



OUR LADY OF LOURDES CHURCH In NEW MILTON

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth

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Website: www.nfwfwp.org.uk Church opening hours 7am to 7pm.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

23th July 2017

Sunday	23	July	16 th Sunday in ordinary time	6pm Vigil – 10.00 Holy Mass- <i>Missa Pro Populo</i>	Coffee and tea in Hall after Mass
Monday	24	July	St Sharbel Makhluof, optional memorial		
Tuesday	25	July	St James, Apostle, feast	18.00 Exposition 18.30 Rosary 19.00 Holy Mass- <i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i>	
Wednesday	26	July	Ss Joachim & Anne, parents of Our Lady, memorial	9.00 Exposition 9.30 Rosary 9.50 Benediction 10.00 Holy Mass- <i>spiritual & temporal welfare of Theresa May</i>	Confessions after Mass
Thursday	27	July	in ordinary time	9.00 Exposition 9.30 Rosary 9.50 Benediction 10.00 Holy Mass - <i>Alphonse Joseph 2nd birthday</i>	Rosary intentions for Peace in the world Choir Practice after Mass
Friday	28	July	in ordinary time	9.00 Exposition 9.30 Rosary 9.50 Benediction 10.00 Holy Mass- <i>Minnie & Charles Garbett RIP</i>	
Saturday	29	July	St Martha, memorial	9.30 Divine Mercy Chaplet and veneration of the relic of Sister Faustina 10.00 Holy Mass- <i>Anthony James Boddington</i> 6pm Vigil Mass – <i>Hilary Sendall's intentions</i>	Confessions after Mass Confessions before Vigil Mass
Sunday	30	July	17 th Sunday in ordinary time	10.00 Holy Mass- <i>Michael Pearce RIP</i>	Coffee and tea in hall after Mass

Prayer to St Michael, said at the end of Masses. St Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

For enquiries about **Baptisms** please contact the office for a form. Infant Baptisms are on 1st Sunday of the month. Certification Copies of Baptisms £5 admin charge. For **funerals** please discuss dates first with the funeral directors & meet the parish priest with a date. Enquiries about **weddings** please email the office with your details.

Collections 1 st /2 nd July	
Loose	£363.81
Gift aid	£204.00
Thank you for your continuing support of this parish.	

	Sat 22 July	Sun 23 July	Sat 29 July	Sun 30 July
Reader	B Dempster	S Ramsay	M Hobbs	C Barrett
	M Newland	J Thomas	C d'Espagnac	P Caffyn
EMHC	C d'Espagnac	J Thomas	B Dempster	J Nichols
	M Harwood	M Tanner	K Dempster	G Mambo
	J Thomas	J Kurian	T Gearey	A Joseph

Saint of the week

On July 24, we celebrate the life of **St. Charbel Makhlof**, a Lebanese Maronite Catholic priest, monk, and hermit who is known for working miracles both during his life and after his death.

Born, Yussef, into humble circumstances in Lebanon during 1828, he engaged in prayer and solitude from an early age, contemplating God amid the inspiring views of Lebanon's valleys and mountains.

He left home in 1851 to follow the example of his maternal uncles, living as solitary monks at the Hermitage of Saint Paul in the Qadisha Valley. He took his monastic vows in November of 1853, studied for the priesthood and was ordained, returning to the Monastery of St. Maron. He lived and served in the monastery for 19 years.

Now known as Brother Charbel, Yussef's superiors observed God's "supernatural power" at work in his life, and he became known as a wonder-worker even among some Muslims. In 1875, he was granted permission to live as a solitary monk in a nearby hermitage dedicated to Saints Peter and Paul.

Rigorous asceticism, and a profound union with God, continued to characterize the monk's life for the next 23 years. Deeply devoted to God's Eucharistic presence, he suffered a stroke while celebrating the Divine Liturgy of the Maronite Catholic Church on December 16, 1898. He died on Christmas Eve of that year.

St. Charbel's tomb has been a site for pilgrimages since his death. Hundreds of miracles are believed to have occurred through his intercession with God, both in Lebanon and around the world. He was beatified in 1965. The Eastern Catholic hermit was described by Pope Paul VI as "a new, eminent member of monastic sanctity," who "through his example and his intercession is enriching the entire Christian people" and he was canonised in 1977 by Pope Paul VI.

His intercession is most especially implored for a resolution to the Middle east persecutions.

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy which is on Saturdays at 9.30 am will be sung each week, while Fr Raphael is here. He has a guitar and a beautiful voice so you may want to come along.

In the last days of July 1317, a Host started to bleed after being touched by unconsecrated hands, in a little farm in Viversel (Lummen). It was the starting point for several miracles in Viversel and the former abbey of Herkenrode. This 'Sacrament

of Miracle' is – since 1804 after the French Revolution - venerated in the Cathedral St Quentin of Hasselt. Every year on July 25th, the Sacrament of Miracle is exposed for a solemn adoration. On July 23rd 2017 is the 700th anniversary of this Eucharistic miracle and Bishop Philip Egan has been invited to speak at their afternoon symposium.

Holidaymakers and visitors **WELCOME**, to our lovely town where our church is open daily and the grotto is available for peaceful reflection. If you wish to know more about the church please contact the office. NB. On Our Lady's altar there is a book for your special intentions. Enjoy your visit. Weekday mass times are in the newsletter.

PLEASE CAN YOU HELP

Basics bank volunteer required. To help with delivering items to the Lymington church in the week on a rota approx. once a month. Please contact Brenda for details – 01425 614549. Car needed.

Church Cleaning- we are a little thin on the rota at present. Even if you can only offer your help as a one off would be helpful. Thank you for all you so already.

Gardening- Any help would be appreciated in taming parts of the garden. If you would like to sponsor a section or help one of the few that garden in keeping an area neat please let the office know. Thank you.

New rotas are available for readers & extraordinary ministers – both on same sheet.

Please take one & remember to put any changes on the master list.

PLEASE NOTE Next weekend and the following weekend there will be an opportunity for you to sign a card and give a donation for Deacon Stephen's leaving present. He announced last week that he is moving on and we will be sad to see him go.

The newsletter is now being put together by Ann Gorman who is kindly helping at the office on a Wednesday pm so please send any emails by Wednesday 12.00 for inclusion. to the website so it can be viewed there isf you have missed one.

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Please leave any messages on answerphone or email, thank you.

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Hall booking via parish office

