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AUGUST 20TH 2023 | TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN OT

ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton



Website



A people without frontiers.....

*As earthly joys call for a feast,
may joy unite us at God's table!
As wine makes the guests merry,
may the Spirit of Christ inebriate the living!
As a wedding gathers a crowd of friends,
may people come from the four corners of the world
to the banquet of the Lamb!*

Sur la trace de Dieu (Paris : Desclee 1979)

*As this broken bread, scattered on the mountains,
was assembled to be one,
may Your Church be likewise gathered
from the extremities of the earth
into Your kingdom.*

*La doctrine des douze Apotres (Didache)
Fr Vincent*

Questions to Ponder for the Week...

1. What risk did the Canaanite woman take when she cried, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David!" (Gospel). Who are the risk takers today? For the environment? For racial justice? For peace in Ukraine? For caring for people? For the Health Service? Is anything great gained without risk?
2. "For My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the peoples" (1st reading). Is God's house open to just a few people or all people? Did the chosen people have to wrestle with that idea? Today, does racial, or any other bias, relate to this problem? What is the message in this reading—to go find the excluded and bring them in?
3. St Paul, in our 2nd reading, says that the Israelites disobeyed yet received mercy; the Gentiles disobeyed and received it too. Mercy is a profound characteristic of God. Homework: trace Jesus' mercy in today's Gospel to the Canaanite woman.

Vincent Harvey (adapted from Anne Osdieck)

Today's Notices

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome and thank you to Fr Michael Cronin who is presiding at the 9 & 11am Masses

Walk for Life appeal at the end of Masses in St Edmund's
Retiring Collection is for Fr Johnpromise's **Leaving Donation**

Baptisms in St Joseph's

Farewell to Fr Johnpromise in St Joseph's after 6.15pm & 10am Masses

Please continue to **sanitise hands** on entry to churches.

Next Sunday Notices

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

No Retiring Collection

Baptisms in St Joseph's & St Edmund's

Farewell to Father Johnpromise (9 & 11am and 7pm)

This Week...

Tue Meditation Group @ 6pm in St Michael's
Finance Committee Meet
Pre-Marriage Course Commences

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

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

For Info...

Mon Day off: JP

Fri VH returns from Lourdes (18th – 25th August)

Prayers



Pope's Prayer Intention for August For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.

Let us pray for all those who work for the protection and enrichment of human life, that they might maintain a positive approach to lending their support in difficult situations. Lord hear us

Welcome to Mark Anthony Evans who was Received into Full-Communion with the Church and Confirmed last Saturday. We congratulate him and wish him well as part of the Faith Community.



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



A Few Words...

When you read this I will be on **pilgrimage in Lourdes**. As I will have no responsibilities it will be a case of simply being a pilgrim, hopefully, deepening my faith and trust in God with the help of Our Blessed Lady. I will pray for the Parish at the Grotto.

The St Joseph's Mass Community (6.15pm & 10am) say 'farewell' to Father Johnpromise today. On Sunday 27th August before he takes up his appointment as Parish Priest in Fleet & Church Crookham, Father Johnpromise will preside at the **9am, 11am and 7pm** so that everyone can have the opportunity to say 'goodbye'. **After the 9am there will be 'extra' refreshments** and after the **7pm there will be food to share in the Hall.**

Father David Bateman arrives in the Parish during the week beginning 27th August and I go on holiday on the 4th September. So a steep settling in curve for Fr David!!

Purely for info at present: I am scheduled to leave the Parish the week beginning 22nd October. We will hold a celebration before I leave... details still to be confirmed... Watch this space!!!!!!!

Have a good and satisfying week.... Thanks Vincent H

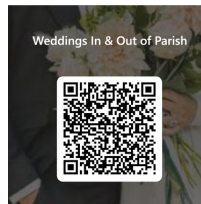
Sacraments

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.

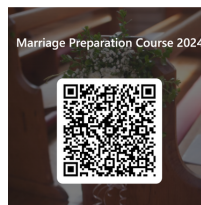
Baptism Application Form



If you would like to be married in the church (either in our churches or abroad/elsewhere) you must fill in the "Weddings In & Out of Parish" Form



If you would like to join our **Pre Marriage Course** (required to be married in the church) you can scan this code to join the next course starting in 2024 (dates tbc still).



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/USMmJ9JK9J>

What's going on?

Repair Café at Immaculate Conception Church Hall

10.30 - 1pm Saturday 19th August. All repairs undertaken for a donation. Refreshments available (including home made cakes!!). Do come along.

Novena to St Boniface at St Boniface, 413 Shirley Road, SO15 3JD Rosary every day 6:30pm followed by Mass & Novena at 7pm (29/8 till 8/9). Sunday 3/9: Rosary at 5pm and followed by Mass and Novena at 5:30pm. Feast Day Friday 8/9, Procession at 6:30pm, followed by 7pm Mass. **Feast Day 8/9 Dinner Party:** All are welcome after the 7pm Mass at the St Boniface Church Hall!

March for Life London Sat 2nd September There is a coach travelling from Holy Family Catholic Church (Millbrook, Southampton SO16 4PL) departing for London at 07:15. The coach returns from London at 5pm, due back in Southampton 19:30. The cost is £28 per seat. Children's tickets will be cheaper, the price will depend on the number of children on the coach to cover the cost of coach hire.

If you would like to book a seat please email Holy Family Catholic Church office@holyfamilysouthampton.org.uk or call the office 023 8077 8203. For information about the March for Life visit www.marchforlife.co.uk

Called & Gifted Coming to St Boniface in September!

Please consider joining us on a special teaching day that will be held on **9 September 2023** St Boniface church hall. This will be followed by **one-to-one discernment conversations** via Zoom or in-person with a trained facilitator to help us unlock our potential charisms. Finally, we will be encouraged to begin "experimenting" with our discerned charism by putting it into **concrete practice**. There is a minimal fee involved. We will give you more details as we get closer to the teaching day. Please consider taking part in this special event.

Time to register!! Please contact Jane Stephenson (07941755323) or Augustine Odukoya (07883014954) or send an email to: calledandgifted@st-boniface.org.uk. Please give your full name and contact details.

The Syro-Malabar Eparchy is appointing Fr Tomy Chirackalmanavalan to a parish in Ipswich in September. He will be replaced by Fr Thomas Parakandathil. We thank Fr Tomy for his time here in City Centre Parish and at St Vincent de Paul, and we wish him well.

The Divine Mercy Apostolate is holding a Retreat at Aylesford Priory, Kent on **Bank Holiday Monday 28th August 2023 from 10am to 4:30pm**. The retreat will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration, Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. Call Millie on **07957594646** for more info.

January - July 2023 Tuesday 10am Coffee Group donated over £370 to Catholic Home Care. Many thanks to all who contributed to this worthwhile care provision.

Updated Gift Aid Forms / Information

If you did not fill in a Gift Aid Declaration after 1st January 2023 then you must fill in a new gift aid declaration form to return to the Parish as soon as possible. Equally, if you have changed address or have a new name since you last filled in your form then you must also fill in a new form.

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

Our current claim (money received January - June) pending submission will drop if we have to remove those donors whose forms we're still waiting to receive.

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 THE WEEK**

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. The Parish office will not be able to speak on your behalf.

Married Couples' Workshop, St John's Cathedral Hall Saturday 30th September 9.30am - 4pm. Cost: £20 couple. Donations are welcome. Register by 30th August via marriagefamilylife@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Loving for Life Retreat, Make time and space for your marriage Friday 27th - Sunday 29th October Milner Room, St Peter's Winchester Register by 30th September at marriagefamilylife@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Cost: £160 a couple. Donations are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST

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

Saturday 19th August	6:15pm SJ	Sean, Kathleen & Stewart Adamson
<i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>		RIP
Sunday 20th August	9:00am SE	Peter Edwards RIP
<i>Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	10:00am SJ	Kevin & Marguerite Duggan RIP
	11:00am SE	Thanksgiving to St Jude
	7:00pm SE	People of the Parish
Tuesday 22nd August	10:00am SE	Jose Tew RIP
Wednesday 23rd August	7:00pm SE	Spapuali Families RIP
<i>St Rose of Lima</i>		
Thursday 24th August	12:15pm SJ	Diane Simpson RIP
<i>St Bartholomew</i>		
Friday 25th August	7:00pm SE	Priests & Vocations
Saturday 26th August	11:00am SE	Sheila Goodwin RIP
<i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	6:15pm SJ	Adam Hunt RIP
Sunday 27th August	9:00am SE	Chris & Louise 40th Wedding
<i>Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	10:00am SJ	Anniversary
	11:00am SE	Julia & Brian D'Arcy RIP
	7:00pm SE	People of the Parish
		Intentions of Fr Johnpromise
		Umeozuru & His New Parish

20th August

Psalm Response

Let the peoples praise You, O God; let all the peoples praise You.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The sheep that belong to Me listen to My voice, says the Lord, I know them and they follow Me.

Alleluia!

27th Aug

1st Reading:

Isaiah 22: 19-23

Psalm: 137

2nd Reading:

Romans 11: 33-36

Gospel: Matthew 16: 13-20

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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Fr Johnpromise Leaving Collection

Fr Johnpromise has been with us for 2 years and is now off to be a Parish Priest in Fleet. We wish him well!

If you would like to contribute to the collection for Fr Johnpromise you can do so in various ways...

Bank Transfers with the reference "JP Leaves" to the normal Parish Bank Account

Contactless Giving at the back of church

Online Giving via the website/donate QR code

Cheques to CDP SOUJE with a note advising their purpose

Cash in the retiring collection this week (19th/20th August)

Cash / Cheques in the Brown Envelopes

If you are eligible for gift aid we can claim an extra 25% on your donation (at no cost to you) and add this to Fr Johnpromise's Leaving Total.

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!