

Our Mission: LOVE GOD - LOVE OTHERS - MAKE DISCIPLES



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Sunday Cycle: Year B
Weekday Cycle: Year 2
Psalter Week: 2

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

This weekend we celebrate a truly joyful occasion. Last weekend was the Feast of the Body and Blood of Jesus – *Corpus Christi*. The readings guided our reflection on the amazing gift we receive in the Eucharist as we are invited to ‘take and eat; take and drink.’ And now we welcome these forty-one children to the table of the Lord at the churches across our parish:

Holy Cross

Robyn Appleton
Finlay Armstrong
Julianna Bialkowska
Ann Mary Bijoy
Arianne Charlemagne
Jakub Chrusciel
Aoife Delannoy
Jessica Glab
Julia Growcott
Leon Kibuuka
Christopher Macaskill
Aislinn Mann
Emilia Molka
Martin Njuguna
Angelina Siby
Zoe Sunley

St Edward's

Hector Garcia Escobar Aburto
Elisha Amungwa
Olivia Atterbury
Matthew Bond
Archie Brine
Ruby Brown
Olivia Ethridge
Dominik Evershed
Iga Gostkiewicz
Sophie Harris
Ruby Hillier
Camille Marcade
Marcin Kornijczuk
Lucas Omondi
Oscar Prachar
Ryan Michael

Reuben Roberts
Niamh Rowe
Tommaso Squicciarini
Kate White

St Andrew's and St Joseph's

Agatha Blishen
Clara Fuller
Kacey Jacobs
Dian Sebi
Thomas Walden

My reason for listing these young people is not simply so that they can see their names in print! The point is that they are not just ‘the first Communion group’ – they are unique individuals, called by name. There is a link with baptism when they were named which is emphasised in the promises made and stated today that we believe in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. These children answer the questions with the rest of us, holding the candle which was handed to their parents at baptism.

Continuing with the baptism theme, at the very start of the ceremony seven or eight years ago, each set of parents was asked: ‘will you do your best to hand on your faith to you child?’ And they answered: ‘we will.’ The Godparents too were asked a question: ‘will you support these parents in their duty as a Christian mother and father?’ and they too answered: ‘we will.’ Some have taken that commitment very seriously. Some have found it difficult, perhaps because it has all fallen on the shoulders on one parent rather than both. Every family is different and every set of parents has to work out how best to fulfil the commitment they made before God when choosing to have their son or daughter baptised into the community of the Church. Priests, parishes and schools are here to help but can never – and should never – try to take over the role which belongs primarily to the parents who are ‘the first and best of teachers’ of their child.

So this weekend is a joy-filled time. It is also a solemn moment when parents, families and every parishioner can reflect on the next steps for these young people. How can their faith continue to grow, deepen and be fed? It doesn't happen by magic.

Father John

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Entrance Antiphon: The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; whom should I dread? When those who do evil draw near, they stumble and fall.

Psalm Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

**Readings for next Sunday 17th June 2018
Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Gospel: Mark 4:26-34

1st reading: Ezekial 17:22-24

Psalm: 91

2nd reading: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

Candlelight Prayer - hosted by the Fellowship Group - Wednesday 13th June ,7.30pm

At St Swithun Wells Church, Fair Oak. An evening of prayer, readings, hymns and reflection. Refreshments available. Queries to Deacon Bob and Marion Birtles.

Journey in Faith - St Edward's

Is for anyone enquiring about the Catholic faith and for people intending to become a Catholic. The sessions run every Wednesday from 7.30pm to 9pm. For further information please contact: Deacon Paul Owen (tel: 02380 254806) E: powen@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

**Growing in Faith Together (GIFT) Group
Tuesdays, 10.15-11.30am**

Holy Cross Resource Centre. All are very welcome! Any queries please contact Paul on 02380 616618. (pwilson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

Prayer Link - Please contact me if you have any requests, queries or comments. **Marion** (02380 692416) marionbirtles@gmail.com

Preparation for Baptism

If you wish to have your child baptised, please contact the Parish Office for an application form, and return the completed form to the Office. Then we look forward to welcoming parents for an essential Preparation Session on **Sunday 10th June 2018** at Holy Cross Resource Centre. The meeting begins at 4.30pm and ends at 6.00pm. It would be very helpful if you could arrive a little early, refreshments available from 4.15pm. You are very welcome to attend the preparation while you are preparing for your baby's birth. (Please note the next session of preparation, after the June date is likely to be in September).

Street Pastors - Volunteers Required

Street Pastors engage with people on the streets to care, listen and to help them. They work together with other partners in the night-time economy to make our communities kinder and safer. *Could you spare 4-5 hours once a month on a Friday night to serve in our community?* Next set of provisional training dates are: 14/15/16 Sept 2018; 28/29/30 Sept & 12/13/14 Oct. Volunteers needed in Chandlers Ford, Eastleigh and Fair Oak. Enquiries to Eric Hyom, t: 02380643457 or e: erichyom@hotmail.com.

Second Collection

Please note there will be a second collection next weekend for Day for Life.

New to the Parish?

A very warm welcome to our Parish; we are delighted that you have joined us. Please feel free to make yourself known to one of the Welcomers or Priest at each Mass and join us for a cup of coffee after Mass.

Please complete one of the new to the parish registration forms available in the church foyers, giving us your contact details and leave the form with one of the Priests or Welcomers. All families are welcome at **ALL** Masses; however we have specific Children's Liturgies on Sundays. Please ask one of the Welcomers for details of the times at your Church.

CAFOD Mass of Thanksgiving for Volunteers & Supporters - Sat 16th June, 2pm

Each June as part of volunteers' week we hold a mass to thank all our volunteers and supporters for their commitment to CAFOD. This year the Mass for the South East region will be in the Portsmouth Diocese at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Farnborough, GU14 6JS, followed by tea/coffee and cakes. There will also be a short talk about our work in Latin America. Everyone is welcome but please let me know if you are able to come for planning purposes by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or calling Jo Lewry on 01252 329385.

ADORE (Alton Day Of REnewal)

Saturday 23rd June 11am-4pm

At Alton School, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG. Talk "**Good News to the Poor**" – Rev'd Andrew Micklefield. There will be a shared lunch so please bring finger food to share. For more info and directions, see poster or website: www.altonrenewal.com; Alastair Emblem t:01252 714809.

Reflections on the Sacred Heart of Jesus – from the French School of Spirituality

Sunday 24th June, 10am-4pm

A day of reflection will take place at Saint Joseph's Centre, 8 Lyndhurst Road, Ashurst, Southampton, SO40 7DU. The day will include Holy Mass for that Sunday and a simple lunch. We would very much appreciate a donation of £22.50 to support our missionary activity.

If you would like to book a place please contact Father Des on fatherdes@icloud.com or leave a message on 02380 292337.

**Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius of Loyola Retreat
Sunday 22nd July to Friday 27th July 2018**

A five-day retreat for men led by the Benedictine Monks of St Joseph Abbey, Flavigny at Carmelite Retreat Centre, Boars Hill, Oxfordshire. Please speak, call or email Deacon Paul Owen if you are interested in going. Tel: 02380 254806; E: powen@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Our young people need your help!

We are launching new Inspire and TOZ youth groups in September and also want to do more one off projects following the success of the lent soup kitchen.

We need people with a wide range of skills to be leaders and helpers, provide administration support, be guest speakers and to organise and help run community outreach projects.

There will be an information evening on **Sunday 17th June 7-8.30pm at Holy Cross resource centre.**

Come along and find out what the future plans for our young people this year will be and ask us questions about what we do and how you could get involved while enjoying a glass of wine and some nibbles too.

Or if you are not able to make it but want to find out more please contact Cath Szymanski cathszymanski@gmail.com or Marianne Wanstall mwanstall@btinternet.com

Youth Groups at Holy Cross Resource Centre

Both groups run from 7.00pm to 8.30pm:

Inspire (School yrs 7, 8 and 9) - Wednesdays once a month; please contact Marianne 07771704600 for more information. **Next Meetings: Jun 13th**, July 8th.

TOZ (Time Out Zone) (School yrs 10, 11 & Sixth Form College) - Sundays once a month; please contact Cath on 07846 438224 for more info. **Next Meetings: June 10th**, July 8th.

Flame - 2nd March 2019

Booking for Flame is now open! This is a highlight national event for Catholic young people in Wembley Arena, featuring inspirational international speakers, award winning music and celebrating faith and the young Church. Last year 350 people attended from Portsmouth Diocese, joining over 8000 people from all over the UK. Ages 14-25. Please speak to Cath (07846 438224) to register.

Safe-Guarders

Are you interested in becoming a Safe-Guarder in order to provide the relevant support so that our youth programmes and events can continue? Often this means just being another pair of eyes and not much more. This could be a small way to do something in your community. Please contact Joanna at joannapuzzle@gmail.com/07437440299 or in the choir at St Edward's on a Sunday for more information.

St Swithun Wells Primary School - Vacancy

For a full time teacher starting Sept 2018. See Advert on Noticeboards for more info. Closing date for applications is noon on Wednesday 20th June.

SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES:

St Swithun Wells Primary School 023 80266210;
St George Catholic V.A. College 023 8032 2603;
St Anne's Catholic School 023 80328200;
Charlton House 023 8067 7575;
St Mary's Independent School 023 8067 1267.

WE ACKNOWLEDGE WITH THANKS

Last week's collections: £1,312.31; SO/SD for May 2018: £12,904.09

SWAG - St Swithun Wells Acting Group

SWAG's production of What's Up Zak? on June 1st was very successful raising **£410** for Tonic Music for Mental Health.

Full details can be found on the noticeboards.

Sincere thanks to ALL the safe-guarders who made this possible and to YOU for supporting the youngsters.
Joanna.

Knit & Natter - St Edward's, Mon 11th June, 2-4pm

Refreshments available and everyone most welcome! Any queries please contact Maureen Stephenson on 02380 252104.

OASIS Parish Women's Group - Tues 12th June

Walking with a purpose: Sharing experience of walking the Camino (The Way of St James to Compostela). Plus, planning for our CAFOD—Share the Journey walk. Meet at 7.30pm in St Edward's Cloister, finish at 9pm. **All ladies warmly welcomed.** Last meeting this terms will be Tuesday 10th July.

Knit for Peace – St Andrew's, 13th June, 2-4pm

Donations of mens clothes and shoes for 2 Saints welcome. Please contact Anne Harcourt on 02380 734710 with any queries.

St Swithun Wells School Summer Fayre Saturday 16th June, 12-3pm

Please come along and support our event. Raffle tickets will be on sale in churches this weekend. The Spitfire Sisters are performing an Andrew's Sisters tribute act!

Parish Lunch - Wednesday 27th June, 12.30pm at the Hunters Inn, Romsey

Menus are on the noticeboards. All are welcome. Please let Rosemary (01794 522411) know your choice of meal by **Tuesday 19th June** as we have to pre-order.

Christian Aid Ride 2018 - Sardinia 1,000+kms

Jane Hough is back safely from Sardinia having completed her 24th solo cycle ride for Christian Aid. Donations can still be made at justgiving.com/fundraising/janehough2018. Jane cycled a total of just over 1,300kms. Jane would like to thank all her sponsors for their donations and support.

St Edward's Shop - Volunteers Required

The Church Shop has been built up over the past 25 years (from a cardboard box to its present state) with the help of family and friends. This has come about by being available almost every Saturday and Sunday through most of this period. I now need some positive help to keep up the momentum. With family commitments and in my 81st year, I would like to ensure that this valuable church resource survives and flourishes in the future. The ideal would be to have a team so that no one has to be in the shop more than say, once or twice a month. For more details, please see me in the shop. **Teresa Layzell**

Mass Times for our Six Church Communities

DATE	TIME	CHURCH	MASS INTENTION	DATE	TIME	CHURCH	MASS INTENTION
Sat 9th June Vigil Masses	5.00pm	St Sw	Exam Success (Special Intention)	Thurs 14th	9.30am	HC	Amarant Ferreria RIP
	6.00pm	St J			10.00am	OLQA	No Mass
	6.00pm	OLQA			6.00pm	St J	
	6.30pm	St Ed	Keith Small RIP				
Sun 10th June Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)	9.00am	HC	Polska Msza Święta	Fri 15th	10.00am	St J (AH)	Mary-Ellen Connelly & All the Family (Special Intention)
	9.00am	St Ed	Umberto Pugi RIP		10.00am	St Ed	
	9.00am	St A					
	9.30am	OLQA					
	11.00am	St J	Sarah Howie RIP Anniversary				
	11.00am	HC	Emily Ray RIP				
Mon 11th	10.00am	St Ed	Margaret Egan RIP	Sat 16th	9.30am	HC	Charles & Martha Barrett FM
				Sat 16th Vigil Masses	5.00pm	St Sw	Mary Bain RIP
					6.00pm	St J	
	6.00pm	OLQA					
	6.30pm	St Ed					
Tues 12th	9.30am	HC	Mary Bain RIP	Sun 17th June	9.00am	HC	Polska Msza Święta
	10.00am	St A	Hill & Lake Families (Special Intention)		9.00am	St Ed	Umberto Pugi RIP
	10.00am	OLQA		Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00am	St A	Chon, Ana & Family (Intention)
					9.30am	OLQA	
11.00am	St J						
11.00am	HC	Mary Bain RIP					
Wed 13th	9.30am	HC	Antonio Cicu FM	Mon 18th	10.00am	St Ed	John & Phylis Wood RIP Anniversary
	10.00am	St Ed	Umberto Pugi RIP				

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesday	HC	Adoration 1st Tuesday of the month 10.00-1.00pm
Tuesday	St A	Adoration 9.15-10am with Morning Prayer
Thursday	St ED	7-8pm
Thursday	St J	from Noon-6pm, Rosary and Benediction at 5.30pm (before Mass at 6pm)

Rosary And Prayers

St Edward 9.30am Wednesday The Holy Rosary
St Joseph 6.00pm Wednesday Evening Prayer

CONFESSION (SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION)

Saturdays:	10.00am	Holy Cross Church
	12 noon	St Edward's
	5.30pm	OLQA
	5.30pm	St Joseph
Sundays:	8.30am	St Andrew

St Ed **St Edward's**, 191-193, Winchester Rd, Chandlers Ford, SO53 2DU
OLQA Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Martin Street, Bishops Waltham. SO32 1DN
HC Holy Cross, 53, Leigh Road, Eastleigh. SO50 9DF
St Sw St Swithun Wells, Allington Lane, Fair Oak, SO50 7DB
St A **St Andrew's**, Fleming Avenue, North, Baddesley SO52 9EP
St J **St Joseph's Church**, Abbey House Drive, Romsey SO51 8YB

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