

## WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

### Part of the New Forest Pastoral Area

St Michaels Church, (SM) Langdown Lawn, Hythe SO45 5GR  
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### 11th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 14th June 2015

#### Year B, Weekdays Year 1; Psalter week 3

9.00am Mass SB

11.00am Mass SM

Baptism James Harrison Wake SB's 12.30

Monday 15th June No Service

Tuesday 16th June No Service

(St Richard of Chichester, Bishop)

Wednesday 17th June No Service

Thursday 18th June No Service

Friday 19th June 10am Mass SM's

Mass intention: Patrick Kirwan RIP

(St Romuald, Abbot)

Saturday 20th June 10am Mass SM's

(St Alban, Martyr)

World Refugee Day

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION STRAIGHT AFTER MASS**

### MASS INTENTIONS 14th - 20th June

**Anniversaries this week:** Patrick Kirwan (17th), Peter Mullen (17th), Paul Connolly (20th), Ellen Patricia Terry (20th)

**Remembering those who have died recently:** Sarah McCann, John Taggart, Chloe Godding, Margaret Franklin, Joan Grennell, Joseph Connolly, John Parsons, Nora Newman.

**Other Intentions:** Patrick Kirwan RIP Anniv

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#### WATERSIDE: Hythe & Holbury - see above

#### LYNDHURST & TOTTON

**Parish Priest- Rev Innaiah Maddineni** Tel: 023 8086 2270

St Theresa of the Child Jesus-Beaumont Road, Totton &

Our Lady of the Assumption & St Edward the Confessor-

Furzy Lawn, Romsey Road, Lyndhurst:

**Deacon Rev Stephen Short** (Lyndhurst)

**Saturday Vigil Mass** 6pm Totton

**Sunday Mass** 9am Lyndhurst

10.30am Totton

#### BROCKENHURST, LYMINGTON, MILFORD ON SEA

**Parish Priest-Rev David Adams** Tel: 01590 676696

St Anne-Rhinefield Road, Brockenhurst

Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph-High Street, Lymington,

St Francis of Assisi-Park Lane, Milford on Sea.

**Deacon: Rev Stephen Morgan**

**Saturday Vigil Mass:** 6pm Lymington

**Sunday Mass** 9am Milford on Sea,

10.30am Lymington

6pm Brockenhurst

#### NEW MILTON

**Parish Priest: Rev Marcin Drabik** :Tel: 01425 614968

Our Lady of Lourdes-Mount Avenue, New Milton

**Saturday Vigil Mass:** 6pm

**Sunday Mass** 10 am

6.30pm Mass is in Polish

**THE DEANERY** is made up from the pastoral areas of New Forest,

Avon Stour, & Bournemouth **Dean: Fr Tom Grufferty**

### The Growth of the Kingdom

In the first parable of today's Gospel Jesus compares the kingdom of God to what happens when seed is sown by a farmer. Once the seed is sown, the farmer waits for harvest time. The cycle of growth follows its own secret rhythm; how it all happens the farmer does not know. Even though nothing much seems to be happening, the miracle of growth is taking place. The farmer cannot improve the crop by staying awake at night and worrying; the seed is nurtured in its own silence. The harvest will not be rushed; neither will the kingdom of God be advanced by those restless for instant results. Just as the harvest comes in its own time, so the kingdom will reach its completion in God's appointed time. It is God's kingdom, not ours. In the second parable Jesus compares the kingdom to a mustard seed that grows into the largest shrub so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade. In the ancient world the size of the mustard seed was a byword for the smallest and most insignificant thing anyone could imagine. According to the Koran: "God will bring good and evil to light, even if they are no bigger than a mustard seed." In Jesus' parable the contrast is made between the smallness of the seed and the exuberance of its growth. Unremarkable beginnings can make for mighty achievements. Littleness is no index of importance. The small mustard seed grows to become a shelter for all the birds of the air.

It is worth noting that the phrase "birds of the air" was a traditional Jewish expression for the Gentiles, all the non-Jews. In today's first reading, for example, the prophet Ezekiel speaks of the universal openness of God's welcome in the image of the tree where all birds can find a resting place. Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. Similarly in Jesus' teaching: the kingdom of God is open to all peoples. The greatness of the kingdom, which grows from such a small beginning, is for the benefit of all peoples; it is not the exclusive domain of any one flock.

When we think of the small beginnings of Jesus' ministry in Galilee to the spread of his message throughout the world, we can appreciate the vast growth that has taken place in history. The seed which Jesus planted has indeed grown: who could have guessed in Galilee in 27AD what would emerge from Jesus' ministry? From small beginnings - Jesus' preaching, his attention to the afflicted, his quiet transformations, his unusual company of followers - there did indeed arise the greatness of the kingdom of God.

God's work still continues, not only in the Christian churches but in people and places unknown and unrecognized by us. At the heart of the familiar God works in so many ways. His kingdom grows of its own accord; how, we do not know. This doesn't mean that we can be complacent, but it does save us from cynicism and despair. We have reason to rejoice in God's work, that his kingdom still attracts and welcomes so many different people. We are part of that kingdom. And we shouldn't be surprised if we seem to be sharing the shade with some really strange birds!

(from Denis McBride - Seasons of the Word)

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please keep in your prayers: Baby Finlay, David Bazley, Janice Bird, Nigel Bolton, Russell Bowlds, Alice Bramhill, Philomena Breen, Kitty Burroughs, Marion Butler, Denise Calder, Baby Elijah, Derek Faiers, Derek Francis, Mervyn Francis, Ruth & Dennis Freemantle, David Grennell, Amanda Gudge, Sally Herbert, Catherine Heron, Doreen Holman, Chrissy James, John & Lena Keane, Eileen Kenny, Michael Kirwan, Betty Marek, Sarah Marshall, Maureen Mullen, Tony O'Connell, Ann O'Connor, Karen O'Donovan, Norma Rudd, Joan Smith, Susan Soutter, John Stevens, Maria Tinkler, Emmie Walker, Brian Weston, Maureen Weyman.

**If you wish someone to be included for prayers here, or if the person being prayed for is now well & you would like their name removed, speak to Deacons Ian or Steve, or Linda via the Parish office.**

**SAD NEWS:** It is with great sadness that I have to announce the death of **John Benedict Parsons**, the son of Deacon Hilary. John had been suffering from an incurable illness for some time. Our deepest condolences are with Hilary and John's family. Please keep him and all the family in your prayers. May John now rest in peace and rise in glory.

**SAD NEWS:** It is with great sadness that I have to announce the death of **Nora Newman** from Fawley who died suddenly & unexpectedly at Lymington hospital on 11th June. Our deepest condolences are with Nora's family. Please keep her and all the family in your prayers. May Nora now rest in peace and rise in glory.

**PARISHIONER CONTACT DETAILS: I HAVE HAD ONLY 24 CONTACT DETAILS IN SO FAR.** There are over 900 names on the database! The average attendance on a Sunday is 148 + 18 children, so we have a long way to go to get this information up to date. Your now grown up children or families may have moved away and they are probably still on this database. The Bishop has started visiting parishes. We have a 9 page document to fill in before his visit (*I stress we don't know when he'll be coming to us yet*). One of the questions is about the parish census. So please send me your details so I can prune down this list. I will eventually have to delete those I haven't heard from. I am happy to have the details via email if that's easier. watersidecp@btinternet.com

*I need your address, the names & DOB of those living at your property+ phone numbers & email addresses whether you are a new parishioner, have moved house recently, or if you have lived there a long time. There are a number of statistics I have to use the data for but I can assure you names and address details don't get passed to anyone else. Should a parishioner ask for your telephone number or address I do not give it out without your permission. (Linda)*

**FIND A CATHOLIC CHURCH WHEN ON HOLIDAY** www.Masstimes.org A great website for locating a church anywhere around the world and its Mass times ... or that's the proud boast. Give it a try.

**WELCOME** to James Harrison Wake who is being baptised at SB's at 12,30pm today.

**JAPANESE KNOTWEED** We have the dreaded Japanese knotweed in the garden at St Michael's. The first stage of treatment to eradicate it will start soon. It is clearly labelled. Please **do not disturb it in any way and definitely do not take a cutting for your own garden!** It is very invasive, can damage buildings and takes at least 2 years to eradicate. Check your own garden!



**The Pope Tweets:** @Pontifex *We need to build up society in the light of the Beatitudes, walking towards the Kingdom with the least among us.*



**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND** 22 Nov—2 Dec 2015 The Bishop, together with Mgr Canon Vincent Harvey and Fr James McAuley will be leading the Pilgrimage in November. Book online or receive more details at [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or contact the Pilgrimage Organisers Deacon Iain and Cheryl MacFirbhisigh: Email: blessings41@gmail.com Tel 01534 725 963.

### COLLECTIONS FOR JUNE

+ 14th June **TODAY** Bi-annual Church Flower Collection  
+ 28th June Peters Pence

### PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

+ James Harrison Wake (Baptism)  
+ Refugees: World Refugee Day- 20<sup>th</sup> June. A day for us to consider how we welcome refugees in our communities. (*Pax Christi*)  
+ Baby Finlay - great nephew of Polly Read-born prematurely with many health issues. Seriously ill. Please pray that he gets well and pray for strength for his family.  
+ The family and friends of John Parsons RIP.  
+ The family & friends of Nora Newman RIP.  
+ The MP's who will be lobbied about Climate Change on Wednesday that they will listen to the people and take appropriate action.

### WHAT'S ON



**NATIONAL PICNIC WEEK Pack a Fairtrade Picnic Basket 13th-21st June** Picnicking is one of the UK's most enjoyable summer traditions, and is a great way of taking advantage of any open spaces in the local area over the warmer months of the year. If you're picnicking remember to pack a Fairtrade picnic basket. There are plenty of Fairtrade fruits, wines, juices and chocolates to choose from.



**PAUSE FOR PRAYER JUNE23rd : CANCELLED**



**ANCHOR-** Adult faith development programme **St Theresa's, Totton.** 6 evening sessions. **Wed 7.30-9pm June 10th, 17th, 24th, July 1st & 8th.** See poster in porch for further details.



**EMBROIDERY EXHIBITION**, of antique ecclesiastical vestments ranging from the late 18C to the early 20C, the collection is indeed quite unique and features some of the finest examples of the art of embroidery and gold work. St Agatha's Church, Portsmouth: 12-20 June, 10am-4pm, closed Sundays. £5.



**TASTER ART SESSIONS** Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham Cost:£2

17th June :Clay/Plasticine modelling/designs in relief

8th July : Textile crafts: fabric painting, collage etc

15th July : Glass painting with outliners and glass paints

22nd July :Calligraphy: Traditional & modern



**'JUNE' - MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART: Weekend 26 - 28 June.** Most of us grew up with an image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in our homes. You are invited to join Father Des at St Joseph's, Ashurst as he delves into the mystery that is contained in this most Catholic of images and devotions. The weekend will begin with supper at 7pm on Friday and finish after lunch on Sunday. Their accommodation is simple but St Joseph's is beautiful and welcoming. A suggested donation of £60 per person for the weekend (full-board) would be gratefully received. Please book with Father Des **before Monday 22 June** by email: [frdes@montfort](mailto:frdes@montfort).

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