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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY

Ordinary Time Yr B
26th / 27th September 2015

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Week beginning 26th September:		Mass Intention
Saturday 26th Sept. 6.00pm	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)	For Migrant - Refugees
Monday 28th Sept.	–	–
Tuesday 29th Sept. 9.30am	**THE HOLY ARCHANGELS MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL,** *feast*	For all the faithful departed
Wed. 30th Sept. 10.30am *Ordinariate Mass*	**St Jerome,** *memorial*	For all the faithful departed
Thurs. 1st Oct.	**No Mass today**	–
Friday 2nd Oct. 9.30am [Autumn 'Fast Day'] Oct.Devotions/Benediction 7 pm	**The Holy Guardian Angels,** *memorial*	For all the Parish faithful departed
Saturday 3rd Oct. 5.15 – 5.45pm 6.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) First Mass of 27th Sun. of Ordinary Time	People of the Parish
Sunday 4th Oct. 9.30am	**TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY of ORDINARY TIME**	Repose of the soul of Lance Kerr

Please join the Bournemouth Ordinariate this Sunday to celebrate the solemnity of Our Lady Of Walsingham with Solemn Evensong, Procession of Our Lady and Benediction at 5.00 pm. Teas in the hall at 4.00 pm with a display about the major developments taking place at the National Shrine.

There will be a Second Collection this weekend for the Cathedral.

N.B. Fast Day envelopes are available this weekend - please take yours to bring back next weekend. The Autumn Fast Day is this coming Friday. Please see back page for a message from CAFOD.

CAFOD Just one world

26th Sunday Ordinary Time Yr B

Numbers 11: 25-29. Up to this the leadership in the exodus as been reserved only to Moses. Now many others are given gift of prophecy; Joshua resents this, but Moses welcomes it.
James 5: 1-6. This contains a strong condemnation of wealth, especially if it is obtained through the exploitation of the weak.
Mark 9: 38ff. Whoever is not against us is with us. Woe to whoever "scandalises the little ones." A severe warning against scandal.

Mark often presents the disciples as not understanding what Jesus is about. This Sunday's selection follows the second prediction of the passion which the disciples again did not understand. They were afraid to ask Jesus its meaning. In his sayings in Capernaum Jesus begins the full revelation of the mystery of the kingdom. Things will be different for those who buy into his vision. The contrast between the way the jealous disciples react to the outsider using Jesus' name to cast out demons and Jesus' own reaction highlights the tolerance they (and we) should have toward all who try to follow him. The temptations to sin that might lead others (little ones could be any believer) astray are to be avoided at any cost. The examples, though exaggerations, indicate the necessity of avoiding sin.

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

There is a message from Bishop Philip announcing a

<u>Day of Special Prayer for Migrant-Refugees</u>

on Sunday 27th September.

Copies are available on the 'free table'. Please also see www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Bishop Philip gives us a prayer from The Roman Missal that everyone can say and asks us to add it to our morning and night prayers:

O Lord, to whom no one is a stranger
and from whose help no one is ever distant,
look with compassion on refugees and exiles,
on segregated persons and on lost children;
restore them, we pray, to a homeland,
and give us a kind heart for the needy and for strangers.
Through Our Lord, Jesus Christ ,Your Son,
who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Would you like your child to make their First Holy Communion in 2016?

If so, please contact Peter Britton and pass on your details; peterbritton57@outlook.com

Closing date for programme : **25th October 2015**.



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

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 Darryl or Liz, local Co-ordinator c/o Our Lady Queen of Peace Church.

Please note that one of the meetings for the Called and Gifted programme and the Refresher Session for Readers are on the same date, November 7th. If you would like to attend both please liaise with Liz.

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, Nov. 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 the Reader's Co-Ordinator, Marysa, or the STM Parish Office *know by the last week of September* if you would like to come. You will be most welcome.

PPC Meeting : Wednesday 30th September at 7.00pm
If anyone has any points which they would like to be considered for inclusion on the agenda then please put a note in the PPC's Suggestion Box on the 'free table'.
Fabric & Finance Meeting: Tuesday 6th October at 7.00pm



HARVEST SUPPER and AUCTION OF HARVEST PRODUCE

Saturday 17th October in the Church Hall
Time: 7.00pm - 9.30pm approx.
Tickets £5. Proceeds to church funds/CAFOD
TICKETS ON SALE AFTER THE WEEKEND MASSES
Harvest supper: Bowl homemade soup and a roll, choice of main course, homemade dessert.
Soft drinks provided but please feel free to bring a bottle!

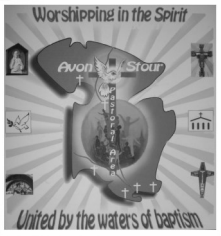
The auction will be of fruit, vegetables, groceries of all kinds, preserves, bread, cakes etc. Please bring the items to be auctioned on the day. Thanks.

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

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.

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

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.)

IRISH SET DANCING : takes place in our church hall every 1st, 3rd, 4th and 5th Thursday, 8.00pm to 10.30pm.If you would like to join in, please contact the parish office for further details.

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*.

THANK YOU **for the offerings 19th/20th Sept.**

Envelopes :	£ 133.10	Cash :	£ 152.51
Standing Orders :	£ 213.38		**Total : £ 498.99**
Home Missions:	£ 28.94		

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day - 2 October 2015

Your support and donations this Harvest Fast Day will enable CAFOD's partners to work with people across the world to have access to tools and training and empower them to become self-sufficient despite living in the most difficult of conditions. Additionally, your donations this Fast Day will be used to fund CAFOD partners' work in Europe and the Middle East to support those affected by the refugee crisis.
Please take an envelope today for the collection next week. Thank you.