

THE MESSENGER

Serving the Parish of Our Lady and The Saints of Guernsey

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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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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

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Name: CDP Guernsey

Sorting Code: 309304

Account number: 00879070

SUNDAY 5TH MARCH 2023

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: MAY YOUR LOVE BE UPON US, O LORD,
AS WE PLACE ALL OUR HOPE IN YOU.**

Sat 4th

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Yves Davy, Roger & Beulah West RIP

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Wilfred & Christopher Cochrane RIP

Sun 5th March



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

(Psalter week 2)

St. J 8.00 am Mass: Dennis Rutledge RIP

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

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Francesco Tersigni RIP

St. J 4.30 pm Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Mara Beatriz Goncalves RIP

Mon 6th

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Philip Greening RIP

St. A 11.00 am Mass: Rosemary Atkinson RIP

Tues 7th

NO MASS and NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT TODAY

Wed 8th

NO MORNING MASS TODAY

OLSS 11.00 am **Requiem Mass:** Carmen Palmeri

NO EVENING MASS

St. J 7.00pm Exposition, Rosary & Benediction

Thur 9th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Marie Fitzakerly RIP

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after Mass till 10.30am

NO EVENING MASS

Fri 10th

St. J 7.30 am Mass: Mother Bernadette RIP

LP 11.00 am Mass: Manuel & Elisa RIP

St. J 6.00pm **Stations of the Cross:** led by UCM



Sat 11th

St. J 10.00 am Mass: Deceased Members Luff & Young Families

FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY

OLSS 6.00 pm Mass: Rita Martinoia RIP

Sun 12th March

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

(Psalter week 3)

OLSS 9.15 am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 10.30 am Mass: Tersigni Family for Good Health

St. J 4.30 pm Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction

ND 6.00 pm Mass: Rolf's mother RIP

* - FAMILY MASS

ST. A - ST. APOLLINE CHAPEL

LENT
WALKING WITH CHRIST

MASS AT ST APOLLINE CHAPEL

Mass will be held at 11am each Monday during Lent at St Apolline Chapel. This will be in place of the 12 noon Mass at Our Lady Star of the Sea for the Lent Season.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

will take place for 15 minutes before all the weekday Masses of Lent.

BRINGING CHILDREN TO CHRIST IN EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Devotion to the Blessed Sacrament, hundreds of children are engaging in Eucharistic adoration and experiencing the real presence of Christ.

Q: Why is it important for kids to engage in Eucharistic adoration?

A: Jesus said, "Let the children come to me"; I think we had better obey and bring him the children.

Pope John Paul II said back in 1996: "I urge priests, religious and lay people to continue and redouble their efforts to teach the younger generations the meaning and value of Eucharistic adoration and devotion. How will young people be able to know the Lord if they are not introduced to the mystery of his presence? To continue reading this article go to [https:// www.adorationforchildren.org/bringing-children-to-christ-in-eucharistic-adoration/](https://www.adorationforchildren.org/bringing-children-to-christ-in-eucharistic-adoration/)

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.

OFF ISLAND

Fr Inna will be away from 6th-10th March for his Christmas break.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Prayer is a go-between linking us to God. It gives joy to the soul and calms its emotions. I warn you, though: do not imagine that prayer is simply words. Prayer is the desire for God, an indescribable devotion, not given by man but brought about by God's grace." (St John Chrysostom).

BISHOP PHILIP WRITES

In the Second Lenten Reflection, **Hope**, I will reflect on the gift of hope and the role it plays in our lives, on what constitutes our true happiness as human beings and what God in His loving goodness has promised us in the future. You can register for the second webinar here: <https://events.teams.microsoft.com/event/f1b405cb-6509-4500-9020-a1455209ea74@0f107169-67e0-4eaf-8428-9e9f05e974ab>

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2023

From 17th July for 4 nights, the annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place this year. The Diocesan Pilgrimage will be leaving from Bournemouth airport. Once in Lourdes we will stay at the Hotel La Solitude, celebrate Mass daily, and take part in all that Lourdes has to offer. If you would like to know more either as a pilgrim or as a youth helper, serving our pilgrims and helping to make our pilgrimage a success, please email lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

THE HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

Monday 6th March in the Parish Room at St Joseph's. Tea/coffee from 7pm, prayer group starts at 7.30pm. For more information please contact Frank on 07781 108394

GUERNSEY CHAMBER CHOIR - CONCERT

St Joseph & St Mary's Church Saturday 25 March 2023 at 6.30pm
A short one-hour concert on the **Eve of Passion-tide**
Conductor: Helen Grand and **Organist:** Andrew Warren.
Free entry – Retiring collection. Please see poster at back of Church.



BIG WALK TO BAMENDA

Well done and thank you very much to the 27 Parish volunteers who have already started our walk to Bamenda, as well to the sponsors and parishioners who are praying for our success.

Everyone can follow our community progress on the maps at the back of each church. These are going to be updated every Monday, so please drop your mileage slips the boxes after any of the weekend Masses, or send it by email to finnertyfive@cwgsy.net However to be sure of actually reaching Bamenda, we need a few more walkers! Even if you can only walk a mile a day, please would you help us achieve our goal, for the benefit of CAFOD and Bamenda. Pick up a sponsorship form from the boxes under the map, or email the above address. It doesn't matter if you couldn't start at the beginning of Lent; every little mile helps!

ECO-EVENT

As part of our commitment to be wise stewards of God's good creation, Trinity is hosting an eco-event on Saturday 18th March between 2pm and 5pm that is open to all. We are partnering with 15 different local organisations and individuals who have a desire to play their part in protecting our planet from bug hotels to sustainable fashion to seaweed usage to connecting faith with nature.

There will be inspiring talks, family activities, a sustainable café, stalls with practical tips and ideas and more! Everyone is invited to drop in or to stay for the whole afternoon. Let us know that you are coming - go to the link <https://www.justonething.gg>

Coffee Morning



COFFEE MORNING – Every 2nd Wednesday.

Coffee, cake and a chat **Wednesday 8th March** in the Parish room at St Joseph's drop in any time between 9.30-11.30am.

Everyone is welcome! This is a chance to enjoy a cup of coffee, meet with others, and keep warm in this cold weather!

DIVINE WILL PRAYER GROUP

Tuesday 7th March 7pm at the Centre For Peace.

Wednesday 8th March 10.45am at Notre Dame du Rosaire.

LE PLATON

The Lottery result for February draw.

1st **3** £100; 2nd **28** £50; 3rd **74** £25

PRAYER

For all the Peoples of the Middle East & the Peace of Jerusalem
Sunday 5th March. Please contact Maud for time/venue Tel.729445

PLEASE JOIN OUR COFFEE/TEA VOLUNTEERS

(AFTER 10.30AM SUNDAY MASS).

It's great to see the numbers increasing for our coffees and teas in the parish room after 10.30am mass on a Sunday. However, our small group of volunteer helpers is dwindling and in need of replenishment - we lost a few recently, and would love to hear from anyone who might like to join us in serving refreshments. You'd be on a rota - perhaps 'on duty' once every 4/5 weeks - and it's a lovely way to keep in touch with the community.

Please contact Chris at chris@betleys.com or call/message tel 07911 715658 if you'd like to help

NOTRE DAME DU ROSAIRE CHURCH READER'S ROTA

Rotas for the period 5th March - 2nd July 2023 now available for collection.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR:

- : Diocesan Chancellery
- : All working in the Hospice movement
- : All religious novices
- : All who provide children's liturgy
- : All working in the Hospice movement
- : Turkey & Syria in the wake of the terrible earthquakes
- : Peace in the World
- : All the sick of the Parish
- : Le Platon Home and all in Residential & Nursing Care

REQUIEM MASS

For the late Carmen Palmeri Wednesday 8th March 11.00am at Our Lady Star of the Sea. **May she Rest in Peace. +**

ANNIVERSARIES

Anne Hards and for all those whose anniversaries occur around this time. **May they Rest In Peace. +**

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for The parish church of St Peter Port (The Town Church)

OFFERTORY

26th February 2023 £2,957 (incl. standing orders, BACS & Donate Button) **Thank You!**

CAFOD Turkey/ Syria Earthquake Collection

£3,839 total collected and now forwarded to CAFOD. **Thank You!**

RETIRING COLLECTION

This weekends retiring collection is for CAFOD Family Fast Day – Lent Appeal. This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day Appeal will help families fighting the climate crisis and ensure that our Church network can quickly respond to emergencies, like the recent earthquake in Syria and Turkey. Give today at cafod.org.uk/give and please join us in praying for CAFOD's development and emergency response work all over the world.