

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

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2nd March 2025

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS TO YOU O' LORD

Sat 1st March

ST DAVID, Religious, Bishop, feast

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

St. J 11.30 am **†** **Baptisms:** Winter-Rose Scrimshaw/
Louan Marley Millar

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Organ

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Wilfred & Christopher Cochrane RIP **†**

Sun 2nd March

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 4

Quiet Mass

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Josephine Plant RIP

Music group

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

Sung/organ

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

ND 5.30 pm **Rosary**

Organ

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Deceased Members Guernsey Catenians

Mon 3rd

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Maud Blin

OLSS 11.30 am **Rosary**

OLSS 12 noon Mass: Shore Family (FM)

Tues 4th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Mr & Mrs Stacey RIP (FM)

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am

ASH WEDNESDAY - BEGINNING OF THE SEASON OF LENT

Wed 5th

***St. J** 9.30 am Mass: Charles & Odette Honey RIP (FM)

***OLSS** 9.30 am Mass: Dereck & Lorraine Morris RIP

***BLC** 9.30 am Liturgy of the Word and distribution of ashes only

St. J 6.00 pm Mass: Michael Carre RIP

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

Thur 6th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Philip Greening RIP

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Sister M De Sales RIP (FM)

Fri 7th

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Marzena in Thanksgiving

LP 11.00 am Mass: Sister Theresa

St J 6.00 pm **Stations of the Cross**

CFP 7.30 pm **Rosary** **†**

Sat 8th March

St. J 10.00 am Mass: John Mulligan RIP

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

Organ

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Rita Martinoia RIP **†**

Sun 9th March

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT **†**

Psalter Week 1

Quiet Mass

St. J 8.00 am Mass: John Fahy RIP

Music group

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

Sung/organ

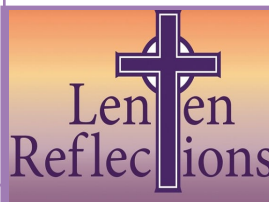
St. J 10.30 am Mass: Jose & Maurilia Intentions

ND 5.30 pm **Stations of the Cross**

Organ

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Kazimierz In Thanksgiving

CFP - Centre for Peace **FM**—Foundation Mass *School in attendance
*Blanchelande college



ST JOSEPHS CHURCH 2025 LENTEN TALKS

7pm – 8pm

This Thursday March 6th we have our first Lenten talk

'In Search of Holiness'

It will be given by Deacon Mark

Please Make Every Effort to support these parish talks

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 St Joseph's **Winter-Rose Scrimshaw/Louan Marley Millar**
Please Keep them, and their parents and Godparents in your prayers.

BISHOP PHILIP'S PASTORAL LETTER

This weekend, a letter from our bishop will be read out at all masses: If you would like to obtain a copy then you can download it from www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk alternatively from the parish office or some copies will be left in the back of all the Churches.

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

PRE-LENTEN GATHERING

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

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit prayer Group will be meeting on Monday 3rd March at 7.30pm in the Parish room at St Joseph's for praise, prayer and Bible sharing. Tea and coffee available from 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Continues this week for young people in **Year 8 and above** who would like 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**, a 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
Session 3: What does real love look like?

Tue 4th Mar @ Delancey -or- Wed 5th Mar @ St Joseph's or Thurs 6th Mar @ Blanchelande Contact

Tom: youth@catholic.org.gg 07781 129310



ALPHA Curious about faith? Join a series of group conversations that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith in an open, friendly environment. At each Alpha session, you'll be hosted in a small group and watch an episode on a different question of faith – then you have a chance to share your thoughts and hear what others think. You can say anything you like, or nothing at all. Everyone's welcome. You're invited, no matter your background or beliefs. It's free and there's no pressure to come back. Continues Tue 4th Mar @ Delancey or Wed 5th March @St Joseph's, both 6:30pm–8:30pm (you're invited even if you missed the first two weeks).

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY 5TH MARCH 2025

A day of Fasting and Abstinence/Distribution of ashes at all Masses.

St Josephs:9.30am & 6pm

Our Lady Star of the Sea: 9.30am

Blanchelande College: 9.30am

Liturgy of the Word and distribution of ashes only

STATIONS OF THE CROSS DURING LENT

Monday's - at 11.30am at Our lady star of the Sea

Friday's - 6pm at St Josephs

Sunday's- at 5.30pm at Notre Dame Du Rosaire

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>

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – THIS FRIDAY

The World Day of Prayer (Formerly Women's World Day of Prayer) is on Friday March 3rd and this year the service has been prepared by the women of Taiwan. There are two opportunities to attend this ecumenical service – an afternoon service at Shiloh church at 2pm and an evening service at St Andrew's parish church at 7pm. Refreshments will be available afterwards and everyone is welcome.

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for Les Bourgs Hospice & Princess Elizabeth Hospital: patients, staff, chaplaincy and the Unemployed people.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

- : Pope Francis, Holy Father get well soon.
- : Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care
- : The Sick and housebound of the parish
- : The grace to keep a good lent
- : All working in the hospice movement
- : Community in Alderney

ANNIVERSARIES

All those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

May they Rest in Peace.+

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Ann Martin - Whose funeral service will be held on Tuesday 11th March at 10.30am at St Josephs

Gisele Inder - Whose Funeral service will be held Thursday 13th March 2025 at 11.00am in St Josephs

Miriam Bousfield - Requiem Mass at St Josephs, Tuesday 18th March at 10.30am

May they Rest in Peace.+

OFFERTORY £2999.00 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button) **Thank you for you generosity**

RETIRING COLLECTION

This 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.