



The Catholic Church in Gosport

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18th/19th JULY 2009 – SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR
Sunday readings: Year 2 (B); Weekdays: Year I; Prayer of the Church: Week 4

CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR SUNDAY

SATURDAY 18th	6.00pm	St. Columba's	Audrey Brooks RIP
SUNDAY 19th	9.15am	St. Joseph's	People of the Parish
	11.00am	St. Mary's	Doreen Hobbs RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Mary's on Sat 25th July 12 – 1pm.

WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST 20th – 24th JULY

<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	Maria RIP	10am	St Mary's
Wed	St Mary Magdalen	Rosary Margaret & James McNeill RIP	6.30pm 7pm	St Mary's St Mary's
Thu	St Bridget of Sweden	Ellen Pearson RIP	10am	St Columba's
Fri	of the day	Brendan Jones RIP	10am	St Mary's

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING SERVICE FOR THE SOLENT PASTORAL AREA. TO BE LED BY FATHER PETER GLAS ON FRI 24th JULY AT 7.30PM, AT THE CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION, STUBBINGTON. EVERYONE WELCOME.

The parish offerings last weekend amounted to £1243.83p inc gift-aid. 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 21st July** after 10am Mass until 11.30am. The duty Eucharistic Minister will be Norman Haskell. The following week the duty Minister will be Pat Miles. At St Columba's on **Thu 23rd July** after 10am Mass until 12 noon. Also at St Mary's on **Sat 25th July** from 10am – 1pm. The duty Supervisors will be: Juanita White & Eddie Watson 10 -11am; Chris Beevers & Terry Matthews 11am – 12pm; Norman & Sylvia Haskell 12 – 1pm.

Supervisors who are likely to be away in August, and therefore unavailable for duty, should let Eddie Watson know as soon as possible on 01329 313522.

NEW PRAYER GROUP: The first meeting of the Prayer Group went very well with some sixty people in attendance from across the Solent Pastoral and Portsmouth Areas. The second meeting will be on **Thu 23rd July** in Our lady of Walsingham Church, Portchester at 7.30pm. There will then be a break for the summer before resuming in September. All are welcome to come and pray together even if you missed the first meeting.

AMAZING OPPORTUNITY: Father Peter will be holding an initial meeting for those adult parishioners who are practising Christians (i.e. baptised) and who wish to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church, enabling them to receive the Sacraments. The meeting will be in Maryhouse on **Wed 22nd July** after 7pm Mass. Please leave your name with Doug in the Parish Office if you would like to attend.

ANNUAL MISSION MASS: at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth on **Tue 21st July** at 7.30pm. There will be a short mission film after the Mass focusing on Papua New Guinea.

HOLY WATER: is available at the back of St Mary's Church for anyone who wishes to take some home. Please fill your own container. Water is a symbol of life and Holy Water has been used for centuries to bless and for spiritual protection.

CANDLE PRAYER: you will see a beautiful prayer next to one of the candle stands in each church. Please do use this prayer when you light a votive candle.

A PRAYER FOR A PRIEST

O GOOD JESUS HEAR HIM

Listen, Lord, when he asks for your help, when he knows not what to do. Answer Lord, when he cries to you from his heart, be his friend, Lord.

WITHIN YOUR WOUNDS HIDE HIM

Protect him from himself, Lord; he is but a man like us. Prevent those who would destroy both his manhood and his priesthood. He is yours, Lord.

SUFFER HIM NOT TO BE SEPARATED FROM YOU

Keep him in the palm of your hand Lord. Do not allow bitterness to enter into him. Secure him in the unity of the Eucharist, at one with you, Lord, and your Church.

FROM THE EVIL ONE DEFEND HIM

Guard and defend him from Satan and his evil ones who would devour him and scatter his little flock which you gave him, Lord. Arm him with the gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Having saved others, himself he cannot save, Lord, unless you are with him to the end. He is often alone and afraid, put your shoulder behind him, Lord, to strengthen him.

IN THE HOUR OF HIS DEATH CALL HIM AND BID HIM TO COME TO YOU THAT WITH YOUR ANGELS AND SAINTS, HE MAY PRAISE YOU FOR ALL ETERNITY.

FIRST FRIDAY IN AUGUST: Please note there will be no First Friday devotions at St Mary's in August as Fr Peter will be away.

QUIZ NIGHT AND FISH AND CHIP SUPPER: in St Mary's Hall on **Fri 31st July** at 7.00pm in support of the Parish Youth Fund. Tickets are now only available from the Parish Office or from Sandy Cameron on 023 92 503763 and cost £6 per person. Just order your meal when you buy a ticket! Tea, coffee and soft drinks will be included but please bring your own alcohol. A variation on bingo plus quiz and raffle will be held. Maximum of 8 persons per quiz team. Please do support this event and the youth of our parish.

THE ANCHOR: The Summer edition of our Pastoral Area Newsletter is now available in all churches. Please do take a copy home with you.

JAZZ AT PARK PLACE: The renowned jazz pianist and composer, Frank Campbell, will give a concert of improvisations on the music of Duke Ellington, JS Bach, Errol Garner, Chopin and others on **Sun 26th July** at 7.30pm in the Park Place Chapel. Tickets cost £10 each and include a glass of wine at the interval. For tickets and information please call Sister Imma at Park Place on 01329 833043. Frank will be playing the famous 'Baldwin' grand piano that was brought to London from the USA for Leonard Bernstein.

HOLIDAY TIME: Fr Peter and Doug wish all parishioners a happy summer holiday season and a safe journey to all those who are travelling. We welcome all visitors to Gosport. Have a lovely rest from your normal routine but remember your Christian duties continue because there is no holiday from God! God blesses us all.

FANNING THE FLAME: A Summer Camp for 10 – 25 year olds in the New Forest from **17th – 21st August**. For further details please contact Sr Maria Natella O.P. on 01590 681 874 or visit www.ftfcm.com

CELEBRATE SOUTHAMPTON – FAITH AND FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY: At St Mary's College, Bitterne Park on the weekend of **26/27 September**. Guest Speakers include: David Payne, John Vaughan-Neil, Steve Murray and David Matthews. Drama from Steve Murray and various local youth groups. Variety of workshops and seminars as well as a full programme of activities for children and young adults. For more information visit www.celebrateconference.org or telephone Peter and Lynda Szymanski on 023 8029 2058.

PILGRIMS TRAVELLING TO LOURDES: on the Solent Pastoral Area Pilgrimage in September are reminded that balance payments are due by **25th July**. There will be a pre-pilgrimage meeting on **Fri 24th July** at 10.30am in the church of the Immaculate Conception, Stubbington i.e. after 9.30am Mass and coffee. Cheques should be made payable to *Pilgrimage Options*. Those unable to attend the meeting should send cheques to Liz Chidlow, 2 Swordfish Close, Lee-on-the-Solent PO13 9FJ (telephone 01329 664627).

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 12th Sep	<i>Cafod Supporters Day & Climate Justice Mass – Basingstoke</i>
Wed 16th – Thu 17th Sep	<i>Visit of relics of St Therese of Lisieux - Cathedral</i>
Sat 19th Sep	<i>Cafod's Renew the Face of the Earth – A half day for Confirmation Catechists – Winchester</i>
26th – 27th Sept	<i>Celebrate Southampton - Faith & Fun for the whole family (See above)</i>