

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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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

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 18TH 2026

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: BEHOLD, I HAVE COME, LORD, TO DO YOUR WILL

Sat 17th

St Anthony of Egypt, Abbot, memorial

St. J 10.00am Mass: Merrien & Le Tocq Families

St. J 10.30am **Rosary**

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00pm Mass: Bill Trubuil RIP

Sun 18th Jan

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter week 2)

St. J 8.00am Mass: Lillian Woodall RIP

OLSS 9.15am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30am Mass: Frank O'Neill Intentions

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: Kelly Family RIP

Mon 19th

St. J 7.30am Mass: Mary Baldry Intentions

LNP 9.30am Mass: Holy Souls

BLC 10.00am **Senior School Mass: Ian Tardivel & Family (FM)**

OLSS 11.30am **Rosary**

OLSS 12noon Mass: Donald Matthews RIP

Tues 20th

St. J 9.30am Mass: Donal, Maureen & Donald Power RIP

Exposition of the blessed sacrament until 10.30am

St. J 11.30am **Funeral Service: Jeanine Bourgaize**

Wed 21st

St. Agnes, Virgin, Martyr, memorial

St. J 9.30am Mass: Kenneth & Joan Brennan RIP (FM)

BLC 10.00am **Primary School Mass**

St. J 6.00pm Mass: Holy Souls

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

Thur 22nd

St. J 9.30am Mass: James Young RIP

Exposition of the blessed sacrament until 10.30 am

LF 2.00pm **Funeral Service: Maurice Rosamond**

OLSS 6.00pm Mass: Shore Family (FM)

Fri 23rd

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Jan Kuttelwascher RIP (FM)

LP 11.00am Mass: Michael Marshall RIP (FM)

CFP 7.30pm **Rosary**

Sat 24th

St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church, memorial

St. J 10.00am Mass: Phyllis Breban RIP

St. J 10.30am **Rosary**

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00pm Mass: Wilfred & Christopher Cochrane RIP

Sun 25th Jan

THRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter week 3)

St. J 8.00am Mass: Lillian Woodall RIP

OLSS 9.15am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30am Mass: Terry Carter RIP

St. J 12noon **Baptism: Ayrton Elmettouri-Allan**

ND 5.30pm **Rosary**

ND 6.00pm Mass: Ann Martin RIP

CFP - Centre for Peace FM - Foundation Mass LP - Le Platon BLC - Blanchelande College
LF - Le Foulon LNP - Les Nicolles Prison



Pope's Prayer Intention for January 2026:

For prayer with the Word of God

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to everybody, please do join us for Tea & Coffee after the **8.00am & 10.30am Masses in St Joseph's** and after **9.15am Mass at OLSS.**

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 January 19th from 7.30pm – 8.30pm 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

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

Additional Session

We are very pleased to be able to offer an additional Sunday morning First Holy Communion class, taking place after 9.15am Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea.

This new session will run alongside the existing classes:

- Saturday 5:15pm at Our Lady Star of the Sea
- Sunday 9:45am at St Joseph's Parish Rooms

The new Sunday morning class will begin on

Sunday 25th January. All other First Holy Communion classes are now running as planned. Our sincere thanks to all the catechists for their support and generosity in making this possible

CANDLEMAS TEA PARTY

The Parish Befrienders and Blanchelande College are hosting a Candlemas Tea Party on **Saturday 31st January** from 2.30pm - 4pm in the hall at Blanchelande College.

This is for the Less able, Housebound & Elderly Parishioners who would enjoy a chance to catch up with old friends. The students are providing & serving delicious refreshments. If you would like to come or know someone who would please contact

Angela on 07781 112221 or **Meg** on 252401.

Lifts can also be arranged.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Starts soon for young people in **Year 8 and above** who would like receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this summer, 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. We start with **Alpha Youth**,

a series which explores life, faith and meaning. Each episode looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. It's for anyone who has questions. There's

no pressure, and no commitment so come along to one of the first few sessions see what it's all about. Watch the first episode

at Alpha.org.uk/alphayouthseries This year we have the opportunity to join other Guernsey churches for a big Alpha

Youth at St Martin's Community Centre on **Sunday evenings for 7 weeks starting 1st February,**

6:30–8:30pm. To sign up visit orbitalyouth.com and **also** contact Tom to let him know you've done so (**details below**). We will

then continue with our own follow-up sessions after Easter. We can also put on sessions on Tuesday evenings (at Delancey),

Wednesday evenings (at St Joseph's), or a lunchtime or after school session at Blanchelande for anyone who can't do Sunday

evenings or would prefer a quieter environment. Contact Tom if you're interested in this

youth@catholic.org.gg **07781 129310.**

St Joseph's Church 2026 Lenten Talks Diary Dates

It seems that no sooner do we leave Christmas behind us then lent looms up in front of us. To once again help us on our journey St Josephs will be hosting a series of Lenten talks. An inspiring list of speakers have been lined up with more details to follow.

Meanwhile

please make a note of the dates.

February 26th, March 11th and March 26th

All talks will commence at 7pm and finish at 8pm.



LET'S PRAY THE ROSARY TOGETHER

Please do join on Fridays 7.30pm **Centre for Peace**, Saturday 10.30am & Wednesday evenings, 7pm in **St. Josephs**, Sunday evenings 5.30pm **Notre Dame** & Monday **OLSS** 11.30am
The prayer can slow us down, calm our hearts, and enable us to rest in God's presence.

MISSIO VOLUNTEER

We are looking for a parishioner who could kindly give up some time to help with the Missio Red boxes. If you could help then please do contact the parish office for more information at office@catholic.org.gg Thank you so much.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

World Peace: The Anglican Communion

Association of Inter-Church Families: For all struggling in life

Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care

The Sick and housebound of the parish

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Jeanine Bourgaize whose Funeral service will be in St. Josephs on Tuesday 20th January at 11.30am.

Maurice Rosamond whose Funeral service will be at Le Foulon on Thursday 22nd January at 2.00pm.

Maria Breton whose Funeral service will be at Le Foulon on Wednesday 28th January at 12.00noon

May they rest in peace +

ANNIVERSARIES

Elizabeth Ogier, Michael Carre

and all those whose anniversaries occur around now.

May They Rest In Peace. +

OFFERTORY: £3454.00 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button.

Annual collection for the Cathedral (from Canon James McAuley) This collection will take place on the weekend of **24/25th January.**

In recent years, the amount raised has been declining. The cathedral is situated in the most deprived part of the diocese, and the weekly collection in the last financial year covered only just over half of our ordinary running costs of £5,000 per week.

Please support the mother church of our diocese. Thank you.

THANKS FROM CAFOD

Thank you to all parishioners for your generous support for **CAFOD** and for your donation of £1,140.00 which we received on the 23rd December 2025. Thank you so much for being there for our global family.

Thank you for your continued generosity!