

Mail Drop

People living in Barn Close and Farmeadow Way will receive a letter from the parish this week with our prayers.

Diary

Tuesday, 4th - 7.00pm post Easter Alpha meeting. Theme, 'Obedience to the Spirit'.

Thursday, 6th - Bible Study - contact Liam for more details (01243 -379646).

Friday, 7th - Clergy Conference at Winchester.

Friday, 7th - Eucharistic Adoration from 10.00am to 12 noon at St. Joseph's and at 7.30pm to 8.30pm at Ss. Thomas'.

Saturday, 8th - Diocesan Rosary Rally at St. John's Cathedral starting at 12.15pm with Mass.

Wednesday, 12th May - Table top sale in aid of the Association of the Sisters of Christ mission in Cameroon.

Jumble Sale

Many thanks to all who worked so hard at the jumble sale and to those who donated items for sale. £285 was raised for the parish.

APF

The APF 2009 annual total collected from the red boxes for our parish was £2,501. Many thanks for your generosity and the hard work done by the collectors. The total Gift Aid amount for our Diocese was £5,342.

Arts Trail, Emsworth

St. Thomas' Church is one of the recommended sites for the Emsworth Arts Trail on Saturday, 8th and Sunday, 9th May, 10.00am to 5.00pm. We need volunteers to be on duty to welcome people during those times. If you are willing to help, please sign up.

Arts Trail, Havant

Like above, as with Emsworth, St. Joseph's is on the Havant Trail for Saturday and Sunday, 22nd/23rd May at the same times. If you are willing to help, please sign the list.

N.B. Havant Borough Council has produced an excellent leaflet advertising the May Day Arts Trail 2010. This is available free at the back of the church.

Parish Rosary Group

Everyone is invited to celebrate with us on Thursday 13th at 3.00pm, St. Joseph's, to recite the rosary for the intentions of all our bishops, priests and deacons and at 7.30pm, Ss. Thomas' for an informative talk on the 'Mysteries of Light' and pray the stewardship rosary together. All enquiries to Rosemary on(01243) 389191.

The Month of Our Lady

With May being the month of Our Lady, we are invited to say one decade of the rosary after all weekday and Saturday morning Masses during May. You are also welcome to say a decade, starting 15 minutes before the 9.00am Sunday Mass in Emsworth.

Christian Aid

Because the facilities for the Christian Aid shop are not available this year, the organisers have many other different options including a May fair on Saturday, 15th at Havant Meeting Place, U.R.C., Elm Lane, from 10.00am to 2.00pm. Please support Christian Aid.

Go Out and Bear fruit - Lent Talks

Following our Pastoral Area Lent meetings, relooking at the Diocesan Pastoral Plan in the context of our own Pastoral Area, a report has been compiled summarising the discussions. If you would like to have a look at the report it is on our parish website www.rchavant.org.uk or, for those who attended but who do not have access to the internet, we can post you a copy (01243 377411).

The report has been discussed at the new Pastoral Area Pastoral Council who may take up some of the challenges, particularly improving communication and opportunities to come together in prayer and discussion. Note opportunities in Horndean on Tuesday evenings in May and Havant and Emsworth on 13th May.

'Portsmouth People'

There is a special edition of 'Portsmouth People' available today. Please pick up your copy after Mass.

Mass Times at St. Joseph's

Sat, 1st - 6.30pm Vigil Mass
(*People of the Parish*)

Sun, 2nd - 11.00am Mass (*Jack Taylor RIP*)

Mon, 3rd - 9.30am Mass (*Thomas' Intentions*)

Weds, 5th - 9.30am Mass (*Dora Hartnell RIP & Richard & Elizabeth Knapp RIP*)

Sat, 8th - 6.30pm Vigil Mass
(*Pat & Martin Nee's Intentions*)

Sun, 9th - 11.00am Mass
(*Heathman & Dodsworth Families*)

Mass Times at Ss. Thomas'

Sun, 2nd - 9.00am Mass
(*Jim & John Rowlands RIP*)

Sun, 2nd - 6.00pm Mass (*Eamon Rafferty RIP*)

Tues, 4th - 10.00am Mass (*Peter Cook RIP*)

Fri, 5th - 7.00pm Mass (*Kitty & Ken Martin RIP*)

Sat, 8th - 10.30am Mass (*Moray Family RIP*)

Sun, 9th - 9.00am Mass
(*Deceased Relations of Marjorie Rowlands*)

Sun, 9th - 6.00pm Mass (*Mary Tibbetts RIP*)