

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



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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

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

4th MAY 2025

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: I WILL EXTOL YOU, LORD,
FOR YOU HAVE RAISED ME UP**

Sat 3rd May

Ss PHILIP & JAMES, Apostles, feast

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Scott Bradford RIP

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Wilfred & Christopher Cochrane RIP

Sun 4th May

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (Psalter Week 3)

St. J 8.00 am Mass: John Stacey RIP

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Niall O'Neill RIP

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: Coquelin/Helmut Family (FM)

Mon 5th

of the 3rd Week of Easter (Bank Holiday)

St. J **10.00 am** Mass: Mara Beatriz Abreu Goncalves RIP

OLSS 11.30 am **Rosary**

Tues 6th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Chris Gaudion RIP

Exposition of the Blessed sacrament until 10.30am

Wed 7th

St. J 9.30am Mass: Francis John Merrien RIP (FM)

St. J 6.00pm Mass: Emido De Ferreira

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

Thur 8th May

St. J **11.00am** **Requiem Mass: Moira Hearne**

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Father Vincent Convery RIP

Fri 9th May

of the 3rd Week of Easter (Liberation Day)

St. J **9.30 am** Mass: Moira Hearne RIP

LP **No Mass today**

CFP 7.30 pm **Rosary**

Sat 10th May

of the 3rd Week of Easter

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Teresa Cable & Family

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Philip Greening RIP (FM)

Sun 11th May

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (Psalter Week 4)

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Gerry & Mello Fitzmaurice RIP

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: Catenian Association Members

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Maria Vieira Rodrigues & Fernanda Rodrigues RIP

St. J 12.00 noon **Baptism:** Lucas Fernandes & Matthew Dike

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

CFP - Centre for Peace FM - Foundation Mass



LIBERATION DAY 2025

1945-2025 80 YEARS

The Liberation Day Service will be held at
12 noon on Friday 9th May at

The Town Church

Canon Chris will be taking part along with
Anglican Dean and Methodist
Superintendent

Everybody Is Welcome!

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**.

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

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit prayer Group will be meeting on Monday May 5th from 7.30 - 9pm in the Parish room at St Joseph's. Tea and coffee available from 7pm. **Everyone is welcome.**

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

The Life in the Spirit seminars will be starting on Monday May 12th with an introduction to the series and the 1st of the 7 sessions, entitled 'God's love'. Each session starts at 7.30pm in the parish room at St Joseph's with a light supper available at 7pm.

Everyone is welcome to come along!

THE LIBERATION 80 CONCERT

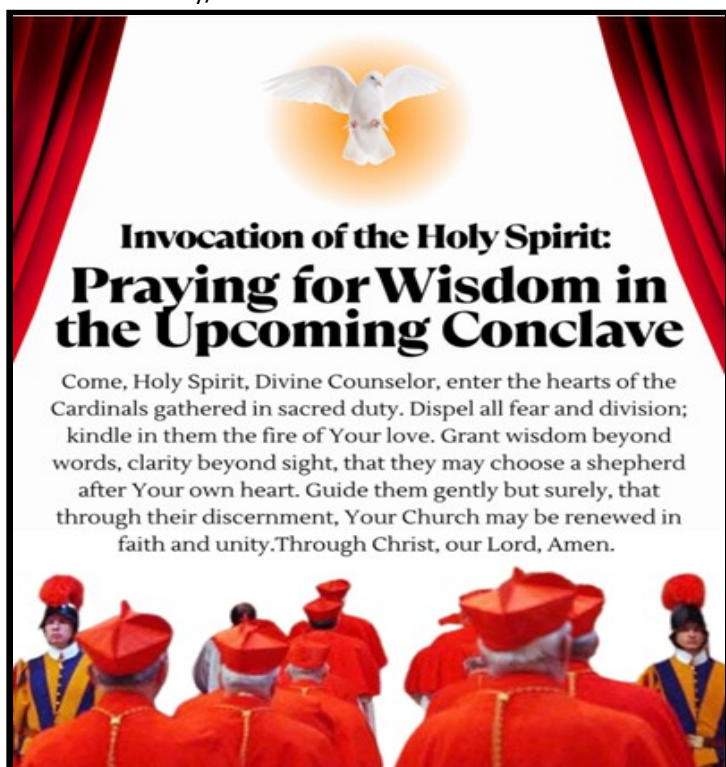
Celebrating the strong relationship that has been formed with Biberach, the town in Germany where more than 800 Islanders were deported during the occupation. 10th May at 6pm in Sir John Loveridge Hall, Beau Sejour. Local musicians, singers, composers, groups will perform alongside the Biberach Youth Orchestra. This is a **free** concert and tickets are available from Beau Sejour.

PARISH BEFRIENDERS SPRING TEA PARTY

Sunday May 18th 2.30pm to 4.30pm at St Mary and St Michael School Hall. We are having a get together for a good chat, tea, coffee etc and delicious refreshments. St Mary and St Michael Infant Choir have kindly agreed to entertain us. If you know anyone who is housebound, elderly or isolated etc who would like to come and catch up with old friends, then please contact Angela on 07781 112 221 or Meg on 252401

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for;
States of Guernsey/ Parish douzaines and their officers



**Invocation of the Holy Spirit:
Praying for Wisdom in
the Upcoming Conclave**

Come, Holy Spirit, Divine Counselor, enter the hearts of the Cardinals gathered in sacred duty. Dispel all fear and division; kindle in them the fire of Your love. Grant wisdom beyond words, clarity beyond sight, that they may choose a shepherd after Your own heart. Guide them gently but surely, that through their discernment, Your Church may be renewed in faith and unity. Through Christ, our Lord, Amen.

'The Shroud of Turin Exhibition'

St Joseph's Church May 22nd – 28th 2025

For centuries the Shroud of Turin has fascinated and intrigued both scientists and Christians alike. Now in the care of the Church it is widely held by many to be the burial cloth of Christ.

St Josephs is soon to host this very exciting exhibition which tells its story and will highlight the shrouds remarkable history. It will also include a life size replica along with other exhibits.

The exhibition will open with a talk in St Josephs by leading shroud expert Pamela Moon at 7pm May 21st Further details to follow but **meanwhile do save the date.**

THE RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION.

When receiving Holy Communion the Clergy or the Ministers will say, "The Body of Christ." The correct reply to that statement is simply "Amen". No other response should be said.

The simple "Amen" says it all for us! It means, "Yes, absolutely, I agree it is the Body of Christ!" it also means, "It is true!" "Truly!"

NEW WEEKDAY AND DAILY MISSALS

Please contact the Parish Office for pre-orders of the new Weekday Missals There is also a release of a Daily Missal (note : due to it being both Sunday and Weekday it is a large volume) Prices approximately £55 - £69.99 respectively.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

: The repose of the soul of Pope Francis, The Holy Father
: Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care
: The Sick and housebound of the parish
: Diocesan Vocations Team for the Ordained Ministry
: Students for the Priesthood
: All who decorate our Churches
: Channel Islands Liberation Day

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Moira Hearne whose Requiem Mass will take place at St. Joseph's Church on Thursday 8th May at 11.00am
Father Vincent Convery
May They Rest In Peace. +

ANNIVERSARIES

John Slattery, Father Francis O'Shea and all those whose anniversaries occur around now.
May they Rest In Peace. +

OFFERTORY £3687.00 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button)

Next weekend's retiring collection is for Clergy Training Fund Here is a link to the Give As You Live online campaign: [Clergy Training Fund second collection 2025](#) | Give as you Live Donate. The Clergy Training Fund supports our seminarians, including the 11 men currently in formation for the priesthood, for the duration of their six or seven-year journey to ordination. To sustain a seminarian costs around £30,000 each year. Each seminarian brings to his training his own life experience and then participates in a comprehensive programme of formation pastorally, Intellectually, humanly and spiritually. These are the men who will baptise and catechise the coming generations, and care for us on our pilgrim way: our generosity today is a legacy to the Church of tomorrow.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.