



# ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton







# Open to all.....

The table is opened to sinners;

Jesus calls and waits for us.

Draw near to the Master of life,

He alone can heal us.

Give us the joy of being saved.

Near to You, Lord, is the abundance of forgiveness!

"I have come not to call the just, but sinners." Near to You, Lord, is the abundance of forgiveness!

"If you hear my voice, harden not your heart." Near to You, Lord, is the abundance of forgiveness!

"To those who thirst,

I offer deliverance."

Near to You, Lord, is the abundance of forgiveness!

"Today, the announcement of salvation rings in your ears." Near to You, Lord, is the abundance of forgiveness!

Commission Francophone Cistercienne

# Questions to Ponder for the Week...

- 1. In today's Gospel, Jesus says to Zacchaeus, "Hurry, because I must stay at your house today"! We know the profound effect that has on Zacchaeus. Jesus wants to 'stay' with us wherever we are! Are we alert to that? Do we welcome Him? How?
- 2. "You are merciful to all....." we hear in the Book of Wisdom (1st reading). For what do you seek mercy? Have you asked God? Have you asked others? Have you accepted the mercy given, the hand held out in love?
- 3. St Paul prays that the people of Thessalonica (2nd reading) will be "made worthy of God's call". Do you accept God's love of you? Do you accept God's mercy of you? How?

#### **Today's Notices**

Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children's Liturgy at the 9am Mass

Talk/appeal for 'Safe Families for Children' at 6.15pm, 10am & 7pm Masses. Safe Families is an organisation which supports families in crisis so as to keep them together. We welcome Rebekka Webber who will be speaking at these Masses.

**Second Collection** for Catholic Home Care **Please continue to sanitise hands on entry to the churches** 

# **Next Sunday Notices**

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Children's Liturgy at the 9am Mass

**Second Collection** for the work of the Church in our

Sister Diocese of Bamenda in Cameroon

Baptism of Eden Yizhu Lu in St Edmund's

Wedding of Ian and Kirsty on Saturday in St Edmund's

#### This Week...

Tues Feast of All Saints (Holyday of Obligation). Masses in

St Edmund's 7am & 7.30pm, St Joseph's at 12.15pm

St Michael's Meditation Group @ 6pm

Alpha Course on Zoom @ 7pm

Adoration in St Ed's until 8pm (weekly - do join!)

**Wed** Evening Prayer @ 6pm.... to join email Dcn Andy Journey in Faith @ 7.30pm in St Ed's Hall

#### For Info...

**Mon** VH/JP Day Off

**Wed** Team Meeting VH/JP/AP

**Thurs** Deanery Clergy Meeting: VH/JP/AP and others Diocesan Interreligious Meeting: VH and others

**Fri** Diocesan Schools Day in Aldershot: VH

Clergy Ministry Group: VH

**Sat** Teams of Our Lady: VH

#### Prayers

Parish Rosary Group. If you would like to join an in-person rosary group please follow the QR code. Thank you to those who have shown interest, Tuesday evenings seems a popular choice so far. Please get in touch if you also would be interested!

"The Rosary is the book of the blind, where souls see and there enact the greatest drama of love the world has ever known; it is the book of the simple, which initiates them into mysteries and knowledge more satisfying than the education of other men; it is the book of the aged, whose eyes close upon the shadow of this world, and open on the substance of the next. The power of the Rosary is beyond description."

- Archbishop Fulton Sheen

#### Please remember especially in your prayers

Laneisha Vaz, Sr Maria Innocenta, Jack, Jannette and Robert Keith, Margaret Hicks, Margaret Murray, Mary Mullen, Abi, John, Mary O'Reilly, Valerie, Christopher Browne, Oliver, Carmen Escorcio, Simon, Bernadette, Sue, Clifford Cross, Kelly, Val Perry, Peter Scott, Ivanka Roberts, Maro P and all in the Parish who need our prayers.

#### A Few Words...

We had a good Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima and other places in Lisbon and northern Portugal. Thank you to Godfrey & Shirley Doyle for the planning and organisation, especially on the return leg when our flight to Gatwick was cancelled! But that didn't spoil the pilgrimage; it just meant we got home later than expected.

Thank you to all who participated in the International Mass and for those who coordinated it: Tina, Nalla, Steve, Charlie and others. It has been suggested we have another one on Pentecost Sunday (28th May 2023)...... watch this space!

The Solemn Feast of 'All Saints' takes place this coming Tuesday (1st November). Masses at 7am (St Ed's), 12.15pm (St Jo's) and 7.30pm (St Ed's). The Feast is a 'Holyday' (do note there is no 10am Mass.....we have to celebrate Masses for some of the schools).

**The Friends of the Holy Land** have written to thank us for the £548.47 recently received from us which was monies collected during the past year.

Please pray for Father Louis McDermott who died on the 18th October and whose Requiem took place in Dublin on the 22nd. Fr Louis was Parish Priest of Holy Family from 1997-2010 and combined that with St Vincent De Paul from 2004-10. May he rest in peace. Pray also for Brenda Theobald, Father Benjamin's mother who died last week. May she rest in peace. Pray also for Fr Benjamin and the family.

As you know COVID cases are rising. As I write this it is around 1 in 30, so be cautious, wash your hands frequently and if in crowded places maybe wear a mask (acts also as a warning to others that the infection is around!). Also, for the sake of others, and to be careful, if you 'receive' Holy Communion on the tongue please come at the end of the line.

Have a good week... Vincent H

#### Adoration.

Bishop Philip invited us all last week in his pastoral letter to put the Eucharist at the centre of our faith. One of the ways he encouraged us to do this was to try and spend just half an hour in front of the Blessed Sacrament a week.

Perhaps you have been thinking on this, and feel called to try?

Please contact Anna on **07956 379 542** if you feel able to join Adoration during the week in St Edmund's.

The gaps we need filling most are:

Monday 12 - 5pm, Wednesday 2-6.30pm, Thursday 4.30-5.30pm Friday 12 - 2pm

# What's going on?

Quiet Morning on Saturday 19th November 2022. All are invited to join in this special morning hosted by Rosemary Latimer, Glenda Gardiner and Stuart Donnan from the ecumenical WCCM Meditation and Contemplative Prayer Group which meets every Tuesday at St Michael the Archangel's Church at 6pm. "An Orthodox approach to encounter with God - Contemplative Prayer and Meditation in the Orthodox Church tradition". There will be three sessions of teaching, learning and discussion, each with a time of silence, led by David Deboys, vicar of the church of St Michael in Southampton from 2015 to 2021, now a member of Saint Ephraim's Orthodox Parish in Cambridge.

The Quiet Morning will be held at the Stella Maris Centre and St Joseph's Church, St Michael's Square, Bugle Street, Southampton. Stella Maris will be open from 10am. The meeting begins at 10.30 and concludes at 12.30. Hot and cold drinks and snacks will be available throughout the morning.

Verbum Dei Quiet Day - "The Desert will blossom - signs of hope" Saturday 19th November 10.30am- 5pm at Verbum Dei Retreat Centre, Carisbrooke, Isle of Wight. Participants to travel on the 9am vehicle ferry to East Cowes, returning on the 6pm to Southampton. A light lunch is provided. A donation of £20 plus ferry fare is desired. To book a place, and for further information contact Patricia Yandell on patriciam-c@hotmail.co.uk or 07835 948 435; or contact Margarida Londral on 07970 083 252; margaridafmvd@hotmail.com

Journey in Faith / RCIA Course For anyone looking to find out more about the Catholic Faith - come along and ask your questions, find out what the church teaches and what it means to live as a Catholic. This group also offers preparation for adult (18+) Baptism, Confirmation or Reception as a Catholic. Meetings are Wednesday evenings at 7:30pm in St Edmund's Hall. No need to register, just turn up!

Candles for Home Care. Chris McDaid, a parishioner, will be selling candles of varying sizes and designs to raise money for the Catholic Home Care service. She will be displaying these candles at the 6.15pm Mass in St Joseph's on the 19th November, do bring cash ready to buy!

**Food Banks** Please consider picking up an extra item or two when you do your weekly shop, in order to donate to Southampton City Mission Food Bank.

To check on the current out of stock items please see: https://southamptoncitymission.co.uk/get-involved/howto-donate Most needed currently are:

Coffee (Small Jars), Custard, Sugar (Small), Cook-In Sauces (Jars & Packets), Soup (Tins & Packets), Cold & Hot Meat (Tin), Mixed Veg (Tin).

#### **Sacraments**

Please keep in your prayers all those who are due to be baptised this month Alina Crizaldo, Pippa Schnugh, Idas & Eris Gallon, Grace Fernandes, Eden Yizhu Lu, Jakub Gniadek Gregor, Lanene & Mark Rosal. We pray for them and their families as they enter the faith!



First Holy Communion Update.
The official registrations will be 9am, 10am,
11am Masses on 6th, 20th and 27th November

in St Edmund's.

This year's programme is heavily oversubscribed, which means that the team must make a careful decision once they have reviewed all applications.

fhc@southamptoncitycentrecatholics.org

## What's going on?

**The Letter**: a new feature film that tells the story of a letter, Pope Francis' Laudato Si' and the power of humanity to stop the ecological crisis. Special showing on **Friday 11 November at 7pm** at Avenue St Andrew's

Young Adults Group is starting! We are starting a group for young adults/professionals (roughly age 18-35) to build friendships, deepen our faith and have fun in the process! Our first session will be on Friday 18th November in St Edmund's Hall after the 7pm Mass (so starting at around 7:45pm), and fortnightly thereafter. We will provide snacks but feel free to bring something to share. If you have any questions, email Maclyn maclynaugustine@yahoo.co.uk. Hope to see you there!

Reflections on Peace by the Conchord Singers 3–4pm Saturday November 12th 2022 Christ Church, Freemantle Waterloo Road, Southampton, SO15 3BS Entry free but there will be a collection in aid of the Campaign against the Arms Trade.

Day of prayer and reflection for catechists and those interested in this ministry Saturday 3rd December 2022 9am - 4pm Holy Family Church. Fr Tom Kleinschmidt leads a day of prayer, reflection and spiritual conferences for catechists and those interested in this ministry. Please bring your own lunch. For more details or to confirm attendance contact ministry@holyfamilysouthampton.org.uk

**Flat search:** Sawani, a Solent University Student and new parishioner is looking for a flat to rent for herself and family. Contact **sawanifdo@gmail.com** or **07340544615.** 

**Apartment/Flat sought:** Ijeoma Ezika is looking for accommodation for at least 6 months. Ideally a 2 or 3 bedroom flat. Contact her on **ijeoma.ezika@unn.edu.ng** 

### Volunteers needed!

Parish Office Admin Assistant. The Parish Office is in need of a volunteer to help with the day to day running of the office. The individual will be comfortable answering phones, dealing with parishioners coming to the door and offering support in simple administrative areas. Please contact Anna in the office to discuss.

#### MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 30TH OCTOBER SJ REFERS TO ST JOSEPH'S (BUGLE STREET, SO14 2AH) & SE IS ST EDMUND'S (THE AVENUE, SO17 IXJ) Saturday 29th October 6:15pm SJ Paul Maleski RIP Our Lady on Saturday Msza Polska / Mass in Polish 7:00pm SE **Sunday 30th October** Deceased Members of the Brennan Family 9:00am SE Thirty-first Sunday Keiko Donnelly Wellbeing 10:00am SJ in Ordinary Time Martin Ryan RIP 11.00am SE 7:00pm SE Concetta Longo RIP Tuesday 1st November 7:00am SE Adolfo Antonio Longo All Saints Mano Dissanyake 80th Birthday, Sheila 12.15pm SJ Morris, Hilary Parker, Martha & Fr V's **B'Day Blessings**

7.30pm SE Martin Ryan RIP Wednesday 2nd Nov 7.00pm SE Ethna, Brian & Karen Nugent RIP Thursday 3rd November John Alfred Curd RIP 1st Ann. 12.15pm SJ Friday 4th November Angela Balaam's Intentions 7.00pm SE Fr Vincent's 74th B'Day Blessings & Saturday 5th November 11:00am SE Our Lady on Thanksgivings

Msza Polska / Mass in Polish 7:00pm SE Sunday 6th November Thanksgiving for the Defeat of all Enemies 9:00am SE & the Victories of God Almighty, the Lamb Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time & His Church

> Margaret Golding RIP 10:00am SJ 11.00am SE Anson Vales 2nd B'Day Blessings

7:00pm SE Hans & Rosa Weingart RIP & All Deceased **Family Members** 

30th October Psalm Response:

I will bless Your Name for ever, O God my King. Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest heavens! Alleluia!

# Readings 6th November First Reading:

2 Maccabees 7: 1-2, 9-14

**Second Reading:** 

2 Thessalonians 2: 16-3: 5 Gospel:

Luke 20: 27-38

#### 23rd Oct 1st Collection

SO: £603.66 Cash: £1,382.47 **TOTAL:** £1,986.13 Thank you.

#### 23rd Oct 2nd Collection **Mission Sunday**

SO: £75.50 Cash: £236.69 TOTAL: £312.19 Thank you.

#### CONTACT DETAILS

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Diocesan Website: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Diocesan Facebook & Twitter: @PortsmouthRC

Confessions are at St Joseph's on Thursdays at 11.45am & Saturdays 5.45pm and at St Edmund's on Saturdays after the 11am Mass

#### Parish Social Media

A big thanks the Robin and Luke who have come forward to help with the Parish Social Medias! Hopefully we will have regular posts about parish events and groups soon... do let the office know if you have anything you'd like us to post.

Our Instagram: SouthamptonCityCentreCatholics Our FaceBook: @SotonCatholicsCityCentre or St Joseph's & St Edmund's City Centre Catholic **Parish** 

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Our Twitter: @SotonCatholics

#### **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

- to exercise mercy and

Join the understanding with ourselves and Parish! others.