

THE MESSENGER

Serving the Parish of Our Lady and The Saints of Guernsey

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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

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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



Live simply,
so that others
may
simply live

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

26th January 2025

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Your words, O LORD, are spirit and life

Sat 25th

THE CONVERSION OF ST PAUL, feast

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Jim Young RIP

St. J 11.15 am **Baptism:** Isabella & Ottilie Phillips.

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Organ

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Pat Cochrane

Sun 26th January

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 3

Quiet Mass

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Merrien & Le Tocq Families

Allegro

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Terry Carter RIP

ND 5.30 pm

Rosary

Organ

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Luke O'Donnell

Mon 27th

OLSS 11.30 am

Rosary

St. J **6.00 pm** Mass: Fr Patrick O'Neill RIP

Tues 28th

St Thomas Aquinas, Religious, Doctor of the Church, memorial

NO MASS TODAY

Wed 29th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Michael Killeen RIP

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

Thur 30th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Betty Merrien RIP

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am

Fri 31st

St John Bosco, Founder, memorial

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Sylvia & Harold Whitby RIP (FM)

LP 11.00 am Mass: Paula Gaudion & Family (FM)

CFP 7.30 pm **Rosary**

Sat 1st February

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

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Organ

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Giuseppe Molinari RIP

Sun 2nd Feb

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD, feast

Office Proper

Quiet Mass

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Beryl Restori RIP

Music group

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: Canon Gerard Hetherington G.E.

Sung/organ

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Eric & Gwena Gajewski RIP

ND 5.30 pm

Rosary

Organ

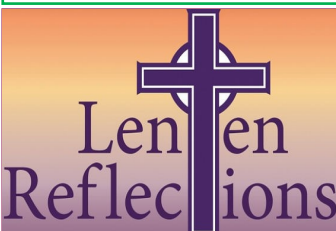
ND 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish

CFP - Centre for Peace FM - Foundation Mass



JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.



ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH 2025 LENTEN TALKS

To once again help us on our journey St Josephs will be hosting a series of Lenten talks.

An inspiring list of speakers have been lined up with more details to follow.

Please make a note of the dates.

March 6th, March 13th, April 3rd, April 10th

MASS SCHEDULE DURING JANUARY

Due to clergy holidays in January please take note of the **daily** Mass times; also for the weekend 25/26 January.

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.

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me. Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world." **John 17: 20-24, ESV**



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome in baptism at St Joseph's church, **Isabella & Otilie Phillips**. Please remember them, their 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 26th January.

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

An evening of 'Adoration' MONDAY JANUARY 27th 7.30 - 9.00pm also on the last Monday of every month. This will include 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 welcome, even if you don't normally come to the prayer group.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Starts in February for young people in **Year 8 and above** who would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in summer 2026, or just want a chance to have real and open conversations about life, faith and purpose. Sessions are weekly and include **food, fun, short film** and **discussion** in small groups. Choose from either Tuesday (at Delancey) or Wednesday (at St Joseph's) 6.30pm-8.30pm, or Thursday lunchtime (at Blanchelande College).

Come and see - there's no pressure, and no commitment for the first few weeks. Watch the trailer at [Alpha.org/youth](https://alpha.org/youth)

Session 1: Welcome to the Conversation

Tue 11th Feb @ Delancey -or- Wed 12th Feb @ St Joseph's or Thurs 6th Feb @ Blanchelande

Contact Tom: youth@catholic.org.gg 07781 129310

ORBITAL: ORIGINS PRAYER COURSE

The basics of how to pray, for young people in school years 7-13. Sunday evenings 9th Feb-30th March (excluding Sun 23rd Feb) 6pm-8pm at Delancey Elim Church. Free meal, video, games, and discussion. Sign up by 2nd February at orbitalyouth.com



Tips to help reduce plastic: Tackle one room at a time. Attempting to reduce plastic throughout the whole house at once is overwhelming and unmanageable. Instead address each room individually. The bathroom is a great place to start.

TUMAINI PRAYER BREAKFAST

Will take place on the last Saturday of each month, commencing 25th January, at 9.00am, at Les Adams Methodist Church - **Perry's Guide 20C1**. Please keep in your prayers Dr Susan Wilson who will be visiting the project in Tanzania at the end of January. Please see the poster at back of Church.

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for Green Lanes Gospel Hall/ Society of Friends (Quakers)

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

: Sunday of the Word of God
: Staff and students in higher Education
: The Sick and housebound of the Parish.
: Le Platon Home & all in Residential & Nursing Care.

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Bill Trubuil Requiem Mass Tuesday 11th February 11am Our Lady Star of the Sea Church;
Michael Carre, Elizabeth Ogier and for all those who have recently died. **May they Rest in Peace.+**

ANNIVERSARIES

Diamantino Miranda and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. **May they Rest in Peace.+**

OFFERTORY

£2,976 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button)

RETIRING COLLECTION

The retiring collection **this** weekend is for **St John's Cathedral** in Portsmouth. This collection is the only support our Cathedral receives from the wider Diocesan family.

Important Message from the Dean of the Cathedral

"Since I became Dean of our Cathedral Church of St John the Evangelist in September 2022, the parish has had to pay for the emergency repair of three serious roof leaks, as well as the replacement of two failing flat roofs. The cost of these repairs was met from parish funds. In 2023, the 120-year-old West Window had to be shored up, removed and completely restored to prevent its imminent collapse. So far, generous donors from the parish and from across the diocese have contributed £84,130 of the £90,100 cost of repair.

Our most recent quinquennial architectural survey (autumn 2023) indicated work required over the next few years to the roof, windows, heating, and electrical systems at an estimated cost of £2 million plus VAT.

Never has this annual collection by parishes for the Mother Church of the Diocese been more critical or needed. Your support is vitally important to us. Thank you for all your help and generosity."

Canon James McAuley, Cathedral Dean, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia.



Online donations for the Second Collection can be made on the following link <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/st-johns-cathedral-second-collection-2025> or by scanning this QR code with a Smart Phone.

DONA CONTACTLESS MACHINES

(Contactless Giving) If you would like to donate by card we now have DONA machines in each of our Churches.

Machines are located in the church porch and in the parish office. For example: donations can be made for first and second Sunday collections ; Candles; Repository purchases; and for Mass Offerings etc., Please select the option you want and then the amount you wish to donate. If you require assistance using the machine then please ask any member of the parish team who will be happy to help you. **Thank you for your continued support of the parish.**