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Pentecost Sunday

Sunday 19th May 2024

Important letter from Fr Thomas and the St Vincent de Paul Parish Council

Dear Parishioners,

I have been at SVP for just over eight months and thank everyone for making me so welcome. Several things have arisen over the last few weeks that I feel would be better shared here in the newsletter.

1 Appeal for new Lectionary required

A new Lectionary will come into use in parishes in England, Wales, and Scotland from Advent 2024. The Vatican's Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments gave its [seal of approval](#) on a new Lectionary proposed by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales in July of last year. Published by the [Catholic Truth Society](#) (CTS), changes to the new lectionary, which includes the scripture readings for Mass and the sacraments, will see the English Standard Version: Catholic Edition (ESV-CE) of the Bible and the Abbey Psalter replacing the Jerusalem Bible with the Grail Psalms.

The changes are intended to make the biblical translations more faithful to the original languages, using better and more up-to-date biblical scholarship and to use a text which is "more proclaimable", CTS says.

The new Lectionary will come into force on the first Sunday of Advent 2024. Parishes will not be able to keep using the old Lectionary and will need to change over to the new one by 1st Dec 2024. The Lectionary has a fully up-to-date Proper of Saints, with the new universal and national feasts that have been instituted since the publication of the last Lectionary, and is currently set to consist of 4 volumes:

- ❖ Sundays, Solemnities, Feasts of the Lord.
- ❖ Weekdays: Advent, Christmas, Ordinary Time (weeks 1-9), Lent, Easter. Proper of Saints: December – May, Commons.
- ❖ Weekdays: Ordinary Time (6-34). Proper of Saints: June – November, Commons.
- ❖ Ritual Masses, Masses for Various Needs and Occasions, Votive Masses, Masses for the Dead.

The four volumes are required costing £695 if purchased by 1st October (early bird discount). The cost will increase to over £1000 if we miss the October deadline. We therefore appeal to the Parish for donations to cover this expense. Donation may be made per book of £175 or individual donations. Donors' names will be added to books. Baskets will be in the foyer over the next few weeks for your offerings or electronic payments may be made into the Parish bank account:

"CDP Southampton St Vincent de Paul". Sort code: 30-93-04. Account number: 00888770 with reference LEC (and your family name). Donations are sought by end of June.

2 Resumption of Ministries

I would like to resume our Ministries at St Vincent de Paul.

I call for our Eucharistic Ministers to assist at Masses. A training event will be held on Sunday 19th May to start this and support with a WhatsApp group and rota.

We will also resume the offertory. If you would like to do this then please speak to Sacristan Philomena or sign up on the rota in the foyer.

We need people to volunteer to do the collection during Mass. Two people are required for each Mass to collect on either side of the aisle and to count the number of Parishioners attending Mass and give the figure to our Sacristan. If you would like to do this then please speak to Sacristan Philomena or sign up on the rota in the foyer.

Altar Servers are encouraged to resume serving and training will be provided. Anyone over eight years old can do this role, if they have made their First Holy Communion. Parents, please encourage our children and Youth to take up this wonderful Ministry. If you have an interested child please give their name to me.

3 Kneelers Parishioners who wish to kneel during Mass are encouraged to occupy those areas that have kneelers for this.

4 Communion Antiphon Please join in with the Readers to say the Communion Antiphon before Communion.

5 Bidding Prayers During the bidding prayers, Parishioners are encouraged to turn to the statue of Our Lady during the Hail Mary.

I know that St Vincent de Paul is a strong faithful community and encourage all to play their part, no matter how small to help our parish grow.

If you have any ideas to help our church go forward then please share them with me.

With all good intentions,

Fr Thomas

[Hebrews 10:24-25](#):

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Mass times	Feast Days
6pm: Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass Theophilus Thomas RIP 12 th Anniversary	Saturday 18th St Pope John I John was born in Siena about 470. Elected as Pope John I in 523. Eastern Emperor Justin issued a decree against the heresy of Arianism. King Theodoric ruler of Italy who supported the heresy demanded that Pope John should convince Justin to moderate his decree. Pope John eventually obeyed despite agreeing with Justin.. The king was not satisfied with what Pope John achieved and was suspicious the two were plotting against him and his heretical beliefs. He put Pope John in prison in Ravenna. Died of neglect and ill treatment on 18 th May 526.
9.30 am Mass	Sunday 19th May Pentecost Sunday Apolian Nazareth RIP
6.30 pm Mass	Monday 20th St Bernardino of Siena Born 1380 in Italy. Degree in Law. Cared for victims of plague. Took charge of hospital. Joined Franciscans, Ordained a priest. Unique preaching style. His voice projected so that thousands could hear him. Started feast of <i>Holy Name of Jesus</i> . IHS symbol
10 am Mass Jean Millev RIP	Tuesday 21st St Godric of Finchale Born 1070 in Norfolk. Earned his living as a peddler. Set out on voyages of pilgrimage and commerce. Became captain of a ship he part owned. Pilgrimages to Jerusalem and Rome 3 times. Visited Lindisfarne monastery. Converted to Christianity, Sold all his possessions and became a hermit near Carlisle. Pilgrimage to Holy Land. Worked in hospital in Jerusalem. Returned to Durham and took up peddling again as far as London. Became hermit again at Finchale on River Wear for nearly 60 years with his pet snakes. Gave wise counsel to many.
6.30 pm Mass Thanksgiving Mass for Raphael Morris from Peter & family	Wednesday 22nd St Rita of Cascia Born 1381 in Italy. Wanted to be a nun. Obeyed her parents and married.. Husband killed by rival noble family and her two sons died, Known as "Peacemaker of Cascia" when feuding families reconciled. Aged 36 she joined Convent and cared for sick nuns in the infirmary. Mystic experiences. Had wound on her forehead similar to stigmata.
10 am Mass	Thursday 23rd St John Baptiste de Rossi Born 1698 in Italy Suffered from epilepsy but was still ordained a priest due to his piety. Devoted himself to serving Rome's sick and homeless. Would visit the poor and sick during the day and the street people and prostitutes by night. Pope Benedict XIV inaugurated instruction for prison officials and other state officials which John led.
NO MASS	Friday 24th St David, King of Scotland Born 1084, youngest son St Margaret, Queen of Scotland and King Malcolm. At the death of his parents, his uncle seized the throne and David and his brothers fled to England to King William Rufus. Raised army and regained throne for his brother Edgar after eldest brother Duncan died in the battle. After 31 years in the English Norman court, most of the time with his sister Queen Matilda who had married King Henry I, he became King of Scotland and continued the reforms of the Church and State that his brothers Edgar and Alexander had started. Founded monasteries, built churches, established bishoprics, developed towns and built castles. He was loved and respected for his piety, generosity to the poor and Norman style organisation that he had learnt in the English court. On the death of Henry I, his daughter Matilda was denied the throne by English nobles and fled to France and eventually married the Holy Roman Emperor. King David attacked England and captured large areas of the north against King Stephen until it was agreed that the son of Empress Matilda would be made King Henry II of England.
6pm: Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass Courtney Andrews RIP	Saturday 25th St Bede the Venerable Born 673 near Jarrow. He joined monastery at Jarrow. Helped produce 3 copies of Latin Bible. Aged 30 ordained a priest by St John of Beverley. Agreed with Latin rite of calculating Easter. Established dating from birth of Christ, Anno Domini (AD). Finished famous <i>Ecclesiastical History of the English People</i> in 731. Died 735 aged 62 in Jarrow.
9.30 am Mass	Sunday 26th May The Most Holy Trinity

Your prayers are needed for the following people

Sue Chandler	Hazel Sale	Joe Heatley	Trevor Delves	Fr Shaun Budden	Valerie Baker
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Parish collection for last weekend 11th and 12th May

Parish Collection						Special Collection		TOTAL of all money	
Parish Envelopes Easter Gift Envelopes	Gift Aid	Parish Loose Collection	Direct debits, standing orders	Gift Aid	Total of Offertory Collection	Other money	Gift Aid	Loose	
£74	£18.50	£97.60	£242.54	£51.98	£484.62	----	----	----	£484.62