NEWSLETTER Catholic Parish of St Swithun Wells

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Our Mission: Love God—Love Others—Make Disciples

16th June 2019: THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

The Most Holy Trinity – A Community of Love

The Feast of Pentecost last weekend brought Easter time to a close. We are now back in Ordinary Time. Not that it is in anyway ordinary! It is that time of year when following the great feasts of Christmas and Easter we are called to mature in the spiritual life and to increase in faith. That is why the liturgical colour for this period is green – the colour of hope, fruitfulness and growth.

For those adults baptised or received into the Catholic Church at Easter, this period is for "deepening the Christian experience, for spiritual growth and for entering more fully into the life and unity of the community." And it is no co-incidence that the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity falls immediately after the start of Ordinary Time.

Today and throughout the Easter season we have heard from the Last Supper discourse in John's Gospel. It touches time and time again on the relationship of Father, Son and Spirit. A relationship of unity which is dynamic and active – but above all – a relationship of love. The Trinity is a community of love. We are all invited in our own lives to be part of that community of love.

Our God is not a God that we should contemplate from a distance – who is isolated and self-sufficient. If the Trinity tells us one thing it is that God wants to be close to us – he wants to be in a relationship of intimacy with us. The community of love that is the Trinity is a community we are invited to be part of. Every time we make the Sign of the Cross – a simple action which for many of us we have been doing automatically since we were children – we are signing ourselves in love.

In our own daily lives, we are called to be open to the action of divine Grace, to progress in love of God and neighbour by imitating day by day the harmony and love of the Trinity. It is by the way we show our love for other people that we bring people to the knowledge of Jesus Christ. There is nothing ordinary in that!

During his visitation earlier in the year, the Bishop challenged us to bring 30 new people to the church before the end of the year. Returning to Ordinary Time is a good time to review how we are doing. How many of us have spoken to our families, our friends, our neighbours and invited them into the relationship of love which is the Trinity?

Deacon Paul Owen

GEM OF THE WEEK



Blessed Frassati - a 30 minute programme about the life of Pier Giorgio Frassati who died aged 24, following a fatal disease contracted whilst working with a poor family. On 20th May 1990 he was beatified by Pope John Paul II who called him the 'Man of the Eight Beatitudes'. Please click the link on our homepage to watch the video.

LITURGICAL INDICATIONS

Sunday Cycle: Year C - Weekday Cycle: Year 1 - Psalter Week: Office Proper



SPIRIT, FOR HE HAS SHOWN US HIS MERCIFUL LOVE.

PSALM RESPONSE: HOW GREAT IS YOUR NAME, O LORD OUR GOD, THROUGH ALL THE EARTH!

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 23RD JUNE 2019:

1st reading: Genesis 14:18-20 - Psalm: 109 - 2nd reading: 1 Corinthians 11:23-26 - Gospel: Luke 9:11-17

PARISH GROUPS

Growing in Faith Together (GIFT)

On Tuesday 18th June, in the Holy Cross Resource Centre after 9.30am Mass, our Seminarian Dennis will give his last talk before he leaves for a brief holiday, following which he returns to his studies in Rome. His talk will be on "The Experience of God's Love in our lives". This will be the third talk by Dennis – come and join us. We have tea or coffee first then begin at 10:15am and finish at 11:30am.

Fellowship Group - St Swithun Wells Church, Fair Oak (Wednesday 19th June at 7.30pm)

Prayer Workshop. Come and share some fresh ideas about prayer. Try out some activities that help you feel more confident about your own prayer. Listen to the ideas of some experts including Pope Francis. Queries to Peter Baggott and Deacon Bob Birtles.

School of Community

The weekly catechesis of the catholic movement Communion and Liberation, every **Wednesday at 8pm** in the Holy Cross Resource Centre.

Journey in Faith - St Edward's

It is for anyone enquiring about the Catholic faith and for people intending to become a Catholic. The sessions run from 7.30pm to 9pm. For further information please contact:

Deacon Paul Owen on tel: 02380 254806; email: powen@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Youth Groups - Inspire and TOZ

Inspire (for children from school year 4 to 8) will meet twice a month on Saturday from 2.30pm to 4.30pm in St Edward's cloister in Chandlers Ford. Upcoming Dates: 22nd June; 6th July; 13th July.

TOZ (for young people from school year 9) will also meet twice a month on Sunday in the Resource Centre in Eastleigh.

Upcoming Dates: 23rd June: 7-8.30pm

7th July: 7-9pm with dinner

Contact: toz.sswp@gmail.com or phone 07846 438224

(Cath Szymanski)

OLQA - Children's Liturgy (during 9.30am Mass)

Sunday dates for the coming months: 23rd June, 7th July, 21st July, 4th August. All are very welcome. Joanna Somerville (tel 01489 891540).

Fryern Prayer Group - St Edwards

Our next meeting will be on Monday 17th June from 2-3 pm at the home of Sheila & Pauline O Neill, 19 Carthage Close, Chandlers Ford, SO53 2BL. Theme: Martyrs of England. ALL WELCOME

Coffee Stop (Holy Cross Resource Centre)

Please come along and support us after Mass on Thursdays. Open 10am - 12 noon.

CHANGES TO MASS



OLQA

There will be <u>No Mass</u> on 21st June.

OFFERINGS & COLLECTIONS



Second Collection

There is a second collection this weekend for Day for Life.

<u>St Swithun Wells Parish Acknowledges with thanks</u>

Last week's collections: £TBC; SO/DD for May'19: £12,362.50

PARISH EVENTS

Cinema at Holy Cross - Sat 15th June, 7pm

The next film showing at Holy Cross Resource Centre St Edward's Cloister. £5 per head to include two strips will be *First Man* (Cert. PG–13). Everyone is welcome! of raffle tickets each. Please bring a plate of finger food See posters on church notice boards for more info.

Special Coffee Time - Sat 15th June

Please join us for refreshments after 5pm Mass at St Swithun Wells Church, Fair Oak, on Saturday 15th June, to celebrate with Bob his 35th Anniversary of Ordination to the Diaconate and also Father's Day Weekend.

First Holy Communion Masses Sunday 23rd June 2019

Please note the First Holy Communion Masses for our parish will take place on Sunday 23rd June. Therefore, these Masses will be busier than usual with parking and seating filling up quickly.

Parish Readers Retreat - Saturday 29th June, 12.30pm to 4pm, Holy Cross Resource Centre

We begin with a bring and share lunch. All the readers of the parish are invited to join us.

Parish Quiz Night - Friday July 5th, 7pm

St Edward's Cloister. £5 per head to include two strips of raffle tickets each. Please bring a plate of finger food and your choice of beverage. Bring your sense of humour and a mildly competitive spirit! *Open to THE WHOLE PARISH*. 10 tables of 5 maximum. Teams will be decided on the night. Tickets are available at each church, however they are selling fast!. First come first served! All proceeds to CAFOD.

OTHER EVENTS

"Don Bosco" Boys Camp - Sunday 28th July to Saturday 3rd August 2019

Fr Mark Hogan will be leading a camp for boys of secondary school age at St. Cassian's, Kintbury, Berkshire. There will be plenty of sport, outings, competitions and fun and games to ensure that boys will have a fantastic few days. This will continue to take place within the context of the celebration of the Catholic Faith, including daily Mass and morning prayer. The cost of the camp is £210 (part bursaries may be available on application). To find out more or to reserve a place, please contact Angela Mulkerns on 07764 761006 or email:

dbcamps@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

MESSAGES

Street Pastors

Street Pastors would like to invite you to spend a few hours with us on a Friday night, as an observer, come and see what we do. We have a choice of patrols that go out in Fair Oak, Eastleigh and Chandlers Ford. Shift times vary from 8pm to around midnight, or from 11pm to around 4am on the Saturday morning. Our role is to care, listen and help when we can; we strive to spread God's love to make our communities a kinder and more caring place to live.

Contact Eric Hyom 02380643457 or email erichyom@hotmail.com

Reminder Final Practice for First Holy Communion Mass, Tuesday 18th June

Please note the final practice for parents and children is from 6.25pm to approx 7.45pm in your own churches (St Andrew's, St Joseph's and OLQA may have separate arrangements).

<u>CAFOD</u> Raffle, Bring & Buy sale raised £255. Thank you to all our supporters of CAFOD. We have one raffle prize to be claimed by M Watson ticket number 27. Please see June or Paul Wilson.

Barbecue

An early note for your diaries. The KSC Barbecue in support of CAFOD and the Knights charities will be held at St Edward's, Chandlers Ford on Saturday August 10th. Tickets will go on sale next month.

Confirmation

The next confirmation celebration will be in April 2020 for anyone who will be in Year Eight or Nine next year (i.e. starting in September). To be prepared we ask you to join the Grail Seekers group and get involved regularly with the activities (see the item below).

Grail Seekers (school year 7,8,9)

Starting in September 2019 there will be weekly meetings for everyone in school years 7, 8 and 9 every Saturday from 2.30pm-4.30pm in Holy Cross Resource Centre with games, songs, snacks and reflection. To join the group complete the application form (available on our website or from the Parish Office) and give it to the Parish Secretary as soon as possible.

There will be a meeting for all young people and parents interested (during which we'll explain the activities of the group and few notices for those who want to be prepared for the Confirmation) on Sunday 15th September at 4.30pm in Holy Cross Church.

Volunteer Required—Safeguarding, St Edward's

We are looking for a new safeguarding rep for St Edward 's Church; it is an important and sensitive role with responsibility and a great help for all of the community. If someone is interested in this opportunity please speak with Father Raffaele after Mass.

Holy Cross Shop - We have gifts and cards for First Holy Communion so do pay us a visit. We would like to thank all of you for supporting us. The shop will be paying for the new water heater in the Resource Centre kitchen which will benefit the whole Parish. Pat & Angela



MASS TIMES FOR OUR CHURCH COMMUNITIES

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	MASS INTENTION	ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Sat 15th *Vigil Mass	9.30am 5.00pm* 6.00pm*	HC SSW St J	Exam Success Mary Quinn (Special Intention) People of the Parish	Tues: HC - First Tuesday of the Month (10am-1pm) Thurs: St Ed - Holy Hour (7-8pm) Thurs: St J - from Noon-6pm, Rosary and Benediction at 5.30pm
	6.00pm* 6.30pm*	OLQA St Ed	Tom & Rose Murray RIP	ROSARY AND PRAYERS St Edward's 9.30am, Wednesday - The Holy Rosary St Joseph's 6.00pm, Wednesday - Evening Prayer
Sun 16th The Most Holy Trinity	9.00am 9.00am 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am	HC St Ed St A OLQA St J HC	Polska Msza Święta Josephine O'Connell RIP Charles & Martha Barrett FM	CONFESSION (SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION) Saturdays: 10.00am Holy Cross 12 noon St Edward's 5.30pm OLQA 5.30pm St Joseph's Sundays: 8.30am St Andrew's
Mon 17th	10.00am	St Ed	Caitlin Simpson (Special Intention)	CLERGY
Tues 18th	9.30am 10.00am 10.00am	HC St A OLQA	Roy Johnson RIP	Father Raffaele Cossa (Priest in Charge) Tel: 023 8061 2430; E: rcossa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Father Luca Speziale (Assistant Priest) Tel: 023 8061 2430; E: lspeziale@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Wed 19th	9.30am 10.00am	HC St Ed	Exam Success Exam Success	Fr Wojciech Paszko (Assistant Priest) Tel: 01794 522884; E: wpaszko@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Canon Alan Griffiths (Assistant Priest)
Thurs 20th	9.30am 10.00am 6.00pm	HC OLQA St J	Jack & Chris Molloy FM	Tel: 07760220346; E: frgriffiths@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Deacon Bob Birtles Tel: 023 8069 2416; E: bbirtles@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Deacon John di Meo
Fri 21st St Aloysius Gonzaga	10.00am 10.00am 10.00am 9.30am	St Ed OLQA St J: AH HC	Robert Simpson RIP No Mass Bosman Family (Special Intention)	Tel: 01794 515688; E: jdimeo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Deacon Paul Owen Tel: 023 80254806; E: powen@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Deacon Paul Wilson Tel: 02380 616618; E: pwilson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Sat 22nd Ss John Fisher &	5.00pm*	SSW	In gratitude for the prayers and support of SSW community	
Thomas More *Vigil Mass	6.00pm* 6.00pm* 6.30pm*	St J OLQA St Ed	Fr George Lyons RIP Mrs Edward Christian FM	PARISH OFFICE Holy Cross Church, 53 Leigh Road, Eastleigh SO50 9DF Tel: 02380 273882 Office Hours: Monday–Wednesday: 9.30am-5pm Thursday & Friday: 9.30am-2.30pm
Sun 23rd Corpus Christi (The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ)	9.00am 9.00am 9.00am 9.30am 11.00am	HC St Ed St A OLQA St J HC	Polska Msza Święta David Palmer RIP Mary Matkowski RIP Chloe Godding RIP (7th Birthday	Holy Cross Resource Centre & Finance Admin: Linda Roberts Iroberts@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Parish Secretary: Sarah Goodfellow stswparish@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Gillisty			Anniversary)	Website Contact: website.sswp@gmail.com

CHURCH ADDRESSES

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OLQA Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Martin Street, Bishops Waltham
SO32 1DN
HC Holy Cross Church, 53, Leigh Road, Eastleigh, SO50 9DF
SSW St Swithun Wells Church, Allington Lane, Fair Oak, SO50 7DB
St A St Andrew's, Fleming Avenue, North, Baddesley, SO52 9EP

St J

St Joseph's Church, Abbey House Drive, Romsey, SO51 8YB

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES:

St Swithun Wells Primary School 023 80266210 St George Catholic V.A. College 023 8032 2603 St Anne's Catholic School 023 80328200 Charlton House 023 8067 7575 St Mary's Independent School 023 8067 1267