### WATERSIDE CATHOLIC PARISH

Registered Charity No 246871 Part of the New Forest Pastoral Area

St Michaels Church, (SM) 6, Langdown Lawn, Hythe SO45 5GR St Bernard's Church, (SB)20a, Southbourne Ave, Holbury, SO45 2NT

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# Office hours: Tue and Thurs. 10-3pm Jan 28 to Feb 3 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Year B Weekdays Year 2 MASS TIMES** SUNDAY 9.00am MASS SB's **Mass Intention : Eileen Shanley RIP** SUNDAY 11.00am MASS.. SM's Mass Intention: Paul Bui RIP

Anniversaries this week: RIP: Jim Walker (29). Cecilia Phillips (30). Sir David Price (31). Bill Topple (1). Roy Nicholas(4).

**Sad News**: With sadness we announce the death of Bridget Phelan RIP on the 14th of Jan. The funeral mass will be at St. Michaels on Tue 13th Feb at 10.45am. Please pray for her and her family at this sad time.

If you have any announcement to be made in the church or newsletter we would like to have it by Thursday morning. Only emergency ones to be brought to the sacristy on Sunday morning.

#### **ANNOINTING OF THE SICK:**

# Please contact the Parish Priest or Parish Office to make arrangements for the Anointing of the Sick

We do not want any of our faithful to be deprived of the great help the church offers to anyone who is unwell or sick and are not able to ask for it themselves. Can you please think about asking one of your relatives, community member or even to the priest that this is what you want to happen to you. Also you can make it clear to the person who comes to you with communion.

#### Coffee and Tea at St Michael's

You are warmly invited to join us after 11am Mass. (Go through the Sacristy into the Hall)

The Foodbank Needs: Milk (uht) and powdered. Please no baked beans. Instant mashed potato. Fish and meat (tinned). Coffee/Tea. Sponge Puddings. Fruit juice (uht), carrots/peas/sweetcorn/fruit (tinned). Thank you

# **Weekday Mass Timings**

St.M. Masses at St Michael's St. B. Masses at St Bernard's

Daily Mass. Tue to Sat the Rosary will start at 9.10 and Mass at 9.30. Sun before Mass.

Monday 9am. St.M. Mass. 4th Week in Ordinary Time. Mass Int. People of the Parish.

Tuesday 9.30am. St.M. Mass.4th Week in Ordinary Time. Benediction until 10.30. Pause for Prayer 10.30-11.30 C. Olden

Wednesday 9.30am St.M. Mass.4th Week

Thursday 9.30am St.B. Mass. 4th Week

Friday 9.30am. St.M. Mass. The Presentation of the Lord. Confessions after mass.

Saturday 9.30am. St. M. Mass. 4th Week in **Ordinary Time** 

2nd collection: Racial Justice Sunday(optional)

# St. Michael's church open:

On Tuesdays 9am to 3pm and Thursdays from 10am to 3pm we will keep St. Michael's church open (side door) If you want to come in and pray or light a candle, feel free to come and spend time in prayer

# The Most Holy Name of Jesus' month:

Unite in the tender devotion which His adorable Name has in all ages enkindled in the hearts of your servants. Lead a good life and die a happy death. Amen

#### **CAFOD Fast Day:**

On Friday 23rd Feb Family Fast Day can you give up a meal or eat simply and then make sure you put what you saved in the CAFOD family fast day envelope. This Lent every pound you donate will be matched by the UK Government up to a total of £5 million meaning twice the number of lives can be transformed. So please give generously and help us raise £5 million. Thank you.

# Training for Catechists during Lent.

The Formation for Mission Team is offering 5 sessions in Southampton for everyone involved or interested in Catechesis, faith formation, sacramental preparation of children and adults, and Children's Liturgy of the Word. At Holy Family Church (SO16 4PL) every Mon from 6pm to 7.30 pm. From Mon 19th Feb to Mon 19th March. For details e-mail Sr Hyacinthe

# For Sacrament of the sick or Holy Communion to the sick or housebound: contact parish office

Please keep in your prayers: Violetta Baddour, David Bazley, Janice Bird, Philomena Breen, Christopher Browne, Marion Butler, Denise Calder, Bruno Chrzanowski, Fr Vincent Convery, Kathryn Cox, Deny Croll, Baby Finlay Drozd, Keith Ellison, Derek Faiers, Mervyn Francis, Dennis Freemantle, David Grennell, Amanda Gudge, Sally Herbert, Fiona Francis, Catherine Heron, Doreen Holman, Peggy Kirwan, Sarah Marshall, Pauline Moore, Anne O Connor, David Parkinson, Michelle Ripley, Joan Smith, Emmie Walker, Brian Weston, Mary & Lawrie Witchell,, Brenda Atkinson. Iris Bolton. Barry Norris. Magdalene Smith. Lisa Swanson. Joan Hopper. John Bowden. Sandra Leary. John Arnold.

# Lending Library News.

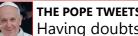
Thanks to Terry & Lexi George we have a bookcase at St. Bernard's Parishioners are welcome to borrow the Christian books available for parishioners and to add Christian books to the library if they wish. Contact: Joan Cocker on 023 80893699

### LAST WEEK COLLECTION

Loose plate £96.36 Gift Aid. £192.50

Silence in Church: Last Nov at the weekly General Audience, the Holy Father stated that Catholics should spend their time in silence before Mass, preparing to "meet Jesus" instead of engaging in "chitchat". In her reflection, Jennifer Geach reflects on how silence in church fosters the fruits of the Holy spirit while unnecessary talking shows disrespect for God and our neighbour:

"Talking in church has been a problem for a long time. Basil the Great speaks with pity of people who hurry to church, but when they arrive pay no heed to the word of God, but "shaking hands with each other they turn the church into a place of gossip". He said that such people fail to "speak God's glory in his temple", but are a distraction to their neighbours by turning their attention also away from God to themselves. Worship demands reverence and silence, before, during and after the liturgy. Talk in church is a violation of charity, showing total disrespect for God and for our neighbour. By contrast, keeping silence in church fosters the fruits of the Holy Spirit: love, charity, kindness, patience and self control. Silence in church fosters faith and devotion in our community. Conversation, far from increasing community, alienate and distress the less convivial members. This silence if very important for the instruction of our children. Instructing the children as to what are appropriate conversations, to teach the children about the Faith. This plea for silence is about loud conversations on mundane matters; to giggling and manifest disrespect. How are children to learn that Jesus is truly present in church? How are they to acquire habits of reverence? As a child, I was taught to whisper in church only if it was absolutely necessary. As a choristers we were enjoined to keep silence except for singing. But now, no sooner is Mass over and people break out in loud conversation; before Mass the sound of voices rivals the organist's playing. The Rosary is recited against a background of loud conversation; people preparing for confession have to block their ears to avoid distraction People are unable to desist from trivial conversations during the liturgy itself. When children see and hear adults treating God's House with disrespect, how are they to take seriously the teaching that God is present on the altar and the tabernacle? When the church is treated as an assembly hall, and adults talk in loud voices, what child of sense will think that these adults really believe that God is there? And if adults don't believe, why should the children?



### THE POPE TWEETS @pontifex

Having doubts & fears about immigration is not a sin. The sin is to allow these fears to determine our responses, to limit our choices, to compromise respect & generosity, to feed hostility & rejection. The Lord calls you today to travel with Him through your city. He calls you to be His missionary disciple. Don't waste time hiding your heart. Fill your life with the Holy Spirit!

#### **KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE LATEST NEWS!**

The Diocese of Portsmouth now issues a weekly e-news. Go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and add your email address to receive these updates.

#### Please Pray:

For Racial Justice Sunday. Let us offer a Hail Mary each day. Pray for bishop Philip as he goes to Bamenda, Cameroon

#### **Catholic Youth**

Portsmouth Diocese is sending a group of 18-30s to World Youth Day, Panama in January 2019 (21st-27th). Anyone who would like to go should express their interest by emailing youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk no later than 15th

January. The cost is in the region of £1800, and support will be given for seeking sponsorship and fundraising.

#### **Confirmation Retreat:**

The retreat will take place On Sat 10th Feb, from 10am to 5pm at St. Philip Howard, Fareham. The cost will be £10 p.person and a packed lunch will be required. There will be talks and workshops on the fundamental themes to the Catholic life. There will be additional time for games and socialising

#### Winchester Catholic History Group Talks

On 5th of Feb: Dr Ellie Woodacre will give a lecture about "Leonor of Navarre - Killer Queen?." Talks start at 7.30pm in the parish centre of St Peter's Church. Jewry St, Winchester SO23 8RY. For more information email: office@stpeterstwinchester.org.uk

**CAFOD**: Invites our present team of CAFOD volunteers or any parishioner interested in learning more to attend a Special Briefing on CAFOD's work on Sat 3rd Feb 10.30am to 1pm at St. Bede's Church Basingstoke. This will focus mainly on the Lent Family Fast Day campaign which is particularly important because the Government has promised to match every Pound donated up to a total of £5 million. This demonstrates the confidence in CAFOD to use its funds efficiently. Tom Flint who has recently returned from Africa will brief us on their work there. Please book via Polly or Louise who are going or direct to 01252 329385 or email portsmouth@cafod.org.uk