

# THE MESSENGER

Serving the Parish of Our Lady and The Saints of Guernsey

PUBLICATION OF CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH NO. 1199568 - GUERNSEY REGISTERED CHARITY CH263



**Diocese of Portsmouth**

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Eighth Bishop of Portsmouth

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Fr Inna Reddy Gade

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Presbytery: 01481 822105

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Canon Gerard Hetherington KCHS

**Deacon:** Rev Mark Leightley

**St Joseph & St Mary (St. J)**

La Couperderie, St Peter Port

**Notre Dame du Rosaire (ND)**

Burnt Lane, St Peter Port

**Our Lady Star of the Sea, Delancey (OLSS)**

Rue des Monts, St Sampson

**Le Platon Home (LP)**

Clifton, St Peter Port, Guernsey

**Parish Office: CLOSED TUESDAYS**

**Open Hours 9.30am - 1.30pm weekdays**

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**CONFESSIONS:**

**Saturdays:**

St Joseph 10.30am-11.00am

Our Lady Star of the Sea 5.30pm-5.50pm

**Sunday:**

Notre Dame Church 5.30pm-5.50pm

Or by appointment

**PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:**

Name: CDP Guernsey

Sorting Code: 309304

Account number: 00879070

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE**

24th November 2024

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord is King, with majesty enrobed**

Sat 23rd

**St. J** 10.00 am Mass: Charles Horan RIP

**FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY**

*Organ*

**OLSS** 6.00 pm Mass: In Thanksgiving

**Sun 24th Nov**

**OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, Solemnity**  
Office Proper

*Quiet Mass*

**St. J** 8.00 am Mass: Thomas Moriarty RIP

*Music Group*

**OLSS** 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

*Sung/Organ*

**St. J** 10.30 am Mass: Gabriele & Family for Good Health

**ND** 5.30 pm **Rosary**

*Organ*

**ND** 6.00 pm Mass: Madeleine Warren RIP

Mon 25th

**St. J** 7.30 am Mass: Fr Paul

**St. J** 11.00 am **Funeral Service:** Rex John Martel

**OLSS** 11.30 am **Rosary**

**No noon Mass today**

Tues 26th

**St. J** 9.30 am Mass: John Stacey RIP

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am**

Wed 27th

**St. J** 9.30 am Mass: Katy Elizabeth Bennington RIP (FM)

**St. J** 6.00 pm Mass: Joaquina Ferreira Da Luz RIP

**St. J** 7.00 pm Exposition, Rosary & Benediction for **Vocations**

Thur 28th

**St. J** 9.30 am Mass: Harry & Joan Coutanche RIP (FM)

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am**

**OLSS** 6.00 pm Mass: Bridie Harnden RIP

Fri 29th

**St. J** 7.30 am Mass: Bridget Drainey RIP

**No Le Platon Mass today**

**CFP** 7.30 pm **Rosary**

Sat 30th

**ST ANDREW, Apostle, feast**

**St. J** 10.00 am Mass: James Driver RIP (FM)

**St. J** 11.15 am **Baptism:** Lorenzo Matteo Paras

**FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY**

*Organ*

**OLSS** 6.00 pm Mass: Yves Davy, Roger & Beulah West RIP

**Sun 1st December**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Psalter Week 1

*Quiet Mass*

**St. J** 8.00 am Mass: Sister Goretti RIP

*Music Group*

**OLSS** 9.15 am Mass: Ananias Dos Reis Figueira RIP

*Sung/Organ*

**St. J** 10.30 am Mass: Joan Coutanche RIP

**ND** 5.30 pm **Rosary**

*Organ*

**ND** 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish

**CFP** - Centre for Peace **FM** - Foundation Mass



**THE WAY OF THE NATIVITY  
BY CANDLELIGHT**

An Advent service of prayer, reflection and readings.

**Our Lady Star of the Sea - 2nd December 7pm**

As the world rushes frantically towards Christmas,  
Christians are called to walk.

Our annual service will help us to slow down, reflect the  
meaning of the Nativity and accompany **Christ to the crib.**

Do try and make time to come along and bring someone along with you

**MINCE PIES**

Would you be willing to bake a few mince pies for the Parish Advent service on  
Monday 2nd Dec? If so, please contact the office or Sandy Leightley on  
07781 193673 to arrange to drop them off.



Live simply,  
so that others  
may  
simply live

## NOTRE DAME DU ROSAIRE ARE SEEKING READING VOLUNTEERS

We are desperately seeking adults who would be happy to spend an afternoon a week hearing individual children read.

Full training will be given. A DBS will be required.

Please contact Head teacher Mary Robertshaw on 01481 222412 or [mary.robertshaw@education.gg](mailto:mary.robertshaw@education.gg) for more information.

## WELCOME

A warm welcome to all visitors who join us this week. Tea & Coffee is available after the **8.00am & 10.30am Masses** in St Joseph's and after the **9.15am Mass** at Our Lady Star of the Sea.



## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome in baptism at St Joseph's church, **Lorenzo Matteo Paras**. Please remember him, his parents and Godparents in your prayers.

## LEGION OF MARY

Legion of Mary – Active Members of Our Lady of Victories Praesidium meet Saturday mornings, 11am in the Parish Rooms. Please come and visit us! New members are always welcome. For more information contact Mary Baldry; 07781 128462.

## ROSARY

For the beatification of Edel Quinn (Legion of Mary) will take place at 2.55pm at St. Joseph's Parish Room on Sunday 24th November.

## HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit Prayer Group will be having an evening of 'ADORATION' on MONDAY November 25th from 7.30-9.00pm. This will be in the parish room at St Joseph's. There will be some hymns followed by silent 'Adoration'. Prayer ministry will be available for anyone who would like individual prayer. Tea and coffee will be available from 7pm. Everyone is encouraged to join us and to take this opportunity to spend time in the *presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament*.

## COFFEE MORNING – This Wednesday

The Parish room at St Joseph's will be open for coffee/tea on WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 27th and on every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month. Drop in any time between 9.30-11.30am for coffee, cake and a chat. Everyone is welcome – do join us!

## EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS & READERS ROTAS: ST JOSEPH'S

For the period 1st December 2024 to 2nd March 2025 will be available in the Sacristy. They can also be checked on the Parish website. If you would like the readers rota emailed to you please request by emailing - [gyreadersrota@gmail.com](mailto:gyreadersrota@gmail.com)

## ST JOSEPH'S COFFEE ROTA FOR AFTER 10.30AM MASS

Thank you to all those who volunteer! The new rota for the period 5th January to 29th June 2025 will be available in the Sacristy folder. A copy will be displayed on the wall in the Parish Kitchen.

## GUERNSEY WELFARE SERVICE

A sincere thank you to all those who donate items to the food bank containers held in our 3 churches and who continue to do so.

The following items would be much appreciated as we support families this Christmas:

Tubs & boxes of chocolates, Selection boxes, box of Christmas biscuits, crisps etc, Bottles of Shloer etc, Stuffing mix & gravy, pickles, Tinned ham etc.

**Financial gifts are most welcome** towards food or heating costs. Please visit <https://guernseywelfare.com> For bank details please visit [www.giving.gg](http://www.giving.gg) - Items are distributed between 2nd-23rd December. Thank you so much for your support.

## THE REAL ADVENT CALENDAR

The sale of The Real Advent Calendars will help provide care and support for mums and new babies in African villages supported by the Funzi and Bodo Trust. Please see the poster at back of Church for addresses of where to send for The Real Advent Calendar & Fairtrade goodies. Thank you for your support.

## VACANCY: PARISH OFFICE ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Due to a vacancy the Catholic Parish of Our Lady and the Saints of Guernsey is seeking an Assistant Parish Secretary to join our team, based at St Joseph's, Amphill House, Cordier Hill, St Peter Port.

This is part time position 20 hours per week, usually worked over 3 days Salary: £17,680 per annum (£17.00 per hour).

If you are interested in this opportunity to contribute to parish life please request a full job description and details of how to apply by contacting the parish office [office@catholic.org.gg](mailto:office@catholic.org.gg)

Further details are available on the church noticeboards and on our website. Closing date for applications: 6th December 2024

## DIARY DATES

### ERNIE'S ANGELS Christmas Sale - 24th November

Sunday 24th November in St Joseph's Parish Room after the 8am & 10.30am Mass. Gifts and Christmas crafts will be on sale.

*Your support allows us to assist families when they most need our help!*

### WAYAYA

Charity Jam sale in aid of WAYAYA will also take place on Sunday 24th November in St Joseph's Parish Room after the 8.00am & 10.30am Mass. The proceeds from the Jam sales will go to supporting Children in Zambia.

### ST MARY & ST MICHAEL SCHOOL ADVENT BAZAAR

Friday 29th November 3.30-5.30pm. Santa's grotto, Crafts, games, stalls, tombola, bean jar, mince pies and liqueur coffees, plenty to do & see. Monies raised will fund new sports kit for tournaments.

### NOTRE DAME DU ROSAIRE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

The children and staff request the pleasure of your company at a special performance of our **Infant** Christmas play **A Wriggly Nativity** in St Joseph's Hall at 1.30pm on Thursday 5th December followed by afternoon tea.

Please RSVP to [ndp.office@education.gg](mailto:ndp.office@education.gg) or on 222412

### BLANCHELANDE FUND RAISING FOR PAHAR TRUST - NEPAL

Blanchelande students will be doing a charity trip to Nepal summer 2025 and will be working with the Pahar Trust who provide education and sanitation, to small communities that are underdeveloped in the Himalayas

The students will be hosting a wreath making workshop at Blanchelande College, De la Salle hall on Sunday 8th December from 2- 5pm - cost £45 that includes all the materials for the wreaths. Refreshments will also be on sale.

If you would like to support this very worthwhile project please contact [ellertm@blanchelande.sch.gg](mailto:ellertm@blanchelande.sch.gg) to help gauge how many

### THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for the Parish church of St Martin & St Martin's Mission.

### PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

: Young People (National Youth Sunday)

: For Clergy and their families

: The Sick and housebound of the Parish.

: Le Platon Home & all in Residential & Nursing Care.

### FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

**Rex John Martel** Funeral Service will take place Monday 25th November 11.00 am at St. Joseph's Church.

**Francisco Almeida** Requiem Mass will take place Friday 6th December 11.00am at St Joseph's Church **May they Rest In Peace+**

### OFFERTORY

**17 November £3,073** (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button) **WINGS: £1,031** Thank you for your continued support and generosity

### RETIRING COLLECTION

**Next weekend's** retiring collection is for the **Guild of St Joseph** who assist with any pressing needs for individuals and families in the Parish and wider community. This past year we have helped many families who would have struggled without your help.