



# Waterside Catholic Parish Newsletter

## St Bernard's & St Michael's

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### Parish Diary week commencing Sunday 15th October 2023, Week 28 in Ordinary Time.

	Sunday 15th	Monday 16th	Tuesday 17th	Wednesday 18th	Thursday 19th	Friday 20th	Saturday 21st
			St Ignatius of Antioch	St Luke Evangelist			St John Paul II
<b>St Bernard's</b>	<b>9am</b>	<b>7.30pm</b> <b>Parish Groups meeting</b>		<b>9am</b> <b>Followed by Rosary, Adoration until 12.30pm and Grand-parents Group</b>  <b>2pm</b> <b>Funeral of Marie Ball</b>			
<b>St Michael's</b>	<b>11am</b> Peter Carney RIP	<b>9am</b>	<b>9am</b>		<b>9am</b>		<b>9am</b> <b>Followed by confession</b>

Tea, coffee and soft drinks after Mass at St Bernard's on Sunday are available through the kind efforts of our generous and fabulous volunteers!

The Funeral of Marie Ball will be held at St Bernard's at 2pm Wednesday 18th October.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Last weeks Collections

St Bernard's £92.00

St Michael's £60.51

Envelopes £127.40

Direct transfer to bank figures for September £1,252.00

Second Collection for CAFOD

St Bernard's £52.00

St Michael's £168.00

Envelopes £240.00

Cheques £110.00

Please do linger after Mass on Monday or Wednesday for a hot drink.

It's always so lovely to catch up with each other or chat to Father over a nice cup of tea.

In our increasingly cashless society we recognise that online giving is becoming more popular. We offer a monthly standing order option (forms are available at the back of both churches). If, however, you prefer the flexibility of donating weekly (and without charges) please do feel welcome to donate directly into the Parish account.

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Account name: CDP Waterside St Michael & St Bernard.

If you receive the Newsletter by email you will have received three newsletters this week; our Parish newsletter, a children's bulletin and a newsletter from the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph.

The children's bulletin tells the weeks Gospel reading in easy to understand language, and has activities that children can puzzle out too. It can be found on the children's area/table.

As always our parish newsletter and the Children's bulletin are available in print from the back of both churches.

**Father Innaiah is looking forward to meeting the members of the PPC, Liturgy group, Finance group, Sacristans and Social group on Monday 16th October at 7.30pm in St Bernard's Hall.**

### **A change to Adoration on Wednesday 18th October.**

It is necessary to ask that adoration is ended earlier than usual this Wednesday in preparation for the funeral of Marie Ball at 2pm.

Adoration will conclude at 12.30pm so the church can be prepared to welcome Marie, her family and friends.

**You are at the heart of the parish and if for any reason you would like to see Father Innaiah he is happy for you to visit the Presbytery or arrange a visit.**

**Home visits are not restricted to the frail, poorly or housebound.**

**Deacon Ian can always be contacted via the office or in person before or after Mass.**

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**FREE** to a good home! Can you help Brenda Ellison rehome these two items? If you are interested or know someone who is please do get in touch with Brenda direct.



## **Sunday 22nd October**

**World Mission Sunday** is a wonderful way of expressing solidarity with Catholic communities in every country as we join together to live out the mission of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus to all through prayer and giving.

There is a second collection on Sunday 22nd October for World Mission, please use the envelopes at the back of the church.

### **Wednesdays from 4th October —1st November**

Forthcoming webinars specifically designed for parish readers (but all parishioners are welcome) are being hosted online every Wednesday by the Liturgy Formation Team. Details of the sessions are at the back of both churches.

Please email the parish office ([office@watersideparish.org.uk](mailto:office@watersideparish.org.uk)) or see the Bishops e-newsletter for links to register [Portsmouth Diocese e-News Issue 422 \(campaign-archive.com\)](https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/campaign-archive.com)

### **From X (formerly Twitter)**

**Catholic News Service Rome#PopeFrancis:** "Often a wounded person wounds in turn: the oppressed easily becomes an oppressor." But St. Bakhita showed that the force of God's love frees both oppressor and oppressed.

**@Pontifax**

Let us start from the poor and we will discover that we all share an interior poverty, that all of us need the Spirit of God to free us from the spirit of the world, and that humility is the grandeur and fraternity is the true wealth of every Christian. [#World-HomelessDay](#)

I am following apprehensively and sorrowfully what is happening in Israel. May the attacks and weaponry cease! And let it be understood that terrorism and war do not lead to any resolutions. War is a defeat! Let us [#PrayTogether](#) that there be peace in Israel and in Palestine.

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Thank you to all those at both churches who have over the past few weeks been our Mass counters. Sunday 15th is the last day for this annual task.

**We keep in our prayers the sick and housebound members of the parish:**

John Allen, Pauline Moore, Kathleen Ketley, Mike Slipper and Paola McCarthy

To comply with GDPR legislation, the express permission of the sick parishioner is needed before inclusion in this part of the Parish newsletter Registration forms are available at both churches.

## IN MEMORIAM

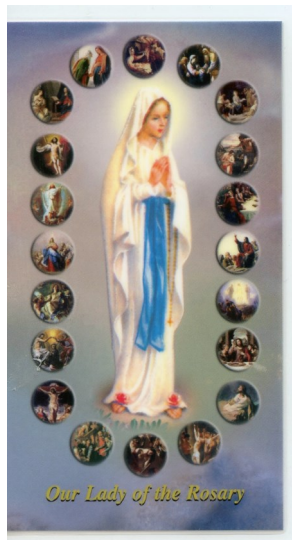
We pray for the dear departed of the parish and for those whose anniversaries occur this week

- 15th Cecilia Margaret Davis (2020)  
16th Christopher Mullaly (1963), John Heron (2013)  
17th Henry Hall (1975), Maria Casey (1977)  
18th Madge O'Connell (1986), James Minihan (1988), Eric Evans (2001)  
19th Vincent Roth (1967), Brian Lloyd (1996)  
20th Elizabeth McDonald (1976), Robert Deering (1992)  
21st Frank Kenneth Boyle (2016), Brenda Lucy Atkinson (2020)  
22nd Laurence Kelly (1999)

Pious tradition holds that Jesus promised St. Gertrude that a thousand souls would be released from purgatory each time the following prayer is said devoutly:  
"Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen."

The month of October each year is dedicated to the fact that the liturgical feast of Our Lady 7. It was instituted to honour the Blessed Virgins the Church in answer to the praying of duces by Pope St. Pius V in 1571 to commemorate in the Battle of Lepanto on October 7, the Rosary than the power of cannons and the

Legend tells us that the Rosary as a form of Mary, the Mother of Our Lord, as an aid in the did much to further the spread of the Rosary tions in Christendom. In 1569, the same Pope form with the Papal Bull, *Consueverunt Roma-* dition of the second half of the "Hail Mary" sion of each mystery.



to the Most Holy Rosary. This is primarily due of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October gin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she the Rosary by the faithful. The feast was intro- rate the miraculous victory of the Christian 1571. The pope attributed more to the "arms" of valour of the soldiers who fought there.

prayer was given to St. Dominic (1170-1221) by conflicts with the Albigensians. Pope St. Pius V, and it became one of the most popular devo- officially approved the Rosary in its present *ni Pontifices*. It had been completed by the ad- and the "Glory be to the Father" at the conclu-

Medieval monasteries used it originally as a substitute for the Divine Office for the lay monks and devout lay persons who did not know how to read. Instead of the 150 psalms, they would pray 150 "Our Fathers" counting them on a ring of beads known as the crown or "corona." With the growth of popularity of Marian devotion in the twelfth century, the "Psalter of the Blessed Virgin Mary" developed, substituting 150 "Hail Marys" for the "Our Fathers."

The 150 "Hail Marys" were subsequently subdivided into fifteen decades the Dominican friar, Henry Kalkar (1328-1408), with each decade referring to an event in the life of Jesus and Mary. The Dominican, Alanus de Rupe (1428-1478) further divided the episodes in the history of salvation into the joyful, sorrowful and glorious mysteries. He also attributed the origin of the Rosary, then known as the "Psalter of the Blessed Virgin" to St. Dominic and thus spurred the Dominican Or- der to make the Apostolate of the Rosary their special concern. The Dominicans have, since then, promulgated the Rosary with notable results.

The practice of dedicating the entire month of October to the Holy Rosary developed toward the end of the last century. Pope Leo XIII strongly promoted devotion to the Blessed Mother by encouraging the constant use of the Rosary. Beginning on September 1, 1883, with *Supremo Apostolatus Officio*, he wrote a total of eleven encyclicals on the Rosary, ending with *Diuturni Temporis* in 1898.

The Rosary is primarily a scriptural prayer. This can be summarised by the traditional phrase used by Pope Pius XII that the Rosary is " a compendium of the entire Gospel" (AAS 38 [1946] p. 419). The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centred on the great events of the Incarnation and Redemption.

John Paul II called the Rosary his favourite prayer, in which we meditate with Mary upon the mysteries which she as a mother meditated on in her heart (Lk. 2:19) (*Osservatore Romano*, 44; 30 Oct. 1979).

In this month of October, let us consider this beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we too can use in order to draw closer to Jesus and Mary by meditating on the great mysteries of our salvation.

## **MASS READINGS FOR THE 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

First Reading: **Isaiah 25:6-10**

*On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death forever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his peoples shame every where on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We Exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rest on this mountain.*

Responsorial Psalm: **Psalm 22 (24)** *In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.*

Second Reading: **Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20**

*I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen.*

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia!** *The word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!*

**Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14**

*Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.'*

**Communion Antiphon:** *When the Lord is revealed we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.*