



# The Catholic Church in Gosport

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## 31<sup>st</sup> OCT/1<sup>st</sup> NOV 2009 – ALL SAINTS

Sunday readings: Year 2 (B); Weekdays: Year I; Prayer of the Church: Week 3

### CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR SUNDAY

<b>SATURDAY 31<sup>st</sup></b>	6.00pm	St. Columba's	Desmond Franks RIP
<b>SUNDAY 1<sup>st</sup></b>	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Sonny & Maureen Tobin RIP
	11.00am	St. Mary's	Sarah Mitchell RIP

**Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Mary's on Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov 12 – 1pm.**

### WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> OCT

<u>Day</u>	<u>Liturgy</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>
Mon	All Souls	Patrick & Eamonn RIP	7pm	St Mary's
Tue	of the day	Fr Peter (Intentions)	10am	St Mary's
Wed	St Charles Borromeo	Rosary Dec'd of Barker Family	6.30pm 7pm	St Mary's St Mary's
Thu	of the day	Fr Tom Ryan (Intentions)	10am	St Columba's
Fri	of the day	People of the Parish	12 noon	St Mary's

### SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

This weekend there will be an Obligatory Collection after all Masses for our sister diocese of Bamenda.

The Parish Offerings last weekend amounted to £1139.72p inc gift-aid. Thank you.

Coffee in St Mary's Hall after 11am Mass today. Everyone welcome.

Next Sunday is REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY when Fr Peter will lead our traditional service beginning in the old part of Ann's Hill cemetery at 1pm. Please do come along if you can.

From next weekend we will resume taking Holy Communion under both kinds and offering the sign of peace in the traditional way. Extra Eucharistic Ministers will be asked to assist at all Masses until new rotas are available.

## PARISH NOTICES

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNWELL:** All sick parishioners are prayed for at Mass. However, to include a person in this bulletin please contact Doug in the Parish Office.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED:** please pray for those who have died recently and all who are being remembered at this time: *see the names on the front sheet.*

**PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** At St Mary's on **Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov** after 10am Mass until 11.30am. The duty Eucharistic Minister will be Theresa Fleming. The following week the duty Minister will be Pat Miles. At St Columba's on **Thu 5<sup>th</sup>** after 10am Mass until 12 noon. Also at St Mary's on **Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov** from 10am – 1pm. The duty Supervisors will be: Juanita White & Frances Parker 10 -11am; Joe & Jean Barrett 11am – 12pm; Anthonia Nwokora & Archie McCormick 12 – 1pm.

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS:** in St Mary's Church on **Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Nov** from 10.30am (tea and coffee in the Upper Room of the Hall from 10am) to include the Rosary, Exposition, Reconciliation, Mass and Divine Mercy Chaplet as well as a little shared Bible study. All are welcome.

**SOLENT PASTORAL AREA:** You are probably all aware that we are heading towards the creation of a single large parish for Gosport, Fareham, Lee & Stubbington, and Park Gate. How we organise the priests and churches within this pastoral area is to be discussed again at a meeting of the Solent Pastoral Area Pastoral Council on **Tue 24<sup>th</sup> Nov**. Currently there are nine churches and four priests. We are urgently seeking positive ideas on how this challenge can be met so that the centrality of the Eucharist can be maintained and the Church allowed to flourish. Please read the article about it in Triangle magazine (available in all churches) and **submit your views and suggestions to Fr Peter and/or the Parish Pastoral Council via at the Parish Office.**

### JUNIOR JOURNEY IN FAITH

Parents' Meeting (Eucharist)	<b>Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov</b>	St Mary's Hall	7.30pm
Children's Session	<b>Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	St Joseph's Church	9-11am
Celebration Service	<b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Nov</b>	St Joseph's Church	9.15am

**ADULT JOURNEY IN FAITH:** Next meeting on **Sat 14<sup>th</sup> Nov** in Maryhouse at 10am.

**BEREAVEMENT TEAM:** Fr Peter is establishing a group to accompany parishioners and their families through their grief and sorrow at time of bereavement. He will shortly be celebrating a Memorial Mass in St Mary's Church to which everyone is welcome. More details will follow in next weekend's bulletin.

**SUNG VESPERS:** in St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth this **Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Nov** at 5pm with Schola Gregoriana Sancti Nicolai. Everyone is welcome. Any interested male singers would be very welcome to join the group.

**ASSISTED SUICIDE:** The Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) has published guidelines governing the prosecution of cases of assisting suicide. It is very important that Catholics should know what these guidelines say and make their views known to the DPP. A short briefing note '**HAVING YOUR SAY ON ASSISTING SUICIDE**' is available in all churches. It explains what this is all about and what you can do about it. There are also details online at [www.catholicchurch.org.uk](http://www.catholicchurch.org.uk)

**THE KING LIVES!:** A day for 12 – 18 year olds at St Edmund's School, Portsmouth on **Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Nov** from 10am until 6pm. Day includes live rock music, international mime artist Steve Murray, as well as workshops in African drumming, mime, music, drama, art and more. Please contact Jean Watson on 023 92 521985 for your application form.

**PRAYER AND FIREWORKS:** for 12 – 30 year olds at 6.30pm on **Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Nov** at Jean Watson's home, 13 Beech Grove, Alverstoke. Please bring a firework! Call Jean on 023 92 521985 to book a place or see her after Mass.

**CATHOLIC DISABILITY FELLOWSHIP:** Annual General Meeting at 2.30pm on **Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov** at St Edward's Church, Winchester Rd, Chandlers Ford. Everyone welcome.

**VACANCY:** For a full-time Fundraising Campaign Administrator to work in the Diocesan Dpt for Finance & Property in Portsmouth. For an application form and job description please contact Soraya Ciccarone on 023 92 825430 or [soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) Closing date for applications **Fri 13<sup>th</sup> Nov**.

**CATHOLIC BIBLE SCHOOL – 'COME UP INTO THE HIGH PLACES':** A day for women led by Helen Hiles on **Sat 7<sup>th</sup> Nov** from 10am to 3.30pm. Helen is a prophetic and gifted Christian artist with a heart for God. Prior booking is helpful. Please telephone 01243 371766 to reserve a place. Suggested donation is £15.

**JAZZ AT PARK PLACE:** on **Fri 20<sup>th</sup> Nov** at 7.30pm with Frank Campbell and Kate Westbrook. Tickets at £10 each include light refreshments and are available from Park Place on 01329 833043 or by email on [pastoralcentre@aol.com](mailto:pastoralcentre@aol.com)

**PARISH MAGAZINE:** the latest edition of 'Triangle' is now available in all churches.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS:** will meet on **Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov** at 2pm in the Parish Rooms at St Columba's Church, Bridgemary. All mothers are welcome to come along.

The Union of Catholic Mothers and Catholic Women's League invite the ladies of the parish to their late Autumnal celebration on **Tue 10<sup>th</sup> Nov** from 11am to 3pm at the Immaculate Conception Church, Stubbington. Fr Jozef Gruszkiewicz (spiritual advisor

to the UCM) will celebrate Mass. Sr Ann will show a DVD after lunch in the Church Hall. Please do join us.

**VACANCY:** A vacancy has arisen for a part-time Education Officer to work in the Diocesan Dept for Schools at Park Place, Wickham. The post may suit someone who has recently retired. For an application form and job description please contact Soraya Ciccarone on 023 92 836511 or [soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**VACANCY FOR PARENT FOUNDATION GOVERNOR AT ST MARY'S SCHOOL:**

Bishop Crispian, who has absolute discretion in the appointment of Foundation Governors, is seeking applications from committed baptised Catholics who are parents of children currently registered at the school. The governors of a Catholic school work as a team, in close co-operation with the headteacher and all staff. In addition to the legal responsibilities of the Governing Body, the Foundation Governors have a responsibility for preserving the religious character of the school, sustaining and developing the school as a Catholic educating community in accordance with Canon (Church) law and the teaching of the Catholic Church and giving clear witness, as individuals, and as a team, to the Gospel message and to the Church's teaching. Appropriate training is available during the period of service. Lack of experience in education in a Catholic school should not deter anyone from applying if there is a genuine desire to serve the mission of the Church. Application packs are available from the Parish Priest, the School Office or the Department for Schools Governance, Park Place Pastoral Centre, Winchester Road, Wickham, PO17 5HA.

Closing date for receipt of applications: **19<sup>th</sup> November 2009**

**CHRISTMAS FAYRE:** More helpers are needed to assist at the Fayre. If you would like to help please come along to the next meeting on **Mon 9<sup>th</sup> Nov** in the Upper Room of St Mary's Hall at **2pm**. We will begin collecting donations for the Fayre on **Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Nov** and each Wed thereafter until Wed 9<sup>th</sup> Dec. Please bring your items to St Mary's Hall between **6 and 7pm only**. Please do not bring your donations to the parish Office or any of the churches. Thank you.

**CHURCHES HOMELESS ACTION 2009 -  
MAKE CHRISTMAS SPECIAL FOR SOMEONE IN NEED**

All you need to do is buy gift cards or vouchers from stores such as Tesco, Asda, Sainsbury's and Argos etc (as many as you like but not more than £5 per voucher please) and take them or send them to Jan Bennett, Inner City Portsea Parishes Office, All Saints Centre, All Saints Church, Commercial Road, Portsmouth PO1 4EJ, to arrive before **11<sup>th</sup> Dec**. You can write a Christmas card to go with the voucher which personalises the gift, but please do not seal the envelope and do not give your name or address. If it is a gift card please say how much it is for. Thank you.