



Our Vision is a Person, Our Vision is Jesus Christ

3rd JULY 2022: FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

X WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES - HOMILY OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS

Saint Peter's Square - Saturday, 25th June 2022

In this Tenth World Meeting of Families, it is now the time for *thanksgiving*. (...)

All of you married couples, in building your family, made, with the help of Christ's grace, a courageous decision: *not to use freedom for yourselves, but to love the persons that God has put at your side*. Instead of living like little islands, you became "slaves of one another". That is how freedom is exercised in the family. There are no "planets" or "satellites", each travelling on its own orbit. The family is the place of encounter, of sharing, of going forth from ourselves in order to welcome others and stand beside them. The family is *the first place where we learn to love*. We must never forget that the family is the first place where we learn to love. (...)

How important it is for parents to reflect on God's way of acting! God loves young people, but that does not mean that he preserves them from all risk, from every challenge and from all suffering. God is not anxious and overprotective. Think about it: God is not anxious and overprotective; on the contrary, *he trusts young people and he calls each of them to scale the heights of life and of mission*. We think of the child Samuel, the adolescent David or the young Jeremiah; above all, we think of that young sixteen or seventeen year old girl who conceived Jesus, the Virgin Mary. He trusts a young girl. Dear parents, the word of God shows us the way: not to shield our children from the slightest hardship and suffering, but to try to communicate to them a passion for life, to arouse in them the desire to discover their vocation and embrace the great mission that God has in mind for them. (...)

I would like to add that, for educators, the best way to help others to follow their vocation is to *embrace our own vocation with faithful love*. (...) Nothing can be more encouraging for children than to see their parents experiencing marriage and family life as a mission, demonstrating fidelity and patience despite difficulties, moments of sadness and times of trial. (...)

Dear families, life becomes "fossilized" when it is not open to the newness of God's call and pines for the past. Missing the past and not being open to the newness that God sends always "fossilizes" us; it hardens us and does not make us more human. When Jesus calls, also in the case of marriage and family life, he asks us to keep looking ahead, and he always precedes us on the way. *He always precedes us* in love and service. And those who follow him will not be disappointed!

Dear brothers and sisters, providentially, the readings of today's liturgy speak of vocation, which is the theme of this Tenth World Meeting of Families: *"Family Love: a Vocation and a Path to Holiness"*. Strengthened by those words of life, I encourage you to take up with renewed conviction the journey of family love, sharing with all the members of your families the joy of this calling. It is not an easy journey: there will be dark moments, moments of difficulty in which we will think that it is all over. May the love you share with one another be always open, directed outwards, capable of "touching" the weak and wounded, the frail in body and the frail in spirit, and all whom you meet along the way. For love, including family love, is purified and strengthened whenever it is shared with others.

Betting on family love is courageous: it takes courage to marry. We see many young people who do not have the courage to marry and many times mothers say to me: "Do something, speak to my son, he will not marry, he is thirty-seven years old!" – "But, madam, stop ironing his shirts, start to send him away little by little so that he will leave the nest". Family love pushes the children to fly; it teaches them to fly and pushes them to do so. It is not possessive: it is always about freedom. In the moments of difficulty and crisis – every family has them – please do not take the easy way: "I am going home to mommy". No, move forward with this courageous bet. There will be difficult moments, there will be tough moments, but always move forward. Your husband, your wife, has that spark of love that you felt in the beginning: release it from within and rediscover love. This will help in moments of crisis.

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 6th July**, please email your messages/notices to: office@stswithunwellsparish.org.uk

LITURGICAL INDICATIONS



Sunday 3rd July 2022: Year C - Year 2 - Psalter Week: 2

PSALM RESPONSE: CRY OUT WITH JOY TO GOD, ALL THE EARTH.

READINGS: 1st reading Isaiah 66:10-14c Psalm 65 2nd reading Galatians 6:14-18 Gospel Luke 10:1-12,17-20

Sunday 10th July 2022: Year C - Year 2 - Psalter Week: 3

PSALM RESPONSE: SEEK THE LORD, YOU WHO ARE POOR, AND YOUR HEARTS WILL REVIVE.

READINGS: 1st reading Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Psalm 68 2nd reading Colossians 1:15-20 Gospel Luke 10:25-37

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)

These groups meet regularly in person. 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 how to join please go to the parish website www.stswithunwellsparish.org.uk

Communion & Liberation Groups

School of Community meet weekly:

Holy Cross every Wednesday at 8pm;

St Edward's every Thursday at 8pm.

For more information please click the link on the homepage of our website. All are welcome!

Fellowship Group - Wed 6th July 7.30pm at St Swithun Wells Church, Fair Oak. We shall be looking at the Diocesan Synodality Report which has been prepared from all the responses across the Diocese. Everyone is welcome. If you wish to join us on Zoom please contact Peter Baggott on peterbaggott@aol.com for the link.

Growing In Faith Together (GIFT) Group

Tuesdays at 10.15am to approx. 11.30am in the Holy Cross Resource Centre. On 5th July we will be running the final session of our series, 'The Joy of Hope'. All are welcome!

Knitting Club - Third Tuesday of the month, from 2pm-4pm in the Holy Cross Resource Centre. If you

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would like to join us for a knit and cup of tea please come along, all levels of knitting ability welcome!

The Little Flowers Baby & Toddler Group

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 - latest course is The Gift, a Life in the Holy Spirit. 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: 4th July

Mass for the Sick & Housebound

Sunday 3rd July at 3pm in St Edward's Church there will be a special Mass in which we will pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish. During the Mass it will be possible to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. All who are sick, elderly, facing surgery, or seeking the gift of God's healing are welcome to participate. The whole Parish will be invited to join in prayer for those who are sick and for their caregivers.

Upcoming Second Collections

Apostleship of the Sea - 9th/10th July

Seafarers lead hard and dangerous lives. On Sea Sunday your gifts and prayers will help seafarers and fishers get the support they need. You can also donate online at: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/apostleship-of-the-sea>

Come & See Club - 16th/17th July

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Upcoming Funerals

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anand Moodley and for his family. Anand's Funeral Mass takes place at **Holy Cross on Wed 6th July at 11.30am.**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Richard (Tony) Curtis and for his family. Richard's Funeral Mass takes place at **Holy Cross on Thursday 7th July at 1.30pm.**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Emilia Tuppein and for her family. Emilia's Funeral Mass takes place at **Holy Cross on Tuesday 12th July at 12 Noon.**

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia Garrett and for her family. Patricia's Funeral Mass takes place at **St Edward's on Tuesday 12th July at 2.30pm.**

Parish Office is closed on Monday 4th July.

MESSAGES CONTINUED



Parish BBQ

On **Sunday 10th July from 1pm-5pm** there will be a BBQ for all of the Parish in the field behind Fleming Park Leisure Centre, Eastleigh. There is a map showing the location of the BBQ on our website. Please use the car park of the Leisure Centre, we can also use their toilet facilities during the event.

We will provide standard BBQ food (burgers, sausages, bread, vegetarian option) however please bring your own drinks, plates, cutlery, chairs/picnic blankets and some salad/cakes to share.

Booking system in place on our website, please book your place/food by **Thursday 7th July**.

Price £5 per person, for children 10 years and under free. Payment by cash or card reader on the day. There will be some music, entertainment and activities for children during the afternoon.

As you know Andrew Lee our Seminarian will be ordained a Deacon on 2nd July in Rome and returns to us on 8th July. Andrew will be with us during the BBQ, we will therefore look to celebrate his Ordination during this event.

Meeting for all the Volunteers of the Parish

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**. We are so grateful for all you do for the Parish and hope to see all of you at the meeting.

Fr Raffaele

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:

Holy Cross - James (in the Sacristy);

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.

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

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

St Swithun Wells Parish Facebook Page - we now have a Facebook page for the Parish, please click the Facebook icon on the homepage of our website.

Holy Cross Missio (Red Boxes)

The spring newsletter is available. I will be in the Holy Cross Welcome Area before and after Mass on **Sunday 3rd July** to give out and collect any Red boxes that need emptying. You can always contact me on 07912 257455. *Denise Karnecki*

Volunteers Urgently Needed for Street Pastors

Patrols - we need more volunteers to show God's love on the streets of Eastleigh.

Provisional dates for our next training programme:

Friday 7th, Sat 8th & Sun 9th October 2022

Friday 21st, Sat 22nd & Sunday 23rd October 2022

Friday 4th, Sat 5th & Sunday 6th November 2022

Please note the training dates are Fri 7.30pm to 9.15pm and Sat/Sun 9.30am to 4.30pm. Find our newsletter at:

<https://streetpastors.org/locations/eastleigh/about-us/newsletters/>

Contact Eric Hyom at erichyom@sky.com or phone 07736967921 for an informal chat. Or email: eastleigh@streetpastors.org.uk

SCHOOL MESSAGES



St Swithun Wells Catholic Primary School
Hillcrest Ave, Chandlers Ford, SO53 2JP

Thank you to everyone who came and celebrated St Swithun Wells Catholic Primary Schools 50th Anniversary with us. The children really enjoyed listening to the stories that were told and everyone loved looking through the memorabilia and photographs which have been so kindly shared with us.

There will be a **Thanksgiving Mass at St Swithun Wells Primary School on 7th July at 2pm** for those who have made their First Holy Communion. All parishioners and families are welcome to join us.

School Office: 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 |
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| Sat 2nd July | 9.30am 5.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm | Holy Cross St Swithun Wells OLQA St Joseph St Edward | Regina Turl (Special Intention) People of the Parish |
| Sunday 3rd July <i>Fourteenth 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> Margaret Martindale RIP Dennis Bensiak (Special Intention - Ordination) Tony Porter RIP Anniversary |
| Mon 4th | 9.30am | Holy Cross | Fraternity of St Charles |
| Tues 5th July | 10.00am 6.00pm | St Andrew St Edward | Marian & Weronika Kostek RIP Mrs Mary McManus RIP FM |
| Wed 6th July | 9.30am 9.30am 10.00am 11.30am | Holy Cross OLQA St Edward <u>Holy Cross</u> | Chant & Clifton Families RIP FM Keith Small RIP <u>Funeral Mass: Anand Moodley RIP</u> |
| Thurs 7th July | 9.30am 12 Noon <u>1.30pm</u> <u>2.00pm</u> 6.00pm | Holy Cross OLQA <u>Holy Cross</u> <u>St Swithun Wells Primary School</u> St Joseph | <u>Funeral Mass: Richard Curtis RIP</u> <u>Thanksgiving Mass</u> Michelle Taylor - for her new church ministry |
| Fri 8th July | 9.30am 10.00am 10.00am | OLQA St Joseph St Edward | Peter Giffard RIP |
| Sat 9th July | 9.30am 5.00pm 6.00pm 6.00pm 6.30pm | Holy Cross St Swithun Wells OLQA St Joseph St Edward | Charles & Maria Cooper RIP FM Peter Giffard RIP People of the Parish |
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