



# ST. JOSEPH'S & SS. THOMAS CATHOLIC PARISH OF HAVANT & EMSWORTH NEWSLETTER

Saturday, 9th - Sunday 17th, 2009. 5th Sunday of Easter

## Ministry Sunday

We have nearly come to the end of Ministry Sundays which have taken place over the last 18 months. We think we have covered all our parish ministries unless you know otherwise.

This weekend we focus on parish visiting. Dorothy Wyborn will open up the ministry for us and hopefully we will respond if you feel that you are called to visit other parishioners in their homes, in hospital or in nursing homes. The special ministers of the Eucharist do this already as do other people in the parish. If you would like to sign up to volunteer, there are forms available after Mass.

## Mass at Emsworth, Tuesday

Please note that because of the Requiem Mass for Frank Adams RIP on 12th May, the Tuesday Mass will be at 1.00pm. All welcome.

## Confirmation 2009

This is the last week for Confirmation candidates to come forward. In order to be able to offer Confirmation on an annual basis rather than every three years, we are working closely with the Havant Pastoral area offering help and support to each other as well as organising outings and retreats, etc. As a result of Confirmations being offered yearly, we are now calling candidates from Year 9 and above only. For information, ring Maureen on (01243) 377411.

## YEBO Diocesan Youth Day

Sunday, 17th May, Diocesan Youth Day at Oaklands School from 10.30am to 5.00pm. There will be workshops including art, music, drama, climate change, relationships and prayer stations. The day will culminate with an open air Mass which will be followed by a barbecue. All young people aged between 11-18 are most welcome.

## Association of the Sisters of Christ Coffee Morning for TIKO

A table top sale after this Wednesday's morning Mass. Please come and support us.

## Annual Mass for Blessed Margaret Pole

The annual Mass will take place at the church in Warblington on Saturday, 30th May at 6.30pm. The preacher this year will be Revd. Simon Sayers, Rector of St. James', Emsworth with Warblington. All are welcome.

## Mystery Tour

Back by request, Mystery Tour! Meet at Havant Bus Station at 9.30am sharp on Thursday, 28th May.

## Christian Aid Cake Stall

Vi Freeston is running a cake stall at the Christian Aid stall in St. Faith's Hall this week. If you would like to bake or donate a cake these can be passed on to Vi directly or left at the presbytery with the promise that every single cake will be passed on!

## School Volunteers

CAFOD Portsmouth is currently seeking volunteers to visit Catholic schools to deliver lively presentations about CAFOD's work. Expenses are covered and training is provided as well as materials and ongoing support. If you have the ability to communicate with young people, please contact CAFOD on (01252) 329385 or email [portsmouth@cafod.org.uk](mailto:portsmouth@cafod.org.uk)

## Man's Day, 11th July

Holy Rood Church Centre, Stubbington, 9.00am to 4.00pm, £15 per person.

## Mail Drop

People living in Penhurst Road and Springfield Close will receive a letter this week saying that we will be praying for them.

## Christian Aid Shop

The Christian Aid shop will be open in St. Faith's Hall, The Pallant, until Saturday, 16th May, 9.00am to 4.00pm each day. Last year's total was £9,600.

## Collections Last Weekend

Your offertory collection last weekend amounted to £1,173 including standing orders and income from Gift Aid. Your offerings for the training of priests came to £305. Many thanks for your generosity.

## Diary Dates

**Sunday, 10th** - 2.00pm Baptism.

**Monday-Saturday** - Christian Aid shop.

**Monday, 11th** - 7.30pm Parish Finance Committee.

**Tuesday, 12th** - 1.00pm Requiem Mass for Frank Adams RIP at Emsworth.

- 4.00pm Funeral Service for Lawrence Coore RIP at Chichester Crematorium.

- parish bible study group.

**Wednesday, 13th** - 10.30am Admissions and Pastoral Committee meeting at St. Thomas More's School.

- 2.30pm CCS meeting at St. Bede's, Basingstoke.

**Friday, 15th** - Diocesan Pastoral Council at Park Place.

**Saturday, 16th** - Diocesan Pastoral Council at Park Place.

- 10.00am to 5.00pm Arts Trail.

- 12.30pm Lunch for inactive priests.

**Sunday, 17th** - 10.00am to 5.00pm Arts Trail.

## Arts Trail, Havant

The Emsworth Arts Trail was very successfully. We may easily have had 50 visitors over the 2 days at Ss. Thomas' Church. Many thanks to those who manned the church last weekend. It was well worth it.

It is the turn of Havant next weekend, 16th/17th. For the first time, St. Joseph's is part of the Trail. It is beneficial if there are people in the church to welcome visitors. If you would like to help, there is a form to sign in the church porch.

## Oaklands Catholic School, Staff Vacancies

Oaklands currently has vacancies for the following members of staff for September 2009: full-time teachers of Science, Mathematics, English and R.E. as well as Head of P.E. with responsibility for boys' P.E.

For further details, please see the TES website [www.tes.co.uk](http://www.tes.co.uk) or contact Mrs. Kay Hopkins on (023) 9224 8043.

## St. Nicholas', Bedhampton

This church in Grove Road is celebrating 50 years this year. The community is holding a faith sharing week from 30th May to 7th June.

## Car Boot Sale

Many thanks to all those who helped with the car boot sale last Monday. We had a very good day with £896 for the parish.

## APF

The annual total donations for 2008 for St. Joseph and St. Thomas' was £2,559. Thank you for your continued generosity without which many people would not get the help they need.

If anyone would like a Red Box (or Gift Aid their donations) to support the Missions worldwide, please contact Cathy Graham on (023) 9247 1191. (The Gift Aid total for 2008 for the Portsmouth Diocese was £5,345).

The Pope's  
Prayer Intentions



That the laity and Christian communities embrace their role in promoting religious vocations.

## Mass Times at St. Joseph's

**Sat, 9th** - 6.30pm Vigil Mass (*John Deary RIP*)

**Sun, 10th** - 11.00am Mass (*Ann Murphy's Intentions*)

**Mon, 11th** - 9.30am Mass (*Jack Blake RIP*)

**Weds, 13th** - 9.30am Mass (*Rev. John Horrigan RIP, Heatherman & Dods-worth Families & Dora Mangan RIP*)

**Sat, 16th** - 6.30pm Vigil Mass (*Kathleen Maguire RIP*)

**Sun, 17th** - 11.00am Mass (*Marguerite MacHale RIP*)

## Mass Times at Ss. Thomas

**Sun, 10th** - 9.00am Mass (*Jack Luddy RIP*)

**Sun, 10th** - 6.00pm Mass (*Kitty Martin RIP*)

**Tues, 12th** - 1.00pm Requiem Mass for Frank Adams RIP

**Sat, 16th** - 10.30am Eucharistic Service

**Sun, 17th** - 9.00am Mass (*Jim & John Rowlands RIP*)

**Sun, 17th** - 6.00pm Mass (*Jack Burke RIP*)

Parish Website: [www.rchavant.org.uk](http://www.rchavant.org.uk) or [www.rc-havant.org.uk](http://www.rc-havant.org.uk)

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