

# SACRED HEART OF JESUS & ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

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**15/16 February 2020**

## SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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**Entrance Antiphon:** Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

**Psalms Response:** They are happy who follow God's Law!

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

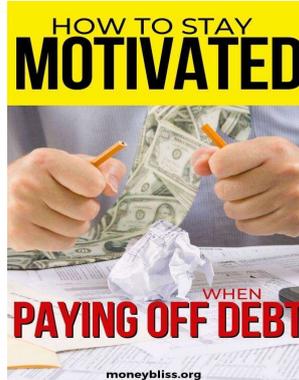
**Prayer for February:** Here I am Lord; body, heart and soul. Grant that with your love I may be big enough to reach the world and small enough to be at one with you. Amen.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS:** John O'Neill, Maria Carmen Martin, Thomas Andrew (T.J), Geoffrey Tompkins, Anne Littlefield, Damien Haughan, Betty Groves, Carole Higton, Marion Greeham, Elizabeth Evelyn, Teresa Richardson, Ron Littlefield, 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 & Geoff Readman. For the housebound, lonely, homeless, bereaved, those in nursing homes, hospital and the Rowans Hospice.

### HAVE YOU RECEIVED SCAM EMAILS FROM FR. JEREMY?

We are aware that there have been scam emails sent out to parishioners in Fr. Jeremy's name. Unfortunately there is nothing we can do to stop this happening. We ask that you remain vigilant. There are ways in which you can determine whether the email is genuine or not by checking the email address, not just the sender's name. All emails sent by Fr. Jeremy, the parish secretary and Nina have the same domain name (the bit after the @ symbol) which is '@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk', apart from Fr. Jeremy's private account which ends in '@icloud.com'. You can often tell if an email is a scam if it contains poor spelling and grammar. Scammers also like to create a sense of urgency. Email addresses from us that you can trust are:

[shspa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:shspa@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)  
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### Fr. Jeremy writes...

If I didn't mention the giant thermometer which has appeared this weekend in the narthex, it would become the 'elephant in the room' - if you know what I mean.

As a priest, I try not to talk about money since it feels as if it goes radically against what I stand for, after all, my vocation is to preach the gospel and the gospel must be free and available to all. However, we have a wonderful church, grounds and parish centre, the newest church in the diocese and facilities that are the envy of others.

When the church was officially opened nine years ago it had cost £3.3 million to build and had been a dozen or more years in the planning. Nowadays a wonderful complex such as ours would cost many times more. We, as a parish, are responsible for finding £1 million of the cost of the church. In recent years we have managed to pay off just over half that sum, which is a magnificent achievement. We have committed to paying down the remaining debt at the rate of £27,000 a year. Until recently we have faithfully fulfilled that commitment but at the cost of an increasing gap in our balance sheet between income and expenditure in the day to day running costs of the parish. Over the years while costs and outgoings have risen with the cost of living our income has not kept pace, with the result that we run at an increasing loss. From here on we can no longer afford to service our debt and have had to suspend repayments in an attempt to balance our books. This feels like a defeat. It had been a matter of pride and moral responsibility to honour our repayments year after year, now we can no longer do so. The Parish Finance Committee recently took the decision to place a debt thermometer in the narthex to remind us of our obligations and to encourage everyone to help in whatever way they can to reduce the debt and every gift, fund-raiser, legacy and donation will be registered on the scale to show our progress. Next year our new church will be ten years old. It would be fantastic if we could reduce the debt significantly to celebrate this milestone anniversary. Please consider ways in which you can help such as by increasing your weekly giving by standing order, gift-aiding your contributions or leaving provision in your will to help the parish. Standing order instructions, gift aid forms and wording for legacies are available in the narthex this weekend. Please help reduce our debt.

### Lent 2020

Please take a copy of our **Lent Programme** available from this weekend from the table in the narthex.

**Ash Wednesday 26 February.** Masses at 7.30am, 12noon and 7.30pm with distribution of ashes at each Mass.

Fr. Jeremy will be celebrating an extra **Mass at 7.30am** Monday to Friday (please check newsletter on a weekly basis) at which there are no intercessions. If you would like to book a Mass for a loved one, occasion, private intention or thanksgiving during this time please contact Lisa at the Presbytery to arrange. Mass Offering envelopes can be found in the narthex. A **Decade of the Rosary** will be introduced during the Sundays of Lent. The 'Sorrowful Mysteries' will be recited at 10.20am, just before the Sunday morning Mass.

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

There are **no floral arrangements** as it is a penitential season.

There are **no Baptisms** as it is a season of preparation for Baptism.

**CAFOD Lent Fast Day (Friday 6 March).** Can you eat a simple meal in solidarity and give what you save to those in need? Fast Day envelopes will be available from church on the weekend of 31 February/1 March.

**Pastoral Area Mass & Reconciliation:**

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

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

### Advice from the Bishops' Conference on the Coronavirus (11.02.2020)

**Bishop Philip writes...** On 1st February, Bishop Paul Mason, who chairs the Healthcare Executive Group of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, issued Guidelines in relation to the new coronavirus... The best way of protecting us from spread is for everyone to use universal good hygiene, which will effectively disrupt spread of the virus. We should be doing this all the time for 'flu but don't!

When sneezing: **Catch it** (sneeze into a tissue). **Bin it** (bin the tissue). **Kill it** (wash your hands with soap and water). Do not touch your face unless you've washed your hands.

Anyone with cold or flu symptoms should refrain from taking Holy Communion from the Chalice and receive the Host on the hand only.

There are Public Information and 'How to handwash' posters displayed around the church. Ministers of the Eucharist must sanitise their hands before and after distributing Communion. Please go to the sacristy before coming to the altar to distribute holy communion and wash hands with soap & water and sanitise with gel. Please repeat the process after distribution.

There is no need as things stand for the Chalice to be withdrawn or the Sign of Peace to be suspended, such as was advised during the 2009 'flu pandemic. This advice would only come if we had a very serious epidemic in the UK and at the time of writing this is unlikely.

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 15 Feb	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> <b>Vigil: SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>Sister Carmels RIP</b>
SUNDAY 16 Feb	10.30am 6.30pm	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>People of the Parish Damian Whitfield RIP</b>
Monday 17 Feb	12noon	<b>Feria [6<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time]</b>	<b>Peter &amp; Shirley Harrington RIP</b>
Tuesday 18 Feb	<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Memorial Mass for Ann</b>	<b>Ann Hartridge RIP</b>
Wednesday 19 Feb	9.30am 10am	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> <b>Feria [6<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time]</b>	<b>Ronald Lamming Stone RIP (FM)</b>
Thursday 20 Feb	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Feria [6<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time]</b>	<b>James Upton RIP</b>
Friday 21 Feb	<b>9am</b>	<b>Feria [6<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time]</b>	<b>Margaret Beauvoisin RIP (FM)</b>
Saturday 22 Feb	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> <b>Vigil: SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>People of the Parish</b>

## 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.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR ALL CHURCH KEY HOLDERS:** All key holders of the church/parish centre are asked to bring in their keys for updating before Monday 2 March please. If you haven't used your keys in 6 months or so please return them to Nina. The fobs are very expensive and can be reassigned to someone who needs them. Any fobs not brought in will be disarmed on Tuesday 3 March. Nina will be available in the parish centre Monday-Thursday from 9am-12noon. If these times are inconvenient for you please contact Nina to arrange an alternative on 023 9226 9348 [parishcentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:parishcentre@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**'WHAT CAN I DO?' LEAFLET.** The latest edition of the *What can I do?* leaflet is still available – please pick up a copy today.

**ANN HARTRIDGE RIP.** The Memorial Mass to celebrate Ann's life is on Tuesday 18 February @ 12.30pm in Church, all welcome to attend – no black please. There will be a reception in the parish centre afterwards.

**ALEX NERI RIP.** Please pray for the rest and peace of the soul of Alex. Her Funeral will be on Friday 28 February @ 10am.

**VOCATIONS.** "It is loyalty to do his will." Are you considering following the will of God in the consecrated life or priesthood? Contact Fr. John Cooke, [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 01329 318869.

**NEWS FROM ST. PETER'S SCHOOL.** Monday's whole school worship, led by Miss Honeywell, took inspiration from Matthew's Gospel to not hide one's light, or one's talents, from the world. The children's prayers focused on two key concepts. Firstly '*Your talents are God's gift to you, how you use them is your gift to God*', and secondly that any light that they shine in the world is a reflection of God's grace and love, and will illuminate the environment around them. That very afternoon, 26 pupils from Year 6 then displayed their sporting talents to great effect by taking part in an inter-school Sports Hall Athletics tournament at the Mountbatten Centre, inspired no doubt to excel from the message of the worship. All the children will now be enjoying a well-deserved and restful half term break, as will their teachers. *Richard Cunningham. Headteacher.*

**THE REFUGEE PROJECT.** We are in URGENT need of someone with a large van plus extra manpower to move furniture to the house. Also some temporary storage is needed please – If you are able to help please contact Clare [clare.burke24@hotmail.com](mailto:clare.burke24@hotmail.com) or Philip [philiphayllar@hotmail.com](mailto:philiphayllar@hotmail.com)

**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.

**THE BIBLE COURSE.** Over eight sessions, the Bible Course takes you through the whole bible starting at the very beginning. Join Fr Jeremy at the Sacred Heart parish centre, Waterlooville, Monday evenings from 7-9 pm beginning Feb 17. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. A one-off charge of £10 is made to cover materials. Ends before Easter - the perfect Lent Course!

**WOMEN'S MONDAY EVENING GROUP** meet on Monday 17 February @ 7.30pm in the Parish Centre. Speaker from Motiv8 (Support for disadvantaged young people). Fundraising raffle.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS.** AGM on Wednesday 19 February @ 2pm in the parish centre. Everyone Welcome!

**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.

**PREPARE FOR LENT** with art music and readings. Canon Gerard offers a time of reflection from 2 - 4 pm on Saturday 22 February at St Michael's, Leigh Park. Sign up, please, at [gerardflynn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:gerardflynn@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**ST. JOSEPH'S HAVANT - QUIZ NIGHT.** Saturday 22 February 6.45 for 7pm start. £8 per head, or put in a team of 8 for £55. Anyone wishing to book a place please take your entrance fee to the parish office at St. Joseph's (134 West Street, Havant PO9 1LP) by 12noon on Friday 21 February. Your food options for the evening are as follows: southern fried chicken & chips, sausage & chips, cod & chips or the vegetarian option.

**ST. EDMUND'S HORNDEN QUIZ NIGHT:** Saturday 29 February 5.30 for 6pm start. Help make a team of 6. £5 (adults over 16 years). Bring finger food to share. Bring your own drinks. Raffle. Tickets from Peter 023 9261 5497 [peter-butler@ntlworld.com](mailto:peter-butler@ntlworld.com)

**INVITATION TO CULTURAL MASS FOR NIGERIANS.** Bishop Philip and the Nigerian Catholic Priests, Religious and Laity in Portsmouth Diocese invite everyone to a Thanksgiving Eucharistic Liturgy. Sunday 23 February @ 3pm at St. John's Cathedral. Refreshments will follow immediately after the Mass in the Cathedral Discovery Centre. Members of the Nigerian Community and friends are all invited to attend. The Catholic TV of Nigeria will be covering the Mass. Traditional/cultural dress is highly encouraged. If you are attending or you wish to make further enquiries, please contact Fr. Daniel Agber [nigeriansinportsmouthdiocese@gmail.com](mailto:nigeriansinportsmouthdiocese@gmail.com) or 07424 426845 or 07778 8666137.

**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: **February 24, March 30, April 27.** Contact Steve Leigh for further details: [stephenleigh10@gmail.com](mailto:stephenleigh10@gmail.com)

**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 2020. 24 February-8 March.** One of the ways we can live out our gospel values is to support living incomes for some of the world's poorest farmers in our buying choices. Havant Fairtrade group would really appreciate your support with the two events we have organised:

1. Social evening on the 29 February with Havant URC – supper- storytelling- singing tickets £5 from the Church or Sue James 02392 250267
2. Mayor's coffee morning 6 March 10.30am-12noon at the civic centre. <http://www.campaign.exchange/campaigns/fairtrade-fortnight/>
3. Also, on March 3 from 8.30-11am there will be a Fairtrade Breakfast and Coffee Morning at St. Mary's Church Hall, Hayling Island.

**LAST WEEKEND'S GIVING. Offertory:** Loose cash: £460.73, Standing Orders: £876.47, Direct Debits: £34.60, Gift Aid: £177.41. Total: £1,549.21.  
**Racial Justice Sunday.** Thank you to everyone who supported the collection for the Church in its work with travellers. £162.19 was raised.