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APRIL 14TH 2024 | THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

# ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton



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## This Weekend's Notices

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**No Second Collection this week**

## Next Weekend's Notices

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Second Collection** for Clergy Training Fund

## General Notices

**Calling the young People of our Diocese!** Have you just finished your A-levels? Or about to finish Uni for the Summer...? **Why not give something back by joining our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes?** We will be leaving for Lourdes on Monday 22nd July and returning on Friday 26th July. You could help by assisting some of our pilgrims by pushing wheelchairs, offering a steadying arm and a warm smile!

Youth pilgrims are an essential part of our pilgrimage, and they tell us each year of the amazing time they have had, returning many times to serve our pilgrims. **If you would like to know more about joining us, contact [lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).** The pilgrim fare is £780 but there is the potential for funding.

**The governors of St Anne's Catholic School seek to appoint a Lay Chaplain for the school.** The successful applicant will be a practising Catholic with a deep commitment to his/her own faith and a passion for evangelisation to and working with young people.

**Closing date: midday, Friday 19th April 2024**

Application forms and further details can be obtained from [www.st-annes.uk.com](http://www.st-annes.uk.com) Alternatively please contact the head's PA by email [pahead@st-annes.uk.com](mailto:pahead@st-annes.uk.com) or call 023890 328200

**The Diocesan Liturgical Formation Team invites all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to a Formation Day** on Saturday 4th May, from 9.30am to 2.30pm at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke. The day starts with Mass at 9.30 am and includes talks and reflections to help people to encounter Christ through the liturgy. Refreshments are included. The day will take place at St Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX. Please RSVP to [liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**Diocesan Vacancies** Please follow the link to see the current job vacancies throughout our Diocese <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs>

## Seeing Jesus in how he reveals himself

"Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have." The Resurrection of Jesus is central to Christian belief. The beginning of this Sunday's Gospel, just as last Sunday, is still Easter Sunday although on the road to Emmaus. Encountering Jesus is about recognising God's love living among us. Maybe like these two disciples, we are all on a journey to meet Jesus. It is Jesus who comes to us in our deepest moment of need and gives us hope to face another day. Even as Jesus walked alongside the disciples, something still blocked their eyes from recognising him.

Oftentimes, when we are searching for Jesus, we want to see him as we imagine him. However, we are called to see Jesus not in how we choose to see him, but in how he reveals himself - in the poor, the hungry, and the outcast. Jesus reveals himself as food for our journey, whether on the road to Emmaus, on the altar at Mass, or elsewhere.

Once we allow ourselves to recognise Jesus, we are compelled to go out and share the "Good News" with the entire world. This season of Easter gives us the opportunity to focus on how we can recognise the Christ throughout our lives. We find Jesus in the Eucharist; in the people gathered; in the stories of his life that keep his memory fresh and available to us daily; and importantly when we open our eyes and see more clearly in the people yet to be gathered at the table.

Dcn Andy

## Sacraments

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



*"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 George Francis Ponniah.** We pray also for Anushka, his wife, and for his family. May he rest in peace.

**Also pray for the repose of the soul of Jimmy Ward.** We pray for his family at this time. Jimmy's funeral will be in St. Edmund's on the 17th of April. May he rest in peace.

**We also pray for the repose of the soul of Alan Walsh.** We pray for his family. Alan's funeral will be held on the 2nd of May. May he rest in peace.

## General Notices

### Adoration in St. Edmund's:

**Monday** 6pm - 7pm Mass, **Tuesday** 10am Mass - 7pm,  
**Thursday** 10am - 5pm, **Friday** 2pm - 7pm Mass.  
**Saturday** after the 11am Mass.

**Thinking of joining?** Great news! Email the office, call us or text **07956 379542**.

**Please remember especially in your prayers** Gordon Bradley, Carla Forte, Donna Cowan, Jack Oakley, Terry Lennon, Helmy & all in who are ill, undergoing treatment feeling distressed.

### Ways to Promote Vocations within your Family

#### Remember That Your Home Is The "Domestic Church"

Parents are the first preachers of the faith to their children, and the home is where early formation occurs. Create a climate within your home that will foster and encourage all members of your family to live out the vocation that God has planned for them. Pray, read spiritual books, talk about your faith and your vocation. Let your home truly be a dwelling place for the Lord!

**Thanks to all who have contributed to CAFOD** via Soup Lunches, Lenten Walk fundraising and Family Fast Days over recent months. The Parish has sent CAFOD £2,594 this month which has been gratefully received.

**The Vatican's Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith issued an important Declaration called *Dignitas Infinita***, which condemns some of the grave violations of human dignity in today's world. You can read the document. [https://www.vatican.va/roman\\_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc\\_ddd\\_doc\\_20240402\\_dignitas-infinita\\_en.html](https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/documents/rc_ddd_doc_20240402_dignitas-infinita_en.html)

In the 'non-exhaustive' list that is offered, abortion, euthanasia and surrogate motherhood are listed as violations of human dignity alongside war, poverty and human trafficking. The text contributes to overcoming the dichotomy that exists between those who focus exclusively on beginning-and-end-of-life issues, while forgetting so many other attacks against human dignity and, conversely, those who focus only on defending the poor and migrants while forgetting that life must be defended from conception to its natural conclusion.

### Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week

*SJ is St. Joseph's Church, Bugle Street & SE is St. Edmund's Church, The Avenue*

<b>Saturday 13th April</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>SE</b>	Eileen Atkins RIP
<i>St Martin I</i>	<b>6.15pm</b>	<b>SJ</b>	Mickael Kenny's children RIP and Martin Kenny RIP
<b>Sunday 14th April</b>			
<i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>SE</b>	For those in peril on the sea
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>SJ</b>	Alinda thanksgiving and good health
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>SE</b>	People of the Parish
	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>SE</b>	Rhoda Binge
<b>Monday 15th April</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>SE</b>	Oscar Sohna Sohna
<b>Tuesday 16th April</b>	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>SE</b>	John Hall RIP
<b>Wednesday 17th April</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>SE</b>	Moyra and Peter Clearkin RIP
<b>Thursday 18th April</b>	<b>12.15pm</b>	<b>SJ</b>	Mr Reg Farrington RIP
<b>Friday 19th April</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>SE</b>	Gray Family Special Intentions
<b>Saturday 20th April</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>SE</b>	Max Bacon RIP
<i>of the 3rd wk of Easter</i>	<b>6.15pm</b>	<b>SJ</b>	Eileen Airken RIP
<b>Sunday 21st April</b>			
<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	<b>9.00am</b>	<b>SE</b>	Maureen Clearkin RIP
	<b>10.00am</b>	<b>SJ</b>	Cissy Coutinho
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>SE</b>	Daniel Wozniak RIP
	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>SE</b>	Simon Parry RIP & Dominic Parry RIP
			People of the Parish

### Next Week's Reading

#### First:

*Acts 4: 8-12*

#### Psalm:

*117*

#### Second:

*1 John 3: 1-2*

#### Gospel:

*John 10:11-18*

### Confessions

**30 Minutes before every Mass & after Mass as announced**  
*Also*

Saturdays in St Ed's after the 11am Mass

### Parish Bank Details

#### Bank Account Name

CDP SOUJE

**Sort Code** 30-93-04

**Number** 00888223



**Join the Parish!**

We are part of the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth,  
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