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Saturday evenings 5:15 - 5.45 pm.

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Sun 9 am, 11 am, 6.30 pm

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Sat 6 pm / Sun 9 am, 11 am

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Sat 6 pm / Sun 10 am

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Sat 6 pm / Sun 9.30 am

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Fr. Austin Gurr

Sat 6 pm / Sun 10.30 am

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

As we celebrate this feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we can study His actions at the Jordan River as a powerful example of servant leadership. We see in Jesus a type of leadership that is characterized by humility and leading by example.

Certainly the sinless Saviour did not need a baptism of repentance! But Jesus humbly made Himself one with his people to draw us to Him and create a relationship with us so that we would be open to His teachings and influence.

As a servant leader, we also see that Jesus leads by example. He doesn't just tell the people they need to be baptized. He shows them how and does it Himself to teach them. To lead like Jesus, we, too, must "walk the walk" and not just "talk the talk." If we want those we lead to be generous and hard-working, then we must show them how to do this by demonstrating generosity and hard work ourselves.

Immediately after His baptism, we learn of the powerful affirmation of the Father who opens the heavens, sends the Holy Spirit upon Jesus in bodily form and says audibly, "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well-pleased." Let us be filled with gratitude for our amazing God and be reminded that when we are grateful followers of Jesus and servant-leaders in imitation of Him, the Father will be well-pleased with us, too.

Taken from The Catholic Steward.com

Weekday Masses are celebrated in Maryfield Convent Chapel

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD - 13 January

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While Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened.

Sat 12 6:00 pm John Olohan RIP
Sun 13 10:00 am People of the Parish

Mon 14 Feria
10:00 am - Mass

Tues 15 Feria
10:00 am **Peter Elgar RIP**

Wed 16 Feria
10:00 am - Mass

Thur 17 St Anthony of Egypt
10:00 am - Mass

Fri 18 Feria
10:00 am - Mass

Sat 19 Our Lady on Saturday
10:00 am - Mass

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time - 20 January

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This was the first of the signs given by Jesus: it was given at Cana in Galilee.

Sat 19 6:00 pm Pat Cashman Snr & Pat Cashman Jrn RIP
Sun 20 10:00 am People of the Parish

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us at Mass in Your safekeeping as we remember:

Mary O'Driscoll, Sean Dillow, Helena Allen,
Jean Williams, Yvonne Beaumont, Debbie Cavedon,
June Walsh, Margaret Sauce & Charles Paice

REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers the family and friends of **Elizabeth Curran, mother of Ann Cross** who recently died. Her Requiem Mass is to be held here at Sacred Heart on Monday 21st January at 12:30 pm

May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen.



NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Isaiah 62: 1-5

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 95: 1-3, 7-10 response v. 3

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 4-11

Gospel: John 2: 1-11

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET

Praying the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy is a glorious way to enter into the abundant Mercy of God. Please join us on Friday afternoons from 2:30—3:00 in the Church.

To pray for the Mercy of God on us and on the whole world.

Jo Lewry, Community Participation Coordinator for CAFOD Portsmouth writes...

What is your New Year resolution? Why not consider volunteering for CAFOD? We have many volunteering opportunities in the Portsmouth Diocese so if you would like to make a difference and help your brothers and sisters living in poverty overseas then please volunteer! Our fantastic parish volunteers help promote our Lent and Harvest family fast days in their parishes. Most parishes have one parish volunteer but would always welcome more! We would love to have parish volunteers at Holy Family Church Southampton, St Thomas More Iford, Sacred Heart Church Bordon, St Gregory's' Alresford, St Thomas More Stockbridge, Corpus Christi & St Joseph and Our Lady of Lourdes & St Swithun in Portsmouth. Other volunteering roles include **school volunteers** who go into Catholic primary and secondary schools to give assemblies about CAFOD's work, **campaign volunteers** who get involved with our campaigns, **MP Correspondents** who write to their MPs a couple of times a year and office volunteers who help out in the CAFOD Portsmouth office in Aldershot. For more information on any of these roles please contact me (Jo Lewry) by telephone 01252 329385.

SALT AND GRIT BIN

Just a reminder that there is a salt and grit bin by the side of the disabled parking bays, for use when the car park area is icy.



CHURCHES TOGETHER

Our annual Hook and Odiham Churches Together service is being held on Sunday 20th January at 6 pm in Elizabeth Hall. Following the service, refreshments will be served. Please bring food to share.

CHARITY FUNDRAISING

Andrea Waldram has organised 2 events for her Charity fundraising ahead of running the London Marathon in April 2019. 1 event for the children and 1 for the adults.

Saturday 2nd February - Musical Fun with Claudia Fivaz (music with mummy). Claudia will run 3 sessions in the church hall for children 6 months to 6 years. £5 per child per session. All proceeds to Children with Cancer UK.

Spaces are limited so book your place as soon as possible. Contact Claudia - 07758655128 or e mail

carico22@hotmail.com

See poster on the board in the church porch for more details.

Monday 4th March - Charity evening at Hook Tandoori for Children with Cancer UK and The National Autistic Society. Andrea Waldram and Jackie Harrison are running the London Marathon for these Charities. Tickets are £20 per person which includes Poppadum, Starter and Main Course with Naan Bread. Numbers are limited so book your tickets ASAP. Contact Jackie 07881620701 or Andrea 07823449333. There will be a raffle so any contributions will be welcome.

THE BLESSED CHARLES DE FOUCAULD FRATERNITY.

We recently started a Fraternity of blessed Charles de Foucauld in our parish. We get together once a month for couple of hours at convenient day and time for all. We start with the exposition of the blessed sacrament in the church. We also read the Sunday's gospel reading and contemplate on the reading and share our views. We also discuss the life and writings of blessed Charles de Foucauld. The next meeting is in **Monday 21st January at 2.15 pm**, in the Convent.

BISHOP CHALLONER PTA QUIZ AND CHIPS NIGHT:

The PTA invites you to its annual quiz night on Fri 1 Feb in the School Hall (RG22 6SR), 7 pm for a prompt 7.30 pm start. Teams of 4 -6 people, but if you can't make up your own team, please register anyway and we'll make up teams – it's a good way to meet new people! £9 per head includes quiz entry and hot supper: pre-order ASAP but by 24 Jan your choice of fish/chicken/jumbo sausage/veg burger, all with chips. BYO drinks and nibbles – and raffle money! Entry forms available from Mary Lee on 01256 462661 during the school day or email Mary.Lee@bcs.hants.sch.uk

THE SACRISTY

Is a place of prayer and contemplation and should be an oasis of calm, before and after Mass. The Priest and Servers need time and space in order to prepare themselves for The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please respect this and refrain from visiting the Sacristy in the last 15 mins before Mass.