



**Pastoral Area  
Newsletter**  
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Year (C) Weekdays: Cycle 2. Psalter Week 1  
**THE THIRTEENTH 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.

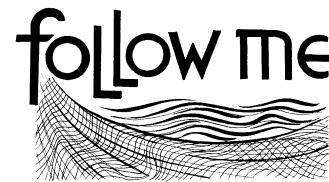
**Chandlers Ford** - St Edward the Confessor,  
Winchester Road.

**North Baddesley** - St Andrew's, Fleming Avenue.

**Romsey** - St Joseph's, Abbey House Drive.

### Taking Today's Gospel Home + Children/Families

*Dear God,  
I think about you sometimes, even when  
I am not praying. Elliot, aged 5.*



**+ Young People/Adults**  
*Advice from friends is like the weather.  
Some of it is good, some of it is bad.*

### Portsmouth Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 20 to 27 August, 2010.

I love and hate Lourdes equally. It is a place where the sacred and the secular meet. Outside the Domain/Grotto area you can find all sorts of stalls and shops selling their battery operated 'winking Jesus' beside a most moving picture of the Sacred Heart. Because of this many people are shocked when they first visit Lourdes. However, after a few days it seduces you. You can almost be hauntingly, indeed romantically, in love with the place. Once inside the Grotto area you will know that you are on holy ground. It is sacred. Very sacred. Be careful what you pray for when you are there. Miracles do happen, maybe not the way you want them to, rather the way you need them to.

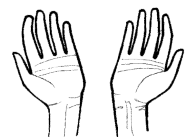
To see the sick, frail, dying and healthy in procession putting out their hands to touch the wall of the Grotto where our Blessed Lady appeared to St. Bernadette is a humbling experience. You cannot but be moved at the wonder and beauty of God. In Lourdes you stand on the threshold of great and immense possibility. Father Michael and I will be leading a group of 32 plus, to join in part with the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes.

If you would like us to take your prayers, petitions and Mass intentions to Lourdes, please use the envelope provided and place it in the Lourdes Pilgrimage Box available in the Welcoming Area, by the 15 August, 2010. There are still places available on the Diocesan Pilgrimage. The phone number to contact is 0800 917 3572.

Our Lady of Lourdes, pray for us. St. Bernadette, pray for us.

### 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 George.**

## ❖ Liturgy and Sacraments

### THE FEAST OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL - TUESDAY, 29 JUNE, 2010.

This Feast Day is an Holy Day of Obligation.

Times of Masses in the churches of our Pastoral Area are listed on the back of the newsletter.

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Luke 10:1-12.17-20. Isaiah 66:10-14. Psalm 65. Galatians 6:14-18.**

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

### PAUL HOLLINGWORTH'S ORDINATION—SUNDAY, 4 JULY, 2010.

#### COACH PICK UP ARRANGEMENTS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

12.00 Romsey (in the Market Square outside Lloyd's Bank)

12.30 Chandler's Ford (St. Edward the Confessor Church)

13.15 Eastleigh (Holy Cross Church)

13.45 Bishop's Waltham (Junction of Victoria Road and Martin Street). The coach will leave promptly at these times.

There are a few places left on the coach. If anyone else wants to go they should ring Paul Owen (023 8065 8251) urgently.

**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.



## ❖ 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: 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. Please note that the list is closed for this year's 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, 1 July, 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*..

## ❖ Ecumenical

**ECUMENICAL PRAYER BREAKFAST:** This will be held on Saturday, 3 July, at 8.30am, at the United Reformed Church, King's Road, Chandler's Ford. All are very welcome.

**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.

**GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS:** St. Martin in the Wood, Queens Road, Chandler's Ford. SO53 5AL. Tel: 023 8026 5977.  
*Grand Flower Festival* - 7pm Friday, 16 July—7pm Monday, 19 July. *An Evening of Music and Poetry* - 7.30pm Saturday 17 July.  
*Devotion and Worship* - 11am & 5.30pm Sunday, 18 July. *Hog Roast & Pudding* - 1pm, Sunday 18 July.

## ❖ Finance

### WE ACKNOWLEDGE WITH THANKS COLLECTIONS HELD IN OUR CHURCHES ON 20 JUNE, 2010.

**St. Edward the Confessor:** £1,243.35, (Loose plate: £357.39, Envelopes: £156.00, & Standing Orders: £729.96).

**Holy Cross & St. Swithun Wells:** £1,066.49, (Loose plate: £226.99, Envelopes: £155.50, & Standing Orders: £684.00).

**200 CLUB:** No. 53, Ruby Groucott, £25. **St. Joseph's & St. Andrew's:** Gift Aid £414. Non Gift Aid £241.

This weekend there is a special collection for Peter's Pence.

## ❖ 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](mailto:3rivers@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or 023 8027 3882.

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

**THE FEAST OF SS. PETER AND PAUL:** On Tuesday, 29 June, please note that there will not be a Rosary at Marie Louise House as there is a Mass at St. Joseph's Church at 7pm.

**THE CHAPLAIN FROM ST. DOMINIC'S PRIORY** will celebrate Mass on Thursday, 1 July, 2010, at 11am at St. Joseph's Church, Romsey, for the Sisters of the Priory. They kindly invite parishioners to join them. That day, the Mass usually celebrated at 6pm at St. Joseph's Church, will not take place

**S.V.P. (ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY):** There are no further meetings until they resume after the summer break on the 7 September. Details of this meeting will be advised nearer the time. .

## ❖ Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church

**CHURCH FLOWERS:** Thanks to our team of flower arrangers and to those who give donations for the flowers. If you would like to provide flowers for any special anniversary or special occasion please contact Jo Hinds. There is a box in the Welcoming Area for anyone who would like to contribute to the cost of the flowers we enjoy at Mass.

**SUMMER GARDEN PARTY:** Sunday 4 July, at Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham, from 3pm to 5.30pm, in aid of the Medical Clinic in Ethiopia. Tickets £5 to include afternoon tea. Please contact 01329 833043 for tickets/information.

## ❖ 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, 30 June, and will be the fourth in our series of meditations on 'Women of Faith', entitled 'The Woman who touched Jesus' Cloak—Voice of the Sick'. The last meeting before the summer break on the 7 July, will be an End of Year Liturgy, followed by cheese and wine. 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 19 July, from 2pm-4pm. Meetings will then resume after the summer break in September. Please note that there is no meeting on Monday, 5 July. Enquiries please to: 023 8069 2682, 023 8090 4390 and 023 8052 8511.

**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

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** We welcome into the family of the Church, William Joseph James Cooper, who will be baptised at St. Edward the Confessor Church on Sunday, 27 June, 2010.

**CAFOD** - There will be a Coffee Morning and Cake Sale on Wednesday, 30 June, from 10am-12 noon, in the Cloister at St. Edward's Church in aid of our Project in El Salvador. Your support and any donations of cakes will be much appreciated.

**THE PASTORAL CARE GROUP** for St. Edward's Church will meet on Wednesday, 30 June, at 7.30pm in the Cloister.

**CAFOD - EL SALVADOR PROJECT** - Naming the England World Cup Bear: A very big thank you to everyone who took part in the naming of the England World Cup bear. A total of £108 was raised towards CAFOD'S project in El Salvador. The lucky winner of the bear, whose name has been revealed as Toby, is Natalie Peach. Many congratulations to Natalie.

## ❖ School Matters

**St. George V.A. Catholic College, Leaside Way, Southampton, SO16 3DQ. Tel: 023 8032 2603.**

**Summer Arts Evening, Tuesday, 29 June, from 7pm.** Tickets £3 adult, £1.50 concessions, (children, students, OAP's). Drama, Poetry, Musical performances and an exhibition of artworks. Refreshments available.

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

Mass will be celebrated at the school on Tuesday, 29 June, at 2.30pm, the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul. Parishioners are very welcome to join the school community.

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>26</b>	10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> ( <i>The First Mass of Sunday</i> ) <b>5.00pm (SW) Martin Russell</b> <b>6.00pm (SJ) Gerald Howie (anniversary)</b> <b>6.00pm (OLQoA) MASS</b> <b>6.30pm (SE) The People of 3 Rivers Pastoral Area</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>9.00am (SE) Catherine Hinds RIP</b> <b>9.00am (HC) Polska Msza Święta</b> <b>9.15am (SA) Felicity Blishen (birthday)</b> <b>9.30am (OLQoA) MASS</b> <b>11.00am (SA) Anne Kelly (undergoing treatment)</b> <b>11.00am (HC) Peter Casey RIP</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>28</b>	9.15am (SE) Kevin Kearney and Genevieve Kearney RIP <b>St. Irenaeus</b> 10.00am (SW) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <i>followed by the Rosary</i> 8.00pm (OLQoA) VIGIL MASS
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>29</b>	10.00am (OLQoA) MASS <b>Ss. Peter and Paul</b> 10.00am (HC) Joe McCarthy and Family <b>Holy Day of Obligation</b> 10.00am (SA) MASS 2.30pm MASS will be celebrated at St. Swithun Wells School ( <i>Parishioners are welcome to join the school community.</i> ) 7.00pm (SJ) MASS 7.00pm (HC) <i>Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament</i> 7.30pm (SE) Special birthday intention for Lilian de Melo
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>30</b>	9.15am (SE) Bruce and Kathleen Cowling RIP 10.00am (HC) Sick child 10.00am (OLQoA) MASS 7.30pm (SE) <i>Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>1</b>	9.15am (SE) John Milles FM 10.00am (HC) Mary Webber RIP 10.00am (OLQoA) MASS 11.00am (SJ) MASS
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2</b>	9.15am (SE) Special intention of the de Melo Family 10.00am (HC) Diana Williams 10.00am (OLQoA) MASS 10.00am (SA) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <i>with Morning Prayer</i> 11.30am (SJ) MASS <i>5pm (HC) Rosary followed by Mass at 5.30pm in the Malayalam (Syro-Malabar Rite)</i>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3</b>	10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <b>St. Thomas</b> ( <i>The First Mass of Sunday</i> ) <b>5.00pm (SW) Cathy Gifford RIP</b> <b>6.00pm (SJ) MASS</b> <b>6.00pm (OLQoA) MASS</b> <b>6.30pm (SE) The People of 3 Rivers Pastoral Area</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>9.00am (SE) Monica and Ludmila Cerowski RIP</b> <b>9.00am (HC) Polska Msza Święta</b> <b>9.15am (SA) MASS</b> <b>9.30am (OLQoA) MASS</b> <b>11.00am (SA) MASS</b> <b>11.00am (HC) Sick child</b>

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

OLQoA: Our Lady Queen of Apostles,

*The Holy Rosary will be prayed on the first Saturday of every month, at 3pm, at the home of the Blishen Family, 20 Brownhill Road, North Baddesley, SO52 9EZ. All are welcome.*

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