

# The Messenger

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

**22nd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 31st August 2014**  
**Year A , Weekdays Yr 2; Psalter week 1**

**9.00am** Mass SB  
**11.00am** Mass SM

Monday 1st September No Service  
 Tuesday 2nd September No Service  
*Requiem Mass for Isabella Taggart 12noonSM*  
 Wednesday 3rd September No Service  
*(St Gregory the Great, Pope, Doctor of the Church)*  
 Thursday 4th September No Service  
*(St Cuthbert, Bishop)*

**Friday 5th September NO SERVICE**  
**Saturday 6th September NO SERVICE**  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation after the 10am Mass today**

**23rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME 7th September**

9.00am Mass SB  
 11.00am Mass SM

**Mass Intentions: For the week beginning 31st August**

**Anniversaries this week:** Bernard Kenny (2nd)  
**Those who have died recently:** Elzbieta (Liz) Flaherty,  
 Terry Houlihan, Lily Ricketts, Isabella Taggart  
**Other Intentions:** Henry Scott (R.I.P)

**WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH**  
**PASTORAL TEAM:**

**Rev David Adams -Parish Priest-** based at Our Lady & St Joseph Church, Lymington: Tel: 01590 676696 ;  
**Rev Vincent Convery**  
**Rev Steve Bowler** (Deacon & Chair Parish Pastoral Council) Tel:02380 207449  
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**New Forest Pastoral Area** Lyndhurst, Totton & Waterside,  
**Sunday Mass Times**

**St Theresa, Totton** - Sat Vigil Mass 6pm; Sun 10.30am  
**Our Lady & St Edward, Lyndhurst** - Sun 9am, (Holy Day Vigil 7pm)  
**Rev Stephen Short** (Deacon)  
**Parish priest : Rev Innaiah Maddineni** : Tel: 023 8086 2270  
**Rev Andrew Philpott** (Deacon)

**New Forest Pastoral Area** Brockenhurst, Lymington, Milford on sea & New Milton

**Parish Priest: Rev David Adams** Tel: 01590 676696  
**Rev Stephen Morgan** (Deacon)

St Anne-Brockenhurst, Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph-Lymington,  
 St Francis of Assisi-Milford on Sea.

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

Our Lady of Lourdes- New Milton

**Sunday Mass Times**

**Saturday Vigil Mass:** Lymington and New Milton at 6pm  
**Sunday:** Milford on Sea at 9.00am, New Milton at 10 am,  
 New Milton 6.30pm *Mass in Polish*  
 Lymington at 10:30am, Brockenhurst at 6.00pm

## REFLECTIONS

‘Pride comes before a fall’. After Jesus has raised Peter up, he now casts him down, because he is applying the ways of this world to the ways of God. The Jesus who in Luke asks ‘Did you not know that I must be about my Father’s business?’ (Luke 2.49) confronts the Peter who would have him steer away from that same business. So soon after finding words to express the faith of the community, Peter finds words which run counter to what Jesus is about.

Jeremiah cries from centuries before Peter of his own sorry state. ‘The word of the Lord has meant for me insult, derision, all day long’. But as Peter will later demonstrate, he too has that fire in his belly which means that he does not give up. The word of the Lord has taken hold, and the effort to restrain it takes more out of the prophet than responding to that word.

One can only imagine how the early hearers of the word reacted to the lines which Jesus addresses to the disciples. Those early hearers knew persecution, and had witnessed their own losing their lives for the sake of Jesus. How poignant, therefore, are the words which issue from Jesus’ lips in the gospel ‘If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me’. The question now is: what do today’s hearers of the word make of it? Is the cross to bear some trivial discomfort or a whole-life choice? Is it a token accommodation or the selling of everything for that pearl of great price? Does it, to use Jock Dalrymple’s phrase, ‘cost not less than everything?’

The recent Sunday readings have been blessed with resonances of the Gospel in Paul’s writing. ‘Do not model yourselves on the behaviour of the world around you, but let your behaviour change, modelled by your new mind’. Paul could be speaking to Peter, but by the time he wrote this Peter had already learned the lesson.

(From *The Pastoral Review* by Paul Donovan)

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The way of the cross that Jesus outlines for himself is the way of renunciation his followers are called to tread. Jesus faced suffering which could be conquered only if it was accepted. He faced rejection which could be transformed only if he assented to it. If the suffering was to pass, it had to be endured: “For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it.”

The way of the cross which Jesus followed was one which passed through streets and markets, by houses and palaces, by windows and doors. While it happened people went about their business. Suffering must run the course of the familiar. As Christians we live in the assurance that our way of the cross does not go unnoticed. Jesus is our suffering companion; he proves to be our strength; his power is mighty in our weakness. If the cross is the price to be paid for love, then carrying it is love’s proof in action. For Jesus, that is enough. (From *Seasons of the Word* by Denis McBride)

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Please keep in your prayers: Baby Blake Proctor, Baby Elijah, David Bazley, Janice Bird, Nigel Bolton, Russell Bowlds, Philomena Breen, Kitty Burroughs, Helga Butler, Marion Butler, Petra Daniels, Derek Faiers, Derek Francis, Mervyn Francis, David & Joan Grennell, Amanda Gudge, Sally Herbert, Mary King, Trudy King, Doreen Holman, Serena Hoskyns, John & Lena Keane, Michael Kirwan, Betty Marek, Sarah Marshall, Sarah Mc Cann, Maureen Mullen, Tony O’Connell, Karen O’Donovan, Marta Pugsley, Ruth Rowan, Jim Ross, Norma Rudd, Cath Smith, Susan Soutter, Emmie Walker, George Watson, Francesca Wells.

**If you wish someone to be included in prayers please give their name to the Deacons or Linda via the Parish office**



**CHANGES OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS.** Over the next few weeks you will see a few changes to the foyers of St Bernard’s & St Michael’s. Father David has asked for the sun bleached cards to be removed from St Bernard’s. Mass cards will now be available from the parish office, the parish shop: Faith Hope & Charity, or from the Sacristy at St Michael’s or St Bernard’s. Other cards and repository items can be purchased from the large, very reasonably priced selection at Faith, Hope & Charity. A small parish library will go into both foyers and parishioners are encouraged to ‘take a book out’.

→ **PLEASE NOTE:** There will not be a weekday Mass on Friday 5th or Saturday 6th September. We welcome Canon Peter Wilkie to our Sunday Masses on 7th September.



**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE IMAGE TO VISIT PORTSMOUTH CATHEDRAL** The miraculous relic image of Our Lady of Guadalupe “Protectress of the Unborn” will visit St John’s Cathedral from 5th-11th September. .

On Friday 5 September 2014 the Relic Image, in its special travelling case and accompanied by The Guardians of Our Lady, will arrive in Portsmouth and be greeted by Bishop Philip Egan and Canon Dominic Golding, Dean, in the Cathedral with a Reception Ceremony and Mass. For further details Please contact Dr. Sue Sarsfield Media Coordinator sue.sarsfield@ntlworld.com 01234409739 or visit www.relicourladyofguadalupe.co.uk



**THE FUNERAL** for Isabella Taggart will be at St Michael’s church on Tuesday **2nd September** at 12noon, followed by burial at Blackfield cemetery



**THE FUNERAL** for Elzbieta (Liz) Flaherty, will be at St Theresa of the Child Jesus Catholic church, Commercial Road, Totton on Wednesday **3rd September** at 10.30am, followed by burial at Eling Cemetery, Eling Hill, Totton SO40 9HF



**THE FUNERAL** for Lily Ricketts will be at the West Chapel, Southampton Crematorium, on Monday **8th September** at 1.45pm. .

**THE MUSLIM COUNCIL OF BRITAIN** (MCB) has issued a statement condemning the Islamic State and the murder of James Foley, the reporter who was beheaded recently. The statement is displayed on the notice board at the back of church.

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**The Pope Tweets:** @Pontifex *Christians know how to give. Their lives are filled with generous acts – often hidden – towards their neighbour.*



**PASTORAL CARE SERVICES** So much outstanding practice already takes place in our local parishes that could be made more widely available. The Pastoral Care Services team is appealing for parishioners who have experience in caring for the dying, the homeless, those with disabilities, the elderly and housebound and for the sick.. Please consider joining one of the Diocesan Pastoral Care Teams. If you would like to talk about this contact Fr Peter Hollins on 01730 262290 or pcs@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.



**DIOCESAN INFORMATION:** The Bishop is encouraging everyone to sign up for the Portsmouth Diocesan E-News. Go to the Portsmouth Diocese website and follow the links and instructions.



**MARYVALE CERTIFICATE IN CATECHESIS** The Formation for Mission Team is offering the chance to study for a Certificate in Catechesis, awarded by Maryvale Institute in Birmingham. This course is open to anyone who wishes to study their Faith systematically and be able to explain it to others. It is for all parish catechists as well as those who simply want to give an account of their Faith to others. A special introductory taster evening will take place at the new Maryvale Centre in the Diocese of Portsmouth - St Edward the Confessor, Chandlers Ford - on September 10th at 7.30pm - 9pm.



**Online Bible Studies** You may be interested to know that Ascension Press offers **free, online, 10-minute Bible studies**. You can sign up to start for Bible studies starting in the autumn. Each one is led by a different facilitator, and participants have the opportunity to discuss, or simply to do their own study.



**SPECIAL COLLECTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER**  
 Racial Justice 14th September (Voluntary)  
 CASE : Catholic Agency to support Evangelisation 21st September (Voluntary)  
 The Cathedral 28th September (Obligatory)

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**

- + Those struggling to come to terms with a bereavement or illness.
- + For the Christians being persecuted in Iraq
- + For those suffering as a result of conflicts around the world.
- + For those suffering with the Ebola virus and for those medical staff who are treating them.
- + The staff & pupils of our Catholic schools as they start a new school year.
- + The families & friends of Isabella Taggart, Lily Ricketts & Liz Flaherty.
- + Mary King, Birthday (6th)

**WHAT’S ON**

**CRAFT OPEN HOUSE:** Gill Sprinks offers an Open House on Saturday, 13th September from 12noon until 4pm at 6, Noel Close, Brockenhurst. Here you can enjoy buying home-made jewellery and other handicrafts that include hand and face creams, cards, jams and chutneys. While you are there, you might choose to enjoy tea or coffee with cake as well as a head and shoulder massage. All proceeds will go to Cancer Research, so do come and support this well worthwhile charity.

**CAFOD PORTSMOUTH SUPPORTERS’ MEETING** CAFOD Portsmouth will be holding a meeting for all supporters on Saturday 13 September from 10am until 1.30pm at St Bede’s RC Primary School (Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX ). **To book a place** please ring 01252 329385 or email [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk) by **8 September**.

**SOUTHAMPTON CELEBRATE WEEKEND:** This annual Catholic Charismatic conference takes place 27 & 28 September 2014 at St Mary’s College, Bitterne Park. The theme is “*Jesus, the hope of all the world*”. Speakers this year are Charles & Sue Whitehead, David Matthews and John Vaughan-Neil. There will be workshops, plus children’s streams and crèche. Praise and worship, with Mass every day. **Book now** for this popular, joyful and spirit-filled celebration where all are welcome: young and old, singles and families. Details from website: [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org) or from Lynda & Peter Szymanski: 023 8029 2058 or from Frank & Angela Capocci: 023 8077 2868.