

The Messenger

St Michaels Church, (SM) Langdown Lawn, Hythe SO45 5GR
St Bernard's Church, (SB) Southbourne Ave, Holbury, SO45 2NT

16th June 2013

11th Sunday of Ordinary Time (Psalter - Wk.3)

9.00am Mass at St Bernard's
11.00am Mass at St Michael's
3.00pm Baptism at St Michael's
Baby James Stevens
6.00pm Mass at St Anne's, Brockenhurst

(All Liturgies are 11th week of Ordinary Time, Yr 1, unless otherwise stated)

Mon 17th No Service
Tues 18th 10.00am SM Morning Prayer & Mass
Wed 19th 10.00am Mass at St Anne's, Brockenhurst
Thurs 20th 10.00am Word & Holy Communion Service at Our Lady's, Lyndhurst
Fri 21st 10.00am Requiem Mass at St John's Lee-on-the-Solent, Donal O'Sullivan RIP
Sat 22nd 10.00am SM Mass then Adoration of Jesus in the Bl. Sacrament and Reconciliation to 11am (Liturgy: Feast, Ss John Fisher & Thomas More)
1.30pm SM Wedding
Julian Hutchinson & Yvette Katciotis

Sun 23rd 12th Week of Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass at St Bernard's
11.00am Mass at St Michael's
3.00pm Baptism at St Michael's
Charlotte Grace Purtil
6.00pm Mass at St Anne's, Brockenhurst

Mass Intentions: For this week: All members of the Parish, All those who are unwell, Holy Souls, Deceased Clergy of the Province, For all catechists & children's liturgy leaders, John Cocker (Health), Lynne Parker B'day, Mike Stanley RIP (Musician, singer, songwriter & liturgist), Patrick Kirwan RIP Anniv

For the week beginning 23rd June: All members of the Parish, All those who are unwell, Holy Souls, Deceased Clergy of the Province, Linda Guilding (B'day), Paul Connolly RIP Anniv, Kathleen Cummings RIP Anniv, Lorraine Shearing RIP Anniv, Ann Wilton RIP Anniv

WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

Pastoral Team: Rev David Adams (Parish Priest)
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New Forest East Pastoral Area - Sunday Mass Times

St Theresa, Totton - Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 10.30am
St Joseph's (Ashurst) - Sun 9am
Our Lady & St Edward, Lyndhurst - Sun 9am, (Holy Day Vigil 7pm)

New Forest Pastoral Area - Sunday Mass Times

Saturday Vigil Mass: Lymington and New Milton at 6pm
Sunday: Milford on Sea at 9.00am, New Milton at 11.30am,
Lymington at 10:30am, Brockenhurst at 6.00pm

SHOWING LOVE

In today's Gospel Jesus is a guest in the house of Simon the Pharisee. The first thing Jesus does is take his place at table: the three marks of hospitality are missing. These are supplied by an uninvited guest, a woman whose reputation is well known — she is probably a prostitute. She comes prepared to minister hospitality to Jesus and she lavishes on him the fullness of her care. Her tears wash his feet which she dries with her hair; she covers his feet with kisses; she anoints them with the ointment. In all this she does not say a single word. Her language is in her body as she demonstrates her love for Jesus.

The host looks at this extravaganza and is shocked. Remember that Simon is a Pharisee, "a separated one": for him contact with sinners means uncleanness. And here is this lady of the night slobbering over Jesus. But Simon is cautious: he talks to himself about it. He wonders if Jesus really is a prophet if he can let this woman with a bad name touch him. That is Simon's complaint. It is very difficult to kiss people or anoint them or wash them without touching them! Simon has avoided all three and, therefore, has not touched Jesus.

So Jesus confronts Simon with the real question: "Simon, do you see this woman?" That is the problem. Simon does not see a woman: he sees a bad name; he sees a whore. True, the woman does have a bad name. But is that all she is? Because something is true it does not mean that it is the whole truth. We can use the truth about people to ridicule them and destroy them. When we use a truth about people to make them seem cheap we hide a larger truth that makes them worthy. There are ways of using the truth to destroy the truth. And there is a massive difference between telling the truth and telling the truth with love. Simon sees a destructive truth and fastens onto it.

So Jesus tells Simon that he prefers the extravagant love of a streetwalker to his untouchable welcome. From Simon there was no kiss, no anointing, no washing. Nothing. He has no reach in him. In contrast the woman is free to show love because she has experienced the forgiveness of Jesus. "The man who is forgiven little shows little love." Simon is not free to show love either to Jesus or the woman. And when the story ends the conflict is not resolved between Simon and Jesus. The woman goes in peace. She is the kind of woman who makes up Jesus' support group as he continues his wandering mission.

In dining at Simon's house Jesus has confronted his host with the question of how he sees other people. That question is addressed to us also. Do we see other people in such a way that encloses them in their wrongdoing? Like James Joyce who accused some of his friends in Dublin: "You hold my follies hostage." Or do we see others like Jesus does — in such a way that allows them a future? Forgiveness promotes change in people; it funds them for a new future. Let our sharing around the Lord's table help us to do that.

(from *Seasons of the Word* by Denis McBride)

*Jesus says: Do not judge and you will not be judged.
Do not condemn and you will not be condemned.
Forgive and you will be forgiven. (Luke 6:37)*

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please keep in your prayers: David Bazley, Janice Bird, Nigel Bolton, Russell Bowlds, Philomena Breen, Kitty Burroughs, Helga Butler, Marion Butler, Vicky Carter, John Cocker, Petra Daniels, Derek Faiers, Mervyn Francis, Terry Francis, Peter Gray, Amanda Gudge, Sarah Hedges, Sally Herbert, Doreen Holman, Serena Hoskyns, George Hutcheson, John & Lena Keane, Michael Kirwan, Pam Lonsdale, Betty Marek, Sarah Marshall, Tony O'Connell, Honora Power, Norma Rudd, Lilly Ricketts, Pauline Sharpley, Ronald Stevens. (If you wish someone to be included for prayers here please give their name to Fr David.)

PRAYER POTTERY: The next Prayer Pottery will take place on Tuesday, 25th June at 11.00am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in St Michael's. All are welcome.

JOINT ECUMENICAL SERVICE AT ST BERNARD'S:

This is advance notice that on Sunday, 30th June at 6.30pm there will be a Christian Unity Service at St Bernard's. Rev Steve Bowler will lead the service. Please do your best to attend. Encouraging Christian Unity is an important work and is Jesus' on-going prayer. Besides we wouldn't want to be embarrassed by a poor representation!

FR PETER WILKIE - DIAMOND JUBILEE OF

ORDINATION: On 4th June Fr Peter is celebrating his 60th anniversary as a priest. We will have a collection for him on June 16th. And on Sunday, 23rd June Fr Peter will say the 9.00am Mass at St Bernard's & then join us for the 11.00am Mass at St Michaels after which there will be light refreshments.

YEAR OF FAITH: (Newsletter insert from the Diocesan website) What names are there for Jesus' meal with us, and what do they mean? The different names indicate the unfathomable richness of this mystery: the Holy Sacrifice, Holy Mass, the Sacrifice of the Mass—the Lord's Supper—the Breaking of Bread—the Eucharistic assembly—the memorial of the Lord's Passion, death, and Resurrection—the Holy and Divine Liturgy, the Sacred Mysteries—Holy Communion.

Holy Sacrifice, Holy Mass, the Sacrifice of the Mass: The one sacrifice of Christ, which completes and surpasses all sacrifices, is made present in the celebration of the Eucharist. The Church and the faithful, through their self-offering, unite themselves with Christ's sacrifice. The word Mass comes from the Latin dismissal, *Ite, missa est*, "Go now, you are sent."

The Lord's Supper: Every celebration of the Eucharist is still the one supper that Christ celebrated with his disciples and, at the same time, the anticipation of the banquet that the Lord will celebrate with the redeemed at the end of time. We men do not make the worship service; the Lord is the one who calls us to worship God and is mysteriously present in the liturgy. The breaking of bread: "The breaking of bread" was an old Jewish ritual at meals, which Jesus employed at the Last Supper to express his gift of self "for us" (Rom 8:32). In the "breaking of bread" the disciples recognized him again after the Resurrection. The early Church called their liturgical feasts "the breaking of bread". Eucharistic assembly: The celebration of the Lord's Supper is also an assembly of "thanksgiving", in which the Church finds her visible expression. Memorial of the Lord's Passion, death, and Resurrection: In the celebration of the Eucharist, the congregation does not celebrate itself; rather it discovers and celebrates again and again the presence of Christ's saving passage through suffering and death to life. Holy and Divine Liturgy, Sacred Mysteries: In the celebration of the Eucharist, the Church in heaven and on earth unite in one feast. Because the Eucharistic Gifts in which Christ is present are, so to speak, the holiest thing in the world, we also speak about the Most Blessed Sacrament. Holy Communion: Because we unite ourselves with Christ at Holy Mass, and through him are united with one another, we speak about Holy Communion (communio = fellowship). Dig Deeper: Corresponding CCC section (1328-1332). Source: YOUCAT 212

CAFOD RALLY IN LONDON TO END FOOD POVERTY:

Thanks to all those who supported CAFOD at the recent anti-poverty rally in London.

DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

23rd-30th August 2013 together with the Bishop. If you would like to join this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes contact Fr John Cooke 01489 572797 or office@stmm.org.uk, or the Diocesan Web site: <http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/lourdes/>.

SUNG MASS of St. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA:

Friday June 21st. 7.30pm at St. Boniface Church, 413 Shirley Road, Southampton with "Cantores Michaelis" from the University of Southampton, directed by Keith Davis. Mozart: Organ Solo Mass, Haller: *Iustus ut palma*, S.S.Wesley: *Wash me thoroughly*, Walton: *Set me as a seal*, Gregorian Chant for the Day, and Salve Regina

CANCELLATION: Unfortunately we have had to cancel the **Bingo & Fish & Chips** evening because not enough helpers are available that weekend. We do apologise for any inconvenience and disappointment.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY!

Skittles & BBQ: Saturday 31st August 7p.m. @ St Bernard's

Quiz night and American supper : Saturday 5th October 7 p.m. @ St Bernard's.

COME FOLLOW ME – A GROUP FOR DISCERNING YOUNG CATHOLICS:

This discernment group is aimed at young men and women aged 16-30, who are looking to deepen their relationship with Christ and who are asking themselves how best to follow Him in the future. It is for all who are open to the possibility that God is calling them to the priesthood or religious life. **The gatherings are usually on the 2nd Friday of each month at St. Joseph's Church, St Michael's Rd, Basingstoke RG22 6TY. They begin with Mass at 7:30pm, are followed by a delicious meal in the presbytery, an informal presentation on a theme related to vocation discernment, and finish at 9:30pm.** If you are able to come, or are over 30 but would still like support discerning your vocation, please contact Fr Mark Hogan:-Tel: 01256 323595 or Email: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Any under 18s will also require a parental consent form which can be obtained from the same email address.

St Anne's Catholic School
and Sixth Form College

OPEN EVENING

Wednesday 26th June 2013
6.00pm – 8.00pm

Parents with daughters in Year 5 considering applying for admission to St Anne's are invited to

The Open Evening
in the School Hall

Parking: Bedford Place public car park & local streets

Carlton Road, Southampton, SO15 2WZ

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