



# The Catholic Church in Gosport

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## **30<sup>th</sup>/31<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2010 – FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR**

Sunday readings: Year 3 (C); Weekdays: Year II; Prayer of the Church: Week 4

### **CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR SUNDAY**

<b>SATURDAY 30<sup>th</sup></b>	6.00pm	St. Columba's	Stan Liptrot RIP
<b>SUNDAY 31<sup>st</sup></b>	9.15am	<b>St. Mary's</b>	William & Sarah Munro RIP and dec'd family members
	11.00am	St. Mary's	Tom Wall RIP

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Mary's on Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Feb 12 – 1pm**

### **WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> FEB**

<b><u>Day</u></b>	<b><u>Liturgy</u></b>	<b><u>Intention</u></b>	<b><u>Time</u></b>	<b><u>Church</u></b>
<b>Mon</b>	<b>of the day</b>		No service	
<b>Tue</b>	<b>Presentation of the Lord in the Temple</b>	<b>James Fealy RIP</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>St Mary's</b>
<b>Wed</b>	<b>of the day</b>	<b>Rosary</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>St Mary's</b>
		<b>Rosheen McNeill RIP</b>	<b>7pm</b>	<b>St Mary's</b>
<b>Thu</b>	<b>of the day</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>St Columba's</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>St Agatha</b>	<b>No intention</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>St Mary's</b>

### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**We will resume taking Holy Communion under both kinds next weekend. Eucharistic Ministers should make themselves available until the new rotas are published.**

**Thank you for the magnificent response to the Cafod appeal for Haiti. The total sent thus far is £1339.65p.**

**The parish offerings last weekend amounted to £1087.71p inc gift-aid. Thank you.**

**There will be an obligatory second collection after all Masses this weekend for the Catholic Education Service.**

## 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 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb** after 10am Mass until 11.30am. The duty Eucharistic Minister will be Anna Oliver. The following week the duty Minister will be Lesley Taylor. At St Columba's on **Thu 4<sup>th</sup> Feb** after 10am Mass until 12 noon. Also at St Mary's on **Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Feb** from 10am – 1pm. Duty Supervisors will be: Libby Beasley & Eddie Watson 10 - 11am; Pat Miles & Neil Shaw 11am – 12pm; Theresa Fleming & Anthonia Nwokora 12 – 1pm.

**FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS:** in St Mary's Church on **Fri 5<sup>th</sup> Feb** beginning at 10.30am (tea and coffee in the Upper Room from 10am). The theme is: **Mary at the side of Jesus in his ministry: the wedding at Cana.** The day will begin with the Rosary and continue with Exposition, Confession, Mass at 12 noon, followed by Bible Study and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3pm. Please bring your own lunch. All are welcome.

**PRAYER GROUP:** Fr Peter's Prayer Group will resume on **Thu 4<sup>th</sup> Feb** at 7.30pm in the Church of Our Lady of Walsingham, Portchester. Everyone welcome.

### JUNIOR JOURNEY IN FAITH

Parents' Meeting (Eucharistic)	<b>Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>	7.30pm	St Mary's Hall
Parents' Meeting (Reconciliation)	<b>Tue 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb</b>	8.30pm	St Mary's Hall
Children's Session	<b>Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	9-11am	St Joseph's
Celebration Service	<b>Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Feb</b>	11am	St Mary's

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE:** on **Sun 14<sup>th</sup> Feb** in Sacred Heart Church, Fareham at 4.30pm. During the service there will be an opportunity to renew marriage vows. Everyone is welcome to come along.

**'PRAISE THE LORD':** our monthly Malayalam and English prayer meeting will be in St Mary's Church, on **Sat 13<sup>th</sup> Feb** from 2 – 7pm. The section in English (praise & worship plus sharing the Word of God) will be from 4 – 5pm. Fr Peter will be available for prayer and blessings and everyone is welcome. Do come along and rejoice in the Lord.

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE:** A ten day pilgrimage is arranged for the **7<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> June 2010**. Fr Peter Glas will lead the pilgrimage as Spiritual Director. Shared accommodation (half-board) and coach transfers in Dubrovnik will cost 290 euros per person. Transport to and from Gatwick airport and travel insurance **are not** included.

Pilgrims are asked to book their own flights (over the internet is normally cheaper) as soon as possible, and the earlier flights are booked the lower the fares are likely to be. The flights we will be using are as follows:

**7<sup>th</sup> June BA 2882 London Gatwick depart 09.50 arrive Dubrovnik 13.35**

**17<sup>th</sup> June BA 2883 Dubrovnik depart 14.30 arrive London Gatwick 16.20**

If you are interested in joining the pilgrimage, please contact Doug in the Parish Office for more information and a booking form.

**FAITH & LIGHT:** The annual celebration for Candlemas will be on **Sun 7<sup>th</sup> Feb** at 3pm in St Philip Howard Church, Fareham. Mass will be celebrated by Fr Pat Madden and will be followed by afternoon tea in the church hall. Everyone is welcome to come along and support those with special needs.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS:** will meet on **Mon 1<sup>st</sup> Feb** at 2pm in the Meeting Rooms at St Columba's Church, Bridgemarky. All mothers are welcome.

**'JUNG AND PRAYER':** A study day on **Tue 9<sup>th</sup> Feb** at the Wisdom Centre, Romsey from 10am until 4pm. Suggested offering for the day is £15 which includes refreshments and a simple lunch. To find out more or to book a place please call 01794 830206 or email: [reception@wisdomhouseromsey.org.uk](mailto:reception@wisdomhouseromsey.org.uk)

**'GOD HEALS TODAY':** A study day led by Rev Jim Graham on **Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Feb** from 10am to 3.30pm, at the Catholic Bible School, Nutbourne. Prior booking is helpful though not essential. Please telephone: 01243 371766 to reserve a place. Suggested donation is £15 and includes refreshments. Please bring a packed lunch.

**RE-ARRANGED CAFOD SUPPORTERS DAY:** on **Sat 6<sup>th</sup> Feb** at St Joseph's Parish Hall, Queens Road, **Aldershot**, Hants GU11 3JB from 10.30am until 4pm. This is an opportunity for all Cafod supporters across the diocese to come together for a time of prayer and reflection, and to learn about the proposed 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary Lent Fast Day celebrations. Our Parish Cafod Representative, Michael Heaps, will be attending and will have space in his car for two other people who would like to attend. Please take a packed lunch.

# RETURN TO ROMANCE PRESENTS 'STROLLING' AT THE KINGS THEATRE

In 2008, Nigel Hearnden walked to Rome to celebrate the life of his wife Anne and to raise valuable funds on behalf of four charities/causes she supported, including our sister parish of Mbetta in Cameroon. In addition to his walk, Nigel has undertaken a variety of other events and has succeeded in raising several thousand pounds for each of the charities. This has been wonderful for our community as we are committed to sending £2000 a year to Mbetta to help meet the educational needs of many of the local children.

Join us in a glittering gala celebration at the Kings Theatre, Southsea on **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March** at 7.30pm as 'Strolling' recreates this amazing journey in song and dance. Tickets priced at £15 and £12 are available from the booking office at the Kings or via Doug in the parish office. There will be an auction and raffle on the night.

Nigel has received an outline offer of one or two large minibuses and drivers. If you require transport please give your name to Doug and once Nigel receives confirmation of the offer further details will be provided regarding pick-up points.

Whilst Nigel intends to carry on with his annual charity golf days and an evening at a top local restaurant, 'Strolling' marks the end of his formal fundraising project. Let us show our appreciation for his tremendous efforts and enjoy a family evening out at the same time.