

25TH JULY 2021 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME



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STELLA MARIS DEANERY INCLUDES:

- ST. BONIFACE, SHIRLEY
- HOLY FAMILY, MILLBROOK
- St. VINCENT DE PAUL, LORDSWOOD
- IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, PORTSWOOD
- CHRIST THE KING & St. COLMAN'S, BITTERNE
- OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION, HEDGE END
- ST BRIGID, WEST END
- St. Patrick's, Woolston
- THE ANNUNCIATION, NETLEY ABBEY



FOOD TO BE SHARED

This Sunday's gospel account will be very familiar to many of us, 'The feeding of the five thousand', but it has never been so relevant as it is at this present time.

This year is the Year of the Eucharist and we are encouraged (after this time of restrictions and limitations) to come back to the Lord sacramentally with all our hearts and being. We had months of not being able to receive Our Lord in Holy Communion, followed by months of restricted numbers and still now, many of our brothers and sisters are not in a position to receive in person because of fear of the pandemic.

What is impressive from today's gospel account is not only the abundance of food but the sheer number of people eager and gathered to be with Our Lord to receive His Word.

As we start to analyse some of the responses from our parish survey; what has been striking is that people have missed the sense of community as much as receiving the Eucharist. We are blessed with a wonderful parish family and our response must align with that of Jesus. Do not turn people away, invite them to stay and sit down and we must feed them.

A number of us joined a webinar last Thursday entitled 'Casting Your Nets'. Our initial response when signing up was that the resource would be giving parishes strategies and ideas for bringing people back who we have not seen for a while. But the essence of the teaching was about casting the nets far wider, reaching out to those who are not part of our community and welcoming them in. Jesus blessed five loaves and two fishes and as well as feeding all those gathered, there was food left in abundance. We do not just have enough spiritual food for ourselves and those who have left, we have an abundant supply for those who are hungry. In the sharing of the one bread, Jesus Christ, there will never be any lack.

The webinar focused on a culture of invitation and making missionary disciples. We have been reminded powerfully in recent sermons and vodcasts about the fact that receiving Our Lord in Holy Communion is not the primary reason that we come to Mass, the reason is that having received we then to take Him out to others. 'Go and proclaim the good news!'.

Alpha is one of the most powerful tools for welcoming people into a living relationship with Jesus Christ. We begin another series in October, do invite people now!

If we are grateful to be returning to a new normal, to opening our churches and recreating community, then the challenge is to invite others and allow them to receive the food which satisfies the deepest hunger and the deepest need. This is food for eternity, the living bread of His body. In this Year of the Eucharist Bishop Philip writes:

"Through the sign of the multiplication of the loaves Jesus manifests His power to feed every single person who turns to Him, every human heart made for Him."

These are signs that point us to the Eucharist, the source and summit of our faith.

Tina Quinn

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK

- 1. What do you think God is more likely to do, miraculously drop food where there is starvation or inspire people to help their neighbours solve their problems? If the latter, how can you help (through the Holy Spirit) in developing countries, wider community, diocese, parish or neighbourhood? (Gospel)
- 2. Both Elisha and the man from *Baal-shalishah* had to have faith that a miracle would happen. Do you consider miracles only "something that breaks the laws of nature"? Are there some everyday miracles in your life? (1st reading).

Vincent Harvey (adapted: Anne Osdieck)

TODAY 25 JULY 2021 17TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

THANK YOU TO CANON NICK who will be presiding at the 6:15pm and 10:30am Masses.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS TODAY at 3pm at St Edmund Church for FHC family only.



congratulations and God's blessings to all the candidates who received their Holy Communion this weekend for the first time. May God bless them all the days of their lives.

Aleksander Falkiewicz Alexander Lista Ali Synnock-White Danica Santos Gabriel Staszkiewicz Elisha Sayson Hubert & Daniel Najda Elsie Maidment Jermaine Jones Gabrielle Mei Anatalio Julia Szelchauz Helen Martins Kaia Christie Kei Chanel Laxina Lilly Kudyba Leroy Lourenco

Matilda Faraday Lilia Scott

Max Materek
Maya Mikos
Navina Thuyanesan
Olivier Hurtig
Sebastian Zwolinski

Matan Faliszewski
Nicole Nowak
Olivier Slaszkiewicz
Sarah Kabalisa
Vanessa Luczak

EVENING PRAYER 6pm to join email Dcn Andy.

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS & THE ELDERLY

TODAY: Pope Francis has nominated today (Sunday) as the first World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly.

NEXT WEEKEND

THANK YOU TO CANON NICHOLAS FRANCE for helping out at 6:15pm and 10:30am Masses.

FAREWELL TO FATHER DAVID DEBOYS (Vicar of St Michael) who retires due to ill health. We thank him for his friendship and work to bring St Joseph & St Michael communities closer together. Father Vincent will attend his 'Farewell Eucharist'.

THIS WEEK

ONLINE EVENING PRAYER MONDAYS (join the Baptism Preparation Team) & WEDNESDAYS at 6:30pm; email Sun Deacon Andy aphilpott@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk



ADORATION WITH FOCUS
YOUTH TEAM from 6pm to
6:45pm on Wednesdays at St
Edmund Church. Adoration has also
commenced during the week at St
Edmund Church, Monday to Friday
from 10am to 5pm, can you wait
with the Lord for an hour? Please
contact the Parish Office if you
can.

ROSARY FOR PRIESTS: after the 7pm Mass Friday 30 July in St Edmund Church.

A few words from Father Vincent

Thank you to **Canon Nicholas France** for presiding at the 6.15pm &10.30am Masses this weekend. Thank you to all who are supporting me during Father Ansel's absence. Father Nick is going to be helping us throughout August: thanks Father Nick.

Thanks to the Church Opening Working Group we seem to have moved a little more out of lockdown in a sensible, reasoned, thoughtful and careful way (see elsewhere as a reminder of where we are and expectations). Remember that all is done to keep us as safe as possible. But we all have a responsibility to keep others safe and enable others to feel safe. Don't be 'selfish' and just think about yourself (no mask, no sanitising, speaking into people's faces etc.). A mark of a caring, thoughtful, respectful individual and community is how they treat others!

Thank you for the **anonymous £100** to me for a pair of shoes!! Despite amateur detective work (like Vera!) I don't know who gave it. Thank you all the same!

Remember, though, still be alert, and clean hands and be careful of face!

Have a good weekend and thank you for reading this.

Vincent H

MASSES ARE BEING STREAMED:

St Edmund streaming link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCx08VII2ww0whsj6gLPptcQ

St Joseph streaming link: https://www.youtube.com/ channel/UCUxGYYxAgmPBgKbk2ufciVw

FOR INFO:

Mon VH off

Tues Housebound visits (VH)

Christian Meditation Group: VH

Green Living Zoom meeting: VH/TQ/FM/

Rev SH

Wed Team meeting: AP/VH. Clergy gathering: VH

Thurs Mental Health Network: VH/CP

Fri Love Southampton Reference Group: VH

Unity 101 live talk: VH

Sun Farewell Eucharist for Fr David Deboys (St

Michael): VH

NEXT WEEK



WEDDING BELLS: Our congratulations to **Agnieszka Zwolinska** and **Steve Clark** who are getting married at 12 noon on Thursday 5 August 2021 in St Edmund Church. May God bless them all the days of their lives.

contact the Parish Office if you Also to **Yasmin Evans & Ashley Evans** who are renewing their marriage vows at 1pm on Saturday 7 August 2021 in St Edmund Church. May God bless them all the days of their lives.



GENERAL ITEMS

SUNDAY MASSES: Do not turn up without booking on Eventbrite as you may be denied entry (there may be space but you are taking a risk!). *Masks are encouraged to be worn.*

THE DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE LOVE is an international Congregation founded in Nigeria in 1969 and a member of the Missionary Sisters of England and Wales. They came to England in 1989. They educate, care and add value to the lives of the less privileged in the society. Their charity home in Nigeria provides care for orphans, motherless, abandoned children, street children / teenagers and children with special needs. See their website for more information daughtersofdivinelove.org.uk

YEAR 3 PUPIL AT SPRINGHILL: You may have heard of the tragic accident of a Year 3 pupil which has had a life changing affect upon her and her family (didn't happen at School). The injuries incurred makes the immediate future very challenging for her and the family; also will be with her for life! The School have set up a 'Just Giving Page' https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/springhillcatholicprimaryschool-3cr2021?
https://wtm.erm=qkYwk7jvX
Do take a look and support if you can. Thank you.

MOBILITY SCOOTER no longer needed (four wheel version). Second hand 4 years old unused by a friend who had it for $3\frac{1}{2}$ years. It has new batteries, operators manual and spare key. Suggested price £250 ono. Folds/separates for transportation. Can be viewed and tested. Contact Philip Boulton Tel. No. 023 8184 7633 to view.

NEXT STEPS IN OUR CHURCHES / PARISH OUT OF LOCKDOWN:

As written elsewhere we are going to err on the side of caution and the unlocking in 3 phases began on Monday 19th July with **Phase 1**:

- To cease the need for stewards on weekday Masses (including Sat 11am)
- To cease the need to book for Mass on weekdays (including Sat 11am)
- To continue to have stewards at all Sunday Masses (including 6:15pm)
- To continue to require booking for all Sunday Masses
- To continue to encourage all Mass attenders to wear face coverings when in the churches at all Masses
- To continue to expect all Mass attenders to use hand sanitiser on entry to the churches at all Masses
- To continue to ask stewards to check people in at Sunday Masses
- To continue to ask stewards to cleanse the seating etc. after Sunday Masses
- To continue to require use of the one way system in the churches
- To continue to ask stewards to 'usher' people for Holy Communion at Sunday Masses
- To ask those attending weekday Masses to help cleanse the seating at the end of Mass. Perhaps those with stewarding experience might guide others in the early days of this if they are at Mass
- To increase the capacity of our churches by limiting social distancing in the pews currently in use and gradually open up more pews

Hopefully, it is apparent that we are gently opening up capacity, but using prudent caution, and as experience and the pandemic demands, further review any relaxation of measures. We hope this will give people who may feel vulnerable or nervous more confidence to attend.

The reintroduction of a 11am Sunday Mass will be determined more by the availability of a priest than anything else.

PLEASE PRAY FOR Audrey Edgar, Pat Steadman (op. recovery), Catherine Clements, Paul Davies, Bosco Andrade, Tony Porter, Lesley Bywater, Erica Burden, Mike Greaves, Peggy Bell, Mark Evans, Pat Alborough, Jen Bridges, John Berridge, Indu Dissanayake, Wayne Barron, Robert Howe, Carol Butt, Mark Jones, Michael Parker, Andrea Barsi, Mary Burke, Geoff & Margot Lagerwall, Madeleine Clarke, Christopher Browne, Clifford Brown, Maureen C, Cath Gardiner, Donna & James (reconciliation), Therese Hayter, Daphne Cope, Tina Currie, Anushka P, Laneisha Vaz, Catherine Lyne, Joseph Connolly, John Jack, Margaret Hicks, Ewa Evans, Teresa Hodges, Sue Hanrahan, Marisa Tellegen, Bunty Weerakoon, Pat & Don Devers, Jean White, Sheila Morris, John Hennessy, Marcus Boulton-Smith, Jean Mooney, Jackie Galbraith, Joan Forbes, Doris Leggett, John O'Reilly, Bill Eastman, Shane Wing, Kathryn Morley, NW, Joe and Maureen Lee, Roy Reeves, Donna Madden, Joyce Mguni, Noreen Kealy, Colm O'Riordan, Simon Parry, Sue Tutton, Jeanette Brookes, Joy Grant, Ludwig Basisty, Irene Green, Malcolm Cross, Paul Sassu, Peter Scott, Maria Annunziata, Perry Cunio, Mike Mantle, Pauldia Grant and all in the Parish who are ill, undergoing treatment or affected by the Coronavirus in any way or are experiencing extreme poverty.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK COMMENCING SUNDAY 25 JULY 2021

(Church key to City Centre Catholic Masses below are SJ = St Joseph's Church, Bugle Street, SO14 2AH and SE = St Edmund's Church, The Avenue, SO17 1XJ)

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SAT	24 JULY	VIGIL MASS			PEOPLE OF THE PARISH MASS IN POLISH
SUN	25 JULY	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY	9:00AM	SE	EMELIA CODLIN 15TH BIRTHDAY & JANEK CODLIN 18TH BIRTHDAY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (MGC)
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		IN ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM	SE	LUKE TAYLOR RIP & COMFORT FOR HIS FAMILY (CT)
TUE	27 JULY	17TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	10:00AM	SE	JUDY BROWN (RIP) (2ND ANNIVERSARY) (HP)
WED	28 JULY	17TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME	7:00PM	SE	JEAN KAYE RIP (TQ)
THURS	29 JULY	ST MARTHA	12:15PM	SJ	MYRA ANDRADE RIP (RL)
FRI	30 JULY	ST PETER CHRYSOLOGUS	7:00PM	SE	PRIESTS AND VOCATIONS (HH)
SAT	31 JULY	ST IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA	11:00AM	SE	BARBARA MORS BIRTHDAY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (JM)
			6:15PM	SJ	VALERIE SMITH RIP (1st ANNIVERSARY) (JS)
					MASS IN POLISH
SUN	1 AUGUST	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME			MRS. G. CLEMENTS RIP (HP) KEITH DUYVESTEIJN—100TH BIRTHDAY—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (HELMY, ARNO & MARCEL)

STELLA MARIS DEANERY PARISHES—MASS TIMES Holy Family, Millbrook Sat Vigil 18:30; Sun 10:30am; 1:00pm (Polish); Holy Day 19:00. St. Boniface, Shirley Sat Vigil 18:30; Sun 08:30; 10:30; Holy Day 10:00; 20:00. St. Vincent de Paul, Lordswood Sun 09:30; Holy Day 10:00. Christ the King & St Colman Sun 11:00; Holy Day 19:00. Immaculate Conception, Portswood Recon: Sat 10:30 (After Mass); Sun 08:30; 10:30; Holy Day 10:00; 19:30. Our Lady of the Assumption, Hedge End Sun 09:15; St Brigid, West End Sun 17:30; St Patrick, Woolston Sat Vigil 18:00; Sun 11:00; Holy Day 09:15 (term time); 10:00 (outside of term time). The Annunciation, Netley Abbey Sun 09:00, Holy Day 19:00.

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH WEEK 1

7:00PM SE CATRIONA MAC LEAN RIP (MMS & CMS)

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Psalm Response:

You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life.

Alleluia!

READINGS 1 AUGUST 2021

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Exodus 16: 2—4. 12—15 Second Reading: Ephesians 4: 17. 20—24

Gospel: John 6: 24—35

2ND COLLECTION TODAY CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK CATHOLIC HOME CARE

PARISH INCOME 18.7.2021	DONATIONS & STANDING ORDERS	APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA 11.7.21
Totals	£2,155.99	£393.24
Donations	285.10	211.09
Standing Orders	1,518.71	103.50
Gift Aid Rebate	352.18	78.65

CONFESSIONS:

11:30am Saturdays at St Edmund Church