

# The Messenger

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

31<sup>st</sup> July 2011

18<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr A - Divine Office: Week 2

Sun	31 <sup>st</sup>	9.00am Mass at St Bernards - Childrens Mass 11.00am Mass at St Michaels
Mon	1 <sup>st</sup>	No Service (Liturgy: Memorial - St Alphonsus Liguori Founder, Bishop, Doctor, 1696-1787)
Tues	2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am SM Morning Prayer & Mass (Liturgy: of the Day - 18th Week, or optnl Memorials: St Peter Julian Eymard, Founder, d.1868; or St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop, d.370)
Wed	3 <sup>rd</sup>	7.30pm SM Evening Prayer & Mass (Liturgy: of the Day - 18th Week)
Thurs	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am LT Mass (Liturgy: Memorial - St John Vianney, Priest, 1786-1859)
Fri	5 <sup>th</sup>	No Service (Liturgy: of the Day - 18th Week, or Optnl Memorial - Dedication of Basilica - St Mary Major)
Sat	6 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am SM Mass followed by Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11.30am (Liturgy: Feast - Transfiguration of the Lord)
Sun	7 <sup>th</sup>	19 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time Year A 9.00am Mass at St Bernards 11.00am Mass at St Michaels

**Mass Intentions: For this week:** All members of the Parish, All those who are unwell, Holy Souls, Bishop Crispian, Guidance for choice of new Bishop, deceased clergy of the Province, benefactors of the Clergy retirement Fund & "Living our Faith", Joy Prestage RIP

**For the week beginning 7<sup>th</sup> August:** All members of the Parish, All those who are unwell, Holy Souls, Bishop Crispian (Health), Guidance for choice of new Bishop, deceased clergy of the Province, benefactors of the Clergy retirement Fund & "Living our Faith"

## New Forest East Pastoral Area - Sunday Mass Times

St Theresa, Totton - Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 10.30am  
Ashurst Community - Sun 9am  
Our Lady & St Edward, Lyndhurst - Sun 9am

## WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

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## YOU GIVE THEM SOMETHING TO EAT

With the death of the Baptist Jesus crosses the lake, to be alone with his disciples. However, the crowds travel the long distance around the lake to receive the wholeness that Jesus brought into their lives. The sight of their brokenness moves him.

Now the crowds must be nourished for their journey. The disciples do not see this as their responsibility. They ask Jesus to send the people off to look after themselves. But people who have been restored to wholeness by Jesus must be nourished, and he demands that his disciples see to that nourishment: "Give them something to eat yourselves" (v.16). He has been unable to take the disciples into a lonely place to instruct them, but he will instruct them by calling them to minister to a broken and needy people.

The disciples can only reply in the terms of the poverty of their possessions but Jesus asks them to come to him with the little they have. He accepts their poverty, blesses it and gives it back to them (v.19). Jesus himself does not minister to the people; the disciples have the task of distributing the loaves to the crowd. The large number of people adds to the wonder of what has happened.

Reading this Gospel, we think immediately of the Eucharist. Jesus raises his eyes, blesses, breaks and the disciples distribute (v.19). Jesus is the one who both restores the broken to wholeness (v.14), and who nourishes them for the journey. It is not enough for Jesus to tell his people: "Go, you have been healed". He must also travel with them, nourishing them on their journey. However, it is not only Jesus who is involved in this task. He has intimately associated his disciples, and thus those of us who form the Church of today, with his life-giving mission. We are commanded to feed those in need.

Like the first disciples who preferred that the people go to the villages to look after themselves, we too shy clear of the challenge of Christian loving. This often happens because, again like the disciples in the story, we feel we have little or nothing to offer. But Jesus can take what little we have to offer, bless it, and give it back to us so that we might bring fullness to those whose lives we touch. As Jesus transforms the eucharistic bread, so he also transforms us into eucharistic people. The meal of Jesus is always open. As long as there are people looking for the gifts Jesus offers, this nourishment can never be totally consumed. But the story also tells us that Jesus wants disciples who are prepared to distribute his gifts.

(From "This is the Gospel of The Lord" Year A by Francis J. Moloney).

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please keep in your prayers: Nigel Bolton, Russell Bowlds, Marion Butler, Bishop Crispian, Petra Daniels, Mervyn Francis, Amanda Gudge, Doreen Holman, Joy Prestage, Norma Rudd, Sarah, Jason Singleton, Simon Smith, Ronald Stevens, Anne Wyatt. (If you wish someone to be included for prayers here please give their name to Fr David.)

**BISHOP CRISPAN' HEALTH:** Bishop Crispian made a public announcement this week that he is suffering from bowel cancer and will need surgery in September. He has asked for prayers from the people of the Diocese.

**THIS WEEKEND:** the Bishops of England & Wales have asked for a special collection for the "Day for Life". This is to support efforts to encourage everyone to treat all life as sacred.

**PARISH FINANCIAL APPEAL:** Please can everyone consider making some increase to their weekly/monthly contribution. We need to find an extra £500 a month to repay a debt we owe to the Diocese & have enough in reserve to meet inevitable repair bills. Thanks to those who already have signed up for Gift Aid. If you are a tax payer & have not signed up for Gift Aid, please consider it. For every £10 you give, Gift Aid will add another £2.82p making a total of £12.82p!

**YOUNG PEOPLE'S MASSES:** the next few dates for young peoples Masses at St Bernard's are: 4 Sept, 2 Oct, 6 Nov, 4 Dec. Children's Liturgy will continue during the holiday period as far as possible.

**THE PARISH SHOP: Now has Gift Vouchers!!! Any amount from £5 to £100!**

**Also "The Order of Mass -New English translation " - now in stock, £1.95p.**

**NEW TRANSLATION OF THE LITURGY - RESOURCES**  
(These can be ordered now from the Parish Shop)

The following are available to be ordered now:

**Simple Prayer Book** - Standard Edition - CTS, £1.95p

**Large Print Mass Book**, CTS £1.95

**Companion to the Order of Mass** (An exploration of the meaning & scriptural resonances of the words of the Mass, using the new translation) CTS, £2.50

**Understanding the Roman Missal - the New Translation** (A presentation & explanation of the new translation, accompanied by liturgical and spiritual reflections) CTS, £1.95 \*\*NOW IN STOCK\*\*

**And With Your Spirit** (Missal Music CD) A guide to singing the new English translation of the Mass. CTS £14.95

The following will be available in November 2011 but can be ordered now

**People's Sunday Missal** - including the Order of Mass new translation. £ TBA

**People's Daily Missal** - including the Order of Mass new translation. £ TBA

**CAFOD COFFEE MORNING** in aid of East African Famine Appeal on Thursday 4 August at 10.30 am at 46 Kings Ride Langley, SO45 1ZN. All welcome. Raffle. Hosted by Theresa & Louise

## CAFOD APPEAL FOR STARVING PEOPLE IN EAST AFRICA

Everyone will have seen distressing reports of thousands of people, including children dying of starvation because of the drought in East Africa (Somalia, Ethiopia and Kenya). CAFOD has a number of partners in the area and is already involved in the relief effort but needs additional funds to help so many. **A special collection will be taken on 7th August** and Gift Aid envelopes will be available. If you are a taxpayer please complete the tax declaration. Envelopes will be available in advance for those away in August.

**FOOD BANK: MANY THANKS** from the organisers for 196.8kgs of food donated over the year. 716 people, including 299 children, were given food packs. The need is increasing so please keep up the good work. Updated lists of requirements are in the porches; particularly needed are tea, coffee, sugar and long life milk.

**DEVELOPMENTS AT ASHURST:** A copy of a letter from Fr Ronnie Mitchell SMM is on display in the churches giving details of the proposed "Centre of Mission Spirituality" that will be set up at Ashurst beginning from September this year. Our prayers are with them for a successful project.

**THANK YOU FROM DAVE KING:** I would like to express my gratitude for the kind and generous donations received for my charity trek up Ben Nevis (4409 feet) on May 21st. The total amount I raised for the **Alzheimer's Society** was just over **£3100**, for which I am sure they will be extremely grateful. The challenge itself was a fantastic experience despite the appalling weather experienced during most of the day, with snow, ice, sub-zero temperatures and zero visibility at the top. Once again, many thanks for your kindness and generosity. (Dave King)

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE:** who worked so hard to put on the Cheese & Wine & Auction Evening. **The amount raised is in excess of £1600 & there is still some money to come in. This was due mainly to parishioners who entered into the spirit of the event and effectively donated generously to the parish.** Please take note of the businesses who have given generously to the Auction. **Please support them, as they have supported us.**

THE CROFT PUB	LANGDOWN LAWN, HYTHE,	02380 842141
NATURAL TONE	CHEVRON BUSINESS PARK, HOLBURY	02380 897700
EATSMART- CUPCAKES		02380 898239
MUDDY PAWS IN THE FOREST,	DOG WALKING, DIBDEN	07784568667
FOREST HOME PUB,	HARDLEY	02380 842270
CADNAM GARDEN CENTRE	SOUTHAMPTON RD, CADNAM	02380 813878
HAIRTRADER SALON	THE MARSH, HYTHE	02380 845871
BEAULIEU MOTOR MUSEUM	BEAULIEU	01590 612345
OLD MILL INN,	HOLBURY	02380 891137
APPLEMORE HEALTH AND LEISURE	DIBDEN	0845 659 0845
LONGDOWN ACTIVITY FARM	ASHURST	02380 292837
BE BE'S CAFÉ	HYTHE	02380 207608
EDEN HEALTH & BEAUTY	HOLLYBANK	02380 207704
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