

The Messenger

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

21st October 2012

29th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B (Psalter Wk. 1)

9.00am Mass at St Bernards
11.00am Mass at St Michaels

6.00pm Mass at St Anne's, Brockenhurst

Mon 22nd No Service (Liturgy: 29th Week of Ordinary Time)

Tues 23rd 10.00am SM Morning Prayer & Mass
(Liturgy: 29th Week of Ordinary Time)

Wed 24th 10.00am Mass at St Anne's, Brockenhurst
(Liturgy: 29th Week of Ordinary Time)

Thurs 25th 10.00am Mass at Our Lady's, Lyndhurst
(Liturgy: 29th Week of Ordinary Time)

Fri 26th No Service (Liturgy: 29th Week of Ordinary Time)

Sat 27th 10.00am SM Mass then Adoration of Jesus
in the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation
until 11am. (Liturgy: Our Lady on Saturday)

Sun 28th 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass at St Bernards

11.00am Mass at St Michaels

3.00pm Baptism baby Elijah Laven-Brown
at St Michaels

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, Bishop Philip Egan, For those who clean the altar linen, Fr Danny Burns RIP, John Lucas Williams RIP, Lily & Eric Allen RIP Anniv, Seamus Brannigan RIP Anniv,

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WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

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New Forest East Pastoral Area - Sunday Mass Times

St Theresa, Totton - Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 10.30am
Geo House (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

A NEW WAY TO BE GREAT

Mark's Gospel doesn't spare the apostles any embarrassment. Rather it uses their weaknesses to teach us. And presuming that they were happy for this to happen it is an example of a form of service. We can help people not just through our achievements and successes but also through our losses and failures. We can witness to where we were (and to some extent still are) and to how the Spirit of Jesus has led us forward in God's ways.

So we see James and John trying to negotiate a big favour. They want priority, status and power over and above the others. Notice how they say: *Grant us to sit with you ...in your glory.* Jesus had already mentioned that he was very likely to be rejected by the civil and religious authorities, to be cruelly treated and to be put to death. James and John gloss over this minor detail. They go straight for the glory! So Jesus reminds them again – there is no glory without sacrifice (the “baptism”). Are they ready for this? They answer, one suspects rather too glibly, that they can drink the cup. Anyway they are in for a further disillusionment. Jesus doesn't have the power to grant these places of honour anyway! It is reminiscent of last week: *What makes you think I have such power? Only God can grant such things.*

Not only are James and John shown up to be devious schemers the remaining ten apostles are not much better. They get angry with them – ambition, jealousy, anger – all too typical of us weak mortals. Jesus then teaches them a new way to be great. First rule: Do not copy the world around you. Worldly rulers govern by force and favour. We are not to copy them. If we want real greatness, which is greatness in God's eyes, then we must become servants and slaves to all. This service is not to become subject to another person's whim but to become subject to the will of the Father for the sake of everyone.

So we must ask ourselves and God: What do you want me to do for the sake of your people? Only God can answer this question in the heart of each one of us. This is one reason why prayer is so important; it helps us listen to God. God's answer may be: in your relationships and in your daily work discover and share my truth and love; raise your children in a loving, faith-filled home, work to educate people; work to heal and care for others; work to help society function properly; work to bring freedom to the oppressed; work to alleviate poverty and suffering; work to bring the Good News of God's love; work to serve the faith community etc.

The Church is neither a democracy, nor a hierarchy it is called to be a community of brothers and sisters whose only ambition is to do good for others, that is to be of true service to others. The greatest service is to help others believe and trust in God's love and receive all the gifts that God's love wants to give them. (DMA)

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please keep in your prayers: David Bazley, Janice Bird, Nigel Bolton, Amanda Bowden, Russell Bowlds, Philomena Breen, Helga Butler, Marion Butler, Petra Daniels, Derek Faiers, Mervyn Francis, Terry Francis, Amanda Gudge, Sarah Hedges, Sally Herbert, Doreen Holman, George Hutcheson, John & Lena Keane, Betty Marek, Judith Morrison, Norma Rudd, Lilly Ricketts, Pauline Sharpley, Jason Singleton, Ronald Stevens. (If you wish someone to be included for prayers here please give their name to Fr David.)

PRAYER POTTERY: the next meeting will be on Tuesday, 30th October at 11.00am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at St Michael's.

SECOND COLLECTION this Sunday, 21st October. will be for Foreign Missions. This an obligatory collection and the money goes to help the Church in mission areas.

MASS COUNTS DURING OCTOBER: As required by the Diocese Mass counts will be taken on the first four Sundays of October.

VISITS TO THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

& ADORATION: Opportunity to take part in Adoration of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament will start in St Michael's on Saturday mornings from the end of Mass until 11.00am. Anyone wishing to be able to make visits to the Blessed Sacrament outside of Mass times will need to see Fr David personally for access information.

*****YEAR OF FAITH*****

THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH – WHAT IS IT?

The *Catechism* aims to present the teaching of Sacred Scripture, the living Tradition in the Church and the authentic Magisterium, as well as the spiritual heritage of the Church, so that the power and beauty of the faith is made clear. It is a reference text addressed primarily to bishops and other teachers of the faith. The *Catechism* is arranged in four parts: The Profession of Faith (the Creed), The Celebration of the Christian Mystery (the liturgy and the sacraments), Life in Christ (Christian witness), and Christian Prayer (especially the 'Our Father').

In order to make the *Catechism* more widely known and deeply understood, the Church has produced two other (shorter) texts: *The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church*, and *YOUCAT: Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

(Note: These books can be ordered from the Parish Shop)

CATECHISM EVERY DAY: For this Year of Faith, Pope Benedict has encouraged us to study and reflect on the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*.

Well, here's an easy and free way to do it. Go to the website listed below - simply enter your email address and you will start to get a little bit of the *Catechism* emailed to your inbox every morning. Read that little bit every day and by the end of the year, you will have read the entire *Catechism*.

To sign up - click here: <http://www.flocknote.com/catechism>
Many thanks for Father Robert Billing from Lancaster Diocese for publicising this information.

EXPLORE YOUR FAITH: At Geo House (St Joseph's, Ashurst) on the first Saturday of each month inspired by the naming of 2013 as the 'Year of Faith' by the Holy Father Pope Benedict, we will be launching our 'Explore your faith days. Starting at 10am with Mass the day includes prayer, music, talks and sharing. Bring a packed lunch. Refreshments available.

November 3rd Alice Hall—Sion Community
December 1st Geoff & Gina Poulter—Catholic Bible School

ADVENT RETREAT (at Geo House, St Joseph's, Ashurst). We are very fortunate to have Fr James McCaffrey OCD to lead our Advent Retreat. 7th– 9th December 2012 Theme: 'Prayer in the Gospels and prayer in our everyday lives' Book now on reception@geohouse.org.uk or 023 8029 2337

THANKS FROM CAFOD: The amount raised for CAFOD at the Harvest Collection was over **£670**. This was a great effort and thanks to everyone who contributed. This does NOT include the money given in sponsorship for marathon runs.

SPONSORED RUNS FOR CAFOD: congratulations to **David McElhenny** who completed (in style, I'm sure!) the Clarendon Marathon (a demanding, 26 mile off-road route between Salisbury and Winchester) on Sunday, 7th October which was to raise money for CAFOD. Dave finished uninjured, tired but with still some "fuel in the tank" having executed (no, not the other competitors!) his well-prepared plan. We are now collecting in the sponsorship money so please give that in a marked envelope either directly to David himself, Louise Croll or via the collection plate. We'll let you know the total in due course.

Catherine Smith will be running for CAFOD in the Great South Run on Sunday, 28th October. There are sponsorship forms for Catherine at the back of the church. And **Oscar** will be running again this year in the CAFOD mini-run on Saturday, 27th October & he will be grateful for sponsors too!

APF (MISSIO) RED BOX COLLECTIONS: The total for the parish in 2012 is **£1468**, this includes £156 in Gift Aid. This is again a great effort by everyone. Thanks to all those who have contributed. A special thanks is due to Tony Cluett who coordinates all this and does the administration of this collection and to his faithful helpers: - Theresa Anderson, Eileen Brady, Pat Canning and Monica West.

If anyone would like a Red Box to collect for the Missions please put your name & contact details in an envelope & hand it to Fr David who will pass it on to Tony Cluett

EVENING OF JAZZ, the **NINTH** at Waterside Catholic Parish, will take place on Saturday evening 27th October next, in St Bernard's Hall from 7.30 p.m. Tickets are as last years price of **£6.00 ea.** (Michael's wife, Valerie, has made a very good job of printing them!) **Bring a plate of food to share.** NO bar because from experience this complicates things. Bring your own liquid refreshments on the night. **PLEASE PLEASE.** Something for Raffle prizes. This seems at times as hard as selling tickets. This could be Mike's last Jazz evening, (we hope not!)



Forthcoming event: **Quiz Night** A quiz night to be held on Saturday 24th November. St Bernard's hall. 7pm start, tickets £4. **Meat Raffle Tickets** on sale from this Sunday and the draw for a £20 voucher will be after 11am Mass on Sunday 28th October. There will be another raffle to be drawn 25th November. All proceeds towards Senior Citizens Christmas lunch.



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