



**Pastoral Area
Newsletter**
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Year (C) Weekdays: Cycle 2. Psalter Week 4
**THE TWELFTH SUNDAY
OF ORDINARY TIME**

Welcome to our Pastoral Area

Churches in the Pastoral Area

Bishops Waltham - Our Lady Queen of Apostles,
Martin Street.

Fair Oak - St Swithun Wells,
Allington Lane.

Eastleigh - Holy Cross, Leigh Road.

Chandlers Ford - St Edward the Confessor,
Winchester Road.

North Baddesley - St Andrew's, Fleming Avenue.

Romsey - St Joseph's, Abbey House Drive.

Taking Today's Gospel Home

+ *Children/Families*

*What kind of a follower is
Jesus inviting me to be ?*

+ *Young People/Adults*

*Jesus resisted the temptation
of political power.*

*In what ways am I called to
renounce myself,
take up my cross and follow
him?*



Who Do You Say I Am?

With the visit of Pope Benedict XVI to this country in September, the Catholic Church will be under close scrutiny. As Catholics we might find ourselves questioned as to what the Catholic Church actually believes and teaches. We could be challenged or even ridiculed for being Catholic. The media coverage may not be sympathetic to the Pope or his message and we could well be tempted to keep our heads down and say nothing until the visit has passed.

During the papal visit, Cardinal John Henry Newman will be beatified. Cardinal Newman reminds us that the search for truth is a deep need of the human spirit and that "to be earnest in seeking the truth is an indispensable requisite for finding it. (Oxford University Sermons, 1843.) He is a beacon for all "who are seeking an informed orientation and sure guidance amid the uncertainties of the modern world." (Pope Paul VI).

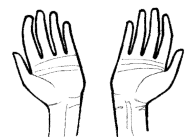
In understanding our role in the modern world, and who we are as Catholics, we must first know him whom we seek to serve and follow, Jesus Christ, "The Way, the Truth and the Life." (Jn. 14:6). The question addressed to the disciples in the gospel is addressed to us also, "But you," he said, "who do you say I am?" (Lk. 9:20). It is an important question because without knowing him we will not know who we are and what it is that we are being called to do in our daily lives.

Jesus put the question to the disciples because there were different strands of tradition relating to the Messiah. One tradition was that the Messiah would be an all-conquering, military leader who would lead his people to freedom from occupation. By predicting his own passion and death, Jesus was indicating the type of Messiah that he was. He would suffer and die, not as a military leader, but as the suffering servant of God.

Our way is the way of the cross, renouncing ourselves, taking up our cross and following Our Lord. Apart from the daily sufferings that we bear in our lives, the cross that we are invited to take up is the inevitable suffering that comes from being a follower of Christ.

PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

*Father, in your
plan for our
salvation you
provide
shepherds for
your people.
Fill your Church
with the Spirit of
courage and love.
Raise up worthy
ministers for your
altars and ardent
but gentle
servants of the
Gospel.
Grant this
through our Lord
Jesus Christ your
Son, who lives
and reigns with
you and the Holy
Spirit, one God,
for ever and ever.
AMEN.*



Father Michael.

❖ Liturgy and Sacraments

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Luke 9:51-62. 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21. Psalm 62. Galatians 5: 1.13-18.

Please read the Gospel during the week and listen as it is proclaimed on Sunday.

ORDINATION OF PAUL HOLLINGWORTH: On Sunday, 4 July, 2010, at 2.30pm, the ordination of Paul Hollingworth to the Permanent Diaconate will take place at St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth.

Please continue to pray for Paul and also for Phillip Harris and James McAuley, who are to be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday, 24 July, 2010.

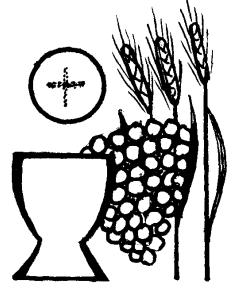
THANKSGIVING MASS FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: There will be Thanksgiving Masses for the First Holy Communion children on Sunday, 11 July, at 9am at St. Edward the Confessor Church and 11am at Holy Cross Church. Children can wear their First Holy Communion clothes.

A.P.F.—MILL HILL ANNUAL MISSION MASS 2010 - Offered for all our members by Fr. Frank Thompson MHM.

Monday, 12 July, at 7.30pm, at the Cathedral, Edinburgh Road, Portsmouth. **Friday, 16 July, at 7.30pm,** at Our Lady of Peace Church, Wokingham Road, Earley, Reading. **Wednesday, 21 July, at 7.30pm,** at Christ the King Church, Bitterne Road, Southampton.

Friday, 23 July, at 7.30pm, at St. Joseph and St. Walburga Church, Bournemouth Road, Poole. Each Mass will be followed by a film (20 minutes) entitled 'Parkari Kohli' - PAKISTAN. Everyone is welcome to come along. Tea and biscuits will be served after Mass.

YOUTH MASS: Special thanks to all who participated and attended the Youth Mass and to everyone who helped with transport, food and refreshments. Some feedback about the Mass - it was more fun, enjoyable, entertaining and so cool that it would be great to have one every month. *Mimi.*



❖ Confirmation in 3 Rivers Pastoral Area



This year's Confirmation Programme will begin on **Sunday, 4 July, 2010**, and will be held in the Resource Centre of Holy Cross Church, Leigh Road, Eastleigh, from 6pm—8pm. Parents are also asked to attend as this will include an introduction by Father Michael and Father George. There will be 3 sessions on Sunday, 4th, 11th and 18 July, 2010. The programme will then break for the summer and will re-commence weekly from Sunday, 5th September, until the Confirmation Service in October.

Notices of dates and information will appear in the weekly newsletter and communications via email.

If you require any further information please contact Lyn Preston direct on **023 8090 9329** or email on

confirmation3rivers2009@yahoo.co.uk This will avoid added burdens on the Parish Office with regard to the Confirmation Programme.

❖ Journey in Faith in our Pastoral Area

JOURNEY IN FAITH: These meetings are for anyone who wishes to know more about the Catholic Faith, anyone who wishes to return to the practice of their faith, or anyone who would like to find out about becoming a Catholic. The next meeting will be at St. Edward the Confessor Church, 191/193 Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, SO53 2DU, on Thursday, 24 June, 2010, from 7.30pm to 9pm.

Enquiries please to: Deacon Paul on 023 8065 8251 for *St. Swithun Wells, Holy Cross and St. Edward the Confessor Churches.*

Deacon John on 01794 515688, for *St. Joseph's & St. Andrew's Churches.*

Pat Taylor on 01489 895889, for *Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church.*

❖ Winchester Catholic History Group

A talk by the Winchester Catholic History Group on 'Michelangelo and the English Martyrs', will be held on Monday, 5 July, 2010, 7.45 for 8pm, at the Milner Hall, St. Peter Street, Winchester. Non-members £3. All welcome.

❖ Concert

CONCERT - 'Heal our Land UK' at 'The Big Top', Wyvern Technology College, Fair Oak, Eastleigh, SO50 7AN, on Sunday, 18 July, 2010, from 6pm-9pm. £5 entry for adults. U'18s FREE. Tickets available and more information from St. Thomas' Church Office on 023 8069 5786, or please see poster in the welcoming areas of all our churches.

❖ Finance

WE ACKNOWLEDGE WITH THANKS COLLECTIONS HELD IN OUR CHURCHES ON 13 JUNE, 2010.

St. Edward the Confessor: £1,127.74, (Loose plate: £236.78, Envelopes: £161.00, & Standing Orders: £729.96).

Holy Cross & St. Swithun Wells: £1,059.58, (Loose plate: £257.73, Envelopes: £117.85, & Standing Orders: £684.00).

200 CLUB: No. 59, A. Fenwick, £25. **St. Joseph's & St. Andrew's:** Gift Aid: £452. Non Gift Aid £273.

❖ Pastoral Area Newsletter

The Parish Office in Chandler's Ford is closed Mondays. Could items for inclusion in the Pastoral Area Newsletter please be sent by Tuesdays, direct to the Parish Office, on email 3rivers@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or 023 8027 3882.

❖ St. Joseph's and St. Andrew's Churches

The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council will be held on Thursday, 24 June, at 7pm, in the meeting room at St. Andrew's Church.

Journey in Faith - R.C.I.A.: Please pray for our candidates who are preparing to be received into the Catholic Church: Jacus Aucamp, Raymond Forbes and Neil Josey.

Southampton Catenians have arranged a coastal cruise on 21 September and have a few vacancies available for parishioners. The cruise is arranged with Blue Funnel Cruises and the cost is £23.00 per person to include a three course roast lunch aboard whilst the boat cruises along the Solent, Test, Itchen and Hamble. Should you be interested please phone 023 8078 8218 for further details.

❖ Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church

We offer our prayers and every blessing to Grace Moritz who will be making her First Holy Communion during Mass on Sunday, 20 June, at Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church.

❖ St. Swithun Wells Church

ST. SWITHUN WELLS FELLOWSHIP: The group meets regularly at St. Swithun Wells Church, Allington Lane, Fair Oak, on Wednesdays, during term time from 7.45pm to 9pm. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, 23 June, and will be the third in our series of meditations on "Women of Faith", entitled "Mary, sister of Martha: Voice of the Heart". Enquiries please to Peter Baggott on 023 8069 4060, Bob Birtles on 023 8069 2416, or Steve Holmes on 023 8069 3669.

❖ Holy Cross Church

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE(S) NEEDED: We are looking for volunteers in the Parish who would be willing to be a Safeguarding Representative or even form a team in this area (previously known as Child Protection Rep). The role of a Parish Safeguarding Representative is vital in order to ensure that the Parish complies with the National Policies and Procedures which have been agreed in the area of the Protection of Children and Vulnerable Adults. The Representative is the link between the Parish and the Diocese and is in regular contact with the Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator and Administrator. The Representative is involved in the recruitment of volunteers to ministries in the Parish and has the responsibility for facilitating the CRB Disclosure Procedure at Parish level and ensuring that everybody who is required to go through the procedure does so. This role is subject to a satisfactory Enhanced CRB Disclosure. Previous knowledge of this subject is not essential as training and support will be provided by the Diocesan Safeguarding Team.

MONDAY OVER 60'S CLUB: The next meeting in the Resource Centre behind Holy Cross Church, Eastleigh, will be held on 21 June, from 2pm-4pm. This will be a chance to see a DVD of Father Michael and Father George's Ordination Mass when they were ordained to the priesthood in 1990. Do please come along. Refreshments available. Enquiries please to: 023 8069 2682, 023 8090 4390 and 023 8052 8511.

KID'S CLUB: Held fortnightly on a Saturday in the Resource Centre behind Holy Cross Church, Leigh Road, Eastleigh, at 2.30pm, for children 5-12 years, (children under 5 can come if accompanied by a parent). The next meeting is Saturday, 26 June, 2010. Enquiries please to Mimi on 023 8052 8511, or Jamsy Joji on 023 8062 9191.

WISHING WELL: The Phil Talbot Golf Tournament - This will be held on Friday, 9 July, at East Horton Golf Course, in aid of the Wishing Well Appeal. Please contact Ron Clarke on 023 8067 7245, or Brian Forrest on 023 8025 5051. If you can't come, please consider donating a prize for the raffle.



❖ St. Edward the Confessor Church

SUMMER TEA: This will be held in the cloisters of St. Edward the Confessor Church on Wednesday, 23 June, at 2.30pm. £3.50 per adult. Children are free. The proceeds will be going to the charity 'Honeypot' and the regional fundraiser will kindly give a brief talk on this charity during the afternoon. **Aim:** The Honeypot Charity is dedicated to improving the lives of severely disadvantaged young children in Britain. **Our Goal:** To raise £500 which will provide a first time respite break for one child.

❖ School Matters

St. Anne's Catholic School, Carlton Road, Southampton, SO15 2WZ. Tel: 023 8032 8200.

There will be an Open Evening on Tuesday, 22 June, from 6.30pm-8.30pm at the school. The Governors of St. Anne's invite parents of girls in Year 5 to an Information Evening for Year 7. Admission in September, 2011.

St. Swithun Wells Catholic Primary School, Hillcrest Avenue, Chandler's Ford, SO53 2JP. Tel: 023 8026 6210.

Parents whose children are due to start school in September, 2011, are invited to an Open Morning at St. Swithun Wells Catholic Primary School, on Wednesday, 23 June, from 9.30am-11.30am. Parents will be able to tour the school and speak to the head teacher and governors.

To mark the retirement of Mrs. Moriarty and Mrs. Scott, St. Swithun Wells Catholic Primary School would like to invite all past and present colleagues, pupils and their families to St. Edward the Confessor Church, on Friday, 9 July, at 6pm, to celebrate Mass and join with us in thanksgiving for the service they have provided to the school and Catholic education. Please contact the school on 023 8026 6210, if you would like to attend.

Saturday	19	10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> (<i>The First Mass of Sunday</i>)	5.00pm (SW) Margaret Stephenson RIP 6.00pm (SJ) Donor's intentions 6.00pm (OLQoA) MASS 6.30pm (SE) The People of 3 Rivers Pastoral Area
Sunday	20	THE TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	
			9.00am (SE) Thomas Robinson RIP 9.00am (HC) Polska Msza Święta 9.15am (SA) Donor's intentions 9.30am (OLQoA) MASS 11.00am (SA) MASS 11.00am (HC) Joe McCarthy and family
		<i>Youth led Mass</i>	
Monday	21		9.15am (SE) Helen Christian FM 10.00am (OLQoA) MASS 10.00am (SW) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <i>followed by the Rosary</i>
		<i>St. Aloysius Gonzaga</i>	
Tuesday	22		9.00am (OLQoA) MASS 10.00am (SE) Funeral Mass for Julia Jackson RIP 10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> 10.00am (SA) MASS 6.00pm (SJ) MASS 7.00pm (HC) <i>Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament</i>
		<i>Ss. John Fisher & Thomas More</i>	
			7.30pm <i>Holy Rosary in the Oratory of Marie Louise House, Newton Lane, Romsey</i>
Wednesday	23		9.15am (SE) Cecilia Mary Jones RIP 10.00am (HC) Sick child and special intention 10.00am (OLQoA) MASS 7.30pm (SE) <i>Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament</i>
Thursday	24		10.00am (HC) Funeral Mass for Josephine Chapman RIP 10.00am (OLQoA) MASS 12 noon (SE) Funeral Mass for Giuseppe Cavuoto RIP 6.00pm (SJ) Donor's intentions
		<i>The Nativity of St. John the Baptist</i>	
Friday	25		10.00am (HC) Thomas and Flora Kelly RIP 10.00am (OLQoA) MASS 10.00am (SA) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <i>with Morning Prayer</i> 12.30pm (SE) Funeral Mass for Chris McFarlane RIP
Saturday	26		10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> (<i>The First Mass of Sunday</i>)
			5.00pm (SW) Martin Russell 6.00pm (SJ) Gerald Howie (anniversary) 6.00pm (OLQoA) MASS 6.30pm (SE) The People of 3 Rivers Pastoral Area
Sunday	27	THE THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	
			9.00am (SE) Catherine Hinds RIP 9.00am (HC) Polska Msza Święta 9.15am (SA) MASS 9.30am (OLQoA) MASS 11.00am (SA) MASS 11.00am (HC) Peter Casey RIP

HC: Holy Cross, SW: St. Swithun Wells.

OLQoA: Our Lady Queen of Apostles,

SA: St Andrew's, SJ: St. Joseph's, SE: St Edward's.

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