



FEBRUARY 13TH 2022 | SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S
City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton



And raising His eyes toward His disciples He said:

Luke 6:17, 20-26

“Blessed are you who are poor.

Jesus, let us assure
that

hungry persons
are fed;

cold or homeless persons
have a bed and
blanket;

all who are sick because
of poisoned air can
breathe;

and that
every single immigrant
seeking a home
is
welcomed.

Then
we who are poor (aren't we all?)
can rejoice and leap for joy
because we will know
You are with
us.

Anne Osdieck

Questions to ponder for the Week...

1. Although it is inevitable that disciples suffer (Gospel), these directives don't require you to be constantly poor or hungry, but that you realise your need for God, whatever your situation. They demand a choice. Have you made this choice? Can you make this choice?
2. Are there any areas of your life in which you place your trust in human beings (1st reading)? Why? In which areas of your life do you place your trust in God?

Vincent Harvey (adapted from Anne Osdieck)

Today's Notices

Baptisms at St Joseph's and St Edmund's. We pray for Mary Gray, Oliva Drozdz, Elicia Allin and Kulture Madovi as they are welcomed into the Faith!

Please continue to sanitise hands on entry to the churches and we encourage **wearing face masks**.

A Few Words...

The next **'Synodal Way'** discussion is this coming **Tuesday 15th February at 7pm**. This is a 'repeat' of the session a week ago. If you can come to the session do let me know by email.

We are now trying to live 'normal' lives with COVID so, with care (always thinking of others), we continue developing the 'new normal' in terms of church practice. Holy Water stoops, and the Holy Water container in St Edmund's, have been restored. We need to recommence:

- collections**.....volunteers please
- full welcome teams**.....volunteers please
- Mass co-ordinators**..... volunteers please
- full Adoration teams** at St Edmund's
- altar servers** at all Masses

Please see clip boards in the porches to volunteer.....

It's 2 ½ weeks to Ash Wednesday so **please bring in your old palms to be burnt** to provide ashes. Please let us know if you would prefer a **6.30am or 7am Mass** on the Wednesdays in Lent (Hot Cross Buns have been promised!!); there will, of course, still be a 7pm Mass.

Have a good weekend... Vincent H

This Week...

- Tues** Pre-Marriage Prep online
Synodal Way gathering 7pm in St Ed's Hall
- Wed** Evening Prayer @6pm..... to join email Dcn Andy
Journey in Faith 7pm
- Thurs** Richard Rohr Group 5pm

For info

- Mon** Day Off: VH/JP + Catenian Dinner
- Tues** Divine Renovation Support Group: VH
CTC campaign: VH
SLT: VH/TQ/AP/LS
- Wed** Clergy Team meeting: VH/JP/AP
Requiem for Fr Eddie Richer: VH
CA meeting: VH
- Thurs** Safe Families for Children: VH
- Fri** Masses for St Anne: JP/VH
Clergy Ministry Group: VH

Funerals & Prayers

Please pray for Bill Eastman who has recently died. May he rest in peace. His Funeral Service will be at St Joseph's on Monday, 21st February at 2.30pm, followed by a Committal at Wessex Vale Crematorium. Pray also for his wife, Anne, and the family.

Pray also for the repose of the soul of Eileen O'Flanagan Lisle who has also died. Details of her funeral to be announced. **Please pray also for Maria Isabella Magalhaes** who died this week.

Please remember especially in your prayers Margaret Hicks, Margaret ('Molly') Jarvis, Gary, Margaret Murray and all in the Parish who are ill, undergoing treatment or are experiencing distress.

Pope's prayer intention for February: For religious sisters and consecrated women. *We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.*

We pray for all unborn children diagnosed with disabilities, we pray for their protection and that of their mothers from the pressures of society to have an abortion, and that they would instead experience overwhelming love and support from all who surround them.

Lord hear us.

Please consider...

Communicare, a Christian charity, have been **asked by the City Council to provide extra volunteers** to help keep hospital beds and care settings freed up during this current surge of the virus.

The volunteers would be **helping people to stay at home who could manage with a little support**, freeing up hospital beds, by doing good neighbourly tasks (not personal or medical care) and making phone calls. There are two projects:

- **Hello Southampton**, in which a volunteer signs up for an hour a week, when they make short check-in phone calls to a certain number of vulnerable people, (tablet or computer needed for logging in) or
- **Best at Home**, where volunteers either run errands from the door like picking up prescriptions and some shopping, or pop in to do simple tasks like make a sandwich, vacuum etc.

Please contact the Parish Office if you feel able to assist and we can expedite the process of signing you up.

If you are interested in this area of volunteering **please also consider supporting Catholic Home Care** who operate out of our Parish Office endeavouring to keep the elderly at home where possible who are **always in need of volunteers**.

What's going on?

National Novena to St Joseph (from Mill Hill Missionaries) between 10-18th March 2022. People may follow the Novena Masses online each weekday evening at 7:30pm, on Saturday at 10am and on Sunday at 11am. These Masses will be held at St Joseph's, Maidenhead. For more information, see www.millhillmissionaries.com/novena

Southampton Street Pastors is made up of 136 Christians from 55 Churches in the city and the surrounding suburbs. Volunteers are Christians who find being a Street Pastor a useful tool for them to safely take their faith out on the streets and to take their church out of the building directly reaching and caring for the lost and needy. Every patrol is upheld in prayer by dedicated Prayer Pastors, who receive regular updates in real time of how God is working through their prayers during the patrol. There are 4 types of patrol; night time patrols, afternoon city centre patrols, afternoon community patrols in 3 different areas and an evening community patrol in the Shirley/Millbrook area. The next round of training starts **Friday evening, 25th March 2022** (see flyers and posters at the back of church for all the training dates).

Portsmouth Diocesan "Don Bosco" Boys Camp - 24 to 30 July 2022. We are delighted that the camp will be going ahead again this summer for boys of secondary school age at St. Cassian's, Kintbury: sport, outings, competitions and fun and games to ensure that boys will have a fantastic few days. This will continue to take place within the context of the celebration of the Catholic Faith, including daily Mass and Morning Prayer. The cost of the camp is £220 (part bursaries may be available on application).

We are holding a **Bosco Experience/Reunion on Sunday 20 February 2022** from 2 to 4pm at Milner's Hall, St. Peter's Church, Jewry Street, Winchester SO23 8RY. This is for boys of secondary school age. A chance for new boys who want to find out more and have a 'taste' of the Bosco Experience and for those who have been on camp to meet with old friends. Fun activities and a chance for parents to find out more and sign up for camp. Booking is essential. To find out more or to reserve a place, please email: dbcamps@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Be ready to help stop assisted suicide amendment. Right To Life UK has had a challenging month, with the assisted suicide lobby attempting to hijack the Government's Health and Care Bill and force them to lay an assisted suicide bill before Parliament within a year of the Bill passing into law. The Health and Care Bill will shortly move onto Report Stage where there is a high risk that Lord Forsyth will retable his amendment. As such, Right To Life UK is asking parishioners to sign up to their Action Alerts, so they can effectively participate to stop this amendment passing, and others like it. You can do so by visiting the following link: www.righttolife.org.uk/#action-alerts

Bring in your old Palm branches so they can be burnt to provide ash for Ash Wednesday!

Food Banks. Please when shopping buy 'one' extra item to bring to church and put in the box in the porch. **No perishables.** Southampton City Missions Basics Bank are very low on the following: **tinned carrots, cold tinned meat (Spam, ham in a can, corned beef etc.)** as well as small bags of **sugar, rice pudding, milk and coffee.**

In 2021, SCM fed people in Southampton **15,575 meals & clothed people 1,430 times.** An increase of 6,112 & 847 respectively on the previous year.

Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima 12-19th October 2022.

Brochures are now available from the Parish Office or Godfrey Doyle. Pilgrims who have already requested them will receive them directly.

Donations of Bibles urgently needed. Refugees in Poland are sending requests for Bibles. Contributions from the Parish are very welcome.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje. Following the easing of restrictions, we are planning a pilgrimage to Medjugorje, the Shrine of Our Lady Queen of Peace in Bosnia Herzegovina where we will join with pilgrims from all over the world for a time of prayer and fellowship. From **September 23-30th** departing from Gatwick half board £630, single room supplement if required. Full support from Marian Pilgrimages. www.marian-uk.com Please contact Heather Hauschild at hauschild287@btinternet.com or **07810310316** for a booking form and further details.

CAFOD Walk against Hunger. Are you ready to change your life and transform someone else's this Lent? Challenge yourself to walk 200k this Lent and help stamp out hunger, one step at a time. You can walk, roll, skip or stroll your way to 200k. You can boldly go it alone and take it on 5k a day for 40 days, or you can smash the target all at once as a team. **There are 200 million children in the world whose lives are at risk from malnutrition.** So, this Lent, challenge yourself to conquer 200k, and help give hunger its marching orders. <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/register>

GREEN LIVING TIP OF THE WEEK

The Hampshire Refillery aims to make zero-waste shopping as affordable and accessible as possible for everyone. They offer an ethical range of household cleaning, laundry, body care products and food and much more. All zero waste. They offer a home delivery service and welcome cleaned, label free bottles and jars plus plastic containers such as ice cream tubs and lidded yogurt pots and will sanitise them before filling again. Re-use is always better than recycling! Check out their web site for a full list of what they can (and can't) re-use. www.hampshirerefillery.co.uk

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 13TH FEB*(CHURCH KEY TO CITY CENTRE CATHOLIC MASSES BELOW: SJ = ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH, BUGLE STREET, SO14 2AH AND SE = ST EDMUND'S CHURCH, THE AVENUE, SO17 1XJ)*Prayer of the Church
Week 2

Saturday 12th Feb <i>St Agatha</i>	6:15pm SJ	Olive Cook Birthday Blessings
Sunday 13th Feb <i>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	7:00pm SE	Msza Polska / Mass in Polish
	9:00am SE	Ellen & George Patterson RIP, Tony Patterson RIP, John Freeman RIP, Bernadette Kerr RIP
	10:00am SJ	Sarah Kennedy-Donnelly RIP
	11:00am SE	Olive Cook Birthday Blessings
	7:00pm SE	Jan Rojko RIP
Tuesday 15th Feb <i>Feria</i>	10:00am SE	Steve Stobart RIP
Wednesday 16th Feb <i>Feria</i>	7:00pm SE	Mrs Mary C Hubbard's Intention
Thursday 17th Feb <i>Feria</i>	12:15pm SJ	Tony Percy RIP and all deceased family members
Friday 18th Feb <i>Feria</i>	7:00pm SE	Theo Fernandes RIP Birthday Ann.
Saturday 19th Feb <i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	11:00am SE	Eric Clarke RIP
	6:15pm SJ	Sean, Kathleen & Stewart Adamson RIP
	7:00pm SE	Msza Polska / Mass in Polish
Sunday 20th Feb <i>Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	9:00am SE	Karen Nugent RIP
	10:00am SJ	Erlinda Cruz Flores RIP 5th Ann.
	11:00am SE	Prema Dissanyake RIP 3rd Ann.
	7:00pm SE	Lucky & Sujate RIP Joao Silvino RIP and all deceased family members

13th Feb
Sixth Sunday in OT
Psalm Response:
Happy the man who placed his trust in the Lord.
Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom to mere children.
Alleluia!

Readings 20th Feb**First Reading:***1 Samuel 26: 2-23***Second Reading:***1 Corinthians 15: 45-49***Gospel:***Luke 6: 27-38***Second Collections:**

This week:

Racial Justice

Next week:

Catholic Home Care**30th Jan Weekly Collection**

Standing Orders: £1,254.20

Cash Donations: £348.04

Total : £1,602 .24**CONTACT DETAILS:****Parish Priest:** Monsignor Canon Vincent HarveyEmail Address: vharvey@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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O Heavenly Father, who raised Agatha to the dignity of Sainthood, we implore Your Divine Majesty by her intercession to give us health of mind, body and soul. Free us from all those things which hold us bound to this earth, and let our spirit, like hers, rise to your heavenly courts.

Amen**Confessions****St Joseph's:**

Thursdays 11.45am & Saturdays 5.45pm

*(before Mass)***St Edmund's:**Saturdays 11.30am *(after Mass)***Alternative Confessions Available***St Boniface* Saturdays 11am*Immaculate Conception* Saturdays 10.30am*St Patrick's Woolston* Friday 6-6.40pm / Saturday

5-5.40pm