

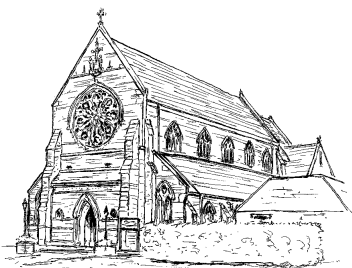
**4TH JULY 2021  
FOURTEENTH  
SUNDAY OF  
ORDINARY TIME**



**ST JOSEPH'S &  
ST EDMUND'S  
CITY CENTRE CATHOLIC  
PARISH SOUTHAMPTON**  
ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF  
PORTSMOUTH REG. CHARITY NO. 246871

**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



**CALLED TO BE PROPHETS IN THE HERE AND NOW**

The Gospel passage for today is entitled "A prophet is only despised in his own country." Jesus was rejected by those in His home town: He was disbelieved and discredited.

Today we find ourselves surrounded by examples of subtle and overt rejection and I am sure that we have all come into contact with those who do not feel welcomed in the country that have given their new allegiance to: those survivors of Windrush; those who have had to apply for British Citizenship because we no longer recognise our European brothers and sisters; those who wish to apply for the British forces and have been discounted because of their genealogy; those who are discriminated against because of race, ethnicity or creed.

Southampton has become a contact hub for Hate Crimes and it is hard to accept and reconcile ourselves to the fact that people would want to deliberately persecute those they share a city with.

In our Alpha journey this week we were looking at the topic: "How do I resist Evil?" During our discussions we became aware that evil/bad people does/do exist and we need to find ways of combating evil with good and to learn from previous experiences. We were reminded of such atrocities as the holocaust, genocide, world wars and serial killers. (And at this current time we are unravelling more and more of the presence and impact of child abuse). We watched the most incredible testimonies of those whose lives had been transformed by the Alpha journey and in accepting the unconditional love and forgiveness that only Jesus can bring. We also listened to those who have forgiven perpetrators even when their own family members have been tortured and killed.

Being a prophet is not an easy or comfortable existence because we are called to challenge the status quo. By virtue of our Baptism we are all called to be prophets, priests and kings. We all have a responsibility to stand up for what is right and witness to God's Kingdom present in our midst.

Our countries, our land, our inheritance are not our own but God's. Sadly we all have the potential to make our communities unwelcome, discriminating and self-effacing by our own weakness and mortality. St Paul boasts about his weaknesses and it is in recognising our own prejudices and our own shortcomings that we can look toward the God who will enable and make us one. We have a responsibility to proclaim the coming of God's Kingdom here on earth. We have worked hard over the last couple of years on our ministries of welcoming and hospitality. But we still have much to do.

*Christianity turns the ordinary standards of the world upside down. When we follow Christ and suffer persecution, insults, and hardships with Him, we are not among the world's losers. We are the prize-winners. Beatitude is ours!*

*Hardship, insult, persecution, and most especially the wretched sin that besets us—these things are not our final state. Beauty and love in life with the Lord are our final state. They are our home. (Eleonore Stump : Professor of Philosophy, Saint Louis University)*

*Tina Quinn*

**THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK**

1. "He (Jesus) was amazed at their lack of faith" we hear in Mark's Gospel today. How would you 'self-judge' your faith? Non-existent; weak; mediocre; could be better; strong? Why? Is there anything you can do about it?
2. The 'spirit' said "this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them" (Ezekiel: 1<sup>st</sup> reading). Do we have prophets today? Who would you consider a 'prophet'? Why?
3. Paul (2<sup>nd</sup> reading) says "I am content with my weaknesses", because, in a sense, they bring him closer to God. Are you content with your weaknesses? Do they help you get closer to God or experience God better?

*Vincent Harvey*

**TODAY 4 JULY 2021**  
**14TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

**WELCOME TO FATHER JOE MCNERNEY** who will be presiding at the 6:15pm and 9:00am Masses.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO DEACON ANDY** who celebrates the 17th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Diaconate.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES** who received Holy Communion for the first time this weekend, may God bless them always:

Michalina Malec	Lucy Ashworth
Oliver Goraj	Samantha Noelle Defensor
Kinga Sysak	Maytiya Carter-White
Ola Pudlik	Olaf Orłowski
Ethan Christie	Leo & Micha Thompson
Emily Kapelinskas	Maja & Maksymillian Kruczek
Lena Piesta	Kacper Czopek
Afnaan Barratt Al Khaldi	Jasmin Calantary
Taiszia Toronyi	Finley Kelly
Jakub Fiet	Laura Bialek
Matt Maruszewski	Alan Talarek
Maya Maruszewska	Oliver Fornal
Louise Gordon	Zuzanna Gromada
Peyton Dobiecki	Lara Bryson
Simon Jaroszewicz	Oscar Kita

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS** at 3pm today (FHC families only).

**CONFIRMATION PREPARATION PROGRAMME:** candidates meet from 4pm—6pm Sunday 4 July in St Joseph Hall, 48 Bugle Street, SO14 2AH.

**EVENING PRAYER** 6pm ..... to join email Dcn Andy.

**VIVA VOCE** (The Diocesan Magazine) available today.

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

**SEA SUNDAY** when we remember all those involved with and connected to working on the Sea. Charles Stuart, Lay Port Chaplain, will speak at the end of the 10:30am and 7pm Masses.

### **THIS WEEK**

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

**ALPHA COURSE** continues from 7pm—8pm on Tuesdays.

**RESTORED LIVES:** continues online at 7pm on Mondays until 12 July 2021.

**ADORATION WITH FOCUS YOUTH TEAM** from 6pm to 6:45pm on Wednesdays at St Edmund Church.

### **FOR INFO:**

Mon	VH off
Tues	St George: Mass + Govs Meeting: VH
Wed	Team meeting: VH/AP Clergy Deanery Meeting: VH/AP
Fri	Jesu Caritas meeting: VH Clergy ministry meeting: VH

### **A few words from Father Vincent .....**

Thank you to Father Joe McNerney for presiding at the 6:15pm and 9am Masses this weekend. Thank you to all who are supporting me in Father Ansel's absence.

We are slowly considering what we need to do as we move out of lockdown. There is plenty! So please do complete the Parish 'Post Covid Survey' to help us respond to the real, and not simply perceived, needs in the parish community and beyond.

As mentioned last week, **Anne Wheeler** (Parish Secretary) is retiring in August. We need now to look for a successor so please do see the **advert in the newsletter and website**. If you are interested, or know someone who may be, do let us know, or encourage them to apply. Please do pass this around so that we can replace Anne with a worthy successor who can enable the parish to continue to deal with what has to be dealt with and to develop into the future.

Do let us know if you wish to begin to take up any ministry you exercised before coronavirus struck: reading, choir, serving, refreshments, Eucharistic Ministry, Mass coordinators etc. (obviously we can only recommence them when the authorities allow and we think it is safe to do so). But we need to get thinking now!

Have a good weekend and **thank you for reading this.**  
**Vincent H**

### **GENERAL ITEMS**

#### **MASSES ARE BEING STREAMED:**

St Edmund streaming link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCx08V1I2ww0whsj6gLPptcQ>

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

**THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED** to casual visitors. Please phone or email in.

**SUNDAY AND WEEKDAY PUBLIC MASSES:** Look closely at the times and method of booking. Do not turn up without booking as you may be denied entry (there may be space but you are taking a risk!). **There must not be any congregational singing.....you may hum through your mask! Masks must be worn by law.**

#### **Important notes re Public Mass:**

- Please, please do let us know if you decide not to come after booking ... too many people are booking and not turning up! A lot of people are turning up without booking: so far we have managed to squeeze them in but be aware that this may not always be possible!

**HOUSEKEEPER/NANNY.** Ideally middle age with no dependents, can drive, look after 2 children (aged 10 & 11) including drop off and pick up from school, general house chores (cooking, cleaning etc.). Hours 7:30am to 4pm Monday to Friday, but element of flexibility needed. Client based in Romsey. Start date - latest by mid July 2021. Contact Father Vincent.

**POPE FRANCIS' INTENTION FOR JULY: Universal: Social Friendship.** That, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO KEITH DUYVESTEIJN** (Helmy's father) **on your 100th Birthday** (9.7.2021). What a milestone! May God continue to bless you all the days of your life.

**WALKING THE SIGN OF THE CROSS: On Wednesday 21 July at 12:30pm at the Bargate Cross Walk 21** group from Beacon House, the house of prayer in Stoke on Trent are visiting every city in England during the month of July to prayer walk with a cross. The route in each city will go north, south, east and west from a central point, to make a sign of the cross on the land, as it were.

The themes for prayer are:

- pray together for a fresh outpouring of God's grace after the pandemic
- release blessing over places and people
- to pray for a fresh move of the Holy Spirit over our land

What a wonderful opportunity to pray for the city! Please join them if you can. They will walk for 10mins in each direction, pause to pray and then return to the Bargate. Each of us should pray as we walk, and be attentive to what the Holy Spirit is saying to us. Having done all four directions they will pray for 20mins at the Bargate. *They will be gathering at the Bargate at 12:30pm. It would be helpful to let us know you are coming by emailing [info@sohop.org](mailto:info@sohop.org)* William and team will have been in Winchester in the morning and are going on to Salisbury after. Website: [beaconhop.org/crosswalk21](http://beaconhop.org/crosswalk21)

**CATHOLIC HOME CARE** is looking to recruit new carers to join a friendly and supportive team undertaking general domestic tasks. If you like elderly people and have a few hours spare during the week, this is the job for you with a good rate of pay. Car driver is an advantage (but not essential) and full training given. Success at interview will lead to an enhanced DBS check before appointment. *Permanent and holiday cover carers required. We are also looking for a person who can help on a voluntary basis for jobs around the home – small repairs & technical support.* Full details and application form available from Anne Monaghan 023 8017 0498. **Closing date – 16 July 2021.**

**COLLECTIONS:** ongoing income is, as we know, vital. This can be done:

**ONLINE** accessible via the Parish Website

**BANK TRANSFER** (details also on the Parish website)

**IN A CLEARLY MARKED ENVELOPE** put through the Presbytery or Parish Office letter box

**A 'BUCKET' AT THE BACK OF CHURCH** during the weekdays and Sundays.

**MOBILITY SCOOTER:** A KYMCO, K for U, S4 Mobility Scooter no longer needed (four wheel version). Second hand 4+ years old unused by a friend who had it for 3.5 years (paid £350 plus delivery). It has new batteries, operators manual and spare key. Suggest price £250 ono. Folds/seperates for transportation. Can be viewed and tested. Contact Philip Boulton Tel. No. 023 8184 7633.

## PARISH SECRETARY

**A vacancy has arisen due to retirement. Southampton City Centre Catholic Parish of St Joseph and St Edmund is seeking to appoint a new Parish Secretary:**

- Full time 35 hours per week, based at St Edmund's Lodge, The Avenue, Southampton, SO17 1XJ

**We offer:**

- Competitive Salary (up to £23,000pa) dependant on experience, plus contributory pension. Reporting to the Parish Priest.
- A supportive working environment.

**We are looking for someone who:**

- Has excellent secretarial and computer skills
- Is self-motivated and flexible
- Is emotionally resilient, able to work in a team and to maintain total confidentiality

Email/call the Parish Office at

[southamptoncitycentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:southamptoncitycentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 023 8033 4891 for Job Description, Person Specification and Application Form.

**Closing date for applications:** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2021 – midday.

**Interviews:** Thursday / Friday 15<sup>th</sup> / 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

**Commencement date:** 9<sup>th</sup> August 2021 or as soon as possible after this date.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF CHRISTOF BODDEKE**, Wilma's father in Holland, who died during the week. May he rest in peace. We pray for Wilma & Folkert and all the family.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CELEBRATIONS:** Last of the First Holy Communion Masses for 2021 will take place on:

Saturday 24 July: 11am St Edmund

Sunday 25 July: 3pm St Edmund

**Sadly the Saturday one will take the place of the Parish Mass and so is not open to parishioners.** We were planning an extra Mass in St Joseph for our 'regulars' but with Father Ansel away and Father Vincent on his own this is not possible. **So on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July there is no Parish Mass nor Confessions (11am).**

**"ASK YOUR MP TO VOTE AGAINST ABORTION UP TO BIRTH:**

*The abortion lobby, led by the UK's largest abortion provider, BPAS, has worked with Diana Johnson MP to bring forward an amendment to hijack the Police, Crime, Sentencing and Courts Bill to introduce abortion on demand, for any reason, up to birth to England and Wales. This would be the single biggest change to abortion legislation since 1967 and would leave England and Wales with one of the most extreme abortion laws in the world. We are expecting that this radical proposal will be voted on by MPs this Monday 5.7.21. Right To Life UK has launched an easy-to-use tool that makes it simple for you to send an email to your MP asking them to vote against the motion. Click the following link to contact your MP now. It only takes 30 seconds!"* [www.righttolife.org.uk/StopAbortionUpToBirth](http://www.righttolife.org.uk/StopAbortionUpToBirth)



**PLEASE PRAY FOR** 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 4 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)*

SAT	3 JULY	<b>VIGIL MASS</b>	6:15PM	SJ	EILEEN FRANCIS KINGWELL RIP (F)
			7:00PM	SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	4 JULY	<b>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	9:00AM	SE	JOAQUIM RODRIGUES RIP (AR)
			10:30AM	SJ	RICARDO CRUZ RIP, JOHN PHILPOTT RIP (AP & MP) & DEACON ANDY PHILPOTT—17TH ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION—GOD'S BLESSINGS & THANKSGIVING (VH & PARISH OFFICE)
			3:00PM	SE	<b>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS ONLY</b>
			7:00PM	SE	THEOS ELOHIM & CHIMAOBI A. CHUKWUNEKE—THANKSGIVING & GOD'S BLESSINGS (F)
TUE	6 JULY	<b>ST MARIA GORETTI</b>	10:00AM	SE	JOAQUIM RODRIGUES RIP (TUESDAY COFFEE GROUP)
WED	7 JULY	<b>14TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	7:00PM	SE	GRAEME RIP ( <i>ROSEMARY LATIMER'S SON-IN-LAW</i> ) (BETHANY GROUP)
THURS	8 JULY	<b>14TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	12:15PM	SJ	HAZEL BEHAN RIP ( <i>16 YRS OLD—KILRUSH, CO. CLARE</i> ) (TG)
FRI	9 JULY	<b>ST AUGUSTINE ZHAO RONG &amp; COMPANIONS</b>	7:00PM	SE	MAUREEN JOAGHIM RIP (KW)
SAT	10 JULY	<b>OUR LADY ON SATURDAY</b>	11:00AM	SE	GRAHAM OWEN RIP (GL & TL)
			6:15PM	SJ	MYRA ANDRADE RIP (MB)
			7:00PM	SE	MASS IN POLISH
SUN	11 JULY	<b>FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	9:00AM	SE	NOEL PHELAN RIP (DP & GP)
			10:30AM	SJ	MYRA ANDRADE RIP (PB)
			**	**	ZIED SOLOMON RIP (TD)
			7:00PM	SE	MATEO UVANOVICH RIP (ZU)

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**Stella Maris (AoS):** Fr John Lavers Mob No 07720 093 156  
**Poitiers Care Project:** Brian Arthur 07796 161 047  
**Polish Chaplaincy:** Father Mariusz Urbanowski  
 Tel. No. 023 8178 6316 [southampton@tchr.org](mailto:southampton@tchr.org)  
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**OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:** Springhill Primary 023 8033 3954  
 St Anne School 023 8032 8200  
 St George College 023 8032 2603

### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH WEEK 2

**4 JULY 2021**

#### **FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

##### **Psalm Response:**

Our eyes are on the Lord  
till he show us his mercy

##### **Gospel Acclamation:**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

The Word was made flesh and lived among us;  
to all who did accept him he gave power to  
become children of God. **Alleluia!**

#### **READINGS 11 JULY 2021**

#### **FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: Amos 7: 12—15  
 Second Reading: Ephesians 1: 3—14  
 Gospel: Mark 6: 7—13

#### **NO 2ND COLLECTION TODAY**

#### **2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK** **APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA**

PARISH INCOME 27.6.2021	DONATIONS & STANDING ORDERS	2ND ST PETER'S PENCE
<b>Totals</b>	<b>£2,225.78</b>	<b>£117.50</b>
Donations	354.89	50.00
Standing Orders	1,518.71	54.00
Gift Aid Rebate	352.18	13.50

**CONFESSIONS:**  
**11:30am Saturdays**  
**at St Edmund Church**