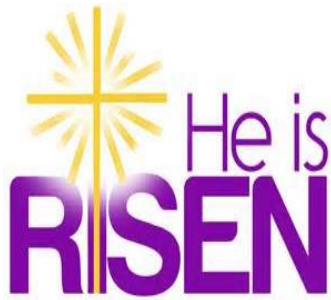




2nd Sun of Easter - Yr C
03 April 2016



North West Hampshire Catholic Weekly Newsletter

Serving the parishes of Andover, Basingstoke, Hook & Tadley

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Thought for the Week

The purpose of Sacred Scripture is in part to teach us about the faith, to provide to us what the Church calls "divine revelation." Our Second Reading from the Book of Revelation provides insights of which we need to be aware. The name of this Book – Revelation – is derived from the very first words of the Book, which are "The revelation of Jesus Christ..."

Written in Greek, the word translated as "revelation" is apokalypsis, meaning "unveiling" or indeed "revelation." As indicated in today's reading this book is written by "John...on the island called Patmos." Our Catholic tradition tells us that this is John the Apostle, although scholars sometimes disagree with that assessment and conclusion. We do nonetheless know what and where Patmos is.

The Island of Patmos was the Roman Empire's version of Alcatraz Island, a place where some were exiled and forced to work in the marble quarries found there. Ten miles long and six miles wide, Patmos has been described as lonely and desolate. Yet for John, the writer of this Book, it does not separate him from God or from his fellow Christians. He describes in today's narrative the revelation which came to him there, but to experience such a revelation he had to be aware and open to the Words of the Lord.

We may at times feel just as exiled, just as lonely, but if we remain open and conscious of God's presence, we, too may find solace and comfort and instructions. That is what being a steward is all about — being attentive to what God is saying to us.

"Taken From 'The Catholic Steward.com'

Intercessory Prayer Group - Every 2nd Friday of the month after Mass

Our parish has set up an ongoing prayer group that will take prayer requests from everyone, prayers can be submitted on paper & placed in the box under St Joseph's statue at the back of the Church or in person to any member of the group OR on our secure Facebook page. There is also a link from St Joseph's website. Of course your prayer requests can be submitted anonymously. If you wish to know more about the group or would like to join us, please speak to Dcn Patrick O'Connell or Roswitha Reinhard-Watson.

St Joseph's Church - Facebook - Follow us on: www.facebook.com/phsRcChurchBasingstoke/

Take a look at the St Joseph's Website - <http://www.stjosephsbasingstoke.org.uk/>

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Parish Diary w/commencing 04 April 2016

Mon: Feast of 'The Annunciation'

8.00am Adoration/Morning Prayer/Mass at 9.15am

No LIFE Coffee Morning—back in 1 weeks' time

10.30-12 noon Parish Office closed for weekly meet

(2pm-5pm Fr Mark visiting for FHC Candidates)

4.00pm Holiday at Home Helpers meeting in Foyer

No RCIA Group meeting

Tue: 8.00am Adoration/Morning Prayer & Mass 9.15am

12 noon—5pm Parish Office Closed weekly

Wed: 9.15am Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

No Toddler Group (back on Wed 13 April at 10am)

7.30pm Bible Timeline Course in Foyer

Thu: 9.15am Mass in Church

Fri: 8.00am Adoration/Morning Prayer/Mass at 9.15am

12 noon Lunch Club in Foyer

4.00pm Wedding Convalidation in Church

Sat: (10am-3pm Fr Mark visiting for FHC Candidates)

5.00pm Confessions / 6.00pm Vigil Mass in Church

7.00pm Salsa Evening in Foyer (for Lourdes Fund)

Sun: **8.30am St Mary's Overton/Liturgy of Word & HC**

9am Mass & 11am Mass in Church

(1pm to 4pm Fr Mark visiting for FHC Candidates)

5.00pm JP3 in Foyer, Church & Presbytery



Liturgy of the Word

Psalm: 117

***Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.***

Cecilia Sound Youth Band

Contact: Steve.lake@cengage.com

Calling all young singers & musicians - if you're keen to sing/play Christian songs & want to join the band, we'd love to hear from you. We practice (normally) on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at St Joe's from 7pm. Contact Steve for more info. Next rehearsal: **13 April 2016**



Polish Mass

Nastepna Msza po polsku odbędzie się dnia 16/04/2016 o 18:00 w kościele Holy Ghost

The 2nd Sunday Monthly - **Mass in the Extraordinary Form** will be at 12:15, at St Peter's in Winchester & after, all Clergy, Parish Staff & Parishioners are invited to Afternoon Tea

First Holy Communion 2016

Next Parents Session:

Tues 12 April at 7.30pm

Next Children's Session:

Sat 16 April at 10.00am

First Confessions: Mon 18 April at 5.30pm



Marian Prayer - Regina Caeli

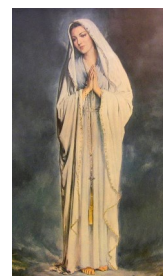
Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia.

For He whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia!

Has risen, as He said, alleluia!

Pray for us to God, alleluia.

(In place of the 'Hail Mary')



Lourdes Young Helpers

Fund - Salsa Evening

Sat 09 April at 7.30pm



Tickets are priced at £ 10 per head, to include a light supper and a fun salsa class. Please bring your own drinks. Tickets can be purchased from Frances Hicks (frances.hicks@canadean.com/01256 479140) or via the Parish Office. Please advise any special dietary requirements in advance, so that these can be catered for.

'Thank You' from the Clergy

Fr Mark, Fr Wojciech, Deacon Pat and Deacon Patrick would like to thank everyone for their cards, best wishes and gifts for Easter. They send their apologies for not being able to reply to all of you individually.

Portsmouth 'E-news'

is printed up on the

'This Week' noticeboard or go online at:

www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Got any news you would like to share?

Please call Nikki Pink in the Parish Office on 323595

Parish Mass Timetable

Second Sunday of Easter - Year C (03 April 2016)

Sat:	6.00pm	2nd Sunday of Easter	Arthur & Stephen Abate RIP (Catherine Abate)
Sun:	9.00 am	2nd Sunday of Easter	Joan Dobing RIP (Beryl Ayre & Family)
	11.00am	2nd Sunday of Easter	For the People of the Parish
Mon	9.15am	<i>The Annunciation</i>	David Freemantle RIP (Mike & Mary Freemantle & Family)
Tue:	9.15am	<i>2nd week of Easter</i>	Malachi Heffernan (Pat Hickey & Family)
Wed:	9.15am	<i>2nd week of Easter</i>	<i>Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion</i>
Thu:	9.15am	<i>2nd week of Easter</i>	Janet Traynor RIP (Pat Hickey & Family)
	~	~	Ann Hogan RIP (The Kelly Family)
Fri:	9.15am	<i>2nd week of Easter</i>	Kevin Corr/Birthday Intentions (Pink & Corr Family)

Third Sunday of Easter - Year C (10 April 2016)

Sat:	6.00pm	3rd Sunday of Easter	Margaret Abate RIP (Catherine Abate)
Sun:	9.00 am	3rd Sunday of Easter	Deceased of the Hickey Family (Pat Hickey & Family)
	11.00am	3rd Sunday of Easter	Intentions of the Knights of St columba

Rest In Peace

Please pray for **Michael McCrohan RIP** who died last week. His funeral details are to be confirmed.
 Please also pray for **Margaret Hardcastle RIP** who died recently. Her funeral is at 3.30pm on Thu 07 April at Basingstoke Crematorium. Please keep their family & friends in your prayers.
 May they Rest In Peace.



Children's Liturgy 9am Mass

Please note Children's Liturgy at our 9am Mass will resume again on a fortnightly basis. The next session is on **Sunday 10th April**. Please sign the Register in the Foyer and leave your child/ren with the catechists prior to going into the Church. Thank you.



Please remember the Church is God's House where people come to pray...
Please respect His House: turn off mobiles, no food and/or drink, no noisy toys. Thanks!



Please pray for the sick & housebound:

Donna Gregg, Julia & Eilish Barry, Caroline, Amit Kandoo, Tom Barfield, Nora Crane, Pamela, Brian J.P., John O'Rourke, Maura, Olive, Graham Whitehead, Nic Roe, Paula McCarthy, Lucia Martini, Joe Clarke, Sally Bradley, Peter Vicary, Julie Brennan, Irene Manzano-Co, Angela Stacey, Kay Mears, Joe Robertson, Antoinette & Rollin Thomas, Patricia Kelly, Ivy Albrecht, Cathy Mayes, Mae Hayes, Joseph Riley, Rebecca King, Helen Dinglu, Joanna Evans, Maria Collela, Elizabeth Bradley, Tim Salmon, Theresa Graham, Gary Smith, Sam Haydn, Charlie Taylor, Jude Easton, Mary Ryan, Yvonne Lia, Darren, Kitty Allman, Teresa Gilmore, Jane Patterson, Rena Stewart, Beatrice Blake, Robbie Walker, Nena Lapena, Atang Ordonio, Judy & Dean, Bobby Dunphy, Ann Callaghan, Barry Allen, John Toner, Josie Rae, Jo Gittos, Mina Lock, Helen, Christopher Browne & his friend, Mike & Maria Ruffell, Penny Stott, Louis, Cherrie Stewart, baby McAuley, Mary O'Driscoll, Philippa Nicholls, Margaret Angus, Joan, Mary Theresa Dunn, Ronnie Nurse, Pete & Maggie Finucane, Christopher Browne, Nina Barlow, Mark Oldham, Phyllis McMorrow, Jo Francis, John Hughes, Gillian Clancy, Sammy Filkins, Bernard Parkinson, Colin Kirenga, Patrick Moonan, Anne Farmer, Mercedes Cook, Theresa Langridge, Colin Dick, Walter Ernest, Joseph Block, baby Charlie Morrissey, Michael Thomas, Siobhan Farnan, Maria Bibo, Eileen Lavorgna, Rose Easton, Debbie Wicks, Marise Parfitt, Jon Vogler, Kelly O'Connor & baby Jasiu Pawelski.

If you or your sick relative could benefit from a visit from the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), please contact the Parish Office or our Clergy on 323595.

Please let us know if you would like us to pray for anyone...



South Ham Churches Elderly Lunch Club

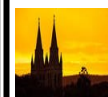
Contact: St Joe's 323595

NEXT: At St Joseph's Church
Fri 08 April 2016 - 12 noon
Tickets £4 & need to pre-book



Confessions:

Every Saturday at
 St. Joseph's 5pm
 or by prior
 appointment with
 Frs Mark/Wojciech



Other local church Sunday Mass times

Sacred Heart, Hook

Sat 6pm,
 Sun 10am.

St Bede's, Basingstoke

Sun 9am, 11am, 6.30pm

St Michael's, Tadley

Sat 6pm,
 Sun: 9.15am

St Oswald's Burghf. Sun 11.15am

Birthdays w/c : 03 April 2016

Children: Bianca Duda, Liam McKenna, Arnav Herbert, Aarov Herbert, Kimberley Kormos-Spring, Hannah Georgina Stoten, Euan Wright, Eleanor Quinn, Dawid Ignatiuk, Erin Cassidy, James Cassidy, Emma Mason, Stefan Bonser, Leanne Hodgkin, Victoria Payne, Cameron Prayag, Chloe Robson

Special Birthdays: Souad Hemchaoui, Sharon Allen, Nicholas Houston

RIP: Maureen Diston 06 April 2015; Georgina Earle 09 April 2009

We would like to mark birthdays for children & young people & "special birthdays" for all our parish family.

We wish to mark important anniversaries. If you notice any errors/omissions, please tell us.

IMPORTANT NOTE: *Our Newsletters are uploaded to our Parish Website weekly - you may not wish everyone to know it is your child's birthday, although the date & year is not shown. If this is the case, please let us know. We will remove your child's name from this database report for future publications.*



"I wish to express my gratitude to you all for the warm welcome you have shown me last week. I truly have experienced the heart of Christ in this parish & I very much look forward to getting to know more of you in the future. I wish you all a very happy & Holy Easter. May the resurrection of our Lord Jesus continue to shine in your homes & your hearts. With prayers" Ian Cornford (Seminararian)



Help for Refugees

Tea Party on Saturday 16 April 2016, From 2.00pm until 4.15pm

At St Joseph's Church, St Michael's Road, South Ham

Easy Parking - All very welcome

We would really appreciate donations of cakes (home-made or purchased) for the tea party please.

Also, we plan to hold a Tombola to raise more funds so should you have any unwanted gifts or items suitable for this, please contact the Parish Office(323595) or Pat Rawden (321119). Many thanks.

Weekly Collection: 26/27 March 2016

Loose/Parish	£ 543.64
Loose/Clergy	£ 1700.43
G/aided Clergy	£ 2109.08
S/O & D/D	£ 700.00

2nd Collection 'Holy Places' £ 765.66

"Thank you all for your generosity."

School Admissions Mass Attendance Card

For those applying for Catholic Primary School places when the forms are available on line from Hampshire County Council in Sept 2016, you will need to have a Record of Mass Attendance Card, which needs our Priest signature each time you attend Mass at the w/end. These cards are now available in the Foyer.



Sacrament of Baptism

Next Course: Tues 14 & 21 June 2016 at 7.30pm
(Blue Registration Forms available in Foyer)

Next Fairtrade Sale here
at St Joseph's

Sat/Sun 02/03 April - at all Masses.



Journey to the Upper Room, Easter to Pentecost

Following the success of our Journey to Bethlehem, there will be a "Journey to the Upper Room" running from Easter Monday until Pentecost. Please sign up if you would like to take part in our Journey from Monday 28 March until Saturday 14 May. One family hosts each evening and may invite family and friends to join them for a simple prayer liturgy and refreshments. There will be an optional sealed collection box for donations for peace to help with the Refugee Crisis, should you wish to contribute. When it is your turn, please attend the prayers of the family the day before you and then take the liturgy home with you to host, with the next family visiting you and so the journey will continue. All the materials you need will be provided: prayer sheets, hymn books, candles etc.

Please sign up on the list in the foyer. Any questions, please contact Frances Hicks on 01256 479 140



Signing at Mass (4th Sunday of each Month)

The 11 am Mass at St Joseph's on **Sun 27 March** will be signed for those who have hearing impairment. If you, or someone you know, have a hearing impairment you are more than welcome. Seating is to the left of the altar.



Catholic papers

On sale in Foyer - place money in the wall box to right of the Paper Rack. Thank you.