



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

Saturday, 16th - Sunday 24th, 2009. 6th Sunday of Easter

Pentecost Sunday, 31st May

If you come from another country other than the U.K. and you speak your native language, you are most welcome to do one of the readings in your language on Pentecost Sunday. For your reference, the readings are:

Acts 2: 1-11, Psalm 104 and Galatians 5 16: 25

If you would like to offer your linguistic help, please see Fr. Tom.

Speaking up for CAFOD - 6th June

CAFOD Portsmouth will be holding a special training day for anyone interested in speaking about CAFOD in their local community. The day will be held from 10.30am to 4.30pm at the Parish Hall of St. Joseph's, Queens Road, Aldershot. Numbers are limited so please ring CAFOD Portsmouth on (01252) 329385 to book a place. Alternatively, email portsmouth@cafod.org.uk

Summer Fair

Our summer fair will be on Saturday, 27th June from 12 noon to 3.00pm. Help is needed on Friday, 26th from 10.00am to 2.00pm to set up the stalls and general preparation. Help is also needed on the day from 10.00am. Donations of unwanted gifts and new items are needed for the Grand Draw. We also need items for the bottle stall, tombola, groceries, books, toiletries, jewellery, cakes and cake ingredients, as well as glassware and nearly new clothes. Offers should be made to Deirdre on (023) 9247 6230.

Thank You - Talent Night

Letters of thanks have been received from Rowans Hospice and Christian Youth Enterprise's Sailing Centre for monies received from the parish as a result of the Talent Night in March. Both expressed hearty congratulations on our efforts.

Mary Short RIP

Mary died suddenly on Tuesday. We offer our sympathy to Lucy Chippindall-Higgin and her family. May she rest in peace. Funeral arrangements will be announced later.

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 welcome.

Harry Mann RIP

We offer our sympathy to Kate Hayes on the death of her father a few weeks ago. May he rest in peace.

Car Boot Sale, Monday 25th

Our next car boot sale will be at St. Joseph's Church from 9.00am to 2.00pm. Car 'booters' can be there to set up from 7.00am onwards. Cars £6, vans £8.

Help is needed in the kitchen and to run the church table. Any help would be appreciated. All offers to Deirdre on (023) 9247 6230. This is usually a great opportunity to buy plants at reasonable prices!

Christian Aid Shop, St. Faith's, Havant

Daily reports from the shop are that takings are keeping pace with the income for 2008. Full results will be available next week. It was very good to see a strong Catholic presence at the shop this year.

Contact Father Tom Grufferty

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Mail Drop

People living in Park Side and Wigan Crescent will receive a letter this week stating that we will be praying for them this week. 100 letters are delivered each week.

Havant Arts Trail

This Sunday in St. Joseph's Church from 10.00am to 5.00pm. Make sure you read the booklet that goes with the Arts Trail which is available at the back of the church.

YEDO

IT is still not too late for any person aged 11-18 to attend the Diocesan Youth Day at Oaklands School this Sunday, 17th from 10.30am to 5.00pm.

TIKO

Many thanks to all those who supported and contributed to the table sale last Wednesday. There was a great turnout and £400 was collected for the Sisters of Christ's mission in the West of Africa. It was also lovely to see Sister Joyce in attendance.

Mystery Tour

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

Thought for the Day

Such is God's love for us that he sent his Son. Such is the Son's love for us that he revealed to us everything that the Father had taught him. And such is our response to God that we serve him not out of slavish fear, but out of gratitude for his goodness.

("shall not call you servants anymore because a servant does not know his master's business. John 15: 15.")

A Proverb

Without a shepherd the sheep are not a flock.

Forthcoming Feast Days

24th May - Feast of the Ascension.

30th May - Feast of Blessed Margaret Pole.

31st May - Pentecost.

7th June - Feast of the Holy Trinity. (Also 1st Holy Communion day)

14th June - Corpus Christi.

21st June - 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

22nd June - St. Thomas More and John Fisher.

28th June - Ss. Peter and Paul.

5th July - 14th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Thereafter there is a straight run to the last Sunday of the liturgical year, except for the Feast of the Assumption which is a Sunday this year as is All Saints.

N.B. This is probably the first year in recent history where all days of obligation have been on a Sunday.

In Memory of David Orde

A Memorial Mass to celebrate the life of David Orde will be held at St. Thomas More's School on 19th June at 7.30 pm. This will be an opportunity for the whole school community who knew and worked with David while he was the Headteacher of St. Thomas More's School, to commemorate and give thanks for his life. David brought many gifts to the school, its pupils, parents, staff and governors.

This celebration is for those in the community who were unable to attend his funeral Mass and for those who attended and are now ready to give thanks for his life. It is right and fitting that this should be held at the school. Please let any past pupils, staff, governors and parents that you may be in touch with know that they are all welcome.

Reconciliation

Saturday - Ss. Thomas, 11.00a.m., St. Joseph's, 7.30p.m

Mass Times at St. Joseph's

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

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

Mon, 18th - 9.30am Mass (*Mabel Quimaud RIP*)

Weds, 20th - 9.30am Mass (*Johanna Fitzgerald RIP*)

Sat, 23rd - 6.30pm Vigil Mass (*Canon J.J. Daly RIP*)

Sun, 24th - 11.00am Mass (*Mary Carlin RIP*)

Mass Times at Ss. Thomas

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

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

Tues, 19th - 10.00am Mass (*Jack Griffin RIP*)

Sat, 23rd - 10.30am Mass (*Bill, Vera & Tom Tyrell RIP*)

Sun, 24th - 9.00am Mass (*Ambre Beautista RIP*)

Sun, 24th - 6.00pm Mass (*People of the Parish*)

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