

# The Messenger

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

**30<sup>th</sup> September 2012**

**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B (Psalter Wk.2)**

**9.00am Mass at St Bernards**

**11.00am Mass at St Michaels**

*(Baptism during Mass - baby Thomas Macklin)*

3.00pm - Baptism at St Michael's (baby Leon Miller)

6.00pm Mass at St Anne's, Brockenhurst

Mon 1<sup>st</sup> No Service (Liturgy: Memorial, St Teresa of the Child Jesus)  
4pm SB Reception of George Cotton RIP

Tues 2<sup>nd</sup> 10.00am SM Mass & Morning Prayer  
(Liturgy: - Memorial, The Holy Guardian Angels)  
2pm SB Funeral Service - George Cotton RIP

Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> 10.00am Mass at St Anne's, Brockenhurst  
(Liturgy: - 26th Week of Ordinary Time)

Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> 10.00am Mass at Our Lady's, Lyndhurst  
(Liturgy: Memorial, St Francis of Assisi)

Fri 5<sup>th</sup> No Service (Liturgy: - 26th Week of Ordinary Time)

Sat 6<sup>th</sup> 10.00am SM Mass then Reconciliation until 11am  
(Liturgy: Our Lady on Saturday)

**Sun 7<sup>th</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**9.00am Mass at St Bernards**

**11.00am Mass 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, Betty Marek (Health), Family of Graham Bell RIP (Margaret, Catherine, Rosemary, John & Carolline), Graham Bell RIP, George Cotton RIP, Michael Ball RIP Anniv, Urban Paul RIP Anniv, Fred Warrilow RIP Anniv

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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

## THE SPIRIT IS WAITING TO BE RECEIVED

Moses said in frustration: "If only the whole people of the Lord were prophets and the Lord gave his spirit to them all!"

The reluctance, the holding back is not on God's side. We are all called to be prophets, God does give the Spirit to everyone. That is something of meaning of the celebration of Baptism. The problem is on our side, we are not ready.

Studies in early human development and in the growth of the brain and nervous systems have shown us how this openness to the transcendent, to the Spirit, or lack of it, is related to our whole human development from our genetic inheritance right up to the here and now.

For us to be fully open to the Spirit requires connectedness, positive relationship with all others and all creation, and spiritual awareness - delicacies and sensitivities of the heart and soul. We have to be free from fear, shame, doubt, anger and aggression. The brain (actually four brains, marking stages of an evolutionary progression) nature has given us has, potentially, everything we need to mediate the gifts of God. How we nurture new human life, from the genetic input, to the social environment, to the actual gestation and parenting of the child determines just how much of this potential is allowed to unfold.

The presence of fear and anxiety from the womb to the first three years can shift the emphasis of brain growth away from the higher emotional, intellectual and spiritual brain areas and towards the lower, reptilian brain which is all about sex and survival. This process also affects body growth: to fight for survival doesn't require a bigger brain but a bigger body is very useful. One can see how a society can begin (genetically) to spiral into ever greater violence if peace is not built up.

This closing down of the human potential for love, compassion, truth, empathy and joy is caused by the way most cultures and societies birth and nurture their young. Modern cultures have crudely disregarded the natural dynamics that thousands of years of evolution have developed. Fear and violence in culture and nurture has constantly triggered a reciprocal reaction in brain development and genetic conditioning. The young infant is all wired up for rich connections with the higher brain. Fear based and shame based nurturing, lack of intimate and joyful human interaction, restrictions on play-learning all contribute to a loss of these connections as growth shifts back to ensure basic survival.

The brain continues to develop until the late teens and similar dynamics can occur later on too. Association with Spirit-filled people, building up a faith relationship with God, contemplative prayer and growth in love of all are ways to actively recover the openness to God that nature (God) has already given us. If we really trusted the God of creation and worked in harmony with nature our children would not become beastly but rather beatific. (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.

## OBLIGATORY COLLECTION FOR THE CATHEDRAL:

this will be taken this weekend on Sunday, 30th September. **Next week** there will be a second collection for CAFOD. Please use the special envelopes supplied by CAFOD.

**VIDEO OF BISHOP PHILIP'S ORDINATION:** This and the Solemn Celebration of Evening Prayer are available to view on the Diocesan website ([www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)).

**CHILDRENS MASS:** Next Sunday, 7 October, will be our monthly Children's Mass. This will have a Harvest theme and we would like to ask everyone to bring a donation for the food bank so that we can share the harvest with those in need in our local communities. Please let Becky know if your children would like to be involved in the Mass.

**WHY A YEAR OF FAITH?:** Pope Benedict has announced a Year of Faith for the Catholic Church throughout the world, starting on 11th October 2012. This date marks the 50th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council and the 20th anniversary of the Catechism of the Catholic Church. This Year of Faith is an invitation to each one of us to renew our conversion to Jesus Christ, the Saviour of the world, and to seek ways in which we can share our faith with others with renewed enthusiasm.

## SPECIAL SERVICE TO MARK THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR OF FAITH:

This will be held at **St Bernard's Church, on Sunday, 14th October at 3pm**. As suggested by the Diocese it will be a Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Reflections & Benediction.

**EXPLORE YOUR FAITH:** At Geo House (St Joseph's, Ashurst) **on the first Saturday of each month from September 2012 onwards**—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.**

October 6th David Matthews—former free church pastor  
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 McCafferey 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](mailto:reception@geohouse.org.uk) or 023 8029 2337

**SPONSORED RUNS FOR CAFOD:** David McElhenny has volunteered to run the Clarendon Marathon between Salisbury and Winchester on Sunday, 7th October to raise money for CAFOD. It is a demanding off-road route but David is determined to complete the 26 mile course. Please support him and CAFOD by sponsoring his run. Sponsorship forms are in the porch. Please indicate if you are able to gift aid your donation.

Catherine Smith will be running for CAFOD in the Great South Run we will also have sponsorship forms for her soon

**AUTUMN FAST DAY FOR CAFOD:** This is on Friday, 5th October. Please use the envelopes at the back of the church supplied by CAFOD and gift aid you donation if you can.

**WATERSIDE FOODBANK** - Harvest Festival Time: There has been a 25% increase demand for Emergency Foodboxes since April 2012. A foodbox for a family of four weighs in at approximately 22kg and demand is an average of 100 people per month.

Waterside Foodbank is a community based project, totally reliant on the community for donations of food and Harvest Festival is the time we rely on to boost the food stocks for the coming year.

**Food List:** Milk (UHT 500ml or 1 litre), Powdered Milk, Coffee (50g or 100 g) Tomatoes (tinned), Sugar (500g or 1kg), Pasta Sauce, Pasta, Rice pudding (tinned), Biscuits, Instant mashed potato, Cereals, Carrots/Peas/Sweetcorn (tinned), Fruit (tinned), Soup (tinned), Beans (tinned)

**Our Lady & St Joseph Catholic Primary School** in Lymington are in the process of changing the library and reading facilities to make them more inviting for the children. They are looking for some good quality cuddly toys (particularly jungle animals) to make these areas homely. If you or anyone you know have any spare, good quality cuddly toys that are no longer needed then they would be grateful for donations.

\*\*\*\*Also, Class 2 is developing their role play corner. If your children have any old role play costumes they no longer want, such as police officer/ fire fighter outfits/helmets, they would be very grateful for any donations.

\*\*\*\*Classes 2 and 4 both need recycled materials such as boxes, tubes and other junk modelling equipment for their topics and would be grateful for any donations.

\*\*\*\*They are also responding to the shoebox appeal. The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. If you have any empty shoeboxes please hand them in. If you would like to make up a shoebox for the appeal there will be a leaflet at the back of the church.

\*\*\*\*Finally, they also have sewing club so any sewing materials & accessories would be gratefully received.

If you can help with any of the above, please hand them in to Angel house and Linda will get them to the school. Thank you.

**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 complicate 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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