



Our Vision is a Person, Our Vision is Jesus Christ

17th JULY 2022: SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The latest news from Bishop Philip

Dear Friends,

These last days have been politically tumultuous with the resignation of the Prime Minister, Boris Johnson, and now the entry of candidates into the Tory leadership race. The media is tending to focus on the economic policies and the taxation positions of these hopefuls, yet we know there is much more to the common good than economics, however important. What will candidates do to support families? To care for the needy and marginalised? To foster peace, reconciliation and justice in the international community? Our diocese with its 35 political constituencies has many excellent, hard-working MPs who genuinely seek to do their best to serve. The events unfolding at the moment encourage us as Catholics to deepen our knowledge understanding of the Church's moral and social teaching – see below for a book recommendation! – and to engage with all people of good will in a broad public discussion about moral probity, values in public life, truth in what we say and how best to build a just and good society. Lying at the base of these aspirations, at a time when we have just learned that abortions in the UK have reached a record high, is the key issue of the dignity and value of human life from conception to natural death. The weakest members of our society – the unborn child and the elderly – seem increasingly to be treated as dispensable. In this, I am reminded of a saying of the late Rabbi Sachs, reflecting on the decline of religion and faith in modern British society: “When people lose faith in God, they lose faith in humanity also.”

Bishop Philip's Book Recommendation

Catholic Social Teaching is much in the news these days and very relevant to many of today's issues. Pope Francis in his magisterium has brought it much to the fore, especially in his encyclicals *Laudato Si* and *Fratelli Tutti* which deal with the environment, a just social order and international relations. This small book by William O'Neill *Catholic Social Teaching: A User's Guide* (Maryknoll, Orbis Books: 2021) offers a superb synthesis of Catholic thought on the ethics of social, political and economic life and how the Church's social teaching can make a real difference when put into action. Fr. O'Neill is a Jesuit priest and professor emeritus of social ethics at the Jesuit School of Theology at Santa Clara University. He is currently working with the Jesuit Refugee Service in Nairobi, Kenya. *Catholic Social Teaching: A User's Guide* is a helpful, non-technical guide to understanding what Catholic Social Teaching says and how it relates to global issues. It discusses sources, history, and key themes of the CST tradition, as well as implications of CST for the ethics of war and peace, forced migration, and social reconciliation. Each of its fourteen short chapters concludes with questions for reflection.

With all good wishes and an assurance of my prayers,

In Corde Iesu

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Bishop of Portsmouth

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<https://mailchi.mp/portsmouthdiocese/issue370>

Alternatively go to <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/communications/news/enews/> and enter your email address at the bottom of the page to subscribe.

GEM OF THE WEEK



This week's GEM is, “The Church Is In You” by Pope Francis - you can find this on our homepage. If anyone has suggestions for GEMs please contact website.sswp@gmail.com

For the next Newsletter, items should be received into the Parish Office by **9.30am on Wednesday 20th July**, please email your messages/notices to: office@stswithunwellsparish.org.uk

LITURGICAL INDICATIONS



Sunday 17th July 2022: Year C - Year 2 - Psalter Week: 4

PSALM RESPONSE: THE JUST WILL LIVE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD.

READINGS: 1st reading Genesis 18:1-10a Psalm 14 2nd reading Colossians 1:24-28 Gospel Luke 10:38-42

Sunday 24th July 2022: Year C - Year 2 - Psalter Week: 1

PSALM RESPONSE: ON THE DAY I CALLED, YOU ANSWERED ME, O LORD.

READINGS: 1st reading Genesis 18:20-32 Psalm 137 2nd reading Colossians 2:12-14 Gospel Luke 11:1-13

Youth Groups

Stars of Abraham (school years 3, 4, 5 & 6)

Grail Seekers (school years 7, 8, 9)

Student Youth (school year 10 until sixth form)

Stars of Abraham also prepares the children for First Holy Communion usually in school year 3. Grail Seekers also prepares the children for Confirmation usually in school year 9. For more details and to join please go to the parish website www.stswithunwellsparish.org.uk

Communion & Liberation Groups

School of Community are currently on their summer break. For more information please click the link on the homepage of our website.

Sacramental Preparation for Adults (RCIA)

If you would like to be baptised, confirmed or received into the Catholic Church (or know more about the Catholic faith) please email Deacon Paul Owen: powen@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or alternatively please speak to a priest.

Fellowship Group - there will be **no meeting during the holidays**, return date to be announced.

Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) Group

Tuesdays at 10.15am to approx. 11.30am in the Holy Cross Resource Centre. On 19th July we continue our series called 'I Believe', based on the Creed. All are welcome!

Knitting Club - Third Tuesday of the month, from 2pm-4pm in the Holy Cross Resource Centre. If you would like to join us for a knit and cup of tea please come along, all levels of knitting ability welcome!

PARISH GROUPS



The Little Flowers Baby & Toddler Group

Are currently on their Summer break (they normally meet on Wednesdays at 10am in the Holy Cross Resource Centre). The group is for 0-4 years and their families. More information is on the website or you can email: littleflowers.sswp@gmail.com

Afternoon Club - St. Joseph's Parish Centre (26A Abbey Water), first Tuesday in the month at 2pm. Come and join us for tea, games and good fun. All are welcome!

Ark of Fellowship - Group for learning disabilities or learning difficulties, their families and friends

Thursdays at 6.30pm in the Holy Cross Resource Centre. Interested in volunteering or know some young adults who would like to join the group? If yes, please contact Fr Luca at: arkoffellowship.sswp@gmail.com

CaFE

Our meetings will be as usual at 2pm in the Parish Centre Romsey, repeated at 7.30pm in St. Andrew's N. Baddesley, on the second and fourth Tuesdays in each month, finishing on 26th July. For more information please call/email Ann Heslop: 02380 734429 ann.heslop@virginmedia.com

60 Club

Meets fortnightly in Holy Cross Resource Centre from 2pm to 4pm. All are welcome!
Next Meeting: 18th July

Upcoming Second Collections

This weekend for Come & See Camp (16th/17th July)
We are collecting for the families who cannot afford the full amount and whose children would like to attend the Summer Camp.

Upcoming Wedding

Please pray for Joanne Serellis and Henrik Winberg who are due to be married at St Edward's on Monday 18th July. May God bless you on this joyous occasion!

Upcoming Funeral

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Geoffrey Bird and for his family. Geoff's Funeral Service takes place at St Edward's on Thursday 21st July at 12.45pm.

Parish Office - Summer Holidays

The Office will be closed on Fridays during the school

MESSAGES



holidays. Double newsletters will be produced for Sunday 31st July and Sunday 21st August (there will be no newsletters for Sundays 7th & 28th August).

Meeting for Parish Volunteers

In our Parish we are blessed with many volunteers and we are very grateful for what you do. For this reason we would like to have a meeting with all of you at the end of this pastoral year. We will listen to some of your experiences and we will spend some time together in friendship. The meeting will be on **Sunday 17th July, 3pm to 4.30pm in St Edward the Confessor in Chandler's Ford**, refreshments will be provided. We are so grateful for all you do for the Parish and hope to see all of you at the meeting.

Fr Raffaele

MESSAGES CONTINUED



OLOA Summer Family Cream Tea Party
Saturday 30th July, 2pm-4.30pm in the church grounds. £5 for adults, children 10 years and under free. Tickets are available at weekend Masses.

Invitation to the CAFOD Group & Knight of St Columba BBQ

The CAFOD group and the Knights of St Columba invite you to a parish barbeque at **St Edward's on Saturday 20th August, from 1pm**. Food including desserts and a first free drink with each £10 ticket. Children under 12 are FREE. BBQ and raffle contributions gratefully accepted and there will be a CAFOD produce stall. Enquiries to Neil Hendricks (023 8026 6324); tickets on sale after Masses during the first two weeks of August. Numbers will be limited to about 80.

Altar Servers - Any young person who has made his/her First Holy Communion and would like to become an altar server, please see the following after Sunday Mass in the Sacristy of each church:

Holy Cross - James;

St Edward's - Emmanuel;

St Andrew & St Joseph - Deacon John Di Meo.

Come and See Clubs & Camp

Registrations are open for our Summer Club and for our Summer Camp. For more information, cost and registration please click on the "Come and See" section on our website homepage.

Volunteer Mini Bus Driver Required for Come & See Holiday Activities. You will need to have the required license to drive a mini bus. Please speak to Fr Marco/Fr Luca for more details or email: comeandsee.sswp@gmail.com

Edward Hauschild - Please pray for Edward who was ordained a deacon for the diocese on Wednesday 6th July at the English College in Rome. He will be ordained priest next year. Edward is a former parishioner who was for many years senior server at St Edward the Confessor Church.

Free Logs at St Edward's - As you are probably aware there is a pile of logs in the car park following the tree works at St Edward's. If you would like to take any please help yourself - no need to ask!

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday: St Edward's - after Mass (6.30pm-7.30pm)

Wednesday: Holy Cross - after Mass (10.00am-11.00am)

Thursday: St Joseph - before Mass (5.00pm-6.00pm)

CONFESSION (SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION)

Tuesday: 6.30pm-7.30pm St Edward

Tuesday: 9.30am-10.00am St Andrew

Saturday: 10.00am-10.30am Holy Cross

5.30pm-6.00pm OLOA

5.30pm-6.00pm St Joseph

Sunday: 8.30am-9.00am St Andrew

9.00am-9.30am OLOA

Notice for Holy Cross Resource Centre Users

There have been a number of instances recently where the Resource Centre has not been properly locked up. Please can we politely ask all users to ensure the Resource Centre main door is closed fully before locking and that you double check it's locked before leaving. Thank you for your co-operation.

Member of Diocesan Investment Committee Volunteer Property Investment Specialist

We need a person who would be able to attend committee meetings once every quarter via Microsoft Teams and have experience in helping to develop an investment policy and oversee property investment portfolio. If you would like further details of what is entailed please contact: Hereward Drummond Secretary to the Trustees
Email: hdrummond@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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For Catholics in Health and Social Care:

New Resources from the Anscombe Bioethics Centre

The Anscombe Bioethics Centre is an organisation which does research on behalf of our Bishops and education for the Catholic community on moral matters in medicine. They have a new website which has resources which will benefit parishioners who are doctors, nurses, or others who work or study in fields related to health and social care. You can access and benefit from their work through their website and social media at: www.bioethics.org.uk

SCHOOL NOTICES



St Swithun Wells Catholic Primary School

There will be a School Mass on **Tuesday 19th**

July at 10.30am. It is the Year 6 Leavers Mass, all parishioners are welcome to attend. Venue still to be confirmed, please contact the school if you would like to attend and they will advise where the Mass is to be held.

School Office Tel: 023 8026 6210

TIMES A PRIEST WILL BE AVAILABLE TO MEET

Tuesdays: Fr Raffaele, 3.30pm-5.30pm, Holy Cross Resource Centre (back of Holy Cross Church, Eastleigh)

Wednesdays: Fr Luca, 4.30pm-6.30pm, Holy Cross Resource Centre (back of Holy Cross Church, Eastleigh)

Fridays: Fr Raffaele, 10.30am-11.30am, Romsey Parish Office (26 Abbey Water), Romsey

Saturdays: Fr Marco, 9.30am-12.30pm, Romsey Parish Office (26 Abbey Water), Romsey

MASS TIMES FOR OUR CHURCH COMMUNITIES

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	MASS INTENTION
Sat 16th July	9.30am 5.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Cross St Swithun Wells OLQA St Joseph St Edward	Geza Gejeli & Christina Webber (Wedding Day) Mrs Anne Clayton-Smith RIP FM Jan Szczetnikowicz RIP Anniversary
Sunday 17th July <i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.30am 9.00am 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Cross St Edward St Andrew OLQA (also live streamed) Holy Cross (also live streamed) St Joseph	<i>Polska Msza Święta</i> Anna Santoli RIP Vincent Curmi RIP Anniversary People of the Parish Anne Kelly RIP
Mon 18th	9.30am	Holy Cross	Angela Speight RIP FM
Tues 19th July	10.00am 6.00pm	St Andrew St Edward	Valerie Farrugia RIP Anniversary Bryan George Dolbear FM
Wed 20th July	9.30am 9.30am 10.00am	Holy Cross OLQA St Edward	Gunta Navickiene (For Wellbeing & God's Protection) Mrs Edward Christian FM
Thurs 21st July	9.30am 12 Noon <u>12.45pm</u> 6.00pm	Holy Cross OLQA <u>St Edward</u> St Joseph	Margaret Martindale RIP Funeral Service: Geoffrey Bird RIP Marie O'Carroll (Wellbeing)
Fri 22nd July <i>St Mary Magalene</i>	9.30am 10.00am 10.00am	OLQA St Joseph St Edward	Helen Mary Silvester RIP Living & Deceased Members of the Mongan & Turner Families FM
Sat 23rd July <i>Morning Mass: St Bridget of Sweden</i>	9.30am 5.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Cross St Swithun Wells OLQA St Joseph St Edward	 Ron & Sheila Rhymer RIP (Wedding Anniversary) Mike State RIP
Sunday 24th July <i>Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>	8.30am 9.00am 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Cross St Edward St Andrew OLQA (also live streamed) Holy Cross (also live streamed) St Joseph	<i>Polska Msza Święta</i> Special Intention People of the Parish Beatrice & George White; Laura, David & Eduardo Fernanadez FM Cathie & Joe Dunne (Golden Wedding Anniversary)

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