



The Catholic Church in Gosport

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14th/15th NOVEMBER 2009 – THIRTY THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

Sunday readings: Year 2 (B); Weekdays: Year I; Prayer of the Church: Week 1

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR SUNDAY

SATURDAY 14th	6.00pm	St. Columba's	Dec'd of Leigh & Fairhurst Families
SUNDAY 15th	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Rose Millard RIP
	11.00am	St. Mary's	Sheila Shelcott RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Mary's on Sat 21st Nov 12 – 1pm.

WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST 16th – 20th NOV

<u>Day</u>	<u>Liturgy</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>
Mon	St Edmund of Abingdon		No service	
Tue	of the day	Word & Communion	10am	St Mary's
Wed	of the day	Rosary John Donohoe RIP	6.30pm 7pm	St Mary's St Mary's
Thu	of the day	Release of a soul from Purgatory	10am	St Columba's
Fri	of the day	Margaret, Hilda, & Alfred Poore F/M	9.15am	St Joseph's

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Parish Offerings last weekend amounted to £1228.15p inc gift-aid. Thank you.

PETITION AGAINST ABORTION ADVERTISING ON TV AND RADIO:
Forms provided by the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children are available in all churches. Do take the time to add your signature to petition the Prime Minister. Thank you.

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 17th Nov** after 10am Service until 11am. The duty Eucharistic Minister will be Ellen Notley. The following week the duty Minister will be Anna Oliver. At St Columba's on **Thu 19th** after 10am Mass until 12 noon. Also at St Mary's on **Sat 21st Nov** from 10am – 1pm. The duty Supervisors will be: Tressie Heather & Ellen Notley 10 -11am; Bill & Mo Feltham 11am – 12pm; Theresa Fleming & Anna Oliver 12 – 1pm.

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 24th 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 in writing to Fr Peter and/or the Parish Pastoral Council via the Parish Office.**

BEREAVEMENT MASS: Mass will be celebrated by Fr Peter in St Mary's Church on **Fri 27th Nov** at 7pm. This is an invitation to come and remember each of our departed loved ones by name, to pray for them, and to pray for all who have been bereaved. Everyone will be invited to light a candle for their loved ones which will be blessed during the Mass. All are welcome. Refreshments will be provided in St Mary's Hall after the Mass.

HEALING MASS: with Laying of Hands at St Mary's Church on **Wed 25th Nov** at 7pm. Mass will be preceded by the Rosary at 6.30pm. All are welcome.
THE KING LIVES!: A day for 12 – 18 year olds at St Edmund's School, Portsmouth on **Sun 22nd 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.

DINE FILIPINO: our Filipino parishioners invite you to sample their national dishes in St Mary's Hall on **Sat 28th Nov** at 7pm, in aid of the Junior Journey in Faith Programme. Tea and coffee will be provided but please bring your own stronger beverages to drink! Tickets at £7.50 each (adults only) are available from Nicki Smith, Jane Roberts, Bella Nicholas, Jean Watson or Doug in the Parish Office. The closing date for buying your ticket is Sunday 21st Nov – so don't delay!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY: in St Mary's Hall on **Sat 5th Dec** from 4 – 6pm, for all children in the parish aged 5 – 14 years. The amazing 'Balloon Man' and Father Christmas will be making an appearance. Tickets at £5 each are available after Mass or from Doug in the Parish Office.

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 Closing date for applications is **Fri 20th Nov**.

JAZZ AT PARK PLACE: on **Fri 20th 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

CHRISTMAS FAYRE – SAT 12TH DEC: More helpers are needed to assist at the Fayre. If you would like to help please come along to the next meeting on **Mon 16th Nov** in the Upper Room of St Mary's Hall at **2pm**. We will continue collecting donations for the Fayre on **Wed 18th Nov** and each Wed thereafter until **Wed 9th 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. Donations of good quality items including bric-a-brac, raffle prizes, preserves, bottles etc will be gratefully received. Cakes should be brought to the hall on the morning of the fayre from 8am. Unfortunately we cannot accept electrical items. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE MEETING: this **Mon 16th Nov** in the Upper Room of St Mary's Hall at 2pm, for all those who would like to help at the Christmas Fayre.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS: will meet this **Mon 16th Nov** at 2pm in the Meeting Rooms at St Columba's Church, Bridgemary. All mums are welcome to come along.

‘STEP INTO THE STREAMS’ (a practical strategy for becoming like Jesus): A day for men at the Catholic Bible School, Nutbourne on **Sat 5th Dec** led by James Catford, Chief Executive of the Bible Society. The day will run from 10am to 3pm. Prior booking though helpful is not essential. Please telephone 01243 371766. Suggested donation is £15.

MESSAGE FROM FR DAVID FOMANKA: Fr David sends his blessing and best wishes to us all in Gosport and advises that he has recently moved from his position as Secretary of Education to the Diocese of Mamfe. He is now Chaplain at Queen of the Rosary College for girls, where he teaches Religious Education and Philosophy to GCE Advanced Level. He is also charged with setting up a Diocesan Liturgy Committee in Mamfe. Please remember Fr David and all our brothers and sisters in our twin parish of Mbetta in your prayers.

**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 **11th 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.

OAKLANDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL – PROSPECTIVE SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENINGS: on **Wed 18th Nov** and **Thu 19th Nov** from 7.30pm in the School Hall. All parents and prospective students are invited to come and visit the school.

IRISH AND APPALACHIAN DANCING SHOW: at Brodrick Hall on **Sat 28th Nov**, 7 for 7.30pm. Tickets at £5 each are available from Deborah Birch or Doug in the Parish Office. There will be a raffle and refreshments. All proceeds to Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING: Any Eucharistic Ministers, Catechists, Children's Liturgists who have not attended the appropriate training for working with children or vulnerable adults should sign up for one or both of the following:

Child Protection training at St Jude's School Hall, Fareham on **Sat 16th Jan 2010** from 10am to 12.30pm.

Vulnerable Adult training at St Jude's School Hall, Fareham on **Sat 16th Jan 2010** from 1.30pm to 4pm. You must reserve a place by calling Soraya Ciccarone at the Diocesan Office on 023 9281 6396.