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**The Most Holy Trinity**

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

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

Dear Parishioners,

I have been at St Vincent de Paul 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 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> 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 19<sup>th</sup> 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

Mass times		Feast Days			
6pm: Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass Courtney Andrews RIP	<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> St Bede the Venerable</b> 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	<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> May</b> <b>The Most Holy Trinity</b>				
6.30 pm Mass	<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> St Augustine of Canterbury</b> Born in the 6 <sup>th</sup> century. In 595 he was Prior of St Andrew's Abbey in Rome. Pope Gregory the Great sent Augustine on a mission to England. Example of Augustine and his monks holy and simply lives converted King Ethelbert. Gave land at Canterbury where Augustine founded monastery of St Peter and St Paul, later St Augustine's Abbey, and introduced Rule of St Benedict. Started building cathedrals in Canterbury and London.				
10 am Mass K. C. Varghese RIP	<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> St Aldhelm of Sherborne</b> Born in 639. Outstanding figure in the English west country related to the kings of Wessex. Studied in Canterbury. First Abbot of Malmesbury Abbey. First Bishop of Sherborne. Accomplished musician. First Anglo-Saxon writer of distinction though only his writings in Latin, not those in Old English, survived. The Venerable Bede gives a brief account of him and praises his writings. St Aldhelm's Head in Dorset is named after him.				
6.30 pm Mass	<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> St Blessed Richard Thirkeld</b> Born near Darlington in County Durham. Studied at Oxford University. In 1565 studied in France. Ordained as an old man in 1579. Returned to England in York. Confessor to Margaret Clitherow. Ministered in secret for 4 years and was very popular. Arrested. In prison in York. Ministered to prisoners. Executed in secret due to his popularity				
10 am Mass	<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Blessed Margaret Pole</b> Born 1473 at Farleigh Castle in Somerset, the only surviving daughter of George Plantagenet, Duke of Clarence, Earl of Salisbury, brother of King Edward IV. Lady-in-waiting to Queen Catherine of Aragon, wife of King Henry VIII. Fell out of favour when her son was made Cardinal Pole and criticised Henry VIII As Countess of Salisbury, lived in Warblington Castle, Hampshire, north of Hayling Island. Executed as a martyr in May 1541 aged 67.				
NO MASS	<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b> The visit of Mary to her much older aunt Elizabeth, both pregnant, Mary with Jesus and Elizabeth with John the Baptist. The journey from Nazareth to Hebron by road was well over 100 miles and due to the various threats it is almost certain Joseph would have accompanied Mary. It would have taken the two teenagers about 5 days				
6pm: Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass	<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June St Joan of Arc</b> Born 1412 France to peasant family. Aged 14 heard voices saying "Save France". Pleaded with the Dauphin at Chinon Castle in Loire Valley to have an army to relieve the siege of Orleans. Wore a white suit of armour. Standard "Jesus, Maria". Led French army against English with many victories. Captured. Corrupt trial. Found guilty of witchcraft. Burnt at the stake in Rouen market place. King Henry's secretary said: "We are lost. We have burnt a saint".				
9.30 am Mass	<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June</b> <b>Corpus Christi (The Body and Blood of Christ)</b> <b>Alfred Baker RIP 16<sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Liz Challand's Dad)</b>				
<b>Your prayers are needed for the following people</b>					
Sue Chandler	Hazel Sale	Joe Heatley	Trevor Delves	Fr Shaun Budden	Valerie Baker

### NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENT

#### Message from Fr Michal Dennehy at St Joseph's and St Edmund's City Centre Parish

I hope that everyone is aware of the 10-Year Plan for our Diocese of Portsmouth *You Will Be My Witnesses*. The Plan prioritises improving liturgy, formation, and evangelisation leading missionary communities serving all, particularly the young and the poor. It reminds us that we are to be prudent stewards of Christ's Church where structures will need to be reshaped with prudent stewardship of resources and investment in the future. The 87 parishes of the Diocese will become 24 larger parishes working together, sharing resources, and working to an agreed plan for the mission entrusted to us of introducing more people to faith in Jesus Christ.

The implementation of the Plan is underway in Southampton. Clergy and laity have begun work on a Mission Plan and a first draft has been submitted to the Bishop. We have been working on a common approach to First Holy Communion preparation and we have formed a transitional Finance Committee that will in time help with the administration of finance and property. The clergy continue to meet monthly providing an opportunity for mutual support and collaborative working.

On Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> at Immaculate Conception Parish Hall there will be a day for the clergy and people of our Pastoral Area to receive feedback on the work that has been taking place and to hear about the process of implementation of the Plan in the coming months. We hope to see a good number of parishioners across the parishes in attendance. The day will be from 12:30pm until 4:00pm beginning with a bring and share lunch.

Fr Michael Dennehy

#### Next SVP Social is on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm to 3 pm - Just confirmed by Renee

This is another opportunity to meet for refreshments and a chat. Please come along with your friends. No need to stay for the whole time, a few minutes of 2 hours, whatever suits you. Renee and Pat.

#### Parish collection for last weekend 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> May

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Parish Envelopes Easter Gift Envelopes	Gift Aid	Parish Loose Collection	Direct debits, standing orders	Gift Aid	Total of Offertory Collection	Council hire of church for election	Gift Aid	Loose	
£77	£19.25	£124.48	£242.54	£51.98	£515.25	£500	£200	£40	<b>£1,255.25</b>