



The Catholic Church in Gosport

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17th/18th OCTOBER 2009 – TWENTY NINTH 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 17th	6.00pm	St. Columba's	Joseph Healy RIP
SUNDAY 18th	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Margaret Beeston RIP
	11.00am	St. Mary's	Janina & Pawel (wed anniv)

Please note there will be no Sacrament of Reconciliation on Sat 24th Oct as Fr Peter will be leading the Pilgrimage to Glastonbury.

WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST 19th – 23rd OCT

<u>Day</u>	<u>Liturgy</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>
Mon	of the day	No service		
Tue	of the day	Irena Ptak (B'day)	10am	St Mary's
Wed	of the day	Requiem Mass for Kerry Adams RIP	10am	St Columba's
		Rosary	6.30pm	St Mary's
		Sue Cole	7pm	St Mary's
Thu	of the day	Moya RIP	10am	St Columba's
Fri	of the day	Ted RIP	9.15am	St Joseph's

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mass counts will be held in all churches this weekend and every weekend in October. Please ensure these are carried out as accurately as possible. Thank you.

This weekend, 17th/18th Oct, there will be a second collection at all Masses for the Missions.

If you have never completed a Parishioner Information Form please take one home after Mass and return to Doug in the Parish Office (or via collection plate in a suitably marked envelope). This helps keep our Parish Register up to date. 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 20th Oct** after 10am Mass until 11.30am. The duty Eucharistic Minister will be Joe Barrett. The following week the duty Minister will be Libby Beasley. Also at St Columba's on **Thu 22nd Oct** after 10am Mass until 12 noon. **Please note there will be no Exposition on Sat Oct 24th because of the Pilgrimage to Glastonbury.**

ROSARY AT ST COLUMBA'S: every Saturday in October at 5.30pm.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS: in St Mary's Church on **Fri 6th 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.

THE GOSPEL OF LUKE: Scripture Scholar, Fr Peter Edmonds SJ, will lead a study day on Luke's Gospel at Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham on **Tue 17th Nov** from 10.30am to 3pm. Cost is £15 per person. Please take a packed lunch. To book a place please complete one of the booking forms which can be found in all churches.

Please note change of Speaker. Fr Denis McBride is unavailable.

THE SALESIAN CO-OPERATORS: will recite the Rosary and prayers each Wednesday during October at St John Bosco House, 39 Western Way, Alverstoke beginning at 10.30am. Everyone welcome to come along.

ONE DAY PILGRIMAGE TO GLASTONBURY ON SAT 24th OCTOBER: The coach is now full and if you have not yet paid for your seat please do so by giving cash or a Cheque to Doug in the parish Office. The cost is £15 per person and cheques should be made payable to:- 'PRCDTR-Gosport'. **Please note the coach will be leaving St Mary's Church at 7am and picking up at Sacred Heart, Fareham at 7.10am and Our lady of Walsingham, Portchester at 7.20am. Please do not be late.**

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS: will meet in the Parish Rooms at St Columba's Church, Bridgemary on **Mon 19th Oct** at 2pm. All Mums are welcome to come along.

THE CHRIST WE ARE, THE CHRIST WE SHARE – BOURNEMOUTH 22nd – 24th JANUARY 2010: An opportunity for people involved in church ministry to deepen their experience of the person of Jesus and to consider how they share that experience with others. The theme will be explored through input, practical sessions, prayer, reflection, and liturgy. For more information please see posters in all churches. Booking forms available from Doug in the Parish Office. Deadline for bookings is **20th October**.

PRAYING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE: An opportunity for youth leaders and catechists to explore how we can introduce young people to prayer and different ways of praying. The evening will also be an opportunity to meet with other youth leaders and to share good practice. This will be on **Tue 17th Nov** from 7.30pm to 9pm (refreshments from 7pm) at Wisdom House, Romsey (next to Romsey Abbey). To book a place please contact Eileen Stephenson on 01329 835583 or at estephenson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

DIOCESAN SAFEGUARDING COMMISSION: Are you a doctor, social worker or police officer with current or recent experience of safeguarding adults or children? Would you like to offer your skills and experience to the Diocesan Safeguarding Commission? If interested please contact Angela McGrory, Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator, for an informal chat on 023 92 816 396 or 07554 427064. This is a voluntary role that is subject to a satisfactory Enhanced CRB Disclosure.

JUSTICE, PEACE & ECOLOGY EVENING: On **Thu 22nd Oct** at the Immaculate Conception Church, Stubbington starting at 7pm. The theme of the evening is '**Hungry for One World**'. Everyone welcome.

AN EVENING OF MUSIC FOR FAIRTRADE: Hosted by Gosport Fairtrade Action at the Discovery Centre (Library) on **Thu 29th Oct** from 7.30 – 9.30pm. The evening will present an exciting mix of music from classical guitar to barbershop and jazz. Tickets at £4 per person are available from the Discovery Centre. For more information please contact Nuisha on 023 92 545280.

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

MARRIAGE REFRESHER: A day for married couples at the Church of Our Lady, Fleet on **Sat 24th Oct**. Please see poster in all churches for further details.

CLEANING AT ST MARY'S: on **Mon 19th Oct** at 10am. Please do come along and lend a hand if you can. Refreshments will be provided. Everyone is welcome.

VACANCY - ADVISOR FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY LIFE : we are looking for a committed Catholic, passionate about all aspects of Marriage and Family Life, who will continue the work of promoting and supporting the 'Celebrating Family' initiative in the diocese. The post is for two years and the successful applicant should hold a degree in Theology or a closely related subject. The Dpt is based at Park Place and the salary is £18000 pa for a 21 hour week. For an application pack please contact Eileen Stephenson on 01329 835583 or estephenson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

STEWARDSHIP: Bishop Crispian invites you to 'Give Thanks to the Lord for He is Good', an opportunity to find out what stewardship is and why it is so important in the life of our diocese. This will take place on **Sat 14th Nov** from 10am until 4pm, at St George School, Southampton. The cost is £5 per person. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee provided. To book please see Jean Watson at St Mary's or contact Eileen Stephenson on 01329 835583 or estephenson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE: will hold a coffee morning at 68 Harbour Tower, Trinity Green, Gosport on **Wed 21st Oct** from 10.30am until 12 noon. There will be a raffle and bring and buy. Everyone welcome.

ST JOSEPH'S CHOIR: will meet for a practice after the 9.15am Mass on **Fri 23rd Oct**. New singers will be very welcome, no previous experience necessary!

CONGRATULATIONS: to Ana and Orlando Echavarria , worshippers at St Mary's, on the birth of their baby boy. We wish them every blessing in their family life. Please keep them all in your prayers.

CHRISTMAS FAYRE MEETING: for all those who would like to help in any way. Just come along to St Mary's Hall on **Thu 29th Oct** at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome and the more the merrier. Age is no barrier!

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

Homelessness remains a reality for a lot of people, even in Gosport and Portsmouth. It is not restricted to big inner city centres. We are once again being asked to help those who find themselves caught up in this poverty trap. Bishop Crispian has given his full support to this initiative, whereby we are invited to donate store vouchers in denominations of no more than £5 (as many as you like), to be distributed to a number of agencies helping the homeless. Details on how we can help will be in next weekend's newsletter.