

# 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

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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



**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**FEBRUARY 8TH 2026**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: A LIGHT RISES IN THE DARKNESS FOR THE UPRIGHT.**

Sat 7th

**Our Lady on Saturday**

**St. J** 10.00am Mass: Lillian Woodall RIP

**St. J** 10.30am **Rosary**

**OLSS** 2.00pm **Mass for the Young People**  
Mass Intention: Sister M de Sales RIP (FM)

**FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY**

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

Sun 8th Feb

**FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter week 1)**

**St. J** 8.00am Mass: People of the Parish

**OLSS** 9.15am Mass: Deceased Members Bott  
& Ferguson Families

**St. J** 10.30am Mass: Deceased Members Lynch  
& Le Noury Families

**ND** 5.30pm **Rosary**  
**ND** 6.00pm Mass: Mary Kelly RIP

Mon 9th

**St. J** 7.30am Mass: Ananias Ruis & Joseja Figuera RIP

**OLSS** 11.30am **Rosary**

**OLSS** 12noon Mass: Shore Family (FM)

Tues 10th

**St. Scholastica, Virgin, memorial**

**St. J** 9.30am Mass: Ananias Figuera & All Family in Purgatory RIP

**Exposition of the blessed sacrament until 10.30am**

Wed 11th

**Our Lady of Lourdes, memorial**

**St. J** 9.30am Mass: Sister De Lourdes

**(New Time) St. J** 6.30pm Mass: Paula Gaudion & Family (FM)

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

Thur 12th

**St. J** 9.30am Mass: David Smith RIP

**Exposition of the blessed sacrament until 10.30 am**

**OLSS** 6.00pm Mass: Meagher Family (FM)

Fri 13th

**St. J** 7.30 am Mass: Holy Souls (FM)

**LP** 11.00am Mass: Joan Alliss & Cindy GE (FM)

**CFP** 7.30pm **Rosary**

Sat 14th

**ST CYRIL, Religious & ST METHIDIUS,**

**Bishop, Patrons of Europe, feast**

**St. J** 10.00am Mass: Jane Mary Luwuka RIP

**St. J** 10.30am **Rosary**

**FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY**

**OLSS** 6.00pm Mass: Dec'd Relatives  
& Friends of The Cochrane Family

Sun 15th Feb

**SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter week 2)**

**St. J** 8.00am Mass: James John Fattorini RIP (FM)

**OLSS** 9.15am Mass: People of the Parish

**St. J** 10.30am Mass: John Bernalick RIP

**ND** 5.30pm **Rosary**

**ND** 6.00pm Mass: Coquelin & Helmut Family (FM)

**CFP - Centre for Peace FM - Foundation Mass LP - Le Platon**



**Live Simply so that others may simply live**

## 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.**

## THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting on Monday February 9th 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

## UCM

The UCM will meet on February 10th in the Parish room at 7pm. They will be having pancakes with Ron. There will also be a raffle. **New Members are most welcome.**

## COFFEE MORNING – THIS WEDNESDAY – FEBRUARY 11th.

The Parish room at St Joseph's will be open for tea/coffee and cake on Wednesday FEBRUARY 11th and on every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month. Drop in any time between 9.30 11.30am. **Everyone is welcome!**

## LET IT BE – VIDEO SERIES ON MARY– Session 3 is on

**Wednesday February 11<sup>th</sup>.** This CaFE (Catholic faith exploration) course on how Mary helps us to be filled with God will be shown in the Parish room at St Joseph's from 11am-12 on the coffee morning days (2nd and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays). Come for a cup of coffee first, or just come along at 11am for the video session. It doesn't matter if you missed the previous sessions – **everyone is welcome!**

## HEARTFELT THANKS

Heartfelt thanks to all who contributed in any way to the magnificent Tea Party at Blanchelande College last Saturday. Guests especially appreciated the caring welcome and enthusiastic service given by pupils, their young hosts and hostesses. They were genuinely amazed to learn that all the lovely delicacies had been made by them as part of their Leith Cookery Course. Special thanks to Fr Inna who gave some of his precious time to be with everyone, some of whom can no longer attend Mass.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

*The Allegro Choir, our family choir, warmly welcomes new voices and musicians - especially children and parents who would enjoy taking part together. We sing at Mass around 6-9 times a year, with just a couple of relaxed rehearsals after the 10.30 Mass, making it very manageable for family life. Singing together is a lovely way for children to feel involved in the Mass and to grow in confidence and faith. As St Augustine reminds us, to sing is to pray twice, and there is something very special about praying together as families through music. If singing isn't your family's thing, we are also looking for helpers with church cleaning. A small team helps keep our church so welcoming, and a few more volunteers would really help share the load. Teams of two or three help out about once every two months. If you feel even a gentle nudge to get involved - whether through music, helping hands, or simply finding out more - please speak to me after mass or contact me on [Mariebantton22@gmail.com](mailto:Mariebantton22@gmail.com) or the parish office Tel 720196 You would be very warmly welcomed. One small Yes can make a Big difference – COME AND JOIN US.*

## St Joseph's Church 2026 Lenten Talks

### An Invitation to Keeping a Holy Lent

Each evening will commence at 7pm and finish at 8pm

**We are pleased to announce this year's speakers**

**February 26th Deacon Mark**

*'Walking Quietly Through a Noisy World'*

**March 11<sup>th</sup> Rt Rev Nick Drayson**

*'The Desert Mothers and Fathers ... Heroes of Faith'*

**March 26th Professor Kevin Bales**

*'Friends of God and Slaves of Men'...*

*Religion and Slavery*

**All are welcome do make every effort to come along**



## LOST

During Storm Gorette The Weathervane was damaged we are currently trying to find one of the wings (Picture to the side)

If you have seen it please see Father Inna

## FOOD BANK

Could you support our donations to the food bank for needy islanders? The Guernsey welfare are currently in need of washing tablets /pods for clothes. Any non-perishable food such as pasta sauces, tinned sweetcorn and cordial would be so gratefully received. Please leave whatever you can spare in the green tubs at the back of each church each week. **Thank you very much.**

## PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care  
All who are Sick and housebound of the parish  
Victims of Human Trafficking  
Benedictine Nuns in the Diocese

## FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

**David Smith** (Father of Cara Driver)  
**May He rest in peace +**

## ANNIVERSARIES

**Maureen Robilliard**  
and all those whose anniversaries occur around now.  
**May They Rest In Peace. +**

**OFFERTORY: £3859.00** (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button - **WINGS (World in Need Group) collection on weekend Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th February.** Your generous donation of **£1140** for the last **WINGS collection** went to support those affected by the Sudan Crisis. Thank you so much. This collection will go to the Salesian Missions of Don Bosco in Liberia and Sierra Leone. Our parish, through **WINGS**, has helped to support their work for over thirty years. "Salesian missionaries have been serving in Sierra Leone since 2001, when they began working to rehabilitate former child soldiers. In the years since, Don Bosco Fambul, located in the country's capital city of Freetown, has become one of the country's leading child welfare organizations offering food, clothing, crisis intervention services, shelter, educational opportunities, long-term counselling and family reunification." [Salesianmissions.org](http://Salesianmissions.org)  
**Thank you for your continued generosity!**