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Confessions: 11.00 – 11.30am or by appointment

Parish Life

TODAY we welcome Fr. Thomas who will be appealing for his charity this weekend, and welcomes everyone to meet with him this evening in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm.

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.

Live Simply The Parish we will be repeating the very successful Garden Produce Sunday. Before each Mass on Sunday 19th August, we will collect items of fruit, vegetable, flowers etc. All money raised will be sent to Fr Thomas for his work in India. Further details Ab. 529634

Church Twinning visit to Argentan Thurs 13th – Mon 17th Sept. If you would like to take part in the church twinning visit to Argentan, please contact Anne Dodd 525997 or Angela Waterhouse 532296. We are also preparing for visitors from Colmar from 30th Aug – 3rd Sept, so if you can help with accommodation or hosting a meal, please let us know.

Parish groups and activities If you run a parish group or activity and have any interesting photos, we will be very grateful to receive them in order to update and enliven our website. Please note that permission is needed to publish photos – if you can identify the people on your photos, let us know and we will contact them. If you have any forthcoming activities and would like a photographer to attend, please also let us know. You can get in touch or send photos directly to: parishwebsiteabingdon@gmail.com.

Charismatic Prayer Meeting Wed 25th July at 4 Rawlings Grove, 7:45-9pm. Info Ab 528528.

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Sunday 22 July

8.45am	Mass	People of our Parish Intentions
10.15am	Mass	Private Intention
6.30pm	Mass	The Craig Family In Thanksgiving

Monday 23 July ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	O'Brien Family RIP

Tuesday 24 July St Sharbel MakhluF

8.30am	Rosary	
9am	Mass	Jim Walsh Intentions

Wednesday 25 July ST JAMES

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Fr. Jamie Special Intentions

Thursday 26 July Ss Joachim & Anne

9.00am	Rosary	
9.30am	Mass	Lisa Paterson Intentions

Friday 27 July

6.30pm	Rosary	
7pm	Mass	Intentions of Craig & Carol Sawyers

Saturday 28 July

11am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	
11-11.30am	Confessions	
12 noon	Mass	Marriage Prep Couples

Maria Sudlow would like to say a heart-felt thank you to everyone who prayed and supported her through her operation.

Covenant with the Poor. Wed 25th July, 7.30pm. A meeting open to all, to assess how we have done so far, and to plan for the future, as we

seek to continue our commitment.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land 21st - 30th May 2019. Cost £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. Fr. Rob will be with us on this pilgrimage. If you would like to book a place, a deposit of £250 will be needed by the 1st of August. Two further payments due in November and March. If interested, please let the parish office know and give permission for the organizer to contact you by email with further details.

Marriage Care in Abingdon We need one or two people to join a rota and chaperone one of our counsellors. Counselling normally takes place on a Tuesday 6-7pm. The premises are warm and you can read a book/knit/or study whilst you are helping us. Please contact Catherine Macfarlane on 07470 412800 or email via parish office to find out more with no obligation.

Faith Development

Film Recommendation 'Paul Apostle of Christ' starring Jim Caviezel. Can be found in local supermarkets.

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.

ADORE Day Retreat Sat 28th July, 11am-4pm. No charge, no need to register. Alton School, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG. Please bring finger food to share. Topic: 'Good News & Gospel'.

Carmelite Spirituality. Two courses of prayer are being held at Boars Hill starting in September. If you are interested and would like more information, please see leaflets at the back of Church.

Unlocking the Sunday Gospel' readings every Wednesday 7-8pm. Go to the Wednesday Gospel Webinar hosted by the Dominican Sisters of Sway. www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation/webinar

Parish Events for the Week

TODAY Refreshments after 10.15am Mass
Social Evening with Fr. Thomas 7.30pm

Wednesday Covenant with the Poor Meeting 7.30pm

Thursday Scripture Group 10am

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

Youth Events

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//PII or please see poster for further details.

Antiphons for Year II, Week XVI Ordinary Time

EA: See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.
CA: Behold, I stand at the door and knock, says the Lord.
If anyone hears my voice and opens the door to me,
I will enter his house and dine with him, and he with me.

Money Matters: 15th July 2018
Envelopes: £302.65 Loose Plate £557.44 Many thanks.

Counters: J. Dowling, P. & M. Mulqueen
Cleaners: M. Kelly, M. Sheaf