

SACRED HEART OF JESUS & ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

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PLEASE NOTE that for the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent the readings and prayers for Year A substitute those of Year C because on these Sundays we have Elect who are undertaking the Scrutinies in preparation for their Baptism at the Easter Vigil. Please continue to pray for **Jade, Hai, Jackie, Nina, Dayna, Hollie, Luke, Joseph, Albie** and **Essie**, and for **Sue** and **Angela** who will be received into full communion.

Entrance Antiphon: The waves of death rose about me; the pains of the nether world surround me. In my anguish I called to the Lord; and from his holy temple he heard my voice.

Psalm Response: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Gospel Acclamation: Glory and praise to you, O Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Communion Antiphon: Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Prayer for April: Breathe into me, Holy Spirit, that my thoughts may all be holy. Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too, may be holy. Strengthen me, Holy Spirit, that I may defend all that is holy. Protect me, Holy Spirit, that I may always be holy. AMEN.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS:

John O'Neill, Myrna Coleman, Maria Carmen Martin, Chris Hyson, George O'Shaunessy, Thomas Andrew (TJ), Pat Moffatt, Geoffrey Tompkins, Anne Littlefield, Damien Haughan, Betty Groves, Carole Higton, Matthew, Marion Greeham, Charlotte West, Elizabeth Evelyn, Teresa Richardson, Ron Littlefield, Beryl Treloar, Paul Evelyn, Agnes Smith, Mary Ling, Margaret Bush, Madeleine Day, Boris Mayfield & Andrew Loxton.

For the housebound, lonely, homeless, bereaved, those in nursing homes, hospital and the Rowans Hospice.

Easter Egg Hunt



After 10.30am Mass on Easter Sunday

£5 per child. Tickets on sale from this weekend or from Nina during working hours. Every entrant will receive a free Traidcraft Easter Egg. Tickets must be pre-bought, unfortunately no late entries can be accepted. **Closing date for tickets: Palm Sunday.**

The Power and Message of the Cross The Normandale Cross



If asked do I like daffodils? I have difficulty answering precisely. I do not like the bright yellow ones. I loathe this colour which many find uplifting and beautiful. This implies beauty is physical and in the eye of the beholder. Philosophers from Plato to the present have debated opposing views on the nature of beauty. Pope Benedict XVI writes extensively about it in his 'Theology of Beauty' suggesting beauty is not always visible or physical. "The epitome of Beauty is God's love. Christ's total gift of self on the cross is the most beautiful of human actions ever to be performed, it challenges the superficial notion of beauty dominant in our culture today."

Based loosely on the 1960's 'Broken Cross' papal staff used by the last 5 Popes, Charles Normandale's crucifix reflects both suffering and salvation. The use of metal is a deliberate choice. Contrasting with the wooden church interior and furniture it is elevated to the focal point it should be. The golden bronze of the corpus unifies with elements on the sanctuary specific to the Eucharist, the tabernacle, eternal flame and interior of the chalices. The metal allows for an expressive beaten surface which in turn reflects light and suggests the anatomy of the body.

This is not a familiar crucifix. The hammered metal vaguely suggests facial features but it is without expression, crown of thorns, sign above his head or clothes. However by focusing on what is present rather than what is not it reveals 'the epiphany of beauty' John Paul II speaks of by presenting the viewer with a moment of revelation. The ambiguity of the features allows each of us to have a unique personal encounter.

Normandale's crucifix challenges the idea that a beautiful work of art should have perfect physical proportions and form. It is in the unnatural proportions of the figure, the uncomfortable angles of the legs and absence of any suggestion of movement or weight that the crucifix communicates most. Christ appears awkward, vulnerable, frail and weak. The stillness of his body suggests a man resigned to his fate and accepting of the inevitable. In this humble man of sorrows we may see not only our own frailties and crosses borne fully by Christ but also those of the whole of humanity. I see the starving, the abused, the tortured. It is deeply moving. The artist has presented the humanity of Christ but also skilfully achieved the divine. The strong upward curve of the arms not dragged down by the weight of death reflect the redeeming beauty of Christ crucified inviting us to share in his cross.

This crucifix may challenge our individual 'notion of beauty' but by embracing the unexpected we may encounter Christ personally in unforeseen ways.

Frances Peel, Art & Liturgical Furniture Committee

Lenten Notices

INFORMATION LEAFLET containing details of all the Liturgies during Holy Week and Easter. Please make sure you pick up your copy.

CHOIR FOR THE TRIDUUM. There will be a rehearsal on Wednesday 10 April @ 6.30pm. We would very much like to have as many extra voices from all the choirs – even if you can only be at part of the Triduum – do come along! Please let Elizabeth know in advance so the necessary music can be available to all participants on 07791 753545.

EASTER FLOWERS. If you would like to make a donation to help beautify the church for Easter – please use the basket in the narthex. Thank you.

EASTER EGGS! The ever-popular **FAIRTRADE REAL EASTER EGG** is now available in the parish shop – still at the same price of £3.99 each!

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN DENMEAD LENT LUNCH. Good Friday at All Saints' Church, Denmead @ 12noon. Suggested donation: £3.00.

SACRED HEART EASTER GARDEN We will place our Easter Garden outside the front of the church in the 'clover' grass area. The garden celebrates the Lord's Resurrection on Easter Day. You are invited to start bringing in plants (in pots please) to decorate the garden. Later, these will be replanted in the church grounds. Plants can be left at church from this week and through Holy Week. Thank you!

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 6 April	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil: FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	Deceased Members of Lodrick Family
SUNDAY 7 April	10.30am 5pm 6.30pm	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Stations of the Cross & Benediction</i> FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	People of the Parish Mary Mitchell's Intention
Monday 8 April	7.30am 12noon	Feria of the 5th Week of Lent	Holy Souls Douglas Gooch RIP (FM)
Tuesday 9 April	7.30am 9am	Feria of the 5th Week of Lent	Holy Souls Sylvia Basford RIP (First Anniversary)
Weds 10 April	7.30am	Feria of the 5th Week of Lent	Philip & Rose Hayllar's Intention
Thursday 11 April	7.30am 7pm	Feria of the 5th Week of Lent	Holy Souls Kath & Jack Garratt RIP
Friday 12 April	7.30am 9.30-9.50am 10am	Feria of the 5th Week of Lent <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Feria of the 4th Week of Lent	Holy Souls Hubert Whitfield RIP
Saturday 13 April	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil: PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord	People of the Parish

Notices & Information...

WELCOME TO ANY NEW PARISHIONERS! It would be helpful if you could provide us with some basic contact information. Please complete one of the 'New Parishioner Preliminary Information' cards (on the table in the narthex) and hand it to Fr. Jeremy.

The April edition of the **WHAT CAN I DO?** is available today. This edition concentrates on *Common Good Thinking* – what is the common good – the principles to put into practice. The common good involves putting human dignity at the heart of economic, civic and cultural life.

CARDS FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS. The shop is fully stocked with a variety of themed cards. In readiness for First Reconciliation for the children of our parish on Saturday 27 April, there are First Reconciliation cards available at 60p each. Also available are Mass Intention cards for 'Success in your exams' as we near the time when young people take their GCSEs and A Levels. There are also cards for the Golden Anniversary of an Ordination (for Fr. Tom maybe), Welcome to the Church for new Catholics and a range of pink/blue 'Congratulations On your Baptism' cards. If you have some time - have a look through.

CALLING POTENTIAL READERS! Our Saturday 6.15pm Mass is in desperate need of some more readers. Anyone interested should speak to Fr. Jeremy after Mass or contact the presbytery.

PREPARING FOR THE REDEDICATION OF ENGLAND AS THE DOWRY OF MARY. The Slipper Chapel statue of Our Lady of Walsingham will visit every English Catholic Diocese and Cathedral between 2018-2020. 4-7 April 2019 at St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. For further information please visit: www.dowrytour.org.uk

PARISH PRAYER GROUP MEETING. Monday 8 April. in Church at 2pm. All are invited to an hour's quiet prayer led by a member of the Group. Further information from Margaret day 023 9263 2533 or Tom Wilkinson 023 9259 4268.

MALTESE CULTURE MOVEMENT. Saturday 13 April from 12noon. Do come along and join in the fun – bring family and friends! This is a great chance to meet with other Maltese people, relax, chat and see what Maltese hospitality and culture is all about! Entrance is *free*. Everyone welcome. For more information about the group please visit www.malteseculturemovement.com

COME AND SING 'OLIVET TO CALVARY'. Saturday 13 April at Hartplain Church, Hartplain Ave. Rehearsal at 4pm. Meditation performance at 6pm. Bring your own music. Tea/coffee and biscuits provided. *Lyndon Ford*

WOMEN'S MONDAY EVENING GROUP. Meet for Mass of Holy Week in the church @ 7pm on Monday 15 April. Refreshments to follow.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY (28 APRIL). St Edmund's, Horndean will be hosting the Pastoral Area Divine Mercy Service at 2.30pm, with benediction followed by tea and cake. Everyone welcome.

CURRY & PUD SUPPER – A community support event held in aid of The Rowans Hospice. Saturday 4 May @ 7.30pm in the parish centre. A choice of 3 curries cooked in the traditional Indian way and 3 English deserts. Bring your own drinks. ONLY 20 TICKETS AVAILABLE, cost £10.00. To purchase tickets contact Trish patricia.bailey333@gmail.com or see Mavis after the 10.30am Mass.

THANK YOU! The Sisters have received a letter of thanks from the Group Leader of the HCPT Group 201 following their very successful Coffee Morning. They gratefully acknowledged the donation of £800 saying it will support 5 children travelling to Lourdes at Easter. The HCPT are so grateful for the constant support given by the Sisters and parishioners to the Lourdes Pilgrimage Group and will remember the kindness in prayer at Lourdes this Easter.

AN EASTER MESSAGE FROM ST. PETER'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: It seems odd to have finished the last week of the spring term just after the middle of Lent, but the school Easter holidays have now begun. Mr Crozier began our final school week of the spring term with whole school worship focusing on the parable of the Prodigal Son. With actors taking the key roles, the rest of the school provided a crowd chorus, casting doubt on the wisdom of the son, but heaping praise on the mercy of the father. Throughout the rest of the week, the children all experienced the Stations of the Cross. Year Groups R to 2 had a Stations of the Cross service on Tuesday afternoon led by Oaklands' lay chaplain Miss Keogh, whilst Year Groups 3 to 6 took turns over Wednesday and Thursday to visit the chapel at Oaklands Catholic School for their own reflections on Christ's journey to Calvary.

The pupils and staff at St Peter's would like to wish you all a happy and holy Easter, and thank you for your prayers and support over the course of the spring term. *Richard Cunningham, Headteacher.*

THE TUESDAY CLUB is open to everyone on the first and third Tuesday of every month, at 2pm in the parish centre. You can expect a warm welcome plus fun, friendship, card games, scrabble etc. along with a cup of tea or coffee & cake. For more information please contact Trish on 07947 611699.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS. The group are now taking a break until after the Easter holidays and will resume on Wednesday 1 May @ 2pm in the parish centre.

A SPECIAL INVITATION FROM FR. TOM MCGRATH: "You are invited to join me in celebrating my Golden Jubilee at Mass in St. Peter's, Winchester on Saturday 15 June @ 6pm." Please RSVP to Mqr.mcgrathemail@gmail.com

WILL YOU HELP ADVERTISE OUR SUMMER FAIR? Beals, the Estate Agents, are very kindly offering to help advertise our Summer Fair again this year by producing 'signs' to place in front gardens – like 'For Sale' signs. We urgently require 20 homes to advertise with a board! If you can help by having a sign in your front garden, please speak to Nina in the parish centre office or add your details to the list on the table in the narthex. Thank you.

BIBLE STUDY AT ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH HAYLING ISLAND: There will be 2 identical sessions on the first Thursday (@ 7.30pm) and Friday (@ 11am) of each month, to enable access to all. Everyone welcome!

FANNING THE FLAME CATHOLIC MISSION: SUMMER CAMP 19-23 AUGUST 2019. An Amazing Adventure for ages 10-25. 5 Days of Faith, Fun and Fellowship. Pitch camp in the beautiful New Forest and enjoy a wide range of activities such as *Mass, Teaching, Workshops, Sports, Horse riding, Talks, Dramas, Great Food, Q&A, Music, Adoration, Team Activities & Confession.* For more information visit www.FanningTheFlame.co.uk

LAST WEEKEND'S GIVING. *Offertory:* Loose cash: £504.30, Standing Orders: £1,033.14, Direct Debits: £9.23, Gift Aid: £223.44. Total: £1,770.11