



*Our Vision is a Person, Our Vision is Jesus Christ*  
**4<sup>th</sup> JULY 2021: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## SOME QUESTIONS...

During these weeks we have asked parishioners to fill a second Survey for a new Parish Centre. Even if we don't know the outcome of the Survey and of the whole project, the consultation has been useful to listen to parishioners, to explain more the parish vision and to answer questions. I would like to answer here some of the questions that, I am sure, are common to many of you.

### **The vision is about a new Centre where many activities will take place, but what about our own local church communities?**

I would like to clarify that what we want to build is a place which will bring our parish together and will help to expand our activities, but it will not replace our local communities. Activities in each church and hall will continue to be supported and encouraged. We cannot expect the new Parish Centre to hold all the tea & coffee, local groups, children liturgies... Some activities with greater numbers will be hosted in the new Centre, while others will carry on in the local facilities. I am sure we will find the right balance between the local and the wider parish.

### **The new Centre will have a considerable impact on our parish, what about if the Fraternity of the priests leaves?**

Even here I would like to clarify that the Parish of St Swithun Wells has been formally entrusted to the Fraternity of St Charles Borromeo. There is a contract between the diocese and our Fraternity, which has no end date. This gives the guarantee that the vision that we are trying to achieve will be in place for a long time.

### **If we build a new Centre for us, don't we run the risk of becoming even more inward-centred?**

Sometimes we think that if we put in place some Catholic activities, run by us and in our premises, this will exclude those who are not catholic and it will not be interesting for them. I have to say that in my life I have always seen the contrary. If a parish activity is well prepared, it can attract many people even outside our community. Over the past three years some people have joined our groups or events because they were invited by some parishioners and in some cases they have become part of our community. The fresh enthusiasm that Christ brings to our lives and proposals can be a source of hope for everyone who lives in our area.

I would like to conclude this front page by remembering the 30 children that this Sunday are having their First Holy Communion in our churches. It has not been an easy year, but you have been fantastic, full of enthusiasm and energy. My dream is to see you all running around the new Centre, playing football or other games. All together again!

*Fr Raffaele*

## **GEM OF THE WEEK**



This week's GEM is a short video about the Eucharistic Miracle of Lanciano - you can find this on our homepage. If anyone has suggestions for GEMs please contact [website.sswp@gmail.com](mailto:website.sswp@gmail.com)

**Newsletter items should be received into the Parish Office by Wednesday 9:30am**

## LITURGICAL INDICATIONS



**Sunday 4th July 2021:** Year B - Year 1 - Psalter Week: 2

**PSALM RESPONSE:** OUR EYES ARE ON THE LORD TILL HE SHOWS US HIS MERCY.

**READINGS:** 1<sup>st</sup> reading: Ezekiel 2:2-5 Psalm: 122 2<sup>nd</sup> reading: 2 Corinthians 12:7-10 Gospel: Mark 6:1-6a

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY 11TH JULY:**

**READINGS:** 1<sup>st</sup> reading: Amos 7:12-15 Psalm: 84 2<sup>nd</sup> reading: Ephesians 1:3-14 Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

## PARISH GROUPS



### Stars of Abraham (school years 3-6)

Meet in person:

**Tues, 4.00pm-5.30pm** in St Edward's Cloister;

**Tues, 4.15pm-5.45pm** in St Andrew;

**Sat, 10.30am-Noon** in Holy Cross Resource Centre.

To join and for more info please click the Stars of Abraham Icon on our homepage.

### Grail Seekers (school years 7, 8, 9)

Meet in person on **Saturdays in the Holy Cross Resource Centre, 2-4pm**. To join and for more info please click the Grail Seekers Icon on our homepage.

### Student Youth (school year 10 until sixth form)

Meet in person on **Friday evenings at 6.30pm** in Holy Cross Resource Centre. If you would like to attend please book your place on our website by clicking the Student Youth Icon on our homepage.

### Communion & Liberation Groups

**School of Community in Holy Cross** meets every **Wednesday**, for more information please click the link on the homepage of our website.

**School of Community in St Edward** meets every **Thursday at 8pm** in St Edward's cloister.

### 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. The next group will start in September 2021.

**Fellowship Group - Wednesday 7th July, 7.30pm on Zoom**. This week we will be looking at '10 things they didn't tell us about Jesus' (carried over from 23rd June) led by Deacon Bob Birtles. Please come and join us, everyone is very welcome. Contact Bob Birtles for the Zoom link: bbirtles@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

## MESSAGES



### Come and See Holiday Activities

We are pleased to announce this Summer we are running the following activities for young people:

#### **August 2021 Summer Club (Age 7-14)**

St Edward's Cloister, Chandlers Ford

Mon 9th; Wed 11th; Fri 13th

Mon 16th; Wed 18th; Fri 20th

#### **August 2021 Summer Camp (Age 11-18)**

OLQA Hall, Bishops Waltham

Monday 23rd - Friday 27th

For more information and how to book & pay for your place please go to:

[www.stswithunwellsparish.org.uk/comeandsee](http://www.stswithunwellsparish.org.uk/comeandsee)

Alternatively, please email Fr Luca and Fr Marco at: [comeandsee.sswp@gmail.com](mailto:comeandsee.sswp@gmail.com)

**The deadline to register for the Summer Club and Summer Camp is the 31st July 2021.**

### First Holy Communion

We pray for the children and their families who will be receiving their First Holy Communion next **Sunday (4th July)**. May your love for the Eucharist continue to grow with joy and happiness.

### Upcoming Second Collection

There will be a second collection for the **Apostleship of the Sea** on **10th/11th July**.

### Afternoon Club - St. Joseph's Parish Centre (26 Abbey Water), first Tuesday in the month.

Come and join us for tea, games and good fun.

All welcome! **Next Meeting: 2pm on 6th July.**

### Parish Picnic

Sadly last weekend's Parish Picnic was postponed due to bad weather, the new date is on:

**Sunday 22nd August, 12.30pm-4pm**

**Fleming Park (Passfield Ave, Eastleigh, SO50 9NL)**

The picnic will take place in the field behind Fleming Park Leisure Centre. Please use the car park of the Leisure Centre. It is an event for all of the parish. Please bring your own food, drinks, cups/plates/cutlery. There will be some music, entertainment and activities for the children. Fleming Park Leisure Centre has agreed to us using their toilet facilities. There is no cost associated with this event. For more details and to book please go to our website.

### Viva Voce - Summer 2021 Edition

Please pick up your copy of Portsmouth Diocese's quarterly magazine, now available in all of our churches.

## MESSAGES CONTINUED



### Proposed Parish Centre: Second Survey

Following the first consultation you kindly completed earlier in the year, we have worked hard to address your original feedback and concerns. We have produced a standalone document detailing our vision, criteria and narrowed down options for the proposed parish centre. This document is available on our website and in our churches.

**We ask you now to complete a second more detailed survey** to understand your opinion on the general vision of the proposed parish centre.

The survey is on our website and should only take 10 minutes to complete and your comments and thoughts are important to us. If you don't have access to the internet please pick up a paper copy of the survey from one of our churches.

### Changes to Mass in July

Fr Raffaele, Fr Luca and Fr Marco will be at their formation in Italy during part of July. For this reason from **Tuesday 13th July to Friday 30th July** there will be no weekday Masses (apart from at OLQA), however our Deacons will celebrate a Liturgy of the Word with distribution of Holy Communion following the normal church timetable. Eucharistic Adoration and tea & coffee will carry on as usual. Masses during the weekends of 17th/18th and 24th/25th (apart from at OLQA) will be celebrated as usual by supply priests.

### 10.30am Sunday Mass at St Edward

Unfortunately it will not be possible to continue to have Mass on Sundays at 10.30am in St Edward. The last 10.30am Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July. After that date there will only be the 9.00am Mass on Sundays in St Edward.

### Coffee Stop at Holy Cross

**Thursdays after Mass: Please can you help?**

We need volunteers to help out on Thursday mornings from 9am to 11.30am getting the Resource Centre ready and serving tea and coffee after Mass. This popular Coffee Morning has been running for nearly 30 years and is such a worthwhile and friendly way to spend a Thursday morning. But over this last year situations have changed and we need more people to join our number of wonderful volunteers. Please consider helping if you can. The more volunteers the less often you have to be on the rota.

Contact Pat Baggott 02380 694060, Monica Dunne 02381 780630 or Glenda Hinton 02381 780298 for more information or why not visit us on a Thursday Morning to see.

### Travel to Lourdes by Jumbulance

You are warmly invited to an information evening on **6th July, 7pm at St Swithun Wells Church Fair Oak**, to hear about the work of the charity Across and plans for the development of a local area group to take pilgrims to Lourdes using a specially adapted coach, the Jumbulance. Across has been providing transport and arranging pilgrimages for nearly 50 years, ensuring that anyone who suffers from long term or life-limiting illness and disability can travel in confidence, whatever their care needs or condition. The Jumbulance will be on display at the church; we will give a brief talk about the work of Across and our plans for establishing a group from parishes in the local area, and you will have the chance to board the Jumbulance and see its facilities. In order to ensure we can manage attendance numbers please email Marianne Wanstall at [mwanstall@btinternet.com](mailto:mwanstall@btinternet.com) if you would like to attend. We look forward to seeing you there.

## LIVE STREAMED MASS, BOOKING SYSTEM & CONFESSION

### Live Streamed Mass

All of the Masses from Holy Cross & the Sunday Mass at OLQA are live streamed. To join please go to our parish website [www.stswithunwellsparish.org.uk](http://www.stswithunwellsparish.org.uk)

For details of all of our Public Masses please see the timetable on the back page of the newsletter.

### To reserve a seat at Mass in St Joseph, Romsey

- **Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00pm**  
To reserve a seat for the Saturday Mass please contact Teresa Rayment from Wed to Friday (Tel: 01794 513528 / [teresarayment@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:teresarayment@tiscali.co.uk)).
- **Sunday 11.00am**  
To reserve a seat for the Sunday Mass please contact Joanna Russell from Wed through to Friday (Tel: 07917 802814 / [joanna@silvasmiths.co.uk](mailto:joanna@silvasmiths.co.uk)).

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday: St Edward's - after Mass (6.30-7.30pm)  
Wednesday: Holy Cross - after Mass (10.00-11.00am)  
Thursday: St Joseph's - before Mass (5.00-6.00pm)

### CONFESSION

#### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesdays:	6.30pm-7.30pm	St Edward
Tuesdays:	10.30am	St Andrew
Saturdays:	10.00am	OLQA
	10.00am-10.30am	Holy Cross
	5.30pm-6.00pm	St Joseph
Sundays:	8.30am-9.00am	St Andrew

### 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 is not available to meet on Wed in July.
Fridays:	Fr Raffaele, 11.30am-12.30pm, Parish Office (26 Abbey Water), Romsey
Saturdays:	Not available to meet on Sat 3rd July Fr Marco, 9.30am-12.30pm, Parish Office

## MASS TIMES FOR OUR CHURCH COMMUNITIES

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	MASS INTENTION
<b>Saturday 3rd July</b> <i>Morning Mass:</i> <b>St Thomas</b>	9.30am 9.30am 5.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Cross (also Live Streamed) OLQA St Swithun Wells St Joseph OLQA St Edward	For the Intentions of Adrian Yeoman & Karen Kelly Frances Weaver (Well-being)  Myra Andrade RIP
<b>Sunday 4th July</b>  <b>Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>	8.30am 9.00am 9.00am 9.30am 10.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Cross St Edward St Andrew OLQA (also Live Streamed) St Edward Holy Cross (also Live Streamed) St Joseph	<i>Polska Msza Święta</i> Mrs Mary McManus RIP FM Margaret Martindale RIP  Keith Small RIP Bethany Dunne (Special Intention) For the People of the Parish
<b>Mon 5th July</b>	9.30am	Holy Cross (also Live Streamed)	Chant & Clifton Families RIP FM Fraternity of St Charles
<b>Tues 6th July</b>	10.00am 6.00pm	St Andrew St Edward	May Morris (Well-being)
<b>Wed 7th July</b>	9.30am 10.00am 7.30pm	Holy Cross (also Live Streamed) St Edward OLQA	Betty Foster RIP Mrs Dionilde Ourique RIP
<b>Thurs 8th July</b>	9.30am 12.00 Noon 6.00pm	Holy Cross (also Live Streamed) OLQA St Joseph	Jan Szczetnikowicz RIP Anniversary
<b>Friday 9th July</b>	9.30am 10.00am 10.00am	OLQA St Joseph St Edward	Sharon West RIP Margaret Martindale RIP
<b>Saturday 10th July</b>	9.30am 9.30am 5.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm	Holy Cross (also Live Streamed) OLQA St Swithun Wells St Joseph OLQA St Edward	Charles Maria Cooper RIP FM  Joyce Lucas (Special Intention)  Ben Dolbear (In thanksgiving)
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