

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



Diocese of Portsmouth

Bishop Philip Egan

Eighth Bishop of Portsmouth

Parochial Administrator & Acting Dean:

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Canon Gerard Hetherington KCHS

Deacon: Rev Mark Leightley

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

Parish Office: Closed Wednesdays

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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

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT ('Gaudete')

14TH DECEMBER 2025

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: COME, LORD, AND SAVE US.

Sat 13th

St. Lucy, Virgin, Martyr, memorial

St. J 10.00am Mass: Pauline Tostevin RIP

St. J 10.30am **Rosary**

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

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

Sun 14th Dec

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT ('Gaudete') (PSALTER WEEK 3)

St. J 8.00am Mass: Richard Merrien & Family (FM) †

OLSS 9.15am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30am Mass: Maria M Da Luz RIP

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: Harry Gilbey RIP

Mon 15th

St. J 7.30 am Mass: James Mooney RIP

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

OLSS 11.30am **Rosary**

OLSS 12noon Mass: Michael & The O' Donovan Family RIP

St. J 7.00pm **Blanchelande Carol Service**

Tues 16th

St. J 9.30am Mass: Katrina Thomson

Exposition of the blessed sacrament until 10.30 am

Wed 17th

* **St. J** 9.30am Mass: Joao Gomes, Joao Serrao & All Family in Purgatory

St. J 6.00pm Mass: Frank O'Neill

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

Thur 18th

St. J 10.00am **End of Term Mass for ND & STMM**

Mass Intention: Chris Beale RIP

OLSS 6.00pm Mass: Holy Souls

St. J 7.00pm **Christmas Carol Service**

Fri 19th

St. J 7.30am Mass: James Mooney RIP

LP 11.30am **Mass: Bill Trubuil RIP**

CFP 7.30pm **Rosary**

Sat 20th

St. J 10.00am Mass: Hugh Mullan RIP & Intentions of Mullan Family

(Individual Confessions in preparation for Christmas)

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00pm Mass: Roberto Molinari RIP

Sun 21st Dec

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT (PSALTER WEEK 4)

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

OLSS 9.15am Mass: Carolina Da Silva & Alfredo Moniz RIP

St. J 10.30am Mass: Rumens & Robert Families RIP

& Hind Families Living (FM)

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

CFP - Centre for Peace FM - Foundation Mass LNP - Les Nicolles Prison *Children in Attendance



Carol Service Led by Parish Schola

Celebrating the Gift and Sanctity of Life at Christmas

Peace · Joy · Love · Hope · Jesus

Thursday 18th December · 7.00 p.m

St Joseph's Church, St Peter Port

followed by mulled wine and Mince pies

Supporting Meningitis Foundation

3rd Sunday of advent - JOY
"Rejoice in the Lord always"



THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - Wednesday 24th December

St Joseph	5.00pm	Christmas Vigil Mass
OLSS	6.30pm	Christmas Carols
OLSS	7.00pm	Mass during the Night
St Joseph	8.40pm	Christmas Carols
St Joseph	9.00pm	Mass during the Night

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - Thursday 25th December

Notre Dame	8.00am	Mass at Dawn
OLSS	10.00am	Mass during the Day
St Joseph	10.30am	Mass during the Day

(No Evening Mass)

Friday 26th December - ST STEPHEN

St Joseph	10.00am	Mass for all Altar Servers
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Saturday 27th December - ST JOHN

St Joseph	10.00am	Closing mass of The Jubilee year
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CHRISTMAS PARKING ARRANGEMENTS

5pm mass on Christmas Eve there will be strictly **NO** parking at Queens Road Medical Practice as they are open until 6pm. There is overflow parking at Vauvert School by kind permission of the Headteacher. For all the other Christmas Masses the parking at The Medical Practice can be used as per Sunday masses.

Saturday 20th December • 10am • St Joseph's

We will have individual confessions in preparation for Christmas. We will begin with Holy Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Individual confessions. We are grateful to Canon Hetherington who has kindly offered to come and assist. This is a wonderful opportunity to encounter God's Mercy and deepen our relationship with 'HIM' as we prepare to celebrate the Birth of our Saviour. Let us make the most of this Grace-filled moment as we prepare our hearts for Christmas. May this sacred time bring peace and joy to each of us and to our parish community. - **Father Inna**

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 (also WAYAYA Jam Sale - This Sunday (14th) after 9.15 mass at OLSS)**

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit prayer Group will be meeting on Monday December 15th 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

DIY NATIVITY • 20th December 2pm • OLSS

All are welcome to join us for a DIY Nativity Service. We will be singing some carols accompanied by our wonderful music group with refreshments in the hall afterwards.

PASTORAL LETTER - PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

Bishop Philip's letter will be read out at all Masses this weekend. Copies will be available in the Church Porch and on the Website.

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thank you

So grateful to the Parish Schola for talking this weekend at Masses. We are so thankful for all you do for the Parish. May **GOD** bless and guide you always+

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To Eileen Baird **Thank you so much** for organising the Parish Christmas Lunch. To everyone who attended and donated raffle prizes we are so grateful to you all.

We had a wonderful time together. May the love of **OUR LORD** bless you and your families this **Christmas**.

MEETING WITH BISHOP PHILIP ABOUT THE PRIESTHOOD

Bishop Philip is inviting any man in our Diocese, aged 17 or older, who is not married and who would like to know more about being a diocesan priest, to contact him and to come to a short meeting at the Cathedral on Sunday 4th January at 3 o'clock (finishes at 5 pm). Please scan the QR code to register.



CLEANERS REQUIRED

The Delancey (OLSS) cleaning rota is losing some of its longest serving cleaners. Thanks to them for their years of service. More people are required desperately to join the rota. Please contact Anne on 07781 423146 if you can help.

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER ROTA FOR ST JOSEPH AND ST MARY

The rota for the period 28th December to 15th February 2026 will be available in the sacristy, please collect after Mass. It will also be on the website next week

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

Life
 Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care
 The Sick and housebound of the parish
 University Chaplains in the Diocese
 Persecuted Christians around the world.
 Gary Van Der Linden for healing
 Healing Ministry in the Diocese and Diocesan healing advisory group

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Paul Le Marquand whose Funeral service will be in St. Josephs on Tuesday 23rd December at 11.00am **May he rest in peace +**

ANNIVERSARIES

Canon Anselm Bourde de la Rogerie (1954), Richard Williamson and all those whose anniversaries occur around now. **May they Rest In Peace. +**

OFFERTORY: £3509.00 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button. **This weekends second Collection** is for Flowers to decorate our churches for Christmas. **Thank you for your continued generosity!**

