



APRIL 21ST 2024 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton





## This Weekend's Notices

Fourth Sunday of Easter Second Collection for Clergy Training Fund

### Next Weekend's Notices

**Fifth Sunday of Easter Second Collection** for Church Building and Maintenance Fund

#### **General Notices**

**Our thanks to Fr Henry, Fr Benjamin, Fr Godwin, Fr Anthony, Fr Mark and Dcn Peter** for providing Mass and baptism cover on such short notice last week!

# 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** 

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

#### No need to go to a garden centre! Help our

**neighbourhood bloom-plant a pot.** Join the St Michaels' and OTCF team for a shared Spring planting event supported by Mayfield Garden Centre at St. Michaels Square on Saturday 27th April from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. You will be able to plant pots or hanging baskets to take home for your garden, balcony or windowsill. All containers and plants provided at reasonable cost. Or bring your own pots. Prices from £6.50. Please note that ONLY CASH will be accepted.

#### Springhill Catholic Primary School has two part time

**vacancies**, details of which can be found on the school website - **www.springhillcatholic.co.uk**. These include a Midday supervisory assistant and an afterschool club playworker. For more information please contact the school office on **02380 333954**.

**Parking Tickets at St Ed's are dealt with by UKPC.** If you receive a ticket for parking correctly you can contact Castleford Management for help. Their contact is 01202 757 050. The parish office cannot deal with tickets.

## Filled with the Holy Spirit

Are you filled with the Holy Spirit? What does it even mean? In the first reading we hear that St Peter was filled with the Hoy Spirit. This is a common theme in the Acts of the Apostles. We have recently heard the accounts of Stephen and Philip who were doing challenging things but made possible because of the spirit. With the Spirit they were able to preach, to heal and even stand firm in their faith when facing hatred to the point of death. In this Easter season we too should be filled with the Holy Spirit. This may sound like a tough task when all we see and hear now on the television is war. That's the point! The Apostles were showing us that despite challenges and our own daily battles we can overcome them with the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

These Apostles were tasked with spreading the love of God. That is our mission too, as baptised Christians. However, there are different ways, different vocations in which we can do this. This Sunday is also known as Good Shepheard Sunday or Vocation Sunday. This Sunday is about praying for vocations especially to the priesthood, marriage, religious and consecrated life. We need people filled with the Holy Spirit to go out into our challenging world and promote the love and word of God. We need shepherds to bring others to the good shepherd, Jesus Christ.

Fr David

#### **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 Eileen Kelleher.** We pray for her daughter Renna and family at this time. Eileen's funeral will be on the 26th of April. May she 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, Wednesday 6pm - 7pm Mass, 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.

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all Nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disasters, and war. May the Lady of all Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate.

Amen.

Ways to Promote Vocations within your Family

Identify The Gifts of Family Members

Through baptism each of us has received special gifts and talents. Reflect as a family on the gifts and talents of each person and how they can be used in service to the family and to the parish. There is a place for each of your unique gifts in the Church.

**CONTACT DETAILS** 

A Day with Mary, a day of instruction, devotion and intercession, based on the message given at Fatima in 1917 Saturday 18th May 2024 at The Bournemouth Oratory, **Richmond Hill, Bournemouth** 

This will start at 9.30 am with the entry procession of Our Lady, followed by a programme of Mass, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, recitation of the rosary, and sermons by Fr Peter Edwards, Fr Francisci Hintikka end Fr Andrew Marlborough, followed by Benediction. Confession will be available. Bring a packed lunch. There will also be a break for tea at 2.45. The day ends at 4.30. For travel info ring 01202 123800.

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.

> Pope's Prayer Intention for April: For the role of women

"We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognized in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world."

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<b>Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week</b> SJ is St. Joseph's Church, Bugle Street & SE is St. Edmund's Church, The Avenue			Next Week's Reading
Saturday 20th April 11.00am   of the 3rd wk of Easter 6.15pm   Sunday 21st April 9.00am   Fourth Sunday of 10.00am   Easter 11.00am   T.00pm 10.00pm	SE SJ SE SJ SE SE	Max Bacon RIP Maureen Clearkin RIP Cissy Coutinho Daniel Wozniak RIP Simon Parry RIP & Dominic Parry RIP People of the Parish	First: Acts 9: 26-31 Psalm: 21 Second: 1 John 3: 18-24 Gospel: John 15:1-8
Monday 22nd April7.00pmTuesday 23rd April10.00amSolemnity of5St.George7.00pmWednesday 24th April7.00pmThursday 25th April12.15pmFriday 26th April7.00pm	SE SE SE SJ SE	Krisha's Intentions Francis Ponniah RIP Conversion of Sinners Bishop Phillip's Intentions Priests and Vocations	Confessions 30 Minutes before every Mass & after Mass as announced Also Saturdays in St Ed's after the 11am Mass
Saturday 27th April11.00amof the 4th wk of Easter6.15pmSunday 28th April9.00amFifth Sunday of10.00amEaster11.00am7.00pm	SE SJ SE SJ SE SE	Lilian Fernandez RIP People of the Parish Louis Sharpe RIP Ewa Merritt RIP Rosalyn Lane RIP John and Liam Ward RIP	Parish Bank Details Bank Account Name CDP SOUJE Sort Code 30-93-04 Number 00888223
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