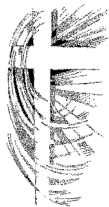


Hampshire Downs Catholic Parish

Alresford ♦ Stockbridge ♦ Winchester



SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A) 24 July 2011

Just over a month to go and the new translation of the Missal will be introduced in this country during the weekend of 3 and 4 September. The Readings will not change but the responses and many of the prayers will be different.

I want this change to be an opportunity for us all to renew our understanding and commitment to the Mass, which is at the centre of our lives as Catholics. As such, it is worthy of regular times for us all to come together to learn more about its importance.

To that end I have asked the Adult Formation Group to prepare a course for us all entitled 'In Spirit and Truth.' Over the past six weeks group leaders have been trained and next Sunday the details of the group sessions for us all will be published.

Since my arrival here six years ago many have been asking me for more catechesis on the Mass. We had the "With hearts and minds" process a while ago, and now there is another opportunity which will begin in the Autumn. So I am expecting everyone to participate in this process and, to that end, sufficient group leaders have been trained. The lists will be available soon so please sign your name on one of them.

As Jean Vanier wrote in his book *Community and Growth* (page 197) 'Communities are becoming more and more aware of the central aspect of the Eucharist in their lives. Jesus came into the world to give us a new bread of life, a new nourishment, his word and his body; and the word is for the body; it is for communion. Jesus told his apostles to do the Eucharist in his memory. It is at his command that the priest celebrates the Eucharist which renders Jesus present in a sacramental way....When the Eucharist is celebrated in community, all the members are gathered together in communion one with another, offering themselves to the Father with and in and through his son, Jesus, so that the whole community may be a place of the presence of the Kingdom on this earth and may be life-giving with the love of the Holy Spirit.' This course 'In Spirit and Truth' is a priority for us all.

Thanks to the Adult Education Team for all their hard work.

PJT

TODAY

We welcome Monsignor Jeremy Garratt, the Rector of Womersley who is helping out in the Parish while Fr. John is on holiday.

Welcome also to the SMA Fathers who are making an appeal at all Masses today for their African Missions.

Catenians annual 'President's Sunday' - members of the Winchester Catenian Circle will attend 10.30am Mass in St. Peter's.

We are invited to Evensong at St Andrew's Titchborne at 6.30 pm. This will be a farewell service for the Rector of the Parish.

THIS WEEK

Monday 25 July - the Parish Pastoral Council will meet in the Parish Office at 7.00pm.

NEXT WEEKEND

Sunday 31 July - Fr. Peter Granger Banyard SJ will celebrate his Golden Jubilee at 10.30am Mass in St. Peter's.

TODAY'S MASS - LITURGY OF THE WORD

1st Reading: 1 Kings 3:5, 7-12.

Psalm Response: Lord how I love your law.

2nd Reading: Romans 8: 28-30

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learned from my Father. Alleluia

Gospel: Matthew 13: 44-52



Readers and Musicians.

To prepare ourselves for the new translation of the missal in September can readers begin to say 'The Word of the Lord' at the end of readings, beginning from now? Also, apart from the brief pause before saying this at the end of each reading can we maintain an extended and significant prayerful silence (of at least 15 seconds) after the second reading or the psalm and before the Alleluia. This is to allow everyone to ponder the word spoken.

I thank all Ministers of the Word, both readers and psalmists and musicians for their commitment. PJT

...and for Readers at St Peters for the 10.30 am and 7.00 pm Masses - please remember that there will be no cantors on any Sunday in August.

As you know, Bishop Crispian retires later this year. We do not know the exact date yet as this will depend on who the Pope appoints and when he can take up the position as our next Bishop. We will be holding a parish collection on 9th October which will be presented to him at a Diocesan gathering to celebrate his time with us (probably on the 19th November).

I am most grateful to Bishop Crispian for giving me sabbatical leave. Fr. John is on holiday for the whole of July. In August, I shall be on retreat and will then take time for private study until the beginning of October. PJT

LOOKING AHEAD

Saturday 6th August - St. Thomas More Prayer Group meet from 3.00 to 5.00pm at St. Barnabas, Weeke. All are welcome.

Wednesday 10th August - Justice and Peace Group meeting is meeting, sorry for the confusion in the previous notice.

Sunday 14th August - Mass in the Extraordinary Form at 12.15pm in St. Peter's.

Weekend 10 & 11 September Father Michael Beattie SJ will speak at Masses to introduce the 'Apostleship of Prayer.'

Friday 14th October - a Churches Together in Alresford event in St John's, Alresford at 7.30pm - come and hear Henry Olonga: opera singer, cricket international and Christian.

Moira Redmond writes:

"I have taken over as editor of the Hampshire Downs website – www.hampshiredowns.org.uk – Do investigate the website. I'm interested to hear any thoughts, comments and requests – e-mail me on editor@stpeterswinchester.org.uk, or use the contact form on the site. In particular, if you or your group are represented on the website, please look at your own page and tell me if it needs updating or changing in any way."

New Translation of the Missal; the Music: Come and learn the new Missal chants ready for September.

When we introduce the new translation of the Missal on 4th September we want to use the Missal chants until Advent at all Masses in all Worshipping Communities. Fr Paul has asked for this so we can, as a people, sing unaccompanied music at any time. - **Sunday 14 August after the 10.30am Mass and Wednesday 23 August at 7.30am.** If you have any queries please contact liz.slinn@hotmail.co.uk or martin.f.mcelroy@googlemail.com

The new translation of the Roman Missal 'Lord I am not worthy.'

As the priest invites us to receive Holy Communion, he will say 'Behold,' rather than 'This is the Lamb of God.' Behold means 'to look at' and is our invitation to adore Christ who we are about to receive in Holy Communion. We are used to saying 'Lord I am not worthy to receive you.' This will change to 'Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my should shall be healed.' This is almost exactly what the Roman Centurion said when he came and begged Jesus to heal his servant (see Matt 8:8, Lk 7:6) When Jesus says he will come to the Centurion's house, the man knows that Jesus does not need to do that, that just his word will be enough. The Centurion says 'Lord I am not worthy to have you come under my roof, but only say the word and my servant will be healed.' Our new reply changes only one word of the Centurion's speech - 'my servant will be healed' becomes 'my soul will be healed.'

'What is happening and when?' From 3rd/4th September we will begin using the new translation of the Roman Missal. This means that many of the words the congregation and the priest say at Mass will change. The readings will stay the same. There will be new musical settings of the Gloria, the Holy Holy, the Memorial Acclamation and the Lamb of God. From the first Sunday of Advent, we will also use new translations of the Collects, Prayers over the Gifts, and Prayers after Communion. As a parish, we are working to ensure that the move to the new translation is as smooth as possible, and that everyone has the opportunity to learn more about it. We will provide leaflets with the new responses on, so that everyone can participate. For more information see:

<http://www.hampshiredowns.org.uk/NewMissal.aspx>

Please continue to pray for Sister Antonietta who has been transferred from RHCH Winchester to Southampton (Western Community Hospital).

PARISH CENTRE DEVELOPMENT

The programme for the building project is that the building should be weather tight by October and handed over to the parish by Easter 2012. The internal walls, roof structure and external brick work should be completed during August. The ground source heat pump bore holes will be drilled during the middle of August. Also, during that time, car parking on the north side of the church will not be possible for a few days.

Car Parking

Car Parking on the St Peter's site is restricted to parishioners and visitors to the church. Please also give priority to people who are not able to walk from the nearby car parks to Mass.

Public toilets are available outside the Discovery Centre (on the side facing the Theatre Royal). A portaloo is available for the 10.30am Mass and the Milner Hall is also open after the 10.30am Mass.

OUTREACH AND MISSION

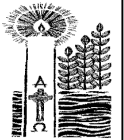
Winchester Basics Bank urgently need long-life milk, tinned fish (not tuna) and tinned vegetables (not chick peas). Collection boxes are at the back of St. Peter's, St. Stephen's and St. Gregory's (box in St. Peter's is emptied each day).

Winchester College and the King James Bible - A Quartercentennial Exhibition from 21st August to 25th September at Winchester College. Open to the public from 21st August to 3rd September and for pre-booked parties from 5th to 25th September. Admission is free but by timed-ticket only and must be reserved in advance: To buy tickets either apply in person at the Cathedral box office; Tel: 01962 857275; or online www.tickets.winchester-cathedral.org.uk

Baptisms and Deaths

Welcome to Harry William Bingham, Megan Madeline Salter and Maximilian Michael Howard Highton baptised at St Peters last weekend.

Please pray for Elizabeth Ryan and Rose Phillips who died recently.



Praise Mass for Hampshire Downs Dates for Your Diary

We are delighted to welcome parishioners, friends, relatives and visitors to come and experience a lively celebration of the wonder and power of the Holy Spirit, in this Praise and Worship Mass.

20th November

5.30 pm at St Stephen's Church, Winchester

1st/2nd October

The Celebrate Weekend Conference,
St Mary's College, Southampton

Visit their website: <http://www.celebrateconference.org>

For more details please visit the Parish Website

www.hampshiredowns.org.uk



YOUNG PEOPLE



Year 7-8 Youth Group. This is finished for this term.

Parish Youth Group also finished for the term.

Youth Band starts practising again in September. Thank you to St Stephen's for their wonderful welcome of the band last Sunday.

Youth Group Holy Land Pilgrimage: During the October half term, 20 young people from our parish youth group are going on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land accompanied by several leaders and Canon Paul. They are raising some of the money for this trip themselves. We are offering several assisted places on the pilgrimage as the air fares are very expensive, and if any parishioner would like to help fund these, please contact Canon Paul via the Parish Office.

Hampshire Downs Youth - Facebook Page for young Catholics in Alresford, Stockbridge and Winchester. Follow the link from the home page of our parish website and join up for more information on events and news.

Peter McGeady (Youth Leader) - Contact details: Follow the link from the home page of our parish website to the



We have a desperate need for volunteers (men or women) to join St. Peter's Church cleaning teams, sweeping and vacuuming for only one hour every eight weeks.

Please contact Pam Freeborn on 01962 864391.



Cycle of Prayer:

This week we pray for: the Diocesan Council of Priests.

DIOCESAN

Information Evenings on the Revised Translation of the Order of Mass and Roman Missal. Please see the back of all churches for venues and times available and also booking forms.

SPONSORING POOR & ORPHAN CHILDREN IN INDIA:

As you are aware Fr. Ignatius Maddineni who was with us in 2007 is looking for individual donors to sponsor poor/orphan/semi orphan children in various schools in India partially supported by his charity (Save the Children Welfare Society). The sponsorship money (£120 per year per child of age between 5-15) will be used to provide food, clothes, books, uniforms, toys etc. Your support would be much appreciated. There are about 350 children in various schools who needs to be sponsored, but so far there are only 36 children sponsored.

For further details please contact Fr. Ignatius Maddineni on e-mail: maddineni1971@googlemail.com - 01635 864416, or 07515001645

GENERAL

Senior Citizens Club - All meetings are cancelled until further notice.

The Catholic Women's League 2011 Appeal is for the Winchester Domestic Abuse Service. Throughout the year we aim to collect much needed necessities for those living temporarily at the Centre. This month we are focussing on towels and bedding but only need towels, single duvets and pillows (no duvet covers or pillow cases please). Toiletries are still acceptable. Please place gifts, preferably in original packaging, in the boxes which can be found at the back of all churches.

Big Fishes Football: Fancy a little outdoor exercise at River Park Leisure Centre, Winchester, on Sunday nights (8.30pm kick off)? Join a group of parish soccer enthusiasts aged from 14 to 58. Just turn up on the night with £3 match fee, £2 students (any excess is donated to charity) or speak to one of the regulars who include Brian Mustoe (01962 854241), Mark Pellegrini, Pascal Baker, John Tutton, Eugene Wills and Rudi Krook.

There will be no St. Gregory's Cake Sale in August. The next will be on Sunday, 4th September.

St Gregory's Cleaners - the rota from August to the end of 2011 is now on the porch notice board. New volunteers would be most welcome. For more information, please consult anyone on the list.

St Gregory's 'Late Spring Clean' - thank you to all who worked so hard last Saturday to spring clean the church.

Developing the Parish Pastoral Council

Work by the Parish Pastoral Council to group the different ministries into clusters continues. If you would like to contact any of the coordinators so far nominated, their email addresses are:

Catechesis - Sue Trowbridge, sue.trowbridge@btinternet.com.

Liturgy - Liz Slinn, liz.slinn@hotmail.co.uk.

Outreach and Mission Steve Taylor - sctaylor@win.eclipse.co.uk.

Welcome and Hospitality

Max Wilson - maxwilson@dsl.pipex.com or Liz Bradley lizwynbradley@hotmail.com and

Enabling - Brian Roberts at

brian@stpeterswinchester.org.uk.

The other clusters, which are Young People and Communications are all waiting for coordinators, so if anyone is interested please contact Canon Paul.



ST. PETER'S BOOKSHOP

Now open in The Old Georgian (entrance on Jewry Street).

Books, cards and religious items. New lines are now in stock.

Opening time: During office hours and as per usual at weekends.

Look out for the bookshop when it travels to St. Gregory's, St. Thomas More's and St. Stephen's.

Copies of the Magnificat are now available from the Bookshop. They are priced at £4 each.

MASSES AND LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

24 to 31 July, 2011

St. Peter's, Winchester

Masses:

Sat	6.00 pm	Mass - Robert, Andrew & John Wartnaby RIP
Sun	8.00 am	Mass - Mary Ryan RIP
	10.30 am	Mass - Catenian Association Intention
	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer and Benediction
	7.00 pm	Mass - Wladyslawa & Grzegorz Stacherscy
Mon	12.15 pm	Mass - Kay & Eric Kearney RIP
Tue	8.00 am	Mass - William Meader RIP
Wed	12.15 pm	Mass - Peter Troath RIP
Thur	7.00 pm	Mass - Baron Ventry RIP
Fri	12.15 pm	Mass - David Tutton RIP
Sat	9.00 am	Mass - Adrian Tucker RIP

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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

Eucharistic Adoration:

Suspended until September.



St. Gregory's, Alresford

Sun	11.00 am	Mass - People of the Parish
Mon	9.00 am	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Tue	10.30 am	Mass - Margaret Fletcher RIP
Wed	9.00 am	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
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 am Mass - Colin Weston RIP



St. Thomas More's, Stockbridge

Sun 9.00 am Mass - Bishop John Henry King RIP

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

24 to 31 July 2011

(Sunday Missal pp 427 & Weekday Missal pp 639
Psalter Week 1)

Sunday	SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)
Monday	St James
Tuesday	Saints Joachim & Anne
Wednesday	Feria
Thursday	Feria
Friday	St Martha
Saturday	St Peter Chrysologus
Sunday	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (A)

Next Sunday's Readings: Isaiah: 55: 1-3. Romans 8: 37-39,
Matthew 14: 13-21

Psalm Response: You open wide your hand, O Lord, grant our desires.



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Canon Paul Townsend (Parish Priest)
Fr. John Catlin (Associate Pastor)
Canon Alan Griffiths
Fr. Vincent Convery (Prison & Hospital Chaplain)
Fr. Brian Croughan (Retired Priest)
Deacon Gerard Dailly ☎ 01962 736389
Deacon Nick Reynolds ☎ 07854 709301
Sisters of St Lucy, St. Peter's Convent ☎ 01962 854040

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Oliver's Battery Road North, Winchester, SO22 4JB

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or telephone the Parish Office - 01962 852804

Confirmation - Don West
01962 865153: don.west@ntlworld.com

Weddings - Parish Office - 01962 852804

Communion to Sick & Housebound - Imelda Weingart-West
01962 865153: imelda.weingart@ntlworld.com

Eucharistic Adoration - Irena - 01962 880678

Milner Hall Bookings - Claire Cafrine
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St. Gregory's Hall Bookings - Jim King
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We acknowledge with thanks:

Last week's collection

(Alresford, Stockbridge and Winchester): £3390.85

Retiring Collection £4397.15 for CAFOD

Living Our Faith: Total raised so far: £1,393,752. We are working on the final £6,000 to reach our target. If you have not yet supported the campaign, please consider helping us to reach the final amount so that we can proceed with the building of the new parish pastoral centre.



GENERAL NOTICES

Please send newsletter items to the Parish Office by 5.00 pm **Wednesday**. Please keep items as concise as possible and note that they may be edited.

Communion for Sick and Housebound - If you are housebound, even for a short time, and would like to receive Communion at home, please contact our parish co-ordinator, **Imelda Weingart-West (01962 865153, or imelda.weingart@ntlworld.com)**

A Minibus service is available for people living in the Winchester area to bring you to 10.30am Sunday Mass at St. Peter's and take you home. Please contact the Parish Office.