

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:

Saturday:

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

ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON

16th NOVEMBER 2025

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PROCLAIM THE WONDERS OF THE LORD AMONG ALL THE PEOPLES.

Sat 15th

St Albert the Great, Religious, Bishop, Doctor of the Church Memorial

St. J 10.00am Mass: Lisa Baldry Intentions

St. J 10.30am **Rosary**

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00pm Mass: In thanksgiving

Sun 16th Nov

ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON, BISHOP. SOLEMNITY

St. J 8.00am Mass: Ernie Breban RIP

OLSS 9.15am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30am Mass: Jose V Da Luz RIP

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: Roy, Alex Arendes & Family Intentions

Mon 17th

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Daphne West intentions

LNP 9.30 am **Prison Mass:** Holy Souls

OLSS 11.30am **Rosary**

OLSS 12noon Mass: Ananias & Josef Reis Figueria & all family in purgatory RIP

Tues 18th

Dedication of the Basilicas of St Peter & St Paul, Rome, memorial

St. J 9.30am Mass: Margarida Silva & All family in Purgatory RIP

Exposition of the blessed sacrament until 10.30 am

Wed 19th

St. J 9.30am Mass: Bridgit Lemon RIP

St. J 6.00 pm Mass: Sonia Hollowell Intentions

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

Thur 20th

St. J 9.30am Mass: Tony Jenkinson RIP

Exposition of the blessed sacrament until 10.30 am

OLSS 6.00pm Mass: Holy Souls in reparation and thanks

Fri 21st

The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, memorial

St. J 7.30am Mass: Norma Reddan

LP 11.00am Mass: Holy Souls in reparation and thanks

CFP 7.30pm **Rosary**

Sat 22nd

St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr, memorial

St. J 10.00am Mass: Thomas Moriarty RIP

St. J 10.30am **Rosary**

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

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

Sun 23rd Nov

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, SOLEMNITY

St. J 8.00am Mass: Deceased Sisters Alderney

OLSS 9.15am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30am Mass: Isabel Jesus RIP

St. J 12 noon **Baptism:** Leo Burbridge

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: Madeleine Warren RIP

CFP - Centre for Peace FM - Foundation Mass LNP - Les Nicolles Prison

The Way of the Nativity

By Candlelight

An Advent service of prayer, reflection and readings.

Our Lady Star of the Sea - December 1st 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



We are working towards the **Live Simply award**

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 9.15am Mass at OLSS.**

BIG THANK YOU TO THE LEGION OF MARY

Thank you to The Legion of Mary for speaking so well last Sat/Sunday. Keep up the wonderful work. **Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.**

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.

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit prayer Group will be meeting on Monday November 17th from 7.30pm - 9pm in the Parish room at St Joseph's. Tea and coffee available from 7pm. Everyone is welcome! For more information contact Frank on 07781 108394

ANNUAL MASS FOR THE DEAD

The Annual mass for the departed of the parish and all whose names are Inscribed in the books of the Dead **Saturday 22nd November at 10am in St. Josephs.** May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of god, **Rest In Peace Amen**

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

We wish our wonderful Ron & Pauline Mckenzie a very happy Wedding Anniversary, 56 years of marriage. We Thank **God** for years of marriage, praying for ongoing guidance and peace, and asking for continued health and strength for them to enjoy many more years together. We are so grateful for you both. **May God bless and guide you both.**

GOOD LUCK PRAYERS

We wish parishioners who are candidates for Douzeniers in this week's Douzaine elections good luck. Voting takes place on Wednesday 19th November. **Please do keep them in your prayers.**

School Nativity Performances

As we approach the season of Advent, both Notre Dame du Rosaire Catholic Primary School and St Mary & St Michael Catholic Primary School warmly invite our parishioners - especially our elderly parishioners and grandparents - to attend special performances of their school nativities. These performances are a lovely opportunity for the parish community to share in the children's retelling of the Christmas story and to come together in faith and joy.

- Notre Dame du Rosaire: **Thursday 4th December at 1:30pm in the Infant Hall.**
- St Mary & St Michael: **Monday 8th December at 9:30am in the School Hall.**

Both performances will be followed by tea and cake. If you would like to attend, please let the school offices know so we know numbers and can prepare refreshments:

- Notre Dame du Rosaire: ndp.office@education.gg
- St Mary & St Michael: mmp.office@education.gg

We look forward to welcoming you to celebrate this very joyful time together.



TWO THANK YOU MESSAGES

Upon the warm welcome I've received from parishioners, more spiritual works of mercy was extended to my brother in his time of difficulties and to my entire family as well. Though words are too feeble for such appreciation, sincerely I will still say a BIG THANK YOU to everyone for prayers offered. Many organised prayers, individual prayers and even requests made to Religious Orders for more prayers yielded much fruits as he didn't remain in the wrong hands. My family was very grateful when they heard of the prayers and best wishes. Kindly continue to pray for my country and many others, who like my brother, suffer such maltreatment. May God bless you all and may we continue to pray for one another till we reach the better land.

While adding my voice to that of Fr. Bernardine to thank you for the projects in his parish, I will like to let you know that his parish accommodates many displaced persons who need such facilities. Given that Fr Bernardine has worked for long in education, I can assure you without fear that he knows exactly how best to design it for the needs of that area. Your every initiative, donation and call to call for action directed towards Bamenda is much appreciated as it creates real and wholistic impacts. Thank you. "The least you do for these little ones, you do it for me"

(Mtt. 25:40). Fr Benedict Ndikum

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for St. Joseph & St. Mary Catholic Church ([World day of prayer for the poor](#))

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

Lillian Woodall for good health
Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care
The Sick and housebound of the parish
The Parish, communities & Schools in the Bailiwick of Guernsey

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

David Torode whose funeral service will be on Monday 24th November at 10am at Our Lady Star of the Sea.

ANNIVERARIES

Rueben Almeida and all whose anniversaries occur around now. **May They Rest In Peace. +**

OFFERTORY: £3413.00 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button.



This weeks second collection is for **wings** please see below.

WINGS, World In Need Group collection on 15th and 16th November will go to CAFOD for the Sudan Crisis Appeal.

Pope Leo has recently spoken of his deep concern for the people of Sudan. "With great sorrow, I am following the tragic news coming from Sudan, particularly from the city of El Fasher in the afflicted northern Darfur region," **Pope Leo** said during the Angelus address.

He decried the "Indiscriminate violence against women and children, attacks on unarmed civilians, and serious obstacles to humanitarian action," that he said, "are causing unacceptable suffering to a population already exhausted by long months of conflict." **CAFOD** staff and partners continue to do all they can to support communities with emergency food, repair of water supplies and support for the refugees fleeing their homes.

They often work through local churches

Your support is vital as are your prayers for peace. Whatever you can give makes a difference. Thank you.

Thank you for your continued generosity!