



FEB 11TH 2024 | SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton





# This Weekend's Notices

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time No Second Collection this week Next Weekend's Notices

First Sunday in Lent No Second Collection this week



## **General Notices**

Ash Wednesday is this Wednesday! Masses are St Ed's 6:30, 10am, 7pm, and in St Joseph's at 12:15pm

**Ash Wednesday is a day of Fast and Abstinence.** The law of fasting requires Catholics between the ages of 18 and 60 to eat only one full meal a day, as well as two smaller meals. The two smaller meals together should not equal a full meal. Catholics over the age of 14 are expected to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and all Fridays through the Lenten season.

**Parish Youth Group for 10-16 year olds next on the 16th February at 7pm** in St Edmund's Hall. Youth Group will be in St Ed's Hall on the 1st & 3rd Fridays in the month.

Hot Cross Buns and Coffee after 6:30am Mass Volunteers are invited to help prepare buns and coffee for immediately after Lenten 6:30am Mass on Thursdays. If you would like to provide any Hot Cross Buns for use, you are most welcome. Please reply to Deacon Andy aphilpott@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Join us for a CAFOD Big Lent Walk – from St Edmund's to The Common. Sat 24 Feb at 11 am. Followed by refreshments, soup & cakes for sale, in St Edmund's Hall (from 11:45). Join us for the walk and/or refreshments. Donations of CAKES etc – ALL WELCOME. For more info contact Marina mjoyce@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

**Rosary Beads Wanted.** Please donate your spare and unused rosary beads to the Stella Maris charity in Southampton. Post them to: Stella Maris, c/o St Edmund's Lodge, The Avenue, Southampton, SO17 1XJ. Email for more information: gregory.hogan@stellamarismail.org

## Lenten Masses

Early Morning Lenten Masses: 6:30am Thursdays in St Edmund's (due to a change in Priests' day off)

**Stations of the Cross:** Thursdays after Mass in **St Joseph's**, Fridays after 7pm Mass in **St Edmund's**, Sundays at 6:10pm in **St Edmund's** 

Lenten Lunches Thursdays in Stella Maris Hall 1:15pm.

# Remaining inside the camp

Driving around Manila, I never found it difficult to spot the gated communities - those living inside kept others out and themselves in. They are harder to spot in the UK, but they are still here. Living in this way highlights that there are those who have and those who do not. But gated communities are simply one way of segregation, whilst at some point in their lives eg shopping, travelling, etc, they will have to intermingle.

It is very easy to look down on other people because they may be different from us when in fact those differences are minor and do not matter. There will always be those who for one reason or another, and through no fault of theirs, are different. At this point I remind myself the Mass starts with our collective praying of the *Confiteor*. Today is as good as any to recognise that each of us is in need of healing which comes from Jesus the Christ.

Rather than exclude those from the 'camp' who may not be like us, we invite them in to share the joys and the life God gives us in Jesus. Jesus did not hesitate to heal the leper who came pleading for help. So, too, we receive that healing from whatever may cause us to be separated from God.

Today, let's pray for healing of those situations that continue to exclude people. As Christians, let's invite people to be part of God's human community as Christ did with everyone He met. Jesus healed the leper and brought him back into the community, may we in our own way allow Jesus to bring healing to our lives so that we can bring healing to those who are desperately in need.

#### Dcn Andy

**CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday 23rd February** This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help hardworking people like James the fisherman in Liberia with resources, tools and training to feed their families for good. Give today using the envelope or online at cafod.org.uk and please join us in praying with James that our sisters and brothers around the world have what they need to feed their families.

**All students and staff at Solent University** are invited to Ash Wednesday Mass on campus with Fr. David in TS111 (The Spark Building) on Wednesday 14th February at 12:15pm.

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



#### **Prayers** Adoration currently runs in St Edmund's:

Monday 6pm until 7pm Mass Tuesday beginning after 10am Mass until 7pm Thursday 10am until 5pm Friday 2pm until 7pm Mass. Saturday after the 11am Mass.

We would like to offer Adoration Monday day to 6pm & Fridays morning - 2pm. Thinking of joining? Great news! Email the office, call us or text 07956 379542.

### We would like to start Adoration in St Joseph's:

**Thursday** after the 12:15pm Mass until the 7pm Polish Mass

**Thinking of joining?** Email the office, call us or text 07956 379542. There are also sign up sheets in the porch. Please remember especially in your prayers Carina, Sr Maria Innocenta, Theresa Kimber, Mary Mullen, Christopher Browne, Peter Scott, Vasile, Sue, Clare Burden, Paul Hughes, Mike, Carol, David, Oliver, Carla Forte, Donna Cowan, Steph, Francis Ponniah, Jack Oakley, Terry Lennon, Helmy & all in the Parish who are ill, undergoing treatment or feeling distressed.

## **General Notices**

### 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. Please contact the school office on **info@springhillcatholic.net** for more information.

**Lenten Retreat** Saturday 16th March 2024 10am - 4pm at St Vincent De Paul RC Church Southampton. Led by the Dominican Sisters, to include talks, Mass, the Rosary and Adoration. £10 donation per person. Contact **svpoffice@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk** for more info.

**40 Days for Life** The 40 Days for Life Lent campaign will be starting on Ash Wednesday, 14th February. The kick off vigil will be on 12th February after Mass where there will be there reading of the Seven Penitential Psalms led by Father David. If you would like to join, we will be meeting after the 7pm Mass to walk down to the vigil site.

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week Today's Readings				
SJ is St Joseph's Church, Bugle Street & SE is St Edmund's Church, The Avenue				Today's Readings
Saturday 10th Feb	6:15pm	SJ	People of the Parish	First:Leviticus 13:1-2,
Sunday 11th Feb	9:00am	SE	Ellen & George Patterson RIP & Tony Patterson RIP &	44-46
Sixth Sunday in	9.00am	9F	John Freeman RIP & Bernadette Kerr RIP	Second: 1 Corinthians
Ordinary Time	10:00am	рт	Sarah Kennedy-Donnelly Anniversary RIP &	10:31-11:1
Ordinary Time	10.00am	SJ		<b>Gospel:</b> Mark 1:40-45
	11:00am	oп	•	Confessions
		SE	Olive Cook Birthday Blessings	
Monday 12th Feb	7:00pm	SE	Greta	St Joseph's
Tuesday 13th Feb	7:00pm	SE		
•	10:00am	SE	Levana Fernandes 1st Birthday	
Wednesday 14th Feb	6:30am	SE	Health & Wisdom Archie, Aiden & their parents	St Edmund's
Ash Wednesday	10:00am	SE	Intentions of Margaret Quantril & Monika Majewska	Confession is 30
	12:15pm	SJ	Fanny Shek RIP	minutes before Mass
ml	7:00pm	SE	Maureen Sharpe & Louis Sharpe RIP	except on Saturdays
Thursday 15th Feb	12:15pm	SJ	Sheila, John & Julian Herbert RIP	when confession is
Friday 16th Feb	7:00pm	SE	Patrick James Sharpe RIP	at 11:30
Saturday 17th Feb	11:00am	SE	Brian T. Moore RIP	D 11D 1
	6:15pm	SJ	Ann Sammit RIP	Parish Bank
Sunday 18th Feb	9:00am	SE	People of the Parish	
First Sunday in Lent	10:00am	SJ	The Holy Souls in Purgatory	
	11:00am	SE	All Catholic Priests	CDP SOUJE
	7:00pm	SE	Catholic Home Care	<b>Sort Code</b> 30-93-04
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