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JUNE 4TH 2023 | THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton



Website



A Trinitarian God who comes to meet us and greet us where we are.



Empowered by the gift of the Holy Spirit which came down upon us all on the Feast of Pentecost last weekend we are now invited into the Mystery of The Holy Trinity. This dynamic relationship leads us into a deeper understanding of not only who God is to us but who we are in relationship to Him.

As Catholics we have continual reminders of the centrality of the Trinity in the daily practice of our faith. We make the sign of the Cross as we pray, at the beginning and end of Mass. Our response at the end of every psalm as we pray the Prayer of the Church is 'Glory be to the Father and the Son and to the Holy Spirit'. We proclaim the Gloria at each Mass and integral to our profession of faith is to proclaim our belief in God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Last Sunday Sam was welcomed into full Communion of the Catholic Church through Confirmation. He declared his belief in the Trinity in a threefold 'Yes'. We affirmed that belief by responding 'This is our faith, this is the faith of the Church, and we are proud to profess it in Christ Jesus our Lord'.

In two weeks' time we begin another Alpha series in the parish. Those who come will be invited to explore these important questions of faith: Who is God, who is Jesus, and who is the Holy Spirit - three individual persons in one God. The Trinity remains a mystery but fundamental to any understanding is our receptivity and openness to Divine Revelation. It is God who created us, Jesus, who through His incarnation identified with us in our humanity and leads us, and the Holy Spirit who sustains us. Iconographers and artists over the centuries have attempted to illustrate the nature of the Trinity in various forms. The Hospitality of Abraham is an icon created by the Russian painter Rublev which depicts three angels sitting around a table in a circle representing spiritual unity, peace and harmony, mutual love and humility. There is a space left for Abraham at the table welcoming him into that relationship but this should also speak to you and me, those coming into the Church and those joining Alpha ..it is each one of us who are invited into that relationship. Let our response be Yes!

Tina Quinn

Questions to Ponder for the Week...

1. According to Pope Francis, the Trinity is Love and at the service of the world which God wishes to save and re-create. What is our job? Could it be to welcome the One who loves us? Should we let ourselves be "moved" by good ideas and inspirations to help re-create what is broken in creation?
2. Besides His name, what did God reveal about Himself to Moses on Mount Sinai (1st reading)? What was Moses' response to this revelation? How do you respond when God speaks to you?
3. We can all agree with and/or encourage each other in order to live in peace (2nd reading). How important is this to you? Do you encourage others? Is Paul talking about agreeing on everything or on basic truths?

Anne Osdieck (adapted Vincent Harvey)

Today's Notices

The Most Holy Trinity

Festa Junina to celebrate International Day for the Parish

International Mass at 7pm with 'International Food' afterwards. Bring your national dish to share!

The retiring collection is for Church Maintenance Fund. Please continue to **sanitise hands** on entry to the churches

Next Sunday Notices

Corpus Christi

Baptisms in St Joseph's and St Edmund's

No Retiring Collection

This Week...

Tue Meditation Group @ 6pm in St Michael's

Wed Evening Prayer @ 6pm... to join email Dcn Andy

Thurs Richard Rohr group online 5pm

Fri Confirmation at 7pm in St Edmund's

Sat Springhill Fete
First Holy Communion children in St Edmund's

Sun Evening Prayer @ 6pm... to join email Dcn Andy

For Info...

Mon Day off: VH/JP


Tue St George's Govs: VH
SCOF: CC/TT

Wed Team Meeting: VH/JP/AP
Mass St Anne's: VH

Thurs National Interreligious online meeting: VH/TT
Diocesan Interreligious online meeting: VH/TT


Fri Clergy Support Group: VH

Prayers



Let us pray for all those who work in hospice care, or who care for the terminally ill at home or in hospital, that they may be filled with the compassion and love of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Lord hear us.

Pope's Prayer Intention for June For the abolition of torture



We pray that the international community may commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families.

Please remember especially in your prayers Sr Maria Innocenta, Mary Mullen, Christopher Browne, Michaela, Peter Scott, Vasile, Sue, Paul Hughes, Pat & all in the Parish who are ill, undergoing treatment or distressed.

Baptism Application Form



If you would like your child baptised please fill in the online application form. Once filled in Anna will be in touch to book the baptism and discuss the preparation course.

A Few Words...

Today, Trinity, reminds us that we are called to 'be one' and to 'evangelise' and draw people into an active awareness of God's presence in their lives. The 'International Day' brings us together as one, and 'Alpha' helps us evangelise. Let's support both:

Tickets for the 'International Day' on Sunday 4th June, consisting of Festa Junina (Brazilian afternoon with food and music), are available online... purchase now! At 7pm we will celebrate our International Mass with food provided by all our communities.

Alpha commences on Tuesday, 13th June, at 7pm in St Edmund's Hall. Alpha presents our Christian Faith in an easy and interactive way. Pick up a flyer to advertise! **Do think who you could encourage to come along!** Remember one of our tasks, as people of faith, is to 'evangelise' by at least **inviting others** to consider Catholic Christianity.

Thanks..... Vincent H

Sacraments



Please pray for our young people receiving Confirmation on Friday!

This is an important step in their Catholic journeys, but by no means is it the end. Keep them and their sponsors in your prayers continuously.



Please pray for our children receiving their First Holy Communions during the next few weeks. They have spent many hours preparing for this significant day. Please keep them & their families in your prayers!



Please pray for Henry, Micheal, Aaron and Aritz who are due to be Baptised this month. We remember them in our prayers as they enter the Faith, and also remember their families and godparents.



Please pray for Peggy Bell who died. May she rest in peace. Her Requiem will be on Tuesday, 20th June at the 10am Mass.

Pray too for Jose Tew who died recently. May she rest in peace. Details of Jose's Funeral yet to be arranged.

Please pray for twins Marie Therese and Rachel Clare who died last week shortly after birth. Pray also for their parents Austin and Nicole LeBlanc.

Also pray for Philippa Godfrey, daughter of Pam & Martin, who died a couple of weeks ago. May she rest in peace. Her funeral will be Friday 16th June at 11am in St Joseph's.

What's going on?

Could you take one evening of cooking and preparing meals for our upcoming Alpha course? Alpha starts soon and will comprise of 10 weeks of in person meetings... Food is such an important bonding element of Alpha and it would be a real help to the Parish if volunteers came forward to manage the meals for one evening. Numbers yet to be confirmed, but an estimated 10-20 expected. Could this be you? If so, contact Anna in the Office.

Is your spouse or partner not a Christian? Have they ever asked you questions or expressed curiosity about what Christianity is all about? If the answer is yes, why not suggest them coming along to the next **Alpha course** running in the parish? It's a weekly course with open discussion covering major aspects of what it means to be a Christian. If you or they are interested you can sign up here: <https://forms.office.com/e/qPLu7ekVd2>
Our next course starts 13th June in St Edmund's Hall!

Springhill Catholic Primary School are looking for Foundation Governors. A foundation governor is a practising Catholic. You don't have to have any experience in education - training will be provided. Meetings are once a month on a Monday evening. Having school governors is essential as the role of the governor is to support the school in asking questions. If you'd like to find out more, please contact the school office on info@springhillcatholic.net and the head teacher will give you more information about the role before you make a decision if it is something you can commit to. Our wonderful school needs governors.

Donations to Springhill Summer fete & festival Springhill Primary is holding a Summer fete & festival on **June 10th from 12-3pm** and we would love the help and support of our parishes, please! We are in need of donations to our (bottle) tombola and grand raffle and would welcome donations of: **Tombola:** Bottles/tins of alcohol ☺; Jars of preserves/pickles, etc; Bath sets/bottles of bubble bath/shampoo, etc; Perfume/aftershave; Bottles/tins of soft drinks **Raffle prizes:** such as vouchers/tickets/signed memorabilia/brand new toys/games/electricals, etc. **Donations** can be made at St Jo's (10am Mass) & St Ed's (9am Mass) **Sunday June 4th.** Thank you in advance to our Parish family and hope to see you at the fete!

If you have received a parking ticket for parking correctly in St Ed's back carpark (i.e., the gravel), please call 01202 757 050 & speak to Abby who can assist here. The Parish office will not be able to speak on your behalf.

Heidi Crowter to take case against UK Govt over discriminatory abortion law to ECtHR. Heidi, who has Down's syndrome, has announced she will be taking her case against the UK Government over our current discriminatory abortion law, which allows abortion up to birth for Down's syndrome, to the European Court of Human Rights. To find out more about Heidi's case and the discrimination babies with Down's syndrome face in the womb, visit: <https://righttolife.org.uk/HeidiCase>

Engaged and Married Couples Retreat - 9th - 11th June - aimed at nurturing the communion in the couple, by strengthening the marital bond, with their relationship with God and dialogue with each other. Venue: Verbum Dei Retreat Centre, on the Isle of Wight. For more information, please, contact: verbumdei.iow@gmail.com

Bishop Philip invites you to join him and many others from across the Diocese on this year's pilgrimage to **Lourdes**, leaving from Bournemouth airport on **Monday 17th July and returning on Friday 21st July.** Once in Lourdes we will stay for four nights at the Hotel La Solitude, celebrate Mass daily, and take part in all that Lourdes has to offer. If you would like to know more about joining either as a pilgrim or as a youth helper, serving our pilgrims and helping to make our pilgrimage a success, please email lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

The Catholic Association to Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2023 August 18th-25th. If you are interested in joining either as an assisted pilgrim, able-bodied pilgrim, volunteer or a health care professional there are details on their website: <https://www.catholicassociation.co.uk> If you have any questions you can talk to Tina or Fr Vincent.

We are currently in the process of organising the next **parish pilgrimage to the Holy Land** next year. The pilgrimage will begin **29th February and will finish on the 7th March 2024.** If you would be interested in the Holy Land do let Fr Vincent know, or collect an information package at the back of church in the next few weeks! Cost £1,475 for a shared room with single available for a supplement. **Deposit and booking required by 14th July.** Further details will be included in the information package alongside details on how to sign up via Special Pilgrimages. So far eleven people have shown an interest. Plenty of time!

Food banks please see link for urgent needs <https://southamptoncitymission.co.uk/get-involved/how-to-donate>

Green Living & Gardening!

You (hopefully) will have noticed that we are appealing for a gardening team to form at St Edmund's to maintain our small garden and weed where necessary... The Parish Green Living Group have decided to tackle the big jobs and invite others to join and help on **Saturday 15th July 9.30am for a 'gather and garden'.** More details to come... but do think about whether you might come along and help out! The more volunteers the less time each person will need to give!



MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 4TH JUNE

SJ REFERS TO ST JOSEPH'S (BUGLE STREET, SO14 2AH) & SE IS ST EDMUND'S (THE AVENUE, SO17 1XJ)

Saturday 3rd June <i>St Charles Lwanga</i>	6:15pm SJ	People of the Parish
Sunday 4th June <i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>	9:00am SE 10:00am SJ 11:00am SE 7:00pm SE	Casimira (Myra) Andrade RIP Divine Will for all Government Leaders & Defeat of all Evil Plans & Works Feb Birthday Blessings to All Imelda & Family Thanksgiving Brian Spincer RIP B'Day Ann Casimira (Myra) Andrade RIP
Tuesday 6th June	10:00am SE	Alison Rouse RIP
Wednesday 7th June	7:00pm SE	***Confirmation***
Thursday 8th June	12:15pm SJ	
Friday 9th June <i>St Ephrem</i>	7:00pm SE	
Saturday 10th June <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	11:00am SE 6:15pm SJ	Peter Clearkin Jude Noronha RIP
Sunday 11th June <i>Corpus Christi, The Body & Blood of Christ</i>	9:00am SE 10:00am SJ 11:00am SE 7:00pm SE	Ann Hogg RIP Salvation & Fullness of God for all Israel, Igbo, Nigeria, UK & Rome Cissy Catinho RIP People of the Parish

4th June

Psalm Response

To You glory and praise for evermore.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: the God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

11th June

1st Reading:

Deuteronomy 8: 2-3, 14-16

Psalm: 147

2nd Reading:

1 Corinthians 10: 16-17

Gospel: John 6: 51-58

Parish Bank Details

Setting up a standing order from your mobile or online banking is the easiest way!

Bank Account Name

CDP SOUJE

Sort Code 30-93-04

Number 00888223

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Diocesan Website: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Youth Ministry The next few weeks see us through a very busy time for our youth! On that theme perhaps you might reflect on **how you could help** catechise (& keep!) our youth?

Children's Liturgy currently at 9am Mass, always looking for more volunteers.

Children's Mass - monthly on the first Sunday.

Our 9am & 10am Masses encourage more youth engagement. Volunteers needed.

Baptism Preparation Catechists - our parish baptises a large number of children every year, and each time the parents of the child must be prepared in order to fully understand the promises they make. Could you help with the Zoom sessions and/or in person sessions?

First Holy Communion Catechists this year saw at its height 140 children applying for FHC.

Great to see, but lots of work for catechists!

Confirmation Catechists - our next course will be two years away, but do consider joining...

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

We the people of St Joseph's and St Edmund's City Centre Catholic Parish, Southampton, sisters and brothers in Christ, accept as our mission, in the service of God and as a community of disciples:

- to share God's love with all those we meet

- to welcome all so as to help others find and recognise Christ in their lives

- to exercise mercy and



Join the Parish!

understanding with ourselves and others.