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| Pentecost Sunday                                     | Most Holy Trinity                                    |
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| Year B Psalter week 4                                | Year B Psalter week 1                                |
| Sat 22 <sup>nd</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm  | Sat 29 <sup>th</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm  |
| Pentecost  | Most Holy Trinity                                    |
| Harvey Armstrong RIP                                 |  |
| Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> May. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am     | Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> May. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am     |
| Pentecost  | Most Holy Trinity                                    |
| Marie Eastham RIP                                    |  |
| Sun 23 <sup>rd</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 10.30am | Sun 30 <sup>th</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 10.30am |
| Pentecost  | Most Holy Trinity                                    |
| Fr Alphonsus Yashim Bello, RIP                       |  |
| Mon 24 <sup>th</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am  | Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am  |
| The Blessed Virgin Mary,                             | The Visitation of the                                |
| Mother of the Church                                 | Blessed Virgin Mary                                  |
| Tue 25 <sup>th</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am  | Tue 1 <sup>st</sup> Jun. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am   |
| St Bede the Venerable                                | St Justin  |
| Wed 26 <sup>th</sup> May. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am  | Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jun. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am   |
| St Philip Neri                                       | Ss Marcellinus & Peter                               |
| Fr Joseph Keke for his safety                        |  |
| Thur 27 <sup>th</sup> May. Mass Our Lady's 10.00am   | Thur 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jun. Mass Our Lady's10.00am     |
| Our Lord Jesus Christ,                               | St Charles Lwanga & Companions                       |
| The Eternal High Priest                              |  |
| Fri. 28 <sup>th</sup> May. No Mass                   | Fri. 4 <sup>th</sup> Jun. No Mass                    |
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Please pray for the following members of our community who are ill or housebound: Bella Calder, Claire Sorrell, Tony Wright, John Tobin, Christopher Brown, Peggy Crooke, Greg Borkowski, Jay Dosanjh, Clara Nolan, Eve Barry, Mary Templeman, Chris Phelan, Miss Fahim, Alaric Rosman, Mary Taylor and Lesley Bywater. For all those in nursing homes or hospital and other Parish Family members who are ill or need our prayer.

### **Pope's Intentions May 2021**

#### **The World of Finance**

Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

<u>Pope's Tweets.</u> Tomorrow evening the Vigil of Pentecost will be celebrated in Saint Stephen's Church in Jerusalem to implore the gift of peace. Let us <u>#PrayTogether</u>, pleading to the Holy Spirit so that Israelis and Palestinians may be open to living together as brothers and sisters. Living our vocation to be protectors of God's handiwork is essential to a life of virtue; it is not an optional or a secondary aspect of our Christian experience. #LaudatoSiWeek

## **Confirmations 2021**

This week, we have the great feast of Pentecost and I have prepared a Message to all the candidates who on that day are going to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. It will be read at the Liturgy. Please pray for all our candidates. Confirmation is always a wonderful moment in the life of a young person and also a wonderful moment in the life of the Diocese. Last year, we had to postpone the usual arrangements for Confirmation and this year, things are still a bit different. Instead of inviting candidates here to the Cathedral, I have delegated all our parish priests across the Diocese to confer the Sacrament - in a Mass or non-Eucharistic liturgy - at 3pm on Pentecost Sunday. This will be simultaneously with me as the Bishop here in the Cathedral conferring the Sacrament on candidates from the Cathedral parish and Portsmouth Pastoral Area. I hope and pray we can return to a more normal situation next year, but for now, please say a special prayer for all those preparing and the catechists, family, sponsors and clergy supporting them.

#### Year of the Eucharist begins soon

In our Diocese of Portsmouth, we will begin a Year of the Eucharist starting on the Feast of Corpus Christi, 6th June 2021. As you know, in these years 2020 to 2022, I am inviting everyone in the Diocese to undertake by God's grace a period of intense, spiritual renewal. The purpose ultimately is to help us realise our diocesan ambition of Bringing People Closer to Jesus Christ through His Church. We are always totally dependent on God and His grace and on the gifts of the Holy Spirit He pours out upon us through the Holy Eucharist. In other words, we wish to be renewed in faith so that we will be better equipped for service and mission. The Year of the Eucharist, which will follow on from the Year of the Word, will be a unique opportunity for the Diocese as a whole, for parishes and schools, clergy and faithful, families and individuals to rekindle our love for Jesus Christ really and truly present and active in the Holy Eucharist. The Eucharist and the Blessed Sacrament we adore outside of Mass: It is the Lord! (cf. John 21:7) By a happy coincidence, the Holy Father has made the year 2021 a Year of St. Joseph and so as we begin a Year of the Eucharist, I recommend prayerful reflection on the passages in the Gospels that speak of St. Joseph and which can draw us closer to the Child he loved and cared for. Over the next weeks in e-News, I will share with you some ideas about how we can keep the Year holy, including details of our three Shrine churches where you can obtain a special Plenary Indulgence. There is also a booklet which help you to the proceedings.

## News about the Pilgrimage

The pandemic has brought in a number of uncertainties about our 2021 diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Here, Fr. PJ Smith, our Pilgrimage Director, has some news.

It is with sadness I must announce that today we have had to cancel this year's diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes. The decision has been difficult to reach, but it has been taken in light of the announcement by the government last Friday regarding the status of France in the forthcoming travel corridors. The pilgrimage team will be contacting all our pilgrims over the next few days about this cancellation. However, we are also in the process now of exploring the feasibility of holding an alternative pilgrimage in the UK and I hope to share details about this with you in the next e-News. In the meantime, I call upon all pilgrims' past and present to join in the Rosary Marathon that Pope Francis has declared for the month of May, and especially join the broadcast that will be made on the 18th May from the grotto at Lourdes.

# **Death in the parish family**

We are sad to announce the passing on of the **Late Elizabeth Jane Mary Swanton** which sad event took place on 6<sup>th</sup> May 2021, age 91 years. Her funeral service will take place here in our parish Church, St. Theresa's Totton on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 12.00 Noon. Our condolences go to her family. Please let us pray for her happy repose, and for the consolation of her family members. May the soul of Elizabeth Swanton and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.