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ST JOSEPH'S & ST EDMUND'S

City Centre Catholic Parish Southampton



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This Weekend's Notices

The Epiphany of the Lord

Second Collection is for HCPT Group 170

Next Week's Notices

Wednesday - Rite of Acceptance and Welcome for

RCIA candidates. Please pray for them.

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

No Second Collection this week

General Notices

Parish Youth Group for 10-16 year olds 5th

January at 7pm in St Edmund's Hall. The

Youth Group will be in St Ed's Hall on the

1st & 3rd Fridays in the month. Please

register here: <https://forms.office.com/e/YMD3LSTSk9>



Monthly Family Orientated Masses we would like to

invite to a meeting all who are interested in the first

Sunday of the month Masses organised at the 9am &

10am Masses. We plan to meet on the **Tuesday 9th**

January at 7.30pm in St Ed's Hall. Members of CLOW,

Children's Choir organisers, Parents and those who want

to feed into the discussion are warmly welcome.

Please note a date change!!

The Parish/Pastoral Area Diversity Group are planning a

multinational event focused on the Latino community. If

you are part of this community and would like to help

plan, please come and join us on **Thursday 11th January at**

7:30pm at St Edmund's Hall. Please email the parish office

to let us know you will be joining us.

Vic Stevens is a Christian man who has an elderly cousin

he travels to support in the City several days each week

and he is seeking local overnight lodging. Contact him if

you can help vicstevens2003@yahoo.com / 0744852 1663

HCPT Group 170 is the Southampton based branch of a

national charity taking sick, disabled, and

disadvantaged children on free pilgrimage holidays to

Lourdes at Easter. This year we will be taking 7 local

children, at a cost of around £1500 each, and 20 adult

helpers, many of whom are City Centre parishioners.

The helpers pay their own fares (£905), but many are

students or on low income, so if you would specifically

like to help them with their fares (the children can't

travel without them) please speak to the volunteers at

the back of the church. We will have a week filled with

faith, fun and friendship. HCPT pilgrimages really do

change lives. Find out more at www.group170.org.uk

Listen, Obey and Act!

Our Christmas readings have given us familiar stories but

each with a key message as we enter this New Year. To

listen, to be obedient and to act.

On the feast of the Holy Family Joseph was receptive to

the voice of the angel in a dream and took his family out

of Bethlehem to Egypt. Simeon was attentive to the voice

of the Spirit and went to the Temple as the Christ Child

was being presented. The Shepherds hurried to

Bethlehem to see the infant Jesus and today we hear the

account of the Three Wise Men who after seeing Jesus

listened to Spirit in a dream and returned to safety by a

different route.

The Epiphany is the first of three manifestations of Jesus

as the Son of God. It is particularly poignant as God is

revealing Himself not just to His own but to the Gentiles.

This is the day that David prophesied in the psalms when

he said 'All the nations that You have brought into being

will come and glorify Your name'.

The obedience of the star also calls us to imitate its

humble service. To invite all men of all nations to find

Christ. To enable all to have that personal encounter, that

transformational moment, that Epiphany, in their own

lives when they recognise God made manifest. As we

enter 2024 let us pray for the grace to be open, receptive,

to act in obedience and to invite.

Happy New Year!

Tina Quinn

Would you consider fostering? Foster carers provide safe

and loving homes for children who can't live with their

birth families at the current time. The children are from a

wide variety of backgrounds and all have different

reasons for being in care. Sometimes children stay with

foster carers for a few days, and some stay for a few years,

but the difference a foster carer makes, may last a

lifetime. For information on fostering and requirements

please see <https://www.southampton.gov.uk/children-families/fostering/>

A key challenge in Southampton at the moment is an

extremely high rate of domestic abuse which is creating a

huge pressure on children's services and the need to find

more foster parents. **The council have asked if we**

churches could help find more foster carers.

Prayers

Adoration currently runs in St Edmund's:

Monday 6pm until 7pm Mass

Tuesday beginning after 10am Mass until 8pm

Thursday 10am until 5pm

Friday 2pm until 7pm Mass.

We would like to offer Adoration Monday day to 6pm &

Fridays morning - 2pm. **Thinking of joining?** Great news! You can email the office, call us or text 07956

379542.

Father of light, today You reveal to people of faith Your Word made flesh. Your light is strong, Your love is sure. Draw us beyond the limits of this world into Your eternal life.

We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.

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 & all in the Parish who are ill, undergoing treatment or feeling distressed.

Mass Intentions for the Upcoming Week

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

Saturday 6th Jan	6:15pm	SJ	People of the Parish
Sunday 7th Jan	9:00am	SE	Xanthe's intentions
<i>The Epiphany of the Lord</i>	10:00am	SJ	Ian Morley RIP
	11:00am	SE	Margaret Walsh RIP
	7:00pm	SE	Anne Monaghan's intentions
Monday 8th Jan	7:00pm	SE	Miss Faustina Pupu Moerabita RIP
Tuesday 9th Jan	10:00am	SE	Past & present members of the Edge & White families
<i>Feria</i>			Peter Connor RIP
Wednesday 10th Jan	7:00pm	SE	Mr Kunjumon Job RIP 3rd anniv
Thursday 11th Jan	12:15pm	SJ	John Croft RIP
Friday 12th Jan	7:00pm	SE	Healing of Shawn Prestoza
Saturday 13th Jan	11:00am	SE	Thanksgiving for the life & service of Father Vincent Harvey
<i>Our Lady on Saturday</i>	6:15pm	SJ	People of the Parish
Sunday 14th Jan	9:00am	SE	Mary O'Reilly Health & Wellbeing
<i>Second Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	10:00am	SJ	Matthew Rickard RIP
	11:00am	SE	John Dorling RIP
	7:00pm	SE	

General Notices

Do you need help in your marriage? Retrouvaille has helped many couples find new hope, nourishment and growth in their marriages. If you want to uncover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that brought you together and work through difficult times in your marriage contact Retrouvaille confidential for more information about our 2024 programmes. There is no group therapy or group work. Our next programme commences with a **Virtual weekend on 8 - 11 February 2024** or there is a **Face to Face weekend** in Welwyn Garden City **on 14-16 June 2024**. Call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443, email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

57th World Day of Peace. On 1st January, the church commemorated the 57th World Day of Peace. Pope Francis's message for the day is entitled "Artificial Intelligence and Peace." Pope Francis's message can be found at the following link:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/peace/documents/20231208-messaggio-57giornatamondiale-pace2024.html>

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Today's Readings

Confessions

St Joseph's

Thurs at 11:45am,
Sat at 5:45pm,
Sun at 9:30am

St Edmund's

Mon, Wed & Fri at
6:30pm,
Tues at 9:30am,
Sat at 11:30am
Sun at 8:30am &
10:30am & 6:30pm

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