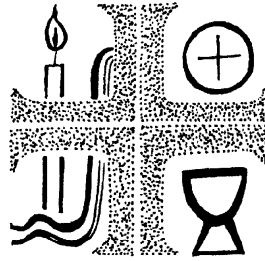


Peterpost

Newsletter for the
Catholic Parish of Hampshire Downs



**THIRTY THIRD
SUNDAY OF THE
YEAR
15th November,**

Next Sunday is the Solemnity of Christ the King and the last Sunday of the Church's year. As the year draws to its conclusion the readings at Mass, both during the week and on Sunday, invite us to reflect on the "Last Things". For St. Mark and the people of his time the favourite way to do this was to use "Apocalyptic" writing. That is what Mark is doing in today's Gospel. We are to consider the completion of God's work of creation and the work of the Spirit of God working in our lives and in our world to move us to that point. As we do not know how things will turn out at the end of time, the scriptures offer us many images so that we can use our imagination in our prayer and reflection.

As well as being the Solemnity of Christ the King, who completes all things in himself, next Sunday is "National Youth Sunday". I am delighted that our young people will be taking a special part in most of the seven Masses celebrated in the parish next Sunday. I am grateful to the communities for the preparation they have done to include our young people in the liturgy and the life of our community. They will be reading, welcoming, leading music and offering those of us who cannot consider ourselves to be young people an opportunity to rejoice in their enthusiasm and commitment.

As we prepare to celebrate "Youth Sunday", the Solemnity of Christ the King and the last Sunday of the Church's year, I want to say thank you to the young people of our parish and to the adult youth team and their helpers who work so hard to include our young people in the life of the parish.

Our young people first. Thanks for all your enthusiasm and commitment to Jesus, to the Gospel and to the Church. During our pilgrimage to Israel/Palestine I was extremely encouraged by the way everyone was so attentive to the experiences and to one another. A sure sign to me of openness to the Spirit of God. We live in a changing world and a changing Church and I am convinced that the young Christians of our time will bring the family of Christ into new territories of evangelization and relevance to the world.

And the adult teams of helpers. Thanks for all your hard work and patience which has borne tremendous fruit this year both in the celebration of Confirmation and First Holy Communion and in the young people's activities. PJT

TODAY

Flowers in St. Peter's today are in memory of Sean Kelly.

Mass in the Extraordinary Form is at 12.15 p.m. in St. Peter's today.

Revised Rota for Special Ministers at 6.00 p.m. Mass in St. Peter's is now available from the Sacristy.

The Blessing of Graves: I am at Morn Hill Cemetery today at 3.00 p.m. to pray for those who are buried there and to bless the graves. PT

No Evening Prayer and Benediction in St. Peter's today.

Fr. John Catlin is supplying in Jersey for the month of November

Welcome to Aimee and Emilie Smith who are being baptised in St. Peter's today.


We acknowledge with thanks:

Last week's collection
(Alresford, Stockbridge and Winchester): **£3,428.88**



TODAY'S MASS - LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading: Daniel 12:1-13

Psalm Response: Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. 

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14.18

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Stay awake and stand ready, because you do not know the hour when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 13:24-32

Questions of the Week

Children: If Jesus came to visit you today, what would you do? What would you say? How would you act?

Youth: If today was your last day, what would you be most thankful for? What would you regret?

Adults: If today was your last, what would you do with it?

CLERGY & PARISH TEAM

Canon Paul Townsend (Co-ordinating Pastor and Parish Priest)

Fr. John Catlin (Associate Pastor)

Canon Alan Griffiths

Fr. Vincent Convery (Prison and Hospital Chaplain)

Fr. Brian Croughan (Retired Priest)

Deacon Gerard Dailly (01962 736389)

Deacon Nick Reynolds (01962 772393)

Catherine Christmas (Director of music, liturgy and communications)

Sisters: St. Peter's Convent - (01962 854040)

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Headteacher: Mrs. Cath Howells (01962 852820)

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 17th November - The Meditation Group meets in the Headteacher's office at St. Peter's School from 7.30 - 9.00 p.m. All welcome. Enquiries: phone Lynda on 01962 856243

Tuesday 17th November - The Scripture Reflection Group meets in the Parish Centre from 7.30 to 9.15 p.m. All are welcome. There is a simple, shared meal, followed by prayer, reflection, sharing, some theological input, ending with a focus on our lives in Winchester. Please bring simple food to share.

Tuesday 17th November - Free English Conversation Class for adults at St. Peter's Primary School every month from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m., (this month is this Tuesday). All are welcome. In addition, those who would like to brush up with their literacy either to help their children with their homework or simply want the challenge there is a free online literacy course (and if you decide to take the little challenge at the end of the course and pass it £25 goes to you and £25 to the school of your choice). Please call Amy for more details on 07909572703.

Tuesday 17th November - Climate Justice Event at St. Stephens Church 7.00 p.m. It is an evening of entertainment and information about Climate Change including entertainment from St. Peter's School with their play 'And along came man', a production by St. Peter's Youth Theatre Group and music from our young people. Robert Hutchison, Chair of WINACC, and Katy Harris from CAFOD will provide the information on what is happening in Winchester and on the Justice issues that we need to be aware of when we consider the impacts of climate change on the 3rd World. Please support this Event. Tickets £1 for adults include refreshments.

Wednesday 18th November - Space in the City. "Prophets for our Time", This week, Canon Peter Fisher is talking about René Girard, the Catholic philosopher and cultural historian, well known for his "scapegoat theory" in the resolution of conflict. At the United Church 12.30 until 1.00 p.m. Admission free. For information on the series go to <http://www.hampshiredowns.org.uk/ecumenism.aspx>

Wednesday 18th November - The Mozzo Story - A tale of 21st century Fairtrade success: A talk by Grant Lang, 'Mozzoman', about his three passions, coffee, art and the environment and how his business has promoted them. Come along to the upstairs room at the Slug & Lettuce Bar in the Square at 7.00 for 7.30 p.m.

Wednesday 18th November - come to a contact lunch meeting in the Milner Hall. Meet other Christians who work in local organisations, and encourage each other. 12.30 - 1.30 p.m. (come and go as you can). Bread and cheese lunch £2.50, or bring your sandwiches. Email chaplain@winccc.org.uk or text 07834 540106 if poss, if you hope to come, or else just turn up.

Wednesday 18th November - A Child's Tear - Concert to coincide with the 30th anniversary of the UN International Year of the Child at 7.30 p.m. in Winchester Cathedral, North Transept. Tickets £10/£8 concessions, £5 students available from 01962 827466 or the Student Services Reception at the University of Winchester or by e-mailing Foundation.Music@Winchester.ac.uk.

Thursday 19th November - meeting of the St. Gregory's Pastoral Group. Please contact any of the member of the group if there are any issues you would like us to consider.

Thursday 19th November - The CWL meet in the Parish Centre after the 7.00 p.m. Mass. Guest Speaker: Major Teresa Lewis 335 MER (V) is talking on her experience working as a medic in Camp Bastion, Afghanistan. A warm welcome to all.

Friday 20th November - Funeral Mass for Mary White at 12.15 p.m. in St. Peter's. May she rest in peace.

Friday 20th November - Charity Lunch is organized by the CWL in aid of their chosen charities. Please support.

Saturday 21st November - Overseas Group Quiz with Kevin Ashman (Brain of Brains and Mastermind record holder) as Quizmaster, at 7.30 p.m. in St. Lawrence with St. Swithun's. £10 per head with a hot supper (no alcohol for sale - BYOB). Teams of eight applicants welcome). Includes an 'Ask Kevin' round. Contact: Penny Beveridge (01962 859459)

NEXT WEEKEND

Next Sunday is National Youth Sunday.

Youth Choir are singing at 10.30 a.m. Mass at St. Stephen's next Sunday

LOOKING AHEAD - PARISH

Thursday 26th November - Christmas Shopping Evening. St. Peter's School PTA is hosting its very successful shopping evening again this year, giving you the opportunity to spend a relaxing evening shopping for festive food and wine, beautiful gifts, decorations and cards for all the family. We have over 25 fantastic stalls this year selling a wide variety of high quality products, including our own 'St Peter's School' Christmas pudding. The event will run from 7.00 to 9.30 p.m. in the school hall. Entrance £3 including a glass of wine.

Saturday 28 November - Alton day of Renewal at St Lucy's Convent, Medstead. Charles Whitehead will speak on 'To establish God's Kingdom.' The Day begins at 11.00 a.m. and ends at 4.30 p.m. All enquiries to Deacon John Foley ☎ 0118 933 3420 or Sister Paddy on ☎ 01256 321276.

Sunday 29th November - Advent Service at 4.00 p.m. at St. Stephen's. All are welcome

Saturday 5th December - Mass will be celebrated at Winchester Cathedral at 10.00 a.m.

Saturday 5 December - The Alresford Christmas Bazaar this year will be in the Alresford Community Centre (where East Street, West Street and Broad Street meet) with Piers Armstrong the Co-ordinator. For more information take a copy of the list of stall holders from the trolley in the church porch and watch the Porch notice board, or contact Piers at Walnut Tree House, New Farm Road, Alresford ☎ 01962 734542 or 07908 689009. Email: piers.armstrong@btopenworld.com.

Monday 7th December - Catholic Women's League Advent Preparation Hour at 2.15 p.m. Details to follow.

Friday 11th December - Hyde/Abbotts Barton Area Mass will be held in Victoria House at 7.30 p.m. For directions, please ring 01962 864764 or 01962 868660. All welcome.

Saturday 12th December - Advent Morning of Prayer for the Parish of Hampshire Downs, organised by the Stewardship Group will be from 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. at St. Stephen's. All will be welcome.

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**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2010** - is for children who are eight or older between 1st September, 2009 and 31st August, 2010 (Year 3 in school) and would like to enrol in the programme. It begins with an introductory session for parents from 8.00 to 9.00 p.m. on Thursday, 14th January in our Parish School. The first session for children is from 10.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon on Saturday, 16th January in our Parish School. Please complete the tear-off slip and return to Peterhouse ✂.....

**First Holy Communion Programme 2010**

**Name** .....  
**Date of birth** .....  
**School** .....  
**Address** .....  
**Post Code** ..... **Tel No** .....

## GENERAL NOTICES

The Winchester Catholic History Group is looking for a replacement for Jim Heward, its publicity officer, who will be retiring at the end of the year. The responsibilities include computer designing and printing posters for each of its monthly talks, and the design and printing of invitation cards to the annual November Memorial Lecture. Enquiries to Audrey Atter 01962 863317 or [audrey.atter@homecall.co.uk](mailto:audrey.atter@homecall.co.uk)

**St. Peter's School - Starting school in September 2010** - Was your child born between 1st September 2005 and 31st August 2006? If so, it is important that you apply for a school place by 12.00 midday on **Friday, 20th November 2009**. To do this you will need to collect a **St. Peter's Supplementary Information Form**, School Brochure and CR2 from your local primary school from week beginning 21st September. Although you can complete the CR2 form on line you cannot complete the St. Peter's Supplementary Information Form on line – this needs to be handed back to St. Peter's School with relevant paperwork.

**Are you a doctor, social worker or police officer** with current or recent experience of safeguarding adults or children? Would you like to offer your skills and experience to the Diocesan Safeguarding Commission? If interested, please contact Angela McGrory, Diocesan Safeguarding Co-ordinator for an informal chat on 02392 816396 or 07554427064. This is a voluntary role that is subject to a satisfactory Enhanced CRB Disclosure.

**The Winchester SVP Conference** distributes Christmas food parcels in December to people in need. If any parishioner knows of an individual or a family who would benefit from receiving a parcel, please would he or she contact Audrey Atter on 01962 863317, email [audrey.atter@homecall.co.uk](mailto:audrey.atter@homecall.co.uk)

**Mums, Dads, Grandmas, Grandads**, do you enjoy reading? Would you like to pass on your enthusiasm to children in KS2 at St. Peter's School? Then read on! We are setting up a team to read on a one to one basis for 20 minutes at the beginning of the day. If you would like to be part of this initiative then leave your contact details with the school office - tel. 852820. For further information, please have a word with Mrs Clare Flynn. We look forward to hearing from you.

**Afternoon drivers needed for the St. Peter's School minibuses** We are looking for afternoon drivers for the school minibuses. Would any members of the St. Peter's Community be able to help? Just one afternoon a week would be so helpful, approx. 3.00 - 4.30 p.m. Can you or do you know anyone who may be able to help? No previous minibuses driving experience required. The job is paid and full training given. For more details, please contact Toni Hoff in the school office on 01962 852820.

**The CWL** wish to thank all who supported and donated to their recent Quiz Evening. The event raised £410 which will be divided between Living Our Faith and CWL Charities.

**Liturgy Of The Word With Children** - This week we will begin to collect names and contact details for children attending LOWC in order to comply with guidelines for safeguarding children. Adults bringing children to LOWC will need to fill in an initial registration form and from this information we will compile a register for use in future weeks. Anyone with questions regarding this can speak to members of the Children's Liturgy team or Wini Meikle.

## LOOKING AHEAD - OTHER

**THE WAVE - Saturday 5th December**, The Stop Climate Change coalition, of which CAFOD and Christian Aid are also part, is organising an Ecumenical service and a rally for climate justice ahead of the meeting of world leaders in Copenhagen to discuss the post-Kyoto treaty. Ecumenical service at 11.00 a.m. (with Archbishops Vincent Nichols and Rowan Williams) at Westminster Central Hall, followed by a march starting at 1.00 p.m. from Grosvenor Square. Details at: <http://www.cafod.org.uk/take-action/climate/the-wave>

**Advent Groups** - There will be opportunities during Advent to reflect on the Sunday readings. A group will meet in Stockbridge on Mondays at 7.15 p.m. Please contact Angela Muxworthy for details (01264 860693). For details of the groups in Alresford and Winchester, please contact the parish office or Catherine Christmas.

**Please pray** for Christopher Ede who died this week. His Funeral Mass will be on Friday 27th November at 12.15 p.m. in St. Peter's

**The deadline for anything to be inserted into Peterpost is midday Thursday.**

**Please send Alresford news to**

Hermione O'Donovan (01962 732980) or Paul Kennedy (01962 735287); [pbk25@bopenworld.com](mailto:pbk25@bopenworld.com)

**To hire St Gregory's Pastoral Centre**, please call Catriona Mills (01962 736160) to check availability.



**We are coming towards the end** ..... of the visits programme with about 120 left to do. Thanks to the band of 25 volunteers who have been doing the visiting; their commitment to the parish and support for Canon Paul's appeal has been massive. By the end of this phase, we will have contacted about 480 families and individuals in the parish. There are about 700 families and individuals in the parish, so if you haven't been contacted in the next few weeks, we will be asking you to contact us to arrange to hear about the details of the Living Our Faith campaign. We want to make sure that everyone in the parish has the opportunity to hear about it directly from a volunteer. We are also moving ahead with some of the parish projects that will be funded by the campaign. The revised design for the pastoral centre will be exhibited after all Masses in December with the intention of submitting for planning permission and Historic Churches Commission approval in March. The Stockbridge riverbank works also are in hand. We have also met our commitment to the diocesan campaign by raising £330,000 for the future costs of increasing numbers of seminarians, support for laity involved in work in parishes and encouragement of vocations amongst our young people.

The Living Our Faith Campaign team can be contacted at Peterhouse on Tuesday Wednesday or Thursday and for urgent matters please call 0777 407 5861. For details please look at the Living Our Faith and parish centre section of the parish website: [www.hampshiredowns.org.uk](http://www.hampshiredowns.org.uk)

**Total raised so far: £1,072,530 from 185 pledges and gifts, with about £425,000 already in the bank. Our goal is to raise £1.8m to pay for a new pastoral centre at St Peter's, repairs to St Gregory, Alresford and St Thomas More, Stockbridge and further development at St Stephen's.**

**MASSES AND LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK**  
14th to 21st November, 2009

**St. Peter's, Winchester**

**Masses:**

|      |          |                                         |
|------|----------|-----------------------------------------|
| Sat  | 6.00 pm  | Ellen Spacey RIP                        |
| Sun  | 8.00 am  | Margaret Anderson RIP                   |
|      | 10.30 am | Richard Buck RIP and Stan Zajdel RIP    |
|      | 12.15 pm | Mass in the Extraordinary Form          |
|      | 3.00 pm  | Blessing of Graves - Morn Hill Cemetery |
|      | 6.00 pm  | NO Evening Prayer and Benediction       |
|      | 7.00 pm  | David Russell RIP                       |
| Mon  | 12.15 pm | Kathleen Harvey RIP                     |
| Tue  | 8.00 am  | Janek Leja RIP                          |
| Wed  | 12.15 pm | Intentions of Sylvia Tadd               |
| Thur | 7.00 pm  | CWL - 'Deceased members and families'   |
| Fri  | 12.15 pm | Funeral Mass for Mary White RIP         |
| Sat  | 9.00 am  | Canon Patrick Curtin RIP                |

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

Sat 11.30 am - 12.30 pm and 4.30 pm - 5.00 pm

**Eucharistic Adoration:**

Tue 9.00 am - 8.00 pm  
Wed 1.00 pm - 8.00 pm  
Thur 9.00 am - 5.00 pm



**St. Gregory's, Alesford**

|      |          |                                        |
|------|----------|----------------------------------------|
| Sun  | 11.00 am | Mass - Marcelle Huband RIP             |
| Mon  | 9.00 am  | Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion |
| Tue  | 7.30 am  | Mass in Latin                          |
|      | 10.30 am | Mass - Dead and Founders               |
| Wed  | 9.00 am  | Mass                                   |
| Thur | 9.00 am  | Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion |
| Fri  | 9.00 am  | Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion |
| Sat  | 9.00 am  | Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion |



**St. Stephen's, Oliver's Battery**

Sun 9.15 a.m. Mass - David Philpotts RIP



**St. Thomas More's, Stockbridge**

Sun. 9.00 a.m. Mass - People of the Parish

**LITURGICAL CALENDAR**

15th to 22nd November, 2009  
(Sunday Missal pp 692 & Weekday Missal pp 831;  
Psalter Week 1)

|           |                                                                                      |
|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday    | <b>Thirty Third Sunday of the Year (B)</b>                                           |
| Monday    | St. Edmund of Abingdon (Luke 18:35-43)                                               |
| Tuesday   | St. Elizabeth of Hungary, St. Hilda, St. Hugh of Lincoln or Feria (Luke 19:1-10)     |
| Wednesday | Dedication of the Basilicas of St. Peter and St. Paul, Rome or Feria (Luke 19:11-28) |
| Thursday  | Feria (Luke 19:41-44)                                                                |
| Friday    | Feria (Luke 19:45-48)                                                                |
| Saturday  | The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Luke 20:27-40)                          |
| Sunday    | <b>Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King (B)</b>                        |



**Next Sunday's Readings:** Daniel 7:13-14.

Apocalypse 1:5-8. John 18:33-37

**Psalms Response:** The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.

**NEW TO THE PARISH?**



Please fill in a yellow welcome leaflet and hand it to one of the Welcomers, or drop it into the parish office (Peterhouse).

**Welcome Team  
Co-ordinators:**

Clare & Paul Robinson  
☎ 01962 885858

welcoming.team@yahoo.co.uk

**NOT SO NEW?**

However long you've been in the parish, **please fill in a parish census form** to help us update our records.

Thank you!

**SAFEGUARDING  
Children  
& Vulnerable Adults**

Contact Wini Meikle  
☎ 01962 714509  
for information and CRB forms

**TELEPHONE PRAYER LINK**

If you need extra support through prayer for yourself or someone you know, contact:  
Eleanor Porter (01962 620833)  
or Augusta Wolff (07825 757287)

**HOUSEBOUND**

If you are housebound, even for a short period, and would like to receive Communion at home please Contact Peterhouse  
☎ 01962 852804

**MINIBUS**

service for people living in the Winchester area to bring you to St. Peter's 10.30 a.m. Sunday Mass and take you home.  
Contact Peterhouse  
☎ 01962 852804

**ST. PETER'S BOOKSHOP**

Books, cards and religious items.

Situated in the link between the church and the parish centre, and open after Saturday 6.00 p.m. Mass and all Sunday Masses. Other opening times can be found at the back of church. Look out for the bookshop when it travels to St. Gregory's, St. Thomas More's and St. Stephen's.

**Peterpost** - Copies of the newsletter are available each week in larger print and sometimes in Polish. If you would like one, just ask one of the welcomers.



**CHURCH FLOWERS:** If you like flowers in church and would like to have some dedicated to someone special for a week, you are now able to do this. There will then be a notice in Peterpost saying that the flowers that week are specially for .... or in memory of .... We ask that you give a donation for the flowers and leave the money and details at Peterhouse when you book the date.

**PARISH BAPTISM  
PROGRAMME**

Jon and Dawn Egerton-Kemp

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dawnek@btconnect.com

**PARISH PASTORAL  
COUNCIL**

The following are serving members of the council:  
Angela Muxworthy (Chair)  
Canon Paul Townsend  
Deacon Nick Reynolds  
Deacon Gerard Dailly  
Sr Antonietta  
Peter Bolger  
Sue Broadbent  
Catherine Christmas  
Wini Meikle  
Jane Reidy  
Brian Roberts  
Clare Robinson  
Liz Slinn  
Steve Taylor  
Sue Trowbridge  
Louise Warren  
Marcus Whitfield  
Augusta Wolff

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Sue Broadbent  
Deacon Gerard Dailly  
Mike Elks  
Peter Gregory  
Trish Mitchell  
Angela Muxworthy  
Barry Poffley  
Brian Roberts