Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Reg'd. Charity No. 246871



Newsletter
of the
Catholic Parish of
St Thomas More

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY

Ordinary Time Yr B
5th / 6th September 2015

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Week beginning 5th September:		Mass Intention
Saturday 5th Sept. 6.00pm	First Mass of 23rd Sun. of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sunday 6th Sept. 9.30am *Ordinariate Mass* 11.15am	**TWENTY- THIRD SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME** **Baptism Zayla Sofia Hilario**	Repose of the soul of Lance Kerr
Monday 7th Sept.	–	–
Tuesday 8th Sept. 9.30am	**THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,** *feast*	For all the faithful departed
Wed. 9th Sept. 10.30am *Ordinariate Mass*	Feria	For all the faithful departed
Thurs. 10th Sept. 9.30am	Feria	Frederick Rising RIP (Foundation Mass)
Friday 11th Sept. 9.30am	Feria	For the repose of the soul of John Riche and the well being of his wife Sheila
Sat. 12th Sept. 5.15 – 5.45pm 6.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) First Mass of 24th Sun. of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sunday 13th Sept. 9.30am *Ordinariate Mass* 11.15am	**TWENTY- FOURTH SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME**	People of the Parish

<u>WELCOME</u> into the Church Family - Zayla Sofia Hilario, whose Baptism is this Sunday.

Liturgy of the Word with Children Meeting: after Mass **this Sunday, 6th September.**

23rd Sunday Ordinary Time Yr B

Isaiah 34: 4-7.
The prophet urges those who are losing heart to take courage, for God is coming to vindicate and save his people.

James 2: 1-5.
Class distinction should have no place among Christians. God champions the poor in the world.

Mark 7: 31-37.
Jesus cures a man who was deaf and dumb, with the powerful "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened."

Today's first reading predicts the restoring of all things to their full potential; and the Gospel says that Jesus "has done everything well." Each Christian must try to work with God for a better world.

http://www.biblical.ie/lections/SC3.asp

HOME MISSION SUNDAY

will be celebrated on 20th September 2015

The theme will be **PROCLAIM God's Mercy.**

The day will bring to attention the work of evangelisation in England and Wales.

For more information see: www.catholicnews.org.uk/hms15

QUIZ NIGHT – *Next Saturday, 12th September*

Note from the PPC: After the 6pm vigil mass next Saturday (7:15pm or thereabouts), there will be a quiz evening with a twist!
The quiz format will be based on TV game-shows over the last 20 years including, Family Fortunes, Name That Tune, Countdown, Mastermind plus many more.
Ticket-holders will be allocated to one of four mixed teams; their first task will be to nominate a team-captain and identify where their General Knowledge, Maths, Science, Music and Sport buffs are! - Teams will require experience from all age-groups in order to be in with a chance of winning.
There will be a prize for the winning team. Please bring food/drink to share with others. Tickets are £2 each or £5 for a family and can be purchased at the back of the Church or on the door.

News just received from St Peter's about their recent exam results - Mr David Todd, Head Teacher, is pleased! See poster in church for details.



Please leave your donations for the foodbank in the black plastic crate under the 'free table' at the back of church.

Many thanks!

PASTORAL AREA

CONFIRMATIONS

The first meeting is for parents and candidates and will be held at St Joseph's Church, Purewell, Christchurch on Tuesday **15th September at 7.30pm.** Candidates need to bring a copy of their First Holy Communion certificate.

ALPHA COURSE The first meeting will be a Celebration Evening on Tuesday 22nd September in Priory House (back of Priory Church) at 7.15pm. There will be a bring and share supper.

SAFEGUARDING Safeguarding training has been arranged as follows: Sat. 3rd Oct., St Joseph's Church, Purewell, Christchurch. Refresher training: 10.00 -12.30, Vulnerable Adults training: 1.30pm-4.00pm. If you wish to book a place on one of these sessions please contact Mary c/o St Joseph's Church, Christchurch.

PASTORAL AREA NEWSLETTER ('THE LINK') Please email contributions for the next edition by **30th September.** Please send to olqp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Share your news and photos!

ST PETER'S OPEN EVENINGS Parents/carers and children are welcome to attend on either **Thursday 17th September 2015** Time: 6.00pm to 8.30pm Head Teacher's talk: 7.00pm Venue: De La Salle Theatre, St Peter's School, Southbourne, St Catherine's Rd., or on **Tuesday 22nd September 2015** Time: 6.00pm to 8.30pm Head Teacher's talk: 7.00pm Venue: De La Salle Theatre, St Peter's School, Southbourne, St Catherine's Rd.
ST PETER'S SCHOOL OPEN EVENING (PRIMARY SCHOOL) Date: 8thOct. 2015 Time: 6.00pm. Refreshments 6.30pm. Headteacher's talk Venue: St Peter's School (Iford Site), Holdenhurst Avenue, Bournemouth. Please see notice board for more details.

From the Diocese ….

Formation for Mission – News and Events. Are you a catechist? Keep up-to-date with Formation for Mission training and events at: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation
There is a lot coming up this term, including:
Retreat Day for Catechists – 26th September,
Day for Catechists with Fr Mark Hogan – 17th October,
Conference with Matt Pinto, Founder of Ascension Press – 9th November

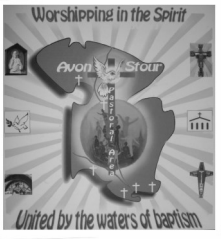
Evangelisation Resources. Resources created for Evangelisation Strategy Teams (including tools to evaluate current evangelisation initiatives) are freely available to anyone (parishes, groups, individuals) at: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/evangelisationteams

Southampton Celebrate Weekend. Join with families around the Diocese for another faith-filled weekend with Mass, good teaching, brilliant music, and stream activities for all age groups. The conference takes place at St Mary's College, Bitterne Park, Southampton. Mass will be celebrated by Episcopal Vicar for Evangelisation, Fr Mark Hogan, on the Saturday, and Fr John Chandler on the Sunday. More details are available at www.celebrateconference.org.

Migrant Slavery Conference, 26th September 2015. The diocesan Justice, Peace and Social Responsibility Team is hosting this conference on at St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX, 9.30am – 3.30pm. There is an excellent line-up of speakers including Kevin Hyland, Independent Anti Slavery Commissioner, Fiona Cunningham, Centre for Social Justice, Jess Gealer, Medaille Trust and Laura Franklin, Assistant Commissioner, Police and Crime Commissioner, Isle of Wight. Booking is essential: the day will cost £10. PLease book now: ww.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/bookings or cvirgo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Pastoral Area No. 20: AVON STOUR.

Co-ordinating Pastor – Fr Tom Grufferty.



HOSPITAL VISITS: Royal Bournemouth & Christchurch Hospitals For non-urgent requests contact the Chaplaincy Office on 01202 704221. They have an answerphone. For more urgent requests/ out of hours, the duty RC chaplain may be contacted via the switchboard on 01202 303626

TIMES OF WEEKEND MASSES in other Parishes/Bournemouth Ordinariate Mission in the AVON STOUR PASTORAL AREA

Ordinariate Mass St Thomas More, Exton Rd., Iford	01590 610133	Sunday 11.15am
The Immaculate Conception and St Joseph's, Purewell, Christchurch	01202 483340	Saturday 6.30pm Sunday 9.00am, 10.45am
Holy Redeemer Kilmington Way, Highcliffe	01425 274838	Sunday 8.00am, 10.00am
The Sacred Heart and St Therese of Lisieux, Ringwood	01425 653131	Sunday 11.00am
Our Lady of Sorrows and St Philip Benizi, Fordingbridge	01425 653131	Saturday 6.00pm Sunday 9.00am
Our Lady Queen of Peace, Southbourne	01202 424960	Sunday 8.00am, 11.00am 6.00 pm

CAFOD PORTSMOUTH SUPPORTERS' MEETING: 12th Sept. 10am - 1.30pm, St Bede's RC Primary School (Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX) 01252 329385 / email portsmouth@cafod.org.uk

OUR LADY Of WALSINGHAM: Please join the Bournemouth Ordinariate on Sunday 27th September to celebrate the solemnity of Our Lady Of Walsingham (transferred from 24th Sept.) with Solemn Evensong, Procession of Our Lady and Benediction at 5.00 pm, here at St. Thomas More. Please also join the Ordinariate for Teas in the Hall first at 4.00 pm where there will be a display of photos and news about the major developments taking place at the National Shrine under its new director, Mgr. John Armitage.

A DAY WITH THE GOSPEL OF LUKE: Saturday 10th October, Corpus Christi Parish Centre, St James's Square, Boscombe. The day will start with Mass at 10am (in church). The theme of the day is **The Loving Kindness of the Heart of Our God.** Led by Brian Purfield. Please see poster for more details.

YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS WEEKEND AT AYLESFORD 2015: Saturday 31st October to Sunday 1st November. For more details and to book, please see www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk

THANK YOU **for the offerings 29th/30th August**

Envelopes :	£ 175.10	Cash :	£ 107.01
Standing Orders :	£ 213.38		**Total : £ 496.09**

If anyone has any items for the newsletter, please e-mail the parish office at stmiford@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or leave a note in the post box by the office door