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Confessions: Saturday, 11:00 -11.30am Sunday Mass Times: 8.45 am, 10.15 am, 6.30pm

Parish Life

A BIG THANK YOU! Thank you to all who helped make our parish day last Sunday such a success. To those who helped organize, set-up and clear away, and to everyone who attended. Especially of course to our Lord for the weather!

TODAY We welcome the Dominican Sisters from Sway. They will be guiding our FHC Catechists. They will also be making an appeal at all Masses for their community developments.

TODAY there will be a second collection for the Apostleship of the Sea.

TODAY Church Twinning service at 7.30pm: After evening Mass, there will be a short ecumenical service with our visitors from Abingdon's twin town of Schongau, to mark the end of their stay. It will be a bilingual service – this may be of particular interest to our German parishioners, but everyone is most welcome.

TODAY is the last opportunity to sign the petition for Freedom to Pray outside Abortion Centers. Please see form at back of Church.

CAKE & CONVERSATION. The last session will be this Wednesday (11th) before we take a summer break. We start again on Wed 12th Sept.

PAX CHRISTI. There are copies of the latest Justpeace newsletters on the table at the back of church. Please take one if you wish.

Parish Office will be closed from Friday 27th July until Monday 13th August. Could all newsletter inserts for Sunday 29th July, 5th and 12th August be sent to the office on or before Tues 24th July. Thank you.

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 8 July

8.45am	Mass	Kathleen Naughton RIP
10.15am	Mass	Fr. Jamie Intentions
6.30pm	Mass	Gayle Belcher RIP

Monday 9 July

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Maria Sudlow Intentions

Tuesday 10 July

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Elaine Dewsnap Intentions

Wednesday 11 July

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Geoff Castle Special Intentions

Thursday 12 July

8.30am	Rosary	
9.30am	Mass	Fr. Jamie Intentions
11am	Funeral Mass	Bella Keen RIP

Friday 13 July

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Laraine Macaskil RIP

Saturday 14 July

11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11-11.30am	Confessions	
12 noon	Mass	Fr. Jamie Intentions

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 2019 A pilgrimage is being organised to the Holy Land for 21st to 30th May 2019. The cost will be £1,900 all-inclusive for full board double occupancy of rooms or £2,100 for single occupancy. This includes absolutely everything, except your

personal travel insurance, drinks and personal spending. If you would like to book a place, a deposit of £250 will be needed by the beginning of August. Further payments will be in two instalments, one in November and one in March. If you are potentially interested, please let the parish office know and give permission for the organizer to contact you by email with further details.

Afternoon Tea Party, Sunday 22nd July, 2:30- 5:00pm in the beautiful Thames-side gardens of St Ethelwold's House, 30 East St Helen's St. Tickets £7 (in support of the 2019 Abingdon Passion Play) are available from Anne Green Ab. 520171, at the Bookshop (the Precinct), and at the door on the day.

Faith Development

Spiritual Accompaniment Would you like to explore - Ways of Praying, Retreats and Quiet Days, Find a Spiritual Director for more info visit www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/sprituallity of email sprituallity@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or Tel. 07387 645699.

Marriage Care in Abingdon is looking for people who could spare us a couple of hours on a regular basis on a Tuesday evening. We need one or two people to join a rota and chaperone one of our counsellors. Is this something that you could do? Counselling normally takes place on a Tuesday between 6pm and 7pm. The premises are warm and you can read a book/knit/or study whilst you are helping us. If this is something that you could assist us with please contact Catherine McFarlane on 07470 412800 or mail (parish office) to find out more with no obligation.

ATTENTION YOUTH! Summer Camp 'Fanning the Flame' Ages 10-25yrs on 20-24th August. Booking Forms and more info at www.FanningTheFlame.co.uk. Also please come and join the Dominican Sisters on a walk from Bury St Edmunds to Walshingham for the New Evangelisation! 2nd - 5th August. To book please go to www.dominicansistersofstjoseph.org/JPII or please see poster for further details.

Catholic Family Weekend 29th & 30th September 2018. St George College, Leaside Way, Swaythling, Southampton SO16 3DQ. Theme: "SEE, I AM DOING A NEW THING". Celebrate is a wonderful opportunity to share the joy of being a disciple of the Lord. "OUR CHILDREN WERE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE 5 YEAR OLD WANTED TO TELL EVERYONE IN SAINSBURY'S ON THE WAY HOME!" For further information email: southampton@celebrateconference.org or see leaflet at back of Church.

Day for Catechists - 20th October 2018 St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. Further information: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/catechists

Parish Events for the Week

TODAY Refreshments after 10.15am Mass
Church Twinning Service 7.30pm, Church

Wednesday Cake & Conversation 9.30-11am
Parish Lunch 12.30pm

Thursday Scripture Group 10am
Post Confirmation Parents Evening 7.30pm

Friday Baby & Toddler Group 9.30-11.15am
SVP Meeting 7.30pm

N.B. All take place in the Parish Centre unless specified

Future Diary Dates

27th July - 10th Aug Parish Office closed

Youth Events

The final TIPA youth event before this summer will be a Spy Trail in Oxford on Saturday 21st July (not 7th July as previously advertised). We'll meet at 10am in the Oxford Ice Rink car park. Completing the Trail will take approximately 2.5 hours. We'll aim to have lunch at Nando's (£10 per child) around 1/1:30pm and return to the Oxford Ice Rink for collection by 3pm. To avoid disappointment, let Melanie Parris-Dollar know by Monday 25th June if your youngsters would like to come because places are limited.

Further info please contact Melanie Parris- Dollar tipayouth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Antiphons for Year II, Week XIV Ordinary Time

EA: Your merciful love, O God, we have received in the midst of your temple. Your praise, O God, like your name, reaches the ends of the earth; your right hand is filled with saving justice. CA: Come to me, all who labour and are burdened, and I will refresh you, says the Lord.

We pray for:

- The Repose of the Soul of Alice Isabel "Bella" Keen RIP. Funeral Thursday 12th July at 11am.

Money Matters: 1st July 2018
Envelopes: £221.50 Loose Plate £638.20 Many thanks.

Counters: A. & C. Lardner-Browne, N. Cairns
Cleaners: K. Gibbons, S. Pritchett