

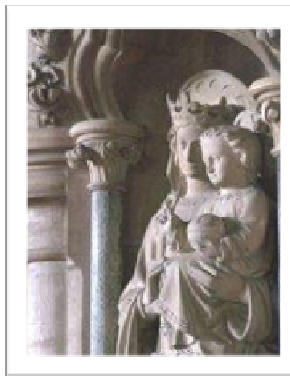
The Introit of the Mass

MASS begins each time with the Introit – either said (*antiphona ad introitum*) or sung (*cantus ad introitum*). Where Roman chant uses the word *Introitus*, Ambrosian chant used the word *Ingressa*. Both these words – *introitus* and *ingressa* – mean ‘entrance’. In other rites – Mozarabic, Carthusian, Dominican, Carmelite – the chant is known as the *officium*.

Originally the Introit was a whole psalm, topped and tailed by an antiphon and including the *Gloria Patri* (the lesser doxology). Eventually this was shortened, leaving only one verse of the psalm, but still with the antiphon and the *Gloria Patri*. The rubrics of the Roman Missal nowadays envisage singing the whole psalm but do not make this compulsory and, because most celebrations of Mass are said rather than sung, the Missal includes only what is called the Entrance Antiphon for each occasion. So, no psalm and no *Gloria Patri*. It has also become customary for the congregation to recite the Entrance Antiphon.

In East Hendred Catholic Parish we have been singing the Introit, either using a simple tone or the modern tones of an American musician, Adam Bartlett. We have not used whole psalms, for the ceremonial journey to the altar is very short. But, for the purposes of singing, we have included the sequence antiphon-psalm verse-*Gloria Patri*-antiphon.

Having just lost our Cantor at St Mary’s – temporarily, we hope – we are using a hymn at the Introit for Sung Mass. Sometimes the hymn chosen – rather like the Entrance Antiphon – simply announces the theme of the celebration (‘For all the saints’ on All Saints’ Day is a good example). More often we shall be using a metrical psalm, that is, a psalm text paraphrased into verse. (An example of that is ‘O God our hope in ages past’, a version of Psalm 90).



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EAST HENDRED CATHOLIC PARISH

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Sunday 23 rd September	Year B: Weekdays Year 2: Psalter Week 1 SUNDAY 25 PER ANNUM [GREEN] Mass: 9.30am St Mary’s Mass: 11.15am St Patrick’s <i>Pro populo</i>
Monday 24 th September	Our Lady of Walsingham [white] Mass: 9.15am St Mary’s <i>Bishop’s Philip’s Anniversary of Ordination</i> [David Lazarus]
Tuesday 25 th September	<i>Of Week 25</i> [green] Mass: 9.15am St Mary’s
Wednesday 26 th September	<i>SS Cosmas & Damian, Martyrs</i> [red] Adoration: 11.45am Mass: 12.15pm St Mary’s
Thursday 27 th September	St Vincent de Paul, Founder [white] Mass: 9.15am St Mary’s
Friday 28 th September	<i>Of Week 25</i> [green] Mass: 8.30am Hendred House <i>Holy Souls</i>
Saturday 29 th September	The Holy Archangels, Michael, Gabriel, & Raphael [white] <i>No Mass at St Mary’s. Mass: 9.30am English Martyrs, Didcot</i>
Sunday 30 th September	Psalter Week 2 SUNDAY 26 PER ANNUM [GREEN] Mass: 9.30am St Mary’s MICHAELMAS [WHITE] Mass: 11.15am St Patrick’s <i>Pro populo</i>
	Confessions: Sundays at 8.45am or by appointment www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

LOOKING AHEAD

CHILD, YOUTH AND FAMILY TEAM (CYFT) RETREATS 2018

On **Saturday 29th September 13:30-17:30** and **Saturday 13th October 10:30-14:30** at the Rosary room, Yarnells Hill, Oxford, OX2 9BD. Everyone working with children, young people and their families in Thames Isis, is invited to attend **one** of two retreat days this autumn. To sign up please email tipayouthadmin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

'WHAT NO EYE HAS SEEN'

A series of sessions starting in October at Douai Abbey based on Inspirations of the Christian spiritual masters (touching on questions around prayer). On the **1st and 3rd Tuesdays** of the month, at 7pm. All welcome. Please see poster in church for more details.

GATHERING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Our next two meetings will be on **Tuesdays 2nd October** and **6th November**. In October we shall discuss and pray on all parts of chapters 9, 10 and 11 of St Paul's letter to the Romans. St Mary's parish rooms, 7.30 pm; coffee and biscuits beforehand; finish 8.30-9.00pm. All welcome. Contact Denis 01235 765564; djbm.smith@ntlworld.com

CELEBRATING FAMILY LIFE

On the 50th anniversary of *Humanae Vitae* there will be a workshop for families on **Saturday 6th October** from 10am to 4 pm at Our Lady of Peace in Reading. With speakers from Catholic voices as well as experts in natural family planning. Crèche available. The workshop will conclude with Holy Mass at 3pm. Please see poster in church

HARVEST THANKSGIVING

This year we are celebrating Harvest Thanksgiving on **Sunday 7th October**. As well as the usual Harvest collection, there will be an extra effort to gather non-perishable foodstuffs for the Didcot Foodbank.

ST MICHAEL'S FEAST AT ST PATRICK'S

This year we are celebrating on **Sunday 7th October** after Mass. Please sign up on the list in the church. Thank you!

PARISH COLLECTION

Last four Sundays collection raised a total of £1163.16, £1138.40, £1097.80 and £1044.45 of which 88%, 92%, 85.5% and 89% was Gift aided.

FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

21st October: World Missions; **4th November:** Bamenda

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WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

BAPTISM AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time.



THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

Sr Catherine, Mary Wallace, Brenda Paddon, Alfie Bartlam, Jadvyga Adasko and Angus Clark. Names remain for four weeks.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Those who have died recently and those with anniversaries at this time: *Edward Reavey, Fr Anthony Birrer, Jane Curley, Charles Francis Eyston and Ida Northcote.*

HOLY FATHER'S SEPTEMBER PRAYER INTENTION - Universal – Young

People in Africa. That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.

A DAY WITH MARY

On **Saturday 13th October** at Portsmouth Cathedral. This is an open day of prayer held in a Catholic church or shrine. It emphasizes worship of the Blessed Sacrament and devotion to Our Lady. You are welcome to join the event for a little while or for the whole day.

SUNDAY EXTRA

On **Sunday 14th October**, and approximately monthly thereafter, there will be coffee, doughnuts, and a 30 minute talk at 11am in St Mary's Parish Rooms, with a few minutes for questions afterwards. Designed especially for First Communion Parents, it will be of general interest as a refresher course. Come and give it a try.

SCIENCE – OR – RELIGION? A SYMPOSIUM

On **Saturday 3rd November**, 10 am – 4 pm at The Discovery Centre in Winchester (opp. St. Peter's church) on Science and Religion. Two leading scientists will ask whether recent research on the Universe suggests the existence of a Creator. There will also be a series of workshops led by experts on such topics as Christianity and Extra Terrestrial Life, the Ethics of Artificial Intelligence and whether human consciousness is immortal. The Symposium is open to all, whether religious or not. Places are limited, bookings are now open at www.portsmouthdiocese.eventbrite.co.uk

CATHOLIC SINGLES

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information visit www.catholicsingles.org.uk or tel. 0161 941 3498

COFFEE AFTER MASS

Please join us for a cup of coffee at St Mary's Parish Rooms after Mass. All donations go to the Eye Camps.