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OCTOBER 9TH 2022 | 28TH SUNDAY IN OT

# ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton



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## Joy, thanksgiving and a personal encounter with Jesus

*There's an old saying that of all the terrible sins that we commit: anger, covetousness, envy, gluttony, lust, pride, and sloth, the worst sin is ingratitude.*

*However, we can run the risk of reducing the message of today's Gospel to a lesson of good manners, to remember to thank those who help us. The Samaritan leper is seen at times as a model of gratitude and nothing more. Interpreted this way, the scene with which the story concludes, a group of people inexplicably discourteous and an unhappy Jesus, communicates sorrow more than joy. At the same time, on every page of the Gospel we wait only for joy. The theme is not solely gratitude.*

*In coming to Jesus, the Samaritan is swept right into the joy at the heart of the new covenant, of being touched by the presence of God in this Jew from Galilee. And this joy breaks from him in thanksgiving, in rendering to Jesus the thanks due to God for his healing, his new life.*

*In Jesus, outsiders are brought into the joy of being God's people, but this is only possible because Jesus endures being afflicted for our salvation. He, the Son of the Father, becomes as a leper. In the agony of the cross, Christ becomes an outcast, a man buried in affliction, but in the brightness of Easter, His once-beaten flesh is made as new. Jesus the Christ rises from the tomb, that we may be reborn within this joy of living in the presence of the ever-living God.*

*This is the wonder of Christian life; that we are called into this life of joy and thanksgiving present in the people of God, a joy and thanksgiving we entered in baptism. And this joy is not ours to keep to ourselves, it must be shared like all God's gifts. As a Christian savour and deepen that relationship with the Christ but don't keep it to yourself. Alpha has only just started, it is not too late to come along and bring along a friend. The joy of knowing Jesus the Christ must be made a joy open to all.*

*Dcn Andy*

### Questions to Ponder for the Week...

1. "Now as they (the lepers) were going away they were cleansed" we hear in today's gospel. What do you desire to be 'cleansed/cured' of? Illness? Jealousy? Anger? Hate? Sin?.....take it to Jesus; ask Him!
2. Elisha refused reward for the cure of Naaman (1st reading). Do you desire rewards for doing good? For helping others? Should you? Why? Why not?
3. "Remember the Good News I carry" St Paul writes to Timothy (2nd reading). What 'Good News' do you carry to others? Support? Faith? Love? Friendship?

*Vincent Harvey*

## Today's Notices

**Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Children's Liturgy** at the 9am Mass

**Second Collection** for CAFOD Family Fast Day

**Fatima Pilgrimage Gathering** at 2pm in St Edmund's Hall

**Mass Counts** at all Sunday Masses

**Please continue to sanitise** hands upon entry to church

## Next Sunday Notices

**Twenty-ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Children's Liturgy** at the 9am Mass

**Welcome to Fr Kieran Flynn** who is at 9 & 11am Masses

**Second Collection** for HCPT

**Blessing of Pre-Marriage Couples** at 7pm Sunday Mass

## This Week..

**Tues** St Michael's Meditation Group @ 6pm

Alpha Course on Zoom @ 7pm. Come along!

Pre Marriage Course on Zoom @ 7pm

Adoration in St Ed's until 8pm (weekly - do join!)

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

Journey in Faith @ 7.30pm in St Edmund's Hall

**Thurs** Discernment Evening in St Edmund's Hall @ 7.30pm

## For Info...

**Mon** VH/JP Day Off

**Tues** SLT: VH/JP/AP/TQ/LS

St George's Governors: VH

**Wed** Team Meeting: JP/VH/AP

VH: Wed-Wed Fatima Pilgrimage

## A few words...

**The Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima** (and other places in Portugal) commences on Wednesday (12th-19th). Please pray for the group and we will pray for the Parish!

**A Discernment Evening** is taking place on Thursday (13th) in St Edmund's Hall at 7.30pm. A number of us attended one a few months back to help us understand better how to work through the synodal process. We are inviting Team Leaders to attend and anyone else who would like to know more about this Ignatian process. Do contact Tina if you intend to be present ([tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:tquinn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)).

**Our International Mass** takes place on Sunday 23rd October at 7pm. Do come along. See more details elsewhere in this newsletter!

*Have a good week... Vincent H*

**St Edmund's Church Boiler** Sadly the boiler is out of action for a few weeks as a major (and expensive) fault has occurred. In light of this, do wrap up warm when coming to church. Sorry! At least we will save energy!!!! But not money!

**Hall Users** please be 'sparing' in the use of heating as our costs will rise about 4 fold! One way to save: to switch off before meetings finish and not just when everyone has gone and all is tidy! We will have to increase charges to our outside users.

## Sacraments

**Please pray for Jan Magdziarz** whose Funeral will be on Friday, 21st October, at 10am in St Edmund's. We pray also for the family, especially his wife, Susan, and their children, Sophie and Adam. May Jan rest in peace.

**May he rest in peace.**

**Please keep in your prayers all those who are due to be baptised this month** *Cadence Castillo, Oliver Alexandru Joshua and Oliver Gough, Eleanor Bradley, Natalia Tunczyk, Mark and Lanene Rosal, Valentina Da Silva and Jakub Gniadek-Gregor.* We pray for them and their families as they enter the faith!

**First Holy Communion registration has not started yet.**

## Prayers

**Please remember especially in your prayers**

*Laneisha Vaz, Sr Maria Innocenta, Jack, Jannette and Robert Keith, Margaret Hicks, Margaret Murray, Mary Mullen, Abi, John, Mary O'Reilly, Valerie, Christopher Browne, Oliver, Carmen Escorcio, Simon, Bernadette, Sue, Clifford Cross, Kelly, Val Perry* and all in the Parish who are ill, dying, undergoing treatment or are experiencing distress.



**Parish Rosary Group.** If you would like to join an in-person rosary group please follow this QR code..



**Adoration.** St Edmund's needs more Adorers during the week. Please contact Anna on **07956 379 542** if you feel able to join! The gaps we need filling most are: **Monday 12 - 5pm, Wednesday 11am - 4pm and 5-6.30pm, Friday 12 - 2pm**

## What's going on?

**CAFOD Soup Lunch** in Stella Maris after the 12.15pm Thursday Mass next week, £3.50 for soup & roll. Do join!

**Praise & Worship Evenings, Sacred Heart Parish, 3rd Fridays of the Month @ 7.30pm.** "It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your name, O Most High" Psalm 92:1

Come and join us for our new monthly parish enterprise. An evening of praise and worship at St Philip Howard Church, Fareham on the third Friday, starting Friday 21st October at 7.30pm. We will sing praise of God, hear from God's Word, spend time in Adoration and prayer together. It is a community event and open to all. After our evening in the church, we will head into the hall for some refreshments and hospitality – everyone is welcome.

Directions: Easy access to the church from the M27.

**St Philip Howard Church, Bishopsfield Road. PO14 1ND**

Parking What3words location [///brings.swanky.watchdogs](https://www.what3words.com/brings.swanky.watchdogs) Hall - What3words location is [///punctured.chapels.crop](https://www.what3words.com/punctured.chapels.crop)

Come as you are, and set your hearts, minds and souls on things above as we praise the Lord of Lords. For more details, please contact us at; **01329 318 869** or email [farehamportchester@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:farehamportchester@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

## What's going on?

**Alpha started last week, lovely to see some new faces... there's still more space for anyone else wondering so do keep inviting.** Alpha is a lovely opportunity to meet new people, to talk on some of life's big questions and a place to feel at home. If you, or someone you know, might benefit from Alpha please sign up or invite them to do so via the website or: <https://forms.gle/VWui4B5XszsuS6178> There are cards/posters with QR codes at the back of church

**International Mass** Our Annual 'International Mass' takes place at 7pm on Sunday, 23rd October in St Edmund's. The Scripture Readings and Intercessions will be read in various languages to reflect the diversity of our Parish and the Universality of the Church. **Please make a note of the date.** Come along in your **national costume**; please bring **food to share after Mass**. Let the Parish Office know if you are able to bring food. Email on the back.

**St Anne's Sixth Form College Open Evening Wednesday 12th October 2022, 6.00pm – 8.00pm.** St Anne's is an outstanding mixed sixth form in the heart of Southampton, with excellent transport links. Places are open to all students seeking a warm and supportive family environment, with small classes and a strong Christian ethos. St Anne's Sixth Form College provides A-Level and equivalent Level 3 qualifications. See [www.stannes6th.uk](http://www.stannes6th.uk)

**Bedsit sought:** Pella Dobbs, a new parishioner, is seeking a house-share/bedsit. If you would like to rent out a room do contact her: [pelagiadobbs@gmail.com](mailto:pelagiadobbs@gmail.com); 07495992489

**2 Bedroom Accommodation sought:** A new parishioner, Daisy Jacob, is looking for a 2 Bedroom House/Apartment nearby SO14/SO15 or on the way to Bottley. Please contact her on 07570303555 to help.

**Apartment/Flat sought:** Ijeoma Ezika from Nsukka (Nigeria) has taken up a Research Post in Southampton University and is looking for accommodation for at least 6 months. Ideally a 2 or 3 bedroom flat to rent until she can purchase a house for herself and the family. Near a primary school would be ideal. The family are Catholics. Can you help? Can you point her in a direction? Contact her on [ijeoma.ezika@unn.edu.ng](mailto:ijeoma.ezika@unn.edu.ng)

**Running for Rice Pudding (again)** Last Sunday, Cameron Kerr ran the TCS London Marathon and by the grace of God he made it to the finish. He ran to raise awareness of food poverty and hopefully some donations (financial or the tinned variety) for Southampton City Mission (Food Banks). There is still time to sponsor him, which can be done securely at <https://www.stewardship.org.uk/pages/marathon>. For items that are urgently needed see <https://southamptoncitymission.co.uk/get-involved/how-to-donate>. Thank you.

**Rotary Shoebox Appeal.** Please return the boxes to church by the weekend of 15th/16th of October as they shall be collected the week following. Don't forget to include shipping money!

**Journey in Faith / RCIA Course** For anyone looking to find out more about the Catholic Faith - come along and ask your questions, find out what the church teaches and what it means to live as a Catholic. This group also offers preparation for adult (18+) Baptism, Confirmation or Reception as a Catholic. **Meetings are Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm in St Edmund's Hall.** No need to register, just turn up!

**Seeker Night, 7-9pm, Fareham Friday 4th November.** Our monthly Seeker Night is for all those who are discerning their path in life and seeking the will of the Lord. The evening follows a very simple pattern - a meal, a time of discussion and we close with prayer and Adoration.

Sometimes our vocation is not always obvious to us, and it's important to seek opportunities to recognise what our life's mission is to be. That's where discernment comes in.

Discernment is being aware and reflective of your heart, to see how God is moving and leading you.

Recently Pope Francis said '*Discernment involves hard work. According to the Bible, we do not find set before us the life we are to live. God invites us to evaluate and choose. He created us to be free and wants us to exercise our freedom. Therefore, discerning is demanding.*' For more info...

[vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

## Volunteers needed!

**Baptism Preparation Team Members.** Baptism is the first and most important sacrament that our children will receive. We need more hands-on deck. You will be part of a team & given training. Please contact Tina or the Office for more info.

**Parish Office Admin Assistant.** The Parish Office is in need of a volunteer to help with the day to day running of the office. The individual will be comfortable answering phones, dealing with parishioners coming to the door and offering support in simple administrative areas. Preferably 3 days a week, hours and days flexible. Please contact Anna in the office to discuss.

**Preparing Meals.** Prior to Covid the Parish had a small rota of volunteers who would occasionally prepare meals for Parish Groups, it would be great to get this going again. If you might be able to help with preparing some food please contact Anna in the Parish Office to discuss.

## Pilgrimages

**Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, 17th October 2022.**

£699.00 per person sharing. Price includes 4 nights in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment & excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Single supplement £100.00. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com)

**Fatima Pilgrimage.** There will be a coach for £50 per person leaving from St Edmund's. Contact Godfrey to discuss.

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 9TH OCTOBER

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

<b>Saturday 8th October</b>	<b>6:15pm SJ</b>	Seán & Kathleen and Stewart Adamson RIP
<i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	<b>7:00pm SE</b>	<b>Msza Polska / Mass in Polish</b>
<b>Sunday 9th October</b>	<b>9:00am SE</b>	Rosalie Smith RIP
<i>Twenty-eighth Sunday</i>	<b>10:00am SJ</b>	Pat Grant Birthday Blessings
<i>in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>11:00am SE</b>	For the Manifestation of the New Heaven & Earth & the Glory of God
	<b>7:00pm SE</b>	Thanksgiving for Erica
<b>Tuesday 11th October</b>	<b>10:00am SE</b>	Christopher Wong RIP
<i>St John XXIII</i>		
<b>Wednesday 12th October</b>	<b>7.00pm SE</b>	Thanking God for my Son Ewaensetin
<i>Feria</i>		Joseph Ehimwenma who took simple vows
<b>Thursday 13th October</b>	<b>12.15pm SJ</b>	Jan Rojko RIP
<i>St Edward the Confessor</i>		
<b>Friday 14th October</b>	<b>7.00pm SE</b>	Aleixo Fernandes RIP 2nd Anniversary
<i>St Callistus I</i>		
<b>Saturday 15th October</b>	<b>10:00am SE</b>	Daughter Princey Ponniah Beck RIP, B'Day
<i>St Teresa of Avila</i>		Blessings for Gillian Murphy, Aloka & Ivan
	<b>6:15pm SJ</b>	Father Paul Beaumont RIP
	<b>7:00pm SE</b>	<b>Msza Polska / Mass in Polish</b>
<b>Sunday 16th October</b>	<b>9:00am SE</b>	Ann Hogg RIP
<i>Twenty-ninth Sunday</i>	<b>10:00am SJ</b>	Jeremy Fredric Warburg RIP
<i>in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>11.00am SE</b>	Reynaldo & Marie Cruz RIP
	<b>7:00pm SE</b>	Dolores Smyllie RIP 1st Anniversary

## 9th October

### Psalm Response:

The Lord has shown His salvation to the nations.

### Gospel Acclamation:

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: You have the message of eternal life.

*Alleluia!*

### 2nd Oct 1st Collection

SO: £1,682.66

Cash: £1,130.30

**TOTAL: £2,812.96**

Thank you.

### Readings 16th October

#### First Reading:

*Exodus 17: 8-13*

#### Second Reading:

*2 Timothy 3: 14-4: 2*

**Gospel: Luke 18: 1-8**

### 2nd Oct 2nd Collection

SO: £47.50

Cash: £200.83

**TOTAL: £248.33**

Thank you.

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## Confessions

**St Joseph's** on Thursdays at 11.45am & Saturdays 5.45pm and at **St Edmund's** on Saturdays after the 11am Mass

### 7pm Mass chants for 9th October

**Entrance:** Laudate dominum omnes gentes  
(Praise the Lord, all you nations)

**Offertory:** Wait for the Lord, whose day is near.  
Wait for the Lord, be strong, take heart.

**Post Communion:** In God alone my soul can find rest and peace, in God my peace and joy; only in God my soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.

**Recessional:** Magnificat anima mea dominum  
(My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord)

## 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 understanding with ourselves and others.



**Join the Parish!**