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Newsletter of the Catholic Parish of **St Thomas More**

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY

Ordinary Time Yr B
19th / 20th September 2015

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Week beginning 19th September:		Mass Intention
Saturday 19th Sept. 6.00pm	First Mass of 25th Sun. of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sunday 20th Sept. 9.30am *Ordinariate Mass* 11.15am	**TWENTY- FIFTH SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME**	People of the Parish
Monday 21st Sept.	–	–
Tuesday 22nd Sept. 9.30am		For all the faithful departed
Wed. 23rd Sept. 10.30am *Ordinariate Mass*	**St Pio of Pietrelcina,** *memorial*	For all the faithful departed
Thurs. 24th Sept. 9.30am	**Our Lady of Walsingham,** *memorial*	Anthony Francis Andrews (Foundation Mass)
Friday 25th Sept. 9.30am	Feria	For all the Parish faithful departed
Sat. 26th Sept. 5.15 – 5.45pm 6.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) First Mass of 26th Sun. of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sunday 27th Sept. 9.30am N.B. *No* Ordinariate Mass at 11.15am: Solemn Evensong with Benediction 5pm	**TWENTY- SIXTH SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME** Our Lady of Walsingham (transferred from Thurs. 24th)	People of the Parish

There will be a SECOND COLLECTION this weekend for

HOME MISSIONS

There will be a short meeting in the church hall after the 9.30am Mass this Sunday for those who can help at the Harvest Supper.

25th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr B

Wisdom 2: 12,17-20.
The godless maliciously plot against the just man, because his blameless life has become a reproach to them.
James 3: 16-4:3.
Jealousy, ambition, and self-seeking lead to disharmony and fighting; gentleness, reasonableness, and mercy lead to peace.
Mark 9: 30-37.
After predicting his own future passion, Jesus tells his friends, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all."

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

HOME MISSION SUNDAY
is celebrated on 20th September. The theme is
'PROCLAIM God's Mercy'
On this day we are encouraged to pray for the work of evangelisation in England and Wales, remembering in our prayers especially those whom we know are distant from the life of faith. Please support the second collection which funds the bishops' national work of evangelisation and the development of this year's Proclaim '15: Building Missionary Parishes initiative. The collection also ensures that the Catholic Faith Centre is resourced to respond to those who have questions about the Catholic Faith.
It is possible to donate online at: www.catholicnews.org.uk/donations
Commemorative prayer cards are available to take away.
Please support the work of Home Mission through your prayers and generosity. For more information see: www.catholicnews.org.uk/hms15 God bless you and thank you.

The Called and Gifted programme - coming to the Avon Stour Pastoral Area this November

This weekend we welcome Richard Martin and Liz Cooper to come and talk to us about Called and Gifted.

Have you ever been asked what spiritual gifts the Holy Spirit has blessed you with? Would you know the answer? If not, come and let the Called and Gifted team help you find out! As baptised Christians we have all been blessed with at least one gift with which to bring God's love to others, and it doesn't have to involve standing on a street corner holding a placard!
A three stage programme, Called and Gifted can help you discover your very own gift and we invite you to take part.
Interested? Come along to a taster session on either **Tues 13th Oct 2015, 7.30pm-9.00pm** at St Josephs, Christchurch OR **Thurs 15th Oct 2015, 11.00am-12.30pm** at Sacred Heart, Ringwood – no need to book, refreshments available.
Or, if you are keen to register for one of the limited places at the November Workshop at St Joseph's parish hall, Christchurch on Friday 6th Nov, 7pm – 9pm, and Saturday 7th Nov, 9am - 4pm please go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and register. Questions? Feel free to ask Father or call Liz Cooper, local Co-ordinator, on 01202 421922.

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.



Authorised Person for Marriages
at St Thomas More required
The main duty is to enter marriage details in the marriage registers. Any necessary training will be given. This is a duty for which a fee is payable.
For more details please see Fr Darryl or Linda in the Parish Office.

KEEP THE DATE FREE! HARVEST SUPPER: October 17th.
In the church hall after the Saturday vigil Mass, followed by an ***Auction of Harvest Produce*** *(with any monies raised going to charity.)*

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

REFRESHER SESSION FOR READERS

Fr Gervase Holdaway from Douai Abbey will be holding a refresher session for those involved in the Reading Ministry on Saturday afternoon, November 7th, starting at 2pm in Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish Centre. This is a rare opportunity and we would be delighted if any Readers from the other Parishes in our Pastoral Area would like to join us. As Fr. Gervase would appreciate an idea of how many are likely to attend, would you kindly let Marysa, the Reader's Co-Ordinator or the STM Parish Office *know by the last week of September* if you would like to come. You will be most welcome.

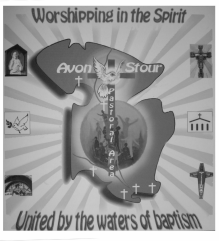
SAFEGUARDING Safeguarding training has been arranged as follows: Sat. 3rd Oct., St Joseph's Church, Purewell, Christchurch. Refresher training: 10.00 -12.30, Vulnerable Adults training: 1.30pm-4.00pm. If you wish to book a place on one of these sessions please contact Mary c/o St Joseph's, Christchurch.

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 ….
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

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.

ST PETER'S QUIZ NIGHT: Friday 2nd October. 7.30pm for 8.00pm start. Pay at the door (Unless the Fish and Chip Supper is required - this must be pre-booked.)

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 bring a packed lunch. Entry to the day is free but all donations are welcome. *See poster for timetable*.

EXTRAORDINARY FORM MASS at WESTBOURNE: Fr Anthony Glaysher, parish priest of Ryde, who normally offers Mass in the Extraordinary Form (the 'Tridentine Mass') at Our Lady Immaculate, Westbourne, on the third Sunday of each month, has unfortunately been unwell for the last few months and unable to come to the mainland. However, he is hoping to be at Westbourne this Sunday, 20th September, at 6.00, preceded by confessions from 5 pm. All welcome.

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 12th/13th Sept.**

Envelopes :	£ 181.10	Cash :	£ 128.04
Standing Orders :	£ 213.38		**Total : £ 522.52**