

THE MESSENGER

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Sat 6 pm / Sun 9.30 am

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Sat 6 pm / Sun 10.30 am

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Did You Know?

Sunday 31st March is Mothering Sunday - doubtless a profitable weekend for card retailers, florists and chocolatiers! But did you know that the origins of Mothering Sunday lie in going to church on this day?

In the Middle Ages in England, boys and girls who lived away from home (as apprentices, servants, etc.) were allowed on mid-Lent Sunday, as it was called, to go home to visit their 'mother church', where they had been baptised or had been brought up (the church which had given them spiritual birth in baptism was known as the 'mother church'). They brought gifts to be placed on the altar and then visited their own mothers, bringing them flowers and cakes and doing all the housework for them!

The Fourth Sunday of Lent has also had other names: Mid-Lent Sunday, **Laetare Sunday**, Rose Sunday, Refreshment Sunday, Sunday of the Five Loaves. The original name was 'Laetare', from the first word of the Entrance Antiphon at Mass, 'Laetare Jerusalem': 'Rejoice, O Jerusalem'. As a symbol of this day, Popes used to carry a golden rose in their right hand when returning from Mass - hence Rose Sunday. The Golden Rose was then blessed and given by Popes to Catholic sovereigns, or bestowed upon important shrines or churches as a token of esteem. King Henry VIII received three golden roses, from Pope Julius II, Leo X and Clement VII!

Weekday Masses are celebrated in Maryfield Convent Chapel

Fourth Sunday of Lent - 31 March

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Your brother here was dead and has come to life.



Sat 30	6:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sun 31	10:00 am	Tony & Jackie Hopgood 25th Wedding Anniversary
Mon 1	of the 4th week of Lent	10:00 am Private Intention
Tues 2	of the 4th week of Lent	10:00 am - Mass
Wed 3	of the 4th week of Lent	10:00 am - Mass
Thur 4	of the 4th week of Lent	10:00 am Irene Teeling & Virginia De Luc RIP
Fri 5	of the 4th week of Lent	10:00 am Mary Flynn RIP
Sat 6	of the 4th week of Lent	10:00 am - Mass

Fifth Sunday of Lent - 7 April

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If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her

Sat 6	6:00 pm	People of the Parish
Sun 7	10:00 am	Dec. Mbrs. of Carr & Sadler Family

The
Season
of
Lent



LENT 2019

Lent is a time to prepare for Holy Week's commemoration of Our Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection.

During Lent we do not sing or say either the Gloria or the Alleluia, flowers do not decorate the Church and

Baptisms are held over until Easter.

LENT 2019

"I know God will not give me anything I can't handle. I just wish that He didn't trust me so much" *'Mother Teresa'*

Every Sunday in Lent

4:00 pm Stations of the Cross in the Church

Every Tuesday in Lent

7:30 pm Essential Training for Catechists in the Church

Every Friday in Lent

7:30 pm Stations of the Cross in Maryfield Convent

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:

Joan Coleman, Jean Williams, Sean Dillow, Helena Allen, Yvonne Beaumont, Debbie Cavedon, Jerry Gilmore, June Walsh, Margaret Sauce, Timothy Walsh & Charles Paice

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

First Reading: Isaiah 43: 16-21

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 125, response v 3

Second Reading: Philippians 3: 8-14

Gospel: John 8: 1-11

CLERGY ASSISTANCE FUND

This obligatory Collection is taken at all our Masses this weekend.

RETIRING COLLECTION—EASTER FLOWERS

There will be a retiring collection next weekend for the Easter flowers. Please note that we take up a collection twice a year, Easter and Christmas. The money is used to finance the flowers for the whole year. The flower arrangers do a fantastic job. Please be generous.

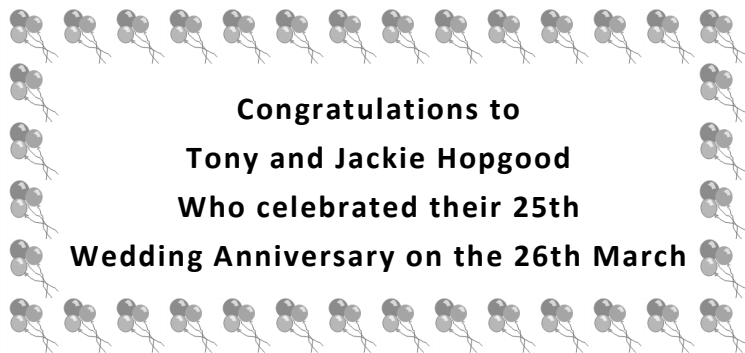
GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Gift aid envelopes for the coming year are available in the porch. Please take yours.

If you think you should have a box and there is not one there or if you no longer need the envelopes, please let Jan in the office know. Thank you.

LIVING SIMPLY AND IN SOLIDARITY WITH THE POOR

Do you want to put your faith into action? Do you want to be a parish that looks outwards and helps those in need? This joint conference from CAFOD and Caritas Diocese of Portsmouth will show you practical ways of doing exactly that. By learning more about CAFOD's Living Simply award and Caritas's social action projects you can help your parish or community group to become more outward looking. So come along to St. Peters in Winchester on Saturday 4th May for the Living Simply and in Solidarity with the Poor conference and learn how to truly put your faith into living action.



Congratulations to

Tony and Jackie Hopgood

Who celebrated their 25th

Wedding Anniversary on the 26th March

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

COMES TO THE CATHEDRAL

Preparing for the Rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary.

The Slipper Chapel statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will visit every English Catholic Diocese and Cathedral between 2018 and 2020.

St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth from Thursday 04 April to Sunday 07 April 2019

There is a full schedule of events on the noticeboard and on leaflets in the Foyer. There are many varied events throughout each day from Angelus, Mass, Rosary, Talks, Healing Service, Divine Mercy, Adoration and Holy Mass. For more info see: www.dowrytour.org.uk

'THE GOD WHO SPEAKS': A YEAR OF THE WORD

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has designated 2020 as '**The God Who Speaks': A Year of the Word** to celebrate the 10th anniversary of Verbum Domini - Pope Benedict XVI's Apostolic Exhortation on 'The Word of the Lord', and the 1600th anniversary of death of St Jerome, who translated the Bible into Latin. Therefore, 2020 will be a year of celebrating, living and sharing God's word, through a range of events, activities and resources, available nationally and in our Diocese of Portsmouth. Where does the Bible fit into your daily life? Ahead of 2020 Year of the Word, we would like to hear how people currently make use of Holy Scripture. The information, which is submitted anonymously, will help us to plan events and resources that will help you and those you meet to hear more effectively God who speaks to us through his word. Please take part in our '**The God who Speaks' survey**, and pass it around to the Catholics you know: Thank you for taking part in our survey. You can access the survey via the following link: <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/LDGRCYM>

WALK OF WITNESS

There is a walk of witness on Good Friday at 12 noon starting at St John's CofE Church. All are welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND

St Michael's Parish, Tadley are making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land on 4th Oct - 11th Oct 2019 with St Peter's Pilgrimages at the cost of £1,290 per person. For more details: <https://www.stpeterspilgrimages.com/the-holy-land> If you are interested in joining a group of us from St Michael's in Tadley, please contact Bill and Joy Reilly (Email: billjoyreilly@yahoo.co.uk or phone: 0118 981 3784)