



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

*When you pray, do you believe that God  
wants to give you all that you ask for?*



### + Young People/Adults

*Do you believe that prayer changes us,  
not God?*

## PRAYER IS FOR EVERYONE

In today's readings we hear of how the persistence in asking and praying will win through. Prayer is a very powerful tool to be used in our lives. It will aid us if we speak with God through prayer on a regular basis and not just when we have a "need."

This has been so in my own formation to becoming a deacon. There have been many times over the past four years of formation that I have asked for guidance or raised questions or doubted my own judgment. But although I did not always receive an answer straight away I persevered because I had put my trust in God. Then through this persistence answers would come and confidence came to not only being able to listen but to take the next step.

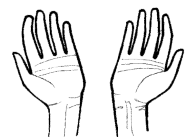
As a community in Christ's Church we should all pray together, and as individuals, so that we can all grow and form Christ's body. In this way becoming more able to "take the next step."

**Deacon Paul Hollingworth.**

It is with great joy that we announce that two men, Fr. Phillip Harris and Fr. James McAuley, have been ordained to the priesthood this weekend for the Diocese of Portsmouth. Thank you to all who have contributed to their priestly formation through the Clergy Training Fund. It is our fervent prayer that LIVING OUR FAITH funds will train many more priests for our Diocese in years to come.

## 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.*



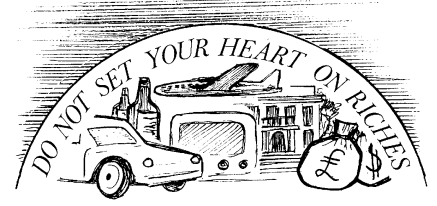
## ❖ Liturgy and Sacraments

**DAY FOR LIFE - Sunday, 25 July, 2010:** 'Lord, for your faithful people, life is changed, not ended' provides the theme for this year's Day for Life—the day dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition.

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23. Colossians 3:1-5. 9-1. Luke 12:13-21.**

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

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** A Baptism Preparation Course will be held on Sunday 19 September, from 4.30pm to 6pm, in the Resource Centre of Holy Cross Church, Leigh Road, Eastleigh, for parents seeking the Sacrament of Baptism for their children. Application forms are available from the Parish Office in Chandler's Ford on 023 8027 3882 and Romsey Parish Office on 01794 513646 and Pat Taylor on 01489 895889.



## ❖ Future Events and Days

**BROCKENHURST WORKSHOP ON 'WAYS OF PRAYING'** 11 September, 2010, from 10am—3.30pm, at Methodist Hall, Avenue Road, Brockenhurst, on *Hildegard of Bingen*, presented by Mary Dunn, a Clinical Psychologist and Spiritual Director. To book phone 01590 622301, and bring a packed lunch. See also poster and further details in the welcoming area of our churches.

**WISDOM CENTRE, Wisdom House, Romsey, SO51 8EL, email [reception@wisdomhouseromsey.org.uk](mailto:reception@wisdomhouseromsey.org.uk) Tel: 01794 830206.**

'A Day with John', led by Deacon Bob Birtles, on Saturday, 25 September, 2010, from 10am-4pm. Suggested offering £15 to include refreshments throughout the day and simple lunch. Please also see poster in the welcoming area of our churches. To book please contact Wisdom House. Personal copies of future events can also be sent to you by contacting Wisdom House direct.

## ❖ Knights of St. Columba

**IN AID OF** Knights of St. Columba Charities **IRIS PRICE** presents an **INTERNATIONAL SOUTHERN MINSTREL SHOW** on Friday, 13 August, at 7.30pm, at The Point, Eastleigh. Tickets £8 (£6 concessions). Tickets will be available after all weekend Masses in our Pastoral Area or from Knights of St. Columba members; Jim Sweeny on 023 8027 4708, Sonny Long on 023 8069 4190 and Roger Wood on 023 8025 3993.

## ❖ Petitions/Mass Offerings for Lourdes

If you have a petition you would like taken to the altar at Lourdes or a Mass offering, please write your request on a piece of paper and put it in one of the special Lourdes envelopes available in our churches and place it in the Lourdes Box provided, by the 15 August. All petitions will be taken to Lourdes at the end of August.



## ❖ Poitiers Project and Two Saints

The above charities wish to thank those who have responded so generously in the past. Poitiers are moving to new premises and would be grateful for **food only** (plus electric cookers, fridges and good quality furniture). We also collect **soup** and good clean men's clothing for Two Saints Nightshelter. Please place all items in the boxes provided in our churches. Enquiries please to 023 8027 3882.

## ❖ Finance

**WE ACKNOWLEDGE WITH THANKS COLLECTIONS HELD IN OUR CHURCHES ON 18 JULY, 2010.**

**St. Edward the Confessor:** £1,165.68, (Loose plate: £212.76, Envelopes: £173.00, & Standing Orders: £779.92).

**Holy Cross & St. Swithun Wells:** £1,165.27, (Loose plate: £320.97, Envelopes: £160.30, & Standing Orders: £684.00).

**200 CLUB: No. 179, Mrs. M. Lloyd, £25. St. Joseph's & St. Andrew's:** Gift Aid £328. Non Gift Aid £233.

## ❖ Special Anniversary Thanks

Father George and Father Michael would like to thank you for your prayers, cards, good wishes and your generosity to us on the occasion of our 20th anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.

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

**CHANGE OF TIMES FOR THE PARISH OFFICE IN ROMSEY:** On Thursday, 5 August, the Parish Office will be open from 8am to 12 noon, instead of the usual hours.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE:** Please will all those going to Lourdes with Father George's group at the end of August ensure that you have your passport, travel insurance and, where relevant, a letter from your doctor, ready for the early part of the month when there will be a meeting arranged for the group.

**FED UP WITH COOKING FOR YOURSELF?** Come to the Malthouse (on the Stockbridge Road) for lunch, 12 noon, Monday, 16 August. Menus are on St. Joseph's and St. Andrew's Church notice boards. Carvery meals £5 each, plus selection of other dishes at various prices. Please let Rosemary on 01794 513646 know your choice of meal by Thursday, 5 August.

**WALK THE WORLD:** A sponsored walk, on 28 August, 8 miles around the Stubbington, Hill Head, Lee on Solent Area. Young People going to the World Youth Day in Madrid are taking part to raise money for their trip, or it can be walked in aid of CAFOD. Details are on the notice boards in all our churches. Anyone interested, please contact Rosemary in the Romsey Parish Office on 01794 513646, or David Hill, Advisor for Youth Ministry, on 01329 835583. Please register by 16 August.

**ROMSEY SHOW:** Volunteers from all the Romsey churches are required to 'man' the Church Tent at the Show. If you think that you might be able to help, please contact the Parish Office for further details on 01794 513646.

## ❖ Our Lady Queen of Apostles Church

### **TALENT NEEDED:**

We would love it if the following would step forward and help make us the VIBRANT Community we want to be:

**Hosting** the Tea and Coffee Bar after Mass. Individuals or couples.

**Media-savvy photographer** to upload pictures and text onto the website. If you would like to know more please email giles.brady@cepec.co.uk or text 07816 569293

## ❖ St. Swithun Wells Church

**ST. SWITHUN WELLS FELLOWSHIP GROUP** - meetings will resume in September.

## ❖ Holy Cross Church

**THE SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM:** We welcome into the family of the Church Olivia Rose Atterbury, who will be baptised on Sunday, 25 July, at Holy Cross Church.

**UNICEF:** We (Matt, Luke and Peter Davison) are riding over 300 miles over 4 days, between Brussels and Frankfurt in July for **unicef**, and would be honoured if you were to donate whatever you can afford, to help **unicef** in their much needed international work for children.

You can donate on-line [www.bmycharity.com/davisonsbikeride](http://www.bmycharity.com/davisonsbikeride) or in person at the remaining Saturday pm/Sunday Masses and in the welcoming area at Holy Cross, with my sign-up sheets. If you can't afford a donation, we'd appreciate your prayers to speed us on our way.

*Regards, Pete, Matt and Luke.*



## ❖ St. Edward the Confessor Church

**'GOOD COMPANIONS'** - The next luncheon will be on on Tuesday, 3 August, at 'Keats' Restaurant, Ampfield, at 12.30pm. Please let Pauline Wilson know by Thursday, 29 July, on 023 8026 6617, if you would like to attend.

**CAFOD SUMMER BARBECUE** - Saturday, 14 August, 2010, at 12.30pm, at St. Edward the Confessor Church, Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford. Tickets £8 (includes the first drink) will be on sale after the 6.30pm and 9am Masses this weekend and 31 July/1 August and 7/8 August (if any left) or from Cecily Exworthy on 023 8026 9591.

## ❖ 3 Rivers Pastoral Area Newsletter

Items for inclusion in the Pastoral Area Newsletters for **8th August** are required please by Tuesday, 3 August, and sent direct to the Parish Office, on 023 8027 3882, or email [3rivers@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:3rivers@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

<b>Saturday 24</b>	10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> ( <i>The First Mass of Sunday</i> ) <b>5.00pm (SW) Leonard Haskett FM</b> <b>6.00pm (SJ) Herbert Howie (anniversary)</b> <b>6.00pm (OLQoA) MASS</b> <b>6.30pm (SE) Pawla and Emmanuel Polidano RIP</b>
<b>Sunday 25</b>	<b>SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>9.00am (SE) The People of 3 Rivers Pastoral Area</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) Edward Fenwick FM</b>
<b>Monday 26</b>	9.00am (OLQoA) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <b>Ss. Joachim and Anne</b> 9.15am (SE) William Gove's special birthday intentions 10.00am (SW) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <i>followed by the Rosary-</i>
<b>Tuesday 27</b>	9.00am (OLQoA) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> 9.15am (SE) Virginia Keane RIP 10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> 10.00am (SA) Donor's intentions 6.00pm (SJ) MASS 7.00pm (HC) <i>Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament</i> <i>7.30pm Holy Rosary in the Oratory of Marie Louise House, Newton Lane, Romsey</i>
<b>Wednesday 28</b>	9.15am (SE) Birthday blessings for Roger Wood 10.00am (HC) Jim Campbell RIP 7.30pm (SE) <i>Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament</i>
<b>Thursday 29</b>	9.15am (SE) Bryan Dolbear RIP <b>St. Martha</b> 10.00am (HC) Sick Child 6.00pm (SA) Donor's intentions
<b>Friday 30</b>	9.00am (OLQoA) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> 9.15am (SE) Bryan Dolbear RIP 10.00am (HC) Janet Burton FM 10.00am (SA) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <i>with Morning Prayer</i>
<b>Saturday 31</b>	10.00am (HC) <i>Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion</i> <b>St. Ignatius of Loyola</b> ( <i>The First Mass of Sunday</i> ) <b>5.00pm (SW) Sick Child</b> <b>6.00pm (SJ) Jeanette Wallace RIP</b> <b>6.00pm (OLQoA) MASS</b> <b>6.30pm (SE) Jim Hammond RIP</b>
<b>Sunday 1</b>	<b>EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME</b> <b>9.00am (SE) The People of 3 Rivers Pastoral Area</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) Donor's intentions</b> <b>11.00am (HC) Mary Webber RIP</b>

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.

*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.*

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Registered Charity No. 246871

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