

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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VESPERS

Sunday 4.30pm at St. Joseph's Church

CONFESSIONS:

Saturdays:

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

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Psalter Week 4 12TH NOVEMBER 2023

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: FOR YOU MY SOUL IS THIRSTING, O GOD, MY GOD

Sat 11th

St Martin of Tours, Religious, Bishop, Memorial

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Mass for the Faithful Departed

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: In Thanksgiving

Sun 12th Nov

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Remembrance Sunday



St. J 8.00 am Mass: Deceased Sisters in Guernsey

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Dead of All Wars

St. J 4.30 pm Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Francis & Marguerite Paul RIP

Mon 13th

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Family of Emmanuel Eugene

OLSS 12 noon Mass: Maureen Mahy RIP (FM)

Tues 14th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Ronaldo R Roberts RIP

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 10.30am

Wed 15th

St. J 9.30am Mass: Margurita Silva, Daniel Henriques & Maria Santes RIP

St. J 6.00pm Mass: Manuel Rodrigues & Joaquina F Da Luz

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

Thur 16th

ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON, Bishop, Joint-Principal of the Diocese, Solemnity

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Ernie Breban RIP

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass until 10.30am

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Manuel Rodrigues

Fri 17th

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Michael Marshall RIP (FM)

LP 11.00 am Mass: William and Margaret Hetherington RIP

Sat 18th

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Vivian Hewlett RIP

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

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

Sun 19th Nov

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Psalter Week 1

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Charles Horan RIP

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

* **St. J** 10.30 am Mass: Carol Bennett RIP

St. J 4.30 pm Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Madeleine Warren RIP

FM - Foundation Mass

* - Family Mass



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

In 2023 we are remembering and honouring Service

Physical, mental or emotional injury or trauma; the absence of time with loved ones; or the pressures that come from serving, highlight why the **Remembrance of service** is so important. This year we mark significant anniversaries united by the theme of 'Service'.

WHAT IS THE CATHOLIC LITURGY FOR REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY?

In your Holy Name, O Lord, Amen. As we remember in silence before God those who have made the ultimate sacrifice, let us commend their souls anew to God's eternal mercy and compassion, and let us pray that God would grant us grace to serve faithfully until our life's end, to the honour and glory of God's Holy Name.

ANNUAL REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE AND SERVICE

All Island clergy will be present at the War Memorial at the top of Smith Street at 11am Sunday 12th November for this short service and wreath laying which is open to all.

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all visitors who join us this week.

Tea & Coffee are available after **8.00am and 10.30am Masses** in St Joseph's and after **9.15am Mass** in Our Lady Star of the Sea.

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

Meet Monday 13th November at 7.30pm in the 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

The UCM will meet on Tuesday 14th November 7.30pm in the St Magloire Parish Room. Debbie Clarke from the Blind Institute will give a talk/Presentation about 'Aids for the Blind'. There will also be a raffle.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR

Pope Francis has declared Sunday 19 November 2023 to be the seventh World Day of the Poor, with the theme of **"Do not turn your face away from anyone who is poor" (Tobit 4:7)** Pope Francis reminds us that the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) is not simply a story from the past but continues to challenge each of us in the here and now of our daily lives. He writes: **"It is easy to delegate charity to others, yet the calling of every Christian is to become personally involved."** To read the full message go to vatican.va/day_of_the_poor

ONLINE SEMINAR

The Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth in partnership with the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is delighted to release details of an online seminar on **Tuesday 21st November** exploring strategies for all Catholics to fulfil their mission to bring people closer to Christ. *Engaging the Disengaged* is about how to accompany the non-religious person in daily life. The keynote address will be given by internationally acclaimed and bestselling author Sherry Weddell from the Catherine of Siena Institute. Sherry Weddell has developed numerous unique formation resources that are used around the world; she has trained and helps lead an international team who have worked directly with over 130,000 lay, religious, and ordained Catholics in hundreds of parishes in 150 (arch)dioceses on 5 continents. Her book *Forming Intentional Disciples* has sold in excess of 150,000 copies. Demand for the event has been exceptionally high, but it is not too late to book, but don't miss out on the few remaining tickets which are priced at £10 per person and can be purchased by following the link on the section of the Portsmouth Diocese e-news.

CHRISTMAS PARISH LUNCH

Sunday 3rd December, Les Rocquettes Hotel 12.30pm for 1.00pm. Three course £28.95; Children 12 and under £15. Booking forms (Gold Paper) are now available at the back of Church or on the website catholic.org.gg Booking forms to be returned no later than 27th November. **Donations of raffle prizes gratefully accepted and can be left at the Parish office.**



THE WAY OF THE NATIVITY BY CANDLELIGHT

An Advent service of prayer, reflection and readings.

Our Lady Star of the Sea December 11th 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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



"As we enter Heaven, we will see them, so many of them, coming towards us and thanking us. We will ask who they are, and they will say 'a poor soul you prayed for in purgatory.'"

(Venerable Servant of God, Fulton J. Sheen)

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for Remembrance Sunday

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

- : The Dead of the Wars
- : All the faithful departed of the Diocese
- : Bishop Philip (born 14.11.1955)
- : God's blessing on the Diocese
- : Bishop Emeritus Crispian (born 17.11.1936)
- : The Parish, Communities & Schools in the Bailiwick of Guernsey Pastoral Area
- : Peace in the World
- : The sick of the Parish
- : Le Platon Home & all in Residential & Nursing Care

ANNIVERSARIES

Jeremy Allanson and for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time. **May they Rest in Peace.+**

URGENT

CAFOD Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Donate to CAFOD's Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal at cafod.org.uk/ipc or call 0303 303 3030 to support those affected and get funds to local trusted experts in Gaza and southern Israel who have been working alongside communities helping those most in need. Your donation will help support aid workers providing urgent humanitarian aid including food, water and emergency shelter to those in need. Thank you for your prayers.

THANK YOU

A BIG THANK YOU to the parents and children of **Notre Dame du Rosaire School** who generously donated £525 to WINGS to be sent to CAFOD'S Emergency Appeal for the Israeli/Palestinian Crisis. Thank you for your kindness and please continue to pray for peace.

HELP FOR PARISHIONER

Wanted - a one bedroom flat/bedsit to rent. Please call Rita on 07781 434556

MISSIO RED BOXES

When your box is full please empty into collection envelopes (available in back of all churches) with your name on it, and contact Lisa 07796 892 676 or deliver to parish office. Thank you.

OFFERTORY

5th November £2,695 (incl. standing orders, BACS & Donate Button)
Bamenda £1,768 **A big thank you all from the Bamenda Committee!**

RETIRING COLLECTION

Next Weekends retiring collection is for WINGS

This collection will go to the Children's Home in Bethlehem with which we have had a long connection. Bethlehem is in the West Bank and part of the Palestinian Territories and so has been profoundly affected by the conflict in the Holy Land.

The Daughters of Charity of St Vincent de Paul rely on a guest house for pilgrims and on volunteers to help fund and run the home. Of course, with hostilities breaking out, all bookings are cancelled and volunteers are leaving.

Sr Denise Abi Haidar recently wrote explaining the situation and how they are doing their best to keep the children safe, physically and emotionally. They are also praying for peace.

Your generosity will help to keep the home going and your prayers for peace will be deeply appreciated in supporting these brave sisters.