

THE MESSENGER

Serving the Parish of Our Lady and The Saints of Guernsey

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Dean and Parish Priest:

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Alderney

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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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VESPERS

Sunday 4.30pm at St. Joseph's Church

CONFESSIONS:

Saturday 6th & 13th January

St Joseph from 10.30am and

5.30pm-5.50pm.

Or by appointment

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Name: CDP Guernsey

Sorting Code: 309304

Account number: 00879070



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Office Proper 7TH JANUARY 2024

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

ALL NATIONS SHALL FALL PROSTRATE BEFORE YOU, O LORD.

Sat 6th Jan St. J 10.00 am Mass: Yves Davy, Roger & Beulah West RIP

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

St. J 6.00 pm Mass: Abel Silva RIP

Sun 7th Jan



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD, Solemnity

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Jose Santos Intentions

St. J 10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 4.30 pm Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

Mon 8th

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD, Feast

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Bill Higgins RIP

Tues 9th

NO MASS TODAY

Wed 10th

St. J 9.30am Mass: Joaquina Da Conceicao Ferreira RIP

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

Thur 11th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Dr Susan Wilson

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 10.30am

Fri 12th

BL 9.45 am Mass: For our Catholic Schools

LP 11.00 am Mass: Norman Bourel

Sat 13th

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Genofa & Erszam Gajewski RIP

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

St. J 6.00 pm Mass: Kath Daley

Sun 14th Jan



SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 2

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Patrick & Anne Le Tocq in Thanksgiving

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Anthony Gibbons RIP

St. J 4.30 pm Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

BL - BLANCHELANDE COLLEGE

SUNDAY HOLIDAY MASS SCHEDULES

Fr Inna will be away on his Christmas break from 1st January and returning on 19th January. As only Canon Chris will be on Island the following is the schedule.

Mass times for Sundays 6/7 January and 13/14 January

6.00pm Vigil Mass (Saturday) St Joseph's

8.00am Sunday Mass St Joseph's

10.30am Sunday Mass St Joseph's

The Delancey Music Group accompanied by Andrew Warren will play at the Saturday Vigil Mass.

COMMUNION HYMN FOR 6PM VIGIL MASS

O come let us adore Him (x3) Christ the Lord

For He alone is worthy.....

We give Him all the glory.....

Please note extra parking provision at Vauvert School will be made available for both weekends.

IMPORTANT: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The First Holy Communion classes will be held in St Joseph's Parish rooms weekend of 13/14 January. Saturday evening at 5.15pm and Sunday morning at 9.45am.

Children can attend either session.

HAPPY BLESSED NEW YEAR

Canon Christopher and Fr Inna thank you all for the cards and gifts received and for your Christmas offerings. Special thanks to **ALL** our Altar Servers and all who helped prepare the Churches for Christmas including the cleaners, musicians, choirs, welcomers, flower arrangers etc.,

PRAYER

Lord, You make all things new
You bring hope alive in our hearts
And cause our Spirits to be born again
Thank you for this new year
For all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame
So that in our time, many will see the wonders of God
And live forever to praise Your glorious name.

'Do not be afraid about the future - instead, give everything over to God in prayer:- Don't worry about anything, but in all your prayers ask God for what you need, always asking him with a thankful heart. Philippians 4:6, (GNT)'

WELCOME BACK

Welcome to a new school year, a new beginning and a renewed journey with Christ in Catholic Education.

Included in our journey and school community is our parish **"Our Lady and the Saints of Guernsey"**.

Under the guidance of our parish priest, staff, students and parents will have many opportunities to grow and learn Faith.

Inspired by Christ on a Journey to Encounter, Nurture, and Serve.

PRAYER

For all the peoples of the Middle East and the peace of Jerusalem Sunday 7th January. Please contact Maud on 729445

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

Meet Monday 8th January at 7.30pm in the St Magloire parish room at St Joseph's; teas/coffee available from 7pm. For more information please call Frank on 07781 108394. All most welcome!

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS

Tuesday 9th January 3.00pm in the Parish Room for a Knit & Natter. There will also be a raffle.

Coffee Morning

Everyone Welcome



COFFEE MORNING

The Parish room at St Joseph's will be open for coffee/tea, cake and a chat on WEDNESDAY JANUARY 10th and on every **2nd and 4th** Wednesday of the month. Drop in any time

between 9.30-11.30am. This is a chance to enjoy a cup of coffee, meet up with others and keep warm in this cold weather! Everyone is welcome!

DIVINE WILL PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday 9th January 7pm at the Centre For Peace.

Wednesday 10th January 10.45am in St Yves, Parish Room.

All welcome - just turn up



CAFOD School Volunteers needed

Do you enjoy working with children and young people? Could you help to inspire and empower children and young people in your local Catholic schools by delivering an assembly or a workshop?

Supported by CAFOD with training and all resources provided please consider the role of CAFOD school volunteer.

For more information contact Jo Lewry jlewy@cafod.org.uk or phone 07710 094447



GIFTED

Thank you to Liz Dene and family for the generous Gift of a New Thurible for our Church in memory of her dad the late Mike Dene.

Your kindness has touched our hearts.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION

Starts this month for young people in Year 8 and above who would like receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this June, or just want to explore more about their faith.

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.

Sessions are weekly and include food, fun, a short film and discussion in small groups. Choose from either Tuesdays or Wednesdays, 6:30pm-8:30pm.

Come and see - there's no pressure, and no commitment for the first few weeks so come along to one of the first few sessions see what it's all about. Watch the first episode at Alpha.org/youth
Session 1: Life: Is This It? Tue 16th Jan @ Delancey or Wed 17th Jan @ St Joseph's. Contact Tom: youth@catholic.org.gg 07781 129310

PEACE SUNDAY

Next Sunday, 14 January, is Peace Sunday

For his theme for the World Day of Peace in 2024, Pope Francis has chosen **'Artificial Intelligence and Peace'**. Whilst this might seem a strangely technical theme, we know that we do need to think about the consequences of the advances in AI for peace and justice.

Anyone wishing to donate to the work of Pax Christi can do so by sending a cheque payable to **Pax Christi**, to *St Joseph's, Watford Way, London NW4 4TY* or contact us at info@paxchristi.org.uk or go to the following link <https://paxchristi.org.uk/about-us/support-us/donation/>

Made in God's image?

How can humans make AI into a servant of peace?

NEW YEAR RETREAT

The Great Story of Jesus Retreat will be held at St Peter's Pastoral Centre, Winchester SO23 9SR on Saturday 13th January 2024 from 10am-4pm. **Start the new year with this retreat delivered by Sr Margarida Mondral of the Verbum Dei Community.** Refresh and reboot with a renewed appreciation of the core of our faith: the gift of the life death and resurrection of Jesus Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit to animate our lived faith. This may appeal to all who want to reflect more deeply on Jesus and how his life relates to our lives. Please apply to Liza Nahajski for a place and more details lnahajski@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

DIOCESAN EVENT

The Diocesan Dialogue with Cultural Sector Team is hosting a Symposium on medical and social ethics entitled **'What it means to be Human'** on Saturday 16th March at The Arc, Winchester.

Tickets are priced at £20 for the day, including sandwiches and refreshments and can be purchased at <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/what-does-it-mean-to-be-human-medical-ethics-and-social-care-today-tickets-773097012977?aff=oddtcreator>

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

: Ethnic Communities & Chaplaincies in the Diocese

: Those to be Baptised this year, their Godparents, families and catechists

: Diocesan Marriage and Family Life Teams

: Engaged and Married couples

: Worldwide Marriage Encounter

: For the sick of the Parish

: Le Platon Home & all in Residential & Nursing Care

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