



SACRED HEART PARISH

In The Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 246871

TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A

11 October 2020

Welcome to all our Parishioners, whether in Church or joining us via live streaming

Thought for the Week

“Invite everyone you can find to the Wedding”

God’s invitation to us is to celebrate with God in the Eucharist. It is in this celebration that we make present once again the mysterious act of salvation brought about by Christ’s suffering, death and resurrection. The format in which we celebrate is a mixture of the synagogue service, welcoming God’s word among us, and the Last Supper at which Jesus anticipated, through the blessing gift of the bread and wine, the sacrifice he was about to undergo. Why are so many reluctant to accept the invitation? The reasons given may be similar to the parables. We have other more pressing, more important things to do. There is also a failure in us to appreciate the full nature of the celebration, and we sometimes blame the celebrant or the form the liturgy takes for our drifting away. The liturgy is too traditional, too modern, too boring, too dull – and in our modern need for entertainment it can be all these things. Any human attempt to express what is happening will fall short, though that does not take away the responsibility to try to catch something of the essence of God being among us as we gather in God’s name. The problem is that if we do cut ourselves off in this way we run the risk of becoming isolated and losing the sense of meaning in our lives. God does not abandon us, but when we abandon God we certainly do not make God’s attempt to love us any easier.

- Invitations to celebrate are a joy but may also be fraught with hidden complications.
- Jesus like invitations and readily accepted them. In his parables he draws attention to how we so often refuse God’s invitations.
- Many of us drift away from God’s invitation to us to celebrate the mystery of salvation in the liturgy of the Eucharist. This dislocates our relationship with both God and our world.

Taken from The Living Word a Redemptorist publication

SACRED HEART CHURCH OPENING TIMES

**Please join us on Wednesday mornings at 9:15am to pray the Rosary
Followed by Mass on at 10am**

Attendance needs to be booked and this can be done by email via hello@sacredhearhook.org
or by phone call to Jan on 07719012955

Mass is also available on Saturdays at 6:00pm and Sundays at 10:00am
Which also need to be booked

The church is open for private prayer at the following times:

Tuesday: 5:00 pm until 6:30 pm

Wednesday: after Mass until 12:00 noon with the opportunity for Confession

Please visit the Coronavirus page: www.sacredhearhook.org/coronavirus for any last minute changes

Priest in Charge: Rev. Paul Leonard

Parish Administrator: Mrs Jan Hughes

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Website: www.sacredhearhook.org

Facebook: facebook.com/sacredhearhook

Safeguarding Minister: Mrs Maggie Wood

email: safeguarding@sacredhearhook.org

PARISH DONATIONS

If you would like to make a donation to the Parish, or set up a Standing Order, our bank account details are:

Lloyds Bank

Sort Code: 30 93 04

Account number 00880117

Name: PRCDT Sacred Heart Hook

(Please also use this for cheque payments)

Thank you so much for your generosity.

God bless. Fr. Paul

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Please do join Gill and Natalie for a live streaming of this weekend's Children's Liturgy on Sunday at 11:30am.

The session is available live on Facebook or on our website

CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY

On 10th and 11th October our parish is marking CAFOD's Family Fast Day to help people facing the worst of the coronavirus crisis. We've all felt the impact of this terrible disease – let's come together to help the poorest and most vulnerable people in the world survive, rebuild and heal. Please pray for all those affected and donate online at cafod.org.uk/give where possible or by using one of the envelopes and putting it in the collection basket or send it direct to CAFOD. You can also give easily via text. Text CAFOD to 70085 to donate £10. Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message and you'll be opting in to hear more about our work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text CAFODNOINFO to 70085. Thank you.

THE HOLY ROSARY

The month of October is dedicated to The Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a vocal and meditative form of prayer. It leads us through the mysteries of our faith. It is the story of The New Testament. Through the beads we follow the life of Mary and Jesus.

We follow Mary from the day The Archangel Gabriel came to ask her to become the Mother of Christ to the day she was crowned Queen of Heaven.

We follow Jesus from the moment the Holy Spirit came down on Mary, through his childhood, his cruel death on the cross, His resurrection and ascension to Heaven in glory.

It is said that The Rosary is such a tremendously powerful weapon against evil, that armed with The Rosary in our hearts and the beads in our hands, we can even stop wars.

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.

Please join us at 9:15 am on Wednesday mornings in the Sacred Heart church.



CARITAS CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL 2020

Following last year's amazing total of 948 gifts, this year will be harder with various Covid restrictions.

Please could you ask all friends, family, work colleagues to collect for this local community.



If you set up your own collection point, we can collect from you or you can deliver directly to Tesco, Chineham. If you need a collection box/bucket these can be provided.

Given the current climate, monetary donations may prove easier (every penny will be spent on gifts).

Please pay into the account below:

PRCDT Sacred Heart Hook

Ref Christmas Gifts

Account No: 00880117

Sort Code: 30-93-04

We hope, these gifts will take a little pressure out of their family's lives.

Perhaps even some dreams coming true and a few prayers answered over this special time of the year.

God bless and thank you,
Brita and Julie

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2020

Congratulations

Isabel, Annabelle, Charlie,
Leonardo, James and Jack
who made their First Holy
Communion this weekend.



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First Reading Isaiah 25: 6 - 10

Responsorial Psalm:

Psalm 22: response v 6

In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever

Second Reading: Philippians 4: 12 – 14, 19 - 20

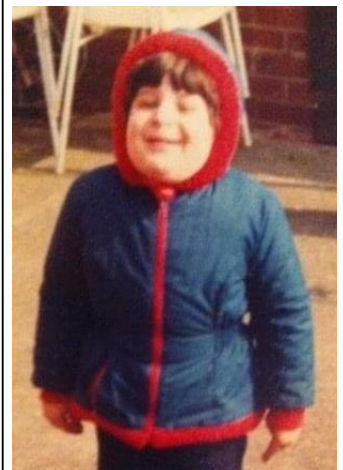
Gospel Matthew 22: 1 - 14

MYSTERY BABY

Congratulations to the parishioner who correctly guessed that last week's baby was Grania Egan.

Can you guess who this parishioner is?

If you can guess who this is please email your answer to hello@sacredhearthook.org and also send us a baby picture so that the parish can guess who you are.



ATTENDING PUBLIC MASS AT SACRED HEART CHURCH

We need to observe the following guidelines when attending Mass:

Our intention is to celebrate Mass reverently and safely as a community of Christ's disciples.



The dispensation from Sunday Mass obligation remains in effect. Please don't register for Mass or enter the church if you or someone in your household has a temperature, a cough, flu-like symptoms or loss of taste or smell.
Stay at home and participate in the Mass via our live stream



Please bring your own **face covering**.
You must wear it at all times, except when receiving Holy Communion



Arrive at the front main doors of the church no later than **15 minutes before Mass** and if possible a bit before that.



Apply **hand sanitiser** when entering and leaving the church.
Either bring your own or use the dispenser provided inside the entrance to the church



Follow the instructions of the ushers. They will direct you to where to sit. -
Couples, or families of 3 or more from the same household, may sit together.
Please do not kneel, sit in the marked places as directed by the stewards and please observe social distancing at all times.
Please keep young children with you at all times



Queuing to receive **Holy Communion** will be single file and it will be under one kind.
Follow the instructions given regarding when to come forward and receive Holy Communion so that social distancing is maintained

These measures are to make sure everyone feels safe when attending church. Let us all work together, follow the guidelines and be considerate of each other as we celebrate together in thanksgiving to God for the gift of the Eucharist.

HOW TO BOOK FOR MASS

- Due to the limited space in our church, booking is required for each of the Sunday Masses and the Wednesday Mass.
- Booking for Mass is organized by Jan our parish administrator.
- Booking closes on the Thursday at 1.30pm for Weekend Mass and on Tuesday for the Wednesday Mass. Places are limited so it will be first come first served, however those applying when bookings are full or closed can be booked immediately onto the following week.
- Booking is by email at hello@sacredhearthook.org. Please title the email "Mass booking" and give the name, address and contact details of all who will be attending including of all those in a family group.
- Don't forget to indicate which Mass you will be attending. Mass is at 6pm on Saturday evening and at 10.00 am on Sunday morning or 10.00am on Wednesday morning.
- You will receive an email during Friday morning with confirmation and more instructions for the weekend Mass and on Tuesday afternoon for the Wednesday Mass.
- The names and contact details of everyone attending Mass will be recorded for NHS Track and Trace. These will be kept securely for 21 days and then destroyed.
- If you are unable to email the office, please contact Jan in the Parish Office on 07719012955 before 1.30pm on Thursday.
- Please make sure you are registered with the parish. If you think that you aren't (last census was 6 years ago) please fill in a registration form and return it to the parish office.