FEB 18TH 2024 | FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT





JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S



City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton

This Weekend's Notices

First Sunday of Lent No Second Collection this week Next Weekend's Notices



Second Sunday of Lent No Second Collection this week

General Notices

Hot Cross Buns & Coffee after 6:30am Mass Volunteers are invited to help prepare buns and coffee for immediately after Lenten 6:30am Mass on Thursdays. Please contact aphilpott@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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

Join us for a CAFOD Big Lent Walk - from St Edmund's to The Common. Sat 24th Feb at 11am. 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

Lenten Masses & Devotions Early Morning Masses: 6:30am Thursdays in St Ed's

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.

Adoration:

Thursdays 1.15pm - 7pm in St Joseph's Mondays - Saturdays in St Ed's

Rosarv:

St Edmund's after 10am Tuesday Mass, after 11am Saturday Mass and after the last Friday in a month

'Lent is a very special time for the work of priests. We should assist them in the rescuing of souls' (St Faustina) This Lent could you commit to praying for our priests, maybe as a family or in your personal prayer?

First Sunday of Lent

The season of Lent began on Wednesday with the blessing and putting on of ashes. In receiving the ashes on our heads we prayed to God, "that we, who acknowledge that we are but ashes and shall return to dust, may, through a steadfast observance of Lent, gain pardon for sins and newness of life after the likeness of your Risen Son." The Ash Wednesday Gospel called us to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving, weapons in the steadfast observance of Lent. St. Paul reminded us, "Now is the favourable time; this is the day of salvation" (2 Cor 6:2).

On this first Sunday of Lent the Spirit drives Jesus out into the desert to face Satan for forty days and forty nights. Jesus was tempted and endured the trial of being tested but his ultimate battle with the Evil One was yet to come. Jesus would win the contest with Satan on the cross. It is the victory of Jesus over sin, death and evil on the cross that enables us to be hopeful and confident in overcoming sin and temptation. Jesus has already won the victory!

Please pray for our brothers and sisters who are preparing to be received into the full communion of the Catholic Church at Easter. Having participated in the Rite of Election at the Cathedral with the Bishop, they now enter this final and more intense period of preparation for the sacraments of initiation, during which they, the elect, are encouraged to follow Christ with greater generosity.

Fr Michael

St Peter's School, Winchester has a vacancy for a Deputy Headteacher in September 2024, salary range L9 - L13. St Peter's is a school built on strong Catholic ethos and values. We have a strong leadership team; dedicated teaching and support staff; supportive governors, who all work well together with shared purpose. We are seeking a like-minded professional to complete our team. For more details on the role, including the application form, please visit https://www.stpetershants.co.uk/vacancies/

Easter Triduum Retreat at the Verbum Dei Retreat Centre, on the Isle of Wight - 28th - 31st March. If you are interested to join it or want to know more information about it, please contact us: verbumdei.iow@gmail.com

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.

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

We now have 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. 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.

Mass for Fr Andrew McMahon RIP Sat 24th February 10am Mass in Immaculate Conception, followed by refreshments in the church and a short talk about Fr Andrew.

Portuguese Club for children and teens in Southampton. Learn all about the language and culture in a fun way, and make new friends! If interested see Kelly's eventbrite pagehttps://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/portuguese-clubtickets-804909384637

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week

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Saturday 17th Feb	6:15pm	SJ	Ann Sammit RIP	G
Sunday 18th Feb	9:00am	SE	People of the Parish	1
First Sunday	10:00am	SJ	The Holy Souls in Purgatory	(
in Lent	11:00am	SE	All Catholic Priests	L
	7:00pm	SE	Catholic Home Care	
Monday 19th Feb	7:00pm	SE	Mary Rooney	
Tuesday 20th Feb	10:00am	SE	Agnelo Vales & Ana Vales Intentions	r
Wednesday 21st Feb	7:00pm	SE	Veronica McBride RIP	
Thursday 22nd Feb	6:30am	SE	Jane Bray	
The Chair of St Pete	r 12:15pm	SJ	Augustine Izuka RIP Anniversary	r
Friday 23rd Feb	7:00pm	SE	Priests and vocations	•
Saturday 24th Feb	11:00am	SE	Thanksgiving	
	6:15pm	SJ	Thomas Dorrian RIP	ŀ
Sunday 25th Feb	9:00am	SE	Elizabeth & John Ward RIP	
Second Sunday in	10:00am	SJ	People of the Parish	
Lent	11:00am	SE	Tony Gallo	
	7:00pm	SE	Mass for the Holy Souls	

Today's Readings

First: Genesis 9:8-15 Second:

1 Peter 3:18-22

Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Confessions St Joseph's

Confession is 30 minutes before Mass

St Edmund's

Confession is 30 minutes before Mass except on Saturdays when confession is at 11:30

Parish Bank **Details**

Bank Account Name CDP SOUJE

Sort Code 30-93-04 **Number** 00888223

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