

SACRED HEART OF JESUS & ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

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14/15 March 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Mass Book: Year A and First Scrutiny, Volume 1, Page 158

PLEASE NOTE: The First Scrutiny is celebrated for the Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent 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 **Matthew Creamer and Philip Udoh** who will be received into full communion.

Entrance Antiphon: When I prove my holiness among you, I will gather you from all the foreign lands and I will pour clean water upon you and cleanse you from all your impurities, and I will give you a new spirit, says the Lord.

Psalm Response: O that today you would listen to his voice: 'Harden not your hearts.'

Gospel Acclamation: Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God! Lord, you are really the saviour of the world; give me the living water, so that I may never get thirsty. Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

Communion Antiphon: For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

Prayer for March: Act of charity. O my God, I love you above all things, with my whole heart and soul because you are all good and worthy of all love. I love my neighbour as myself for the love of you. I forgive all who have injured me, and ask pardon of all whom I have injured. Amen.

Lent 2020...

Available this weekend, Information leaflet containing details of all the liturgies during Holy Week and Easter. Copies of the **Lent Programme** are still available. The **Triduum Rota** is now up in the narthex – please have a look and see how you can assist Fr. Jeremy over Holy Week and Easter.

A **Decade of the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary** will be recited during the Sundays of Lent at 10.20am, just before the Sunday morning Mass.

Stations of the Cross will be on Sunday afternoons at 5pm with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

There are **no Baptisms** as it is a season of preparation for Baptism. There are no floral arrangements as it is a penitential season. However, there is a basket available if you would like to give towards **flowers for Easter**.

Pastoral Area Mass & Reconciliation:

Wednesday 1 April – St. Patrick's, Hayling Island @ 6.30pm

Thursday 2 April – St. Edmund's, Horndean @ 6.30pm



The Third Sorrowful Mystery: The Crowning With Thorns

The word 'power' comes from the Latin 'to be able.' Power is the ability or capacity to effect change. Yet with great power comes great responsibility. Pilate recognised this when he tried to abrogate his responsibility for Jesus' execution by symbolically washing his hands.

Thorns are designed in nature to protect; a soldier's role is to protect and defend. The twisting of the circlet of thorns against Jesus, by a circle of soldiers pressing in on an innocent Jesus, is a distortion of responsibility. Jesus understood this – he stood mute and dignified despite the pain and humiliation being heaped on him. And make no mistake, the thorns pressing into his nerve-rich scalp would have been agony, the placing of a heavy red robe on his flayed back excruciating. Jesus, powerful enough to quell stormy waters, could have raised a wind strong enough to disperse the soldiers, even the crowd. But he knew that true power lies not in forcing your will on others but by inspiring them to change themselves. Jesus, son of God, is our sun, warming us in the strength of his love and sacrifice, so that we are compelled to do his asking, because in doing so, we are fulfilled. Thus our restless hearts rest in him.

Every time we accept and bear a humiliation for being Christian, every time we run the risk of ridicule by speaking out for another or standing out against the crowd, we walk alongside Jesus at this terrible time. He can look up at the circle and perhaps he sees us, 2000 years later, not joining in the baiting of him, not even standing by while it happens, but standing there in solidarity with him, willing him to come through this, and perhaps taking on a little of the burden from him. "My burden is easy, my yoke is light." To fully enter into communion with Jesus Christ, we must identify with his suffering in the terrible days leading up to his death. And we do this by unobserved service to others, in small unnoticed selfless acts in everyday life.

Our God, the servant king, calling us to follow him, to bring our lives as a daily offering of service to him.

Vicky Muwanga



DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 14 Mar	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil: THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	Refugee Donors Int.
SUNDAY 15 Mar	10.30am 5pm 6.30pm	THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT <i>Stations of the Cross</i> THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	Deceased members of the White family People of the Parish
Monday 16 Mar	-	NO MASS	
Tuesday 17 Mar St. Patrick's Day	7.30am 7pm	St Patrick, Bishop, feast <i>Patronal Feast Mass at St. Patrick's Hayling Island – All welcome</i>	Peter & Shirley RIP
Wednesday 18 Mar	7.30am 9.30-9.50am 10am	Feria [3rd Week of Lent] <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Feria [3rd Week of Lent]	Alan Ledger Holy Souls
Thursday 19 Mar	7.30am 12noon 7pm	ST JOSEPH, solemnity Funeral Mass ST JOSEPH, solemnity	Michael & Sheila Crombie RIP Eileen Whitworth RIP Holy Souls
Friday 20 Mar	7.30am 9.30-9.50am 10am	Feria [3rd Week of Lent] <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Feria [3rd Week of Lent]	Paul Crombie RIP Nora & Bert Quinn
Saturday 21 Mar	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil: FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	Holy Souls

Notices & Information...

IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL CHURCH KEYHOLDERS: ANYONE WHO DID NOT CONTACT NINA BEFORE LAST WEDNESDAY SHOULD NOT ATTEMPT TO USE THEIR FOBS AS THEY WILL HAVE NOW BEEN DISARMED AND THE ALARM WILL SOUND.

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.

RON LITTLEFIELD RIP. Please pray for the rest and peace of the soul of Ron who died recently. Please remember all Ron's friends and family at this very sad time. His Funeral Service will be held at The Oaks Crematorium on Wednesday 25 March @ 10am.

REAL EASTER EGG! – Available in the shop in the narthex – the 2020 plastic free design includes a large 24 page Easter story-activity book, a prize competition and super thick milk chocolate egg (150g) with a lovely creamy taste. 35% cocoa – Palm Oil free.

NEWS FROM ST. PETER'S SCHOOL. The past fortnight at St Peter's has seen the celebration of class liturgies by pupils in Years 1 and 2. Parents and grandparents joined the younger children as they led worship centred on Christ's time in the desert being tempted by the devil. Year 1 produced stunning drama to bring St Matthew's Gospel verses to life, whilst Year 2 sang to the rafters with brilliant music and actions to show their faith and trust in God. Both of these liturgies brought light to some dark late winter days, and provided a meaningful and motivational start to Lent for the children in Key Stage 1.

Mr Richard Cunningham, Headteacher.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: The Children's Liturgy, which takes place during 10.30 Mass, is designed for primary aged children with the purpose of helping them to understand the Gospel through discussion and craft based activities. Secondary aged children are welcome to attend as a helper and with this in mind, the team are drawing up a list of those who are interested in assisting in this way. Two helpers will be required each Sunday and a rota will be created for this purpose. Please speak to the team after Mass if you wish your child's name to be added to the rota.

THE REFUGEE PROJECT. We seek sponsors for the cost of a removal van for large items to be moved to the house - a helpful firm will do it at a reduced rate. Anything you can manage (contribute) would be welcome. A series of Masses will be offered for all donors of items to thank them for their wonderful generosity. Please see the latest update in the narthex. If you are able to help please contact Clare clare.burke24@hotmail.com or Philip philiphayllar@hotmail.com

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: A group of students from Oaklands are going on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in July 2020. This opportunity is open to students in Year 9 and above. Any students interested in going can get more information from Miss Keogh. (s.keogh@oaklandscatholicsschool.org).

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 cuppa & cake. For more information please contact Trish on 07947 611699.

WOMEN'S MONDAY EVENING GROUP meet next Monday 16 March in the Parish Centre at 7.30pm. The speakers are Martin and Jan who will talk about their recent trip to the Gambia. The group has recently sent £195 (monies raised from our monthly raffle) to various charities chosen by us, details can be seen on the notice board welcome area.

UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS. Wednesday 18 March @ 2pm in the parish centre. Everyone Welcome!

GREEN GIFT AID ENVELOPES. Envelopes for the new tax year are ready for collection, available from the 'Welcome' area on the shelf under Mass books.

THE BIBLE COURSE. Over eight sessions, the Bible Course takes you through the whole bible starting at the very beginning. Join Fr Jeremy in the Sacred Heart parish centre, Waterlooville, Monday evenings 7-9 pm. One-off charge of £10 is made to cover materials. Ends before Easter - the perfect Lent Course!

THE GOD WHO SPEAKS. The Bible isn't always an easy read! Come along to St. Michael and all Angel's, Leigh Park, on Wednesday evenings until 1 April, 7.30-9pm to hear about 'Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible'. This programme can help us understand the Old and New Testaments, and hear what God is saying to us today.

ALPHA FOLLOW-UP. For those who recently completed the Alpha Course there will be four meetings focused on prayer in the Christian life. They will take place at Sacred Heart on the last Mondays of the month from 7-8.30pm: **March 30, April 27.** Contact Steve Leigh for further details: stephenleigh10@gmail.com

SACRED HEART WEBSITE. If you would like to receive the newsletter via email please contact the parish secretary on shspa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS: John O'Neill, Maria Carmen Martin, Thomas Andrew (TJ), Geoffrey Tompkins, Anne Littlefield, Damien Haughan, Betty Groves, Carole Highton, Marion Greeham, Elizabeth Evelyn, Teresa Richardson, Mary Ling, Margaret Bush, Boris Mayfield, Stephen Condon, Nicola O'Neill, Mary Harrington, Dave Hill, Amrutha Anthony, John DeBattista, Dr Peter McErlean, Michael Lowe, Sabine Khan, Mary Daly, Conor Mills, Ian Cuthbert & Ken Ng. For the housebound, lonely, homeless, bereaved, those in nursing homes, hospital and the Rowans Hospice.

LAST WEEKEND'S GIVING.

Offertory: Basket: £529.18, S/O: £977.95, D/D: £34.60, Gift Aid: £197.29, Payments by credit/debit card: £70.74. Total: £1809.76.

Donations to our Building Fund: £19.65 of which we are able to claim back £7.50 in gift aid.
CAFOD Lent Fast Day. Thank you for fasting in solidarity. Our parish raised £869.35 for Family Fast Day. Your support will bring us closer to a world where no one is beyond reach of the love and care they need to flourish.

We now accept credit & debit card payments for the offertory collection and building fund

