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SEPTEMBER 10TH 2023 | TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN OT

# ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton



Website



## Being community in community

It was said, allegedly by Andy Warhol, that we are all destined for 15 minutes of fame. Whether he said this or not, there certainly is a frequently met desire across society for fame or individualism.

It is good for one's individual qualities, one's personal charisms, to be recognised and celebrated. But it is also important to be part of something much larger and beyond oneself. We are made in the image of God, and as soon as God had created one individual He created another, to live with each other and to mutually coexist in harmony. When our words or actions impinge on the wellbeing of others we set ourselves apart.

To restore that harmony and mutuality, to rebuild that unifying sense of community, Jesus reminds us this week in our Gospel reading of our need to respond, patiently encouraging the one who has strayed to come back home.

Throughout Mass, we express our sense of community, we say together the Confiteor recognising our individual shortcomings and seeking restoration with one another and with God; the Eucharistic Prayer reminds us that as a people we are ceaselessly gathered together to God; we pray together for the needs of others and ourselves; and so it goes on.

We might want, however, to nourish that sense of community, outside of the Mass and to find comfort, solace, nourishment, and pleasure in company with others through some community group. Participating in groups not only affords us individually with these things but facilitates us in building up others.

Over the summer we have had displays posted around our parish churches offering an indication of just some of our groups. In church parlance, they are called ecclesial communities, but the naming is far less important than the doing. Across the parish there are a plethora of groups, far too many to list here, and if none of them appeals, then suggest one and form it with others. There is no end of support for such initiatives. Dare I write this, but only coming to Mass is not quite enough?

*Dcn Andy*

## Today's Notices

**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**No Retiring Collection** this week

**Welcome to Fr Tom from St Boniface** who will be presiding at the 9 & 11am Masses in St Edmund's in Fr Vincent's absence

## Next Sunday Notices

**Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Retiring Collection** is for the Home Mission

## This Week...

**Tue** Meditation Group @ 6pm in St Michael's  
Pre-Marriage Course

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

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

## For Info...

**Mon** Day off: DB  
4th - 18th VH on holiday

## What's going on?

**INSIGHT** This insight course will be directed by the Verbum Dei Community, Southampton, with the support of the Senior Leadership Team for the Catholic City Centre Parish of St Joseph's and St Edmund's in Southampton.

**The aim of the course:** The course is designed to build new capable leaders (apostles) from within the parish. It will focus on leadership through service by expanding the skills and perspectives of the current leaders' team and developing new leaders from the diverse parish community.

**The structure of the course:** The course will be given in face-to-face mode. The target audience will be current group leaders in the Parish, potential and new leaders (from post university singles, to married couples, and retirees). We are hoping to attract new leaders with many different skills and backgrounds.

It will be delivered in three different blocks of sessions throughout the year:

~ October-December (Christmas and New Year break)

~ January-March (Easter Break)

~ April-June.

The sessions will be every other week on Thursdays at SO16 3GE, 33 Elmsleigh Gardens, from 7.00pm to 8.30 with snacks, coffees and teas.

Contact: [sisteryadira@portsmouthdiocesis.org.uk](mailto:sisteryadira@portsmouthdiocesis.org.uk)

Or see:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYpYImRPaOOtdlVZTqQFOINbnDA3GoBDPL3MbwrQ00ZjyRA/viewform>

## Sacraments

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.



If you would like to be married in the **church** (either in our churches or abroad/elsewhere) you must give us 6-12month notice minimum. Fill in the **"Weddings In & Out of Parish" Form**



*"Whoever hears My word and believes has passed from death to life."*

**John 5:24-29**

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of John Croft** who died last Monday. May he rest in peace. Please also keep in your prayers his wife, Gerry and their children, Nicola and Tony. His Requiem Mass will be on Tuesday 26th September at 10.30am in St Edmund's Church.



**Anyone over the age of 18 who wishes to be baptised, receive Holy Communion, or be confirmed will need to join our RCIA or Journey in Faith course.** This course begins in September, Wednesday evenings in St Edmund's Hall after the 7pm Mass.

You are welcome to just attend, but if you would like to register for the course please scan the QR Code or see <https://forms.office.com/e/8Tnbe7aA4P>

## Prayers



**Pope's Prayer Intention for September**  
*For people living on the margins*

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

*This coming Thursday, we commemorate the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. Let us pray that generations yet to be born will experience the saving power of Christ. **Lord hear us***



**Please remember especially in your prayers Sr Maria Innocenta, Mary Mullen, Christopher Browne, Michaela, Peter Scott, Vasile, Sue, Clare Burden, Paul Hughes, Mike, David, Carol, Oliver, Carla Forte, Donna Cowan & all in the Parish who are ill, undergoing treatment or distressed.**



## What's going on?

**A Day with Mary: Saturday, 7th October in Immaculate Conception Church, Portswood.** Celebrate a Marian festivity through the eyes of the Filipines. A day dedicated to Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary. Marian talks, Living Rosary with the procession of all Marian statues and icons. Concluding with Mass. Watch for more details soon...

**Lectio Divina (Praying with the Scriptures):** Verbum Dei Southampton invites you to join our Friday evening Group to pray with the Scriptures. We begin on Friday 15 September at 6A Grosvenor Gardens, Highfield, Southampton, SO17 1RS, at 7.30pm. The meeting lasts 1 hour followed by refreshments. We meet every **second** week. It is also possible to attend these meetings by zoom if you wish. This autumn, we will focus on **The Presence of the Holy Trinity in our Lives** followed by **Advent in the Gospels**. Please email Yadira ([mayabecalderon@yahoo.com.mx](mailto:mayabecalderon@yahoo.com.mx)) or Dominic ([d.tildesley7@gmail.com](mailto:d.tildesley7@gmail.com)) or call (**07375 023 949**) for more details and information.

**Diocesan Day for Catechists, 30th September 10am - 4pm.** Join Fr Mark Hogan and the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph for a day of thanksgiving, prayer, fellowship and formation in Winchester Catholic Pastoral Centre. The day is free. Please bring a packed lunch.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/diocesan-day-for-catechists-registration-598927286637>

The highlight of the day is the celebration of Mass. This day for catechists is also a great source of support and strength, as we meet catechists from all corners of the diocese, share with them our experience, and take time to pray together.

### Finding God in the non-Christian world. An

Interreligious Dialogue Conference at St Bede Church, Basingstoke, Saturday 4th November: 10am to 3.30pm

A day organised by the Diocesan Interreligious Dialogue Team (Fr Vincent co-ordinator) to explore the Church's teaching on inter-religious dialogue, to learn from the experiences of others and to influence – and be part of – your parish and diocese as we both grow in Christian discipleship. Speakers: Fr Jan Nowotnik, Fr Michael Barnes SJ, Elliot Vanstone (Bishop's Conference) and Dr Yvette Harrington (member of the Team). Book via Eventbrite: <https://shorturl.at/mvFOY>

**The Diocese** in partnership with the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is hosting an online seminar on **Tuesday 21st November**, at 6 pm for Catholics wishing to bring people closer to Christ led by Evangelist Sherry Weddell. Tickets are £10 per person from <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/engaging-the-disengaged-how-to-accompany-non-religious-persons-tickets-646139539757>

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



## Gift Aid Forms / Information

**Gift Aid Declaration Forms** are available at the back of church or can be posted / emailed from the Office if requested.

### What can the Parish claim Gift Aid on?

- Donations to the Parish
- Donations to the Priests
- Donations to Diocesan 2nd Collections

**Due to a change in Auditing Standards we can no longer claim Gift Aid on third party collections (e.g., CAFOD).**

### What methods can I donate by?

- Standing Orders (the best way!)
- Direct Debits
- Cheques
- Bank Transfers
- Contactless Machines
- CASH ONLY IF IT COMES TO THE PARISH OFFICE DIRECTLY DURING A WEEK OR IN AN ENVELOPE

**THE PARISH CAN NO LONGER CLAIM GIFT AID ON CASH DONATIONS PUT INTO THE COLLECTION BASKET**

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 King in Castleford Management who can assist here. You will be asked to send a photograph or scan of your parking ticket to [enquiries@castlefordmanage.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@castlefordmanage.co.uk). The Parish office will not be able to speak on your behalf.



A Mighty River  
Amos 5:24

**Let Justice and Peace Flow**  
Season of Creation 2023

**"Let Justice and Peace Flow"** is the theme of this year's ecumenical **Season of Creation**, inspired by the words of the prophet Amos: *"Let justice flow on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream"* (5:24).

During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

Please come along and join us on **Saturday September 30th at 3PM** as we gather in solidarity as a parish on Southampton Common to pray together and celebrate this Season of Creation.

**Season of Creation:** An online talk from St Mary's University. Tuesday, 12 September, 7pm

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/call-of-creation-reading-the-signs-of-the-times/>



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 10TH SEPT

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

<b>Saturday 9th Sept</b> <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	<b>6:15pm SJ</b>	Seán, Kathleen & Stewart Adamson RIP
<b>Sunday 10th Sept</b> <i>Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>9:00am SE</b> <b>10:00am SJ</b> <b>11:00am SE</b> <b>7:00pm SE</b>	Tony O'Donnell RIP People of the Parish Kris's Intentions John Dorling RIP
<b>Tuesday 12th Sept</b> <b>Wednesday 13th Sept</b>	<b>10:00am SE</b> <b>7:00pm SE</b>	Tony O'Donnell RIP Coyle Family living or dead
<b>Thursday 14th Sept</b> <i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>	<b>12:15pm SJ</b>	Joseph Lee RIP (Wedding Anniversary)
<b>Friday 15th Sept</b> <i>Our Lady of Sorrows</i>	<b>7:00pm SE</b>	Intentions of Ave Maria & Tommy
<b>Saturday 16th Sept</b> <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	<b>11:00am SE</b> <b>6:15pm SJ</b>	Doreen Healey RIP People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 17th Sept</b> <i>Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	<b>9:00am SE</b> <b>10:00am SJ</b> <b>11:00am SE</b> <b>7:00pm SE</b>	Alf Hunt RIP Jenny Donaroma RIP Manul Soares RIP Thanksgiving to St Lucy

### 10th September

#### Psalm Response

O that today you would listen to His voice! Harden not your hearts.

#### Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth.  
*Alleluia!*

### 17th September

#### 1st Reading:

*Ecclesiasticus 27: 30-28: 7*

#### Psalm: 102

#### 2nd Reading:

*Romans 14: 7-9*

**Gospel:** *Matthew 18: 21-35*

#### 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 Facebook & Twitter:** [@PortsmouthRC](https://www.facebook.com/PortsmouthRC)

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### Children's Liturgy of the Word

Our 9am Sunday Mass in St Edmund's offers a children's liturgy of the word for all children 3+ up until the children have received their First Holy Communion.

We have a great number of children join each week but we need more volunteers to be able to continue. This will be a term time commitment only. If you don't want to lead a session you do not need to, we mainly need DBS'd adults for our safeguarding ratios.

If you are interested in joining please email Anna on:

**safeguarding@  
southamptoncitycentrecatholics.org**

You will need to have DBS for work with children before you can begin in the role. Contacting Anna above will begin this process.

#### 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!