

THE MESSENGER

Serving the Parish of Our Lady and The Saints of Guernsey

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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

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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

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

23rd February 2025

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

The Lord is Compassionate and Gracious

Sat 22nd

THE CHAIR OF ST PETER, feast

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Liz Ogier RIP

OLSS 11.00am **Baptism:** Nancy Alfiya Keeble

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

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

Organ

Sun 23rd Feb

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 3

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

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: Marian Key RIP (FM)

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Bodil & Leslie de Cruz RIP (FM)

ND 5.30 pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish

Organ

Mon 24th

St. J 7.30am Mass: Mary De Cruz RIP

OLSS 11.30am **Rosary**

OLSS 12 noon Mass: Shore Family (FM)

Tues 25th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: James John Fattorini RIP (FM)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am

Wed 26th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Bernado Amigable RIP

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

Thur 27th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Holy Souls (FM)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am

Fri 28th

St. J 7.30am Mass: André & Mary Hervé Intentions

LP 11.00 am Mass: Holy Souls (FM)

CFP 7.30 pm **Rosary**

Sat 1st March

ST DAVID, Religious, Bishop, feast

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

St. J 11.30am **Baptisms:** Winter-Rose Srimshaw/
Luan Marley Millar

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Wilfred & Christopher Cochrane RIP

Organ

Sun 2nd March

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 4

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Josephine Plant RIP

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Elsie Martin's Intentions

ND 5.30 pm Rosary

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Deceased Members Guernsey Catenians

Organ

CFP - Centre for Peace FM—Foundation Mass



JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

In this Jubilee year of hope

please join me on our Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes from **7th to**

11th July when we can carry the flame of hope in procession with

our sick brothers and sisters; sing the song of hope in the language

of every nation gathered; and pray to Mary, the Way of Hope. Lourdes holds a special

affection in the hearts of many across the Diocese and our annual pilgrimage is a

wonderful opportunity to experience faith, fun and friendship. I very much hope that

you will consider joining me, Bishop Philip, and our fellow pilgrims; bookings please

either telephone 07780 221686 or pick up an application form from the parish office.

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 the **9.15am Mass in Our Lady Star of the Sea**.



SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

We welcome in baptism at Our Lady Star of the Sea **Nancy Alfiya Keeble**. Please Keep her, and her parents and Godparents in your prayers.

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 23rd February.

CAR PARK CLOSURE

La Couperderie car park will be closed on Monday 24th February from 8.30-1pm for work to take place to fill in potholes.

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit prayer group will be having an evening of 'Adoration' on **MONDAY FEBRUARY 24th** from 7.30-9.00pm and 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. This will take place in the Parish Room at St Joseph's. Tea and coffee will be available from 7pm. Everyone is welcome, whether or not you normally come to the prayer group.

PARKING SPACES

St Joseph's congregation please note that there are 6 spaces in the **Queen's Road Medical Practice car park** directly next to the bike shed/plant room that are to be kept free for their tenants. They are clearly signposted, so please don't park in them, Thank you.

READERS ROTA FOR ST JOSEPH & ST MARY The rota for the period 9th March to 22nd June 2025 will be available in the Sacristy. It can also be checked on the Parish website. Also can it be uploaded onto the Parish website.



COFFEE MORNING – THIS WEDNESDAY

The next coffee morning will be on **WEDNESDAY FEBRUARY 26th**, and on every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, in the parish room at St Joseph's. Drop in any time between 9.30-

11.30am for coffee, cake and a chat. Everyone is welcome!

THANK YOU

On behalf of the Parish Befrienders **thankyou** to everyone, members of the Parish and the staff and students of Blanchelande College who helped to give our older parishioners a very happy afternoon last Saturday. The welcome given by staff and students created a relaxed atmosphere in which people could enjoy the company of old friends they may not have seen since the last tea party and also an opportunity to meet with our priests. As well as a delicious tea the entertainment provided by the children with the dress rehearsal of their production of the musical 'Oliver' was a special delight. It was brilliant and with such talent on display left such a good feeling of Hope in the future, so fitting and needed in this 'Year of Hope'.

ST JOSEPHS CHURCH LENTEN TALKS

Lent is very much a time of reflection. With this in mind and following on from the success of last year's Lenten programme, we will once again be hosting a series of Lenten talks suitable for people of all Christian faiths. Each talk will be held in St Joseph's Church starting at 7pm and concluding at 8pm. The dates, speakers and topics are as follows.

March 6th

Deacon Mark: 'In Search of Holiness'

March 13th

Mary Herve: 'What Is That in Your Hand'; breaking the cycle of crime and living transformed lives.

April 3rd

Rev Adrian Datta: 'Death – An Inconvenient Reality?'

April 10th

Well-known author, broadcaster and speaker.

Abbot Christopher Jamison: 'Holy Week; Saving the Future'

Do make every effort to come along

PRE-LENTEN GATHERING

With refreshments and nibbles following the 6pm Mass on Sunday 2nd March at Notre Dame. All in the parish are Welcome.

JOIN CAFOD'S BIG LENT WALK IN THE JUBILEE YEAR

You are invited to join CAFOD's Big Lent Walk and journey together with Catholics in England, Wales and Scotland as Pilgrims of Hope in this Jubilee Year - walking 200km over 40 days during Lent. Every £1 you raise will support communities like Lokho's in Kenya, experiencing the worst impact of the climate crisis, to rebuild their lives in hope. Sign up here: <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/>

YVES BIG LENT WALK 2

Our **CAFOD** volunteer, Yve Roze, is taking on the Big Lent Walk, in Guernsey If you would like to sponsor her and support CAFOD please use the following link <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/yves-big-lent-walk2>

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for New Life Church

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

- : Pope Francis, Holy Father get well soon.
- : Catholic Archivists
- : All Parish/community Pastoral Councils
- : Diocesan Spiritual Formation team
- : Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care
- : The Sick and housebound of the parish

ANNIVERSARIES

José De Quintal and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May they Rest in Peace.+

OFFERTORY £ 2824.00 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button) **Wings £ 545.00**

RETIRING COLLECTION

Next weekends 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, particularly at Christmas we have helped many families who would have struggled without your help.

Thank you for your generosity