collected and emptied from time to time by our volunteers who pay the funds into *Missio's* bank account. To request for a Red Box, kindly please see Nora North in the Bookshop.



PORTSMOUTH SVP FOOD BANK:

Donations of non-perishable foods (tins & packets) & toiletry items would be gratefully appreciated.

Please hand into the sacristy. SVP members will deliver them to Portsmouth Food Bank (King's Church) who will distribute them to the needy in our city. The SVP can provide practical support for those in need, friendship to the housebound & lonely, or just a listening ear to someone who needs to talk. Please contact Emma on 0785 1701 806.

WEST WINDOW: Donations and a receipt from our insurers bring the total amount raised to date to **£75,474** which equals 89% of the net cost. Only £8,984 to go!

HEATING SYSTEM: Donations of **£13,817** have been received to date. One of our boilers is broken and the other two are at the end of their useful life.

ONLINE DONATIONS: Please use this QR code to donate to the cathedral parish.



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CATHEDRAL MASS TIMETABLE

www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk/livemass

Sun: 21 July SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORD TIME

18:00 (Sat) Elson and Eddy Carvalho RIP
08:00 People of the Parish (*Latin Mass*)
10:00 Rev Brian McGilloway RIP
12:00 Frank Rice RIP
18:00 Maria Dias Int

Mon: 22 July ST MARY MAGDALENE, *feast* No 07:00 Mass

12:15 Funeral Mass Suham Younam RIP

Tue: 23 July ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, *feast*

12:15 Bridie Yeomans RIP FM

Wed: 24 July St Sharbel Makluf *op mem* or: *Feria*

12:15 The Saliba Family RIP

Thu: 25 July ST JAMES, Apostle, *feast*

07:00 Holy Souls
12:15 Philomena Britto RIP FM

Fri: 26 July Ss Joachim & Anne, *memorial*

12:15 The Saliba Family RIP

Sat: 27 July Our Lady on Saturday or *Feria*

11:00 Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate
Zacharias Parambi, Stephen Patterson
18:00 James F Casey RIP FM

Sun: 28 July SEVENTEENTH SUN IN ORD TIME

08:00 People of the Parish (*Latin Mass*)
10:00 Martin Butler RIP
12:00 Mary Gillen RIP
18:00 Eva Myers RIP FM

Mon: 29 July Ss Martha, Mary & Lazarus, *mem*

07:00 Hazel Hodnett RIP FM
12:15 Vicente Toledo Batoon Sr RIP

Tue: 30 July St Peter Chrysologus or: *Feria*

12:15 Mary Cecilia Coghlan RIP

Wed: 31 July St Ignatius of Loyola, *memorial*

12:15 The Saliba Family RIP

Thu: 1 August St Alphonsus Liguori, *memorial* No 07:00 Mass

12:15 John Patrick Jones RIP FM

Fri: 2 Aug St Peter Eymard, St Eusebius or *Feria*

12:15 Gervase and Jean Bradley RIP

Sat: 3 Aug Our Lady on Saturday

12:15 Patrick Green RIP

JULY IS THE MONTH OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST.



Behold, O dearest Jesus, I offer to You the love, honour and adoration, which Your Most Holy Mother, your faithful disciples and all the saints have offered to Your Precious Blood.

I ask You to forget my earlier faithlessness and coldness, and to forgive all who offend You. Sprinkle me, O Divine Saviour, and all men with Your Precious Blood, so that we, O Crucified Love, may love You from now on with all our hearts, and worthily honour the price of our salvation. Amen.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays from 11:00-12:00 and 17:00-17:45; on Sundays for 30mins before Mass when a priest is available.

ADORATION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT: Monday-Friday from 10:00—16:00. **ROSARY:** recited every Monday-Friday after 12:15 Mass. All welcome.

SANCTUARY LAMPS

This week the lamps have been donated for:



The Blessed Sacrament

Chapel: Catherine Ortiz Int

Marc Cruz Alonso RIP

Helen Sheridan RIP

St Patrick's Chapel

Claire and Nick Int

Veronica Matthews int

Our Lady Chapel:

Redene and Shane Khera Int