

WATERSIDE PARISH OF ST BERNARD'S & ST MICHAEL'S

St Bernard's church 20A Southbourne Avenue, Holbury SO45 2NT

St Michael's church 6 Langdown Lawn, Hythe, SO45 5GR

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Date	Weekday	Where	Time	Proper	Intentions-Prayers
04.02.24	Sunday	St Bernard`s	9am	Sunday Mass	People of the Parish
		St Michael`s	11am	Sunday Mass	Mass for Sick & Suffering
05.02.24	Monday	St Bernard`s	9am	Word & Communion	St.Agatha ,Holy souls
06.02.24	Tuesday	St Michael`s	9am	Word & Communion	St.Paul Miki & Companions-People of the Parish
07.02.24	Wednesday	St Bernard`s	9am	Word & Communion	Holy Souls-Adoration till 10am
08.02.24	Thursday	St Michael`s	9am	Word & Communion	St Josephine Bakhita, People of the Parish
09.02.24	Saturday	St Michael`s	9am	Word & Communion	St Scholastica, Holy Souls
11.02.24	Sunday	St Bernard`s	9am	Sunday Mass	Mary Brophy R.I.P
		St Michael`s	11am	Sunday Mass	Cecilia Josephine Phillips R.I.P
12.02.24	Monday	St Bernard`s	9am	Word & Communion	Holy Souls
13.02.24	Tuesday	St Michael`s	9am	Word & Communion	People of the Parish
14.02.24	Wednesday	St Michael`s	9am	Word & Communion	Ash Wednesday–Distribution of Ashes

Parish Liturgy Group Meeting Tuesday 30th Jan: We had a Liturgy Meeting on Tuesday 30th January at 7pm to 8pm at Bernard's church Hall. There was a discussion around how Advent & Christmas went on and all the helpers and people involved. Many thanks to each one of you for your support and encouragement .There will be minutes of the meeting around Ash Wednesday, Lenten Retreat, Penitential Service with confessions ,Holy Week etc. Please watch the space for more information as the days go by.

Thought for the Week

"Simeon and Anna cherished the hope proclaimed by the prophets, even though it is slow to be fulfilled and grows silently amid the infidelities and ruins of our world. They did not complain about how wrong things are, but patiently looked for the light shining in the darkness of history." (Pope Francis)





On Saturday 17th February, Quarr Abbey on the Isle of Wight invite you to an historical exhibition that they are putting on at 2 pm. The exhibition is part of a reflection on the past in preparation for the 900th anniversary of the foundation of the Old

Quarr Abbey in 2032. If you wish to take part, please email

Tracy Osborn tracy.osborn@quarr.org

Newsletter items : Please send all News Letter items by Thursday 6pm every week. office@watersideparish.org.uk.



LENTEN RETREAT St Vincent de Paul parish in South-ampton invite you to register for their Lenten Retreat on Saturday 16th March...All are invited to participate in our Lenten retreat on Saturday 16th March, 10-4pm. The day will include talks, Mass, the Rosary and Adoration. Hot drinks and biscuits will be served during breaks. Partici-pants should bring a packed lunch. A Tesco Express is opposite the church if you would like to use it. Free parking is available. Donations of £10 per person should be made before the event to secure your place. To book your place and for payment details please contact supoffice@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Lenten Retreat: Transformed by Love : A Lenten retreat in 6 online sessions, contemplating God's grace at work in the lives of 6 persons, through scripture and artworks.

Date & Time of online retreat

- Feb 20, 2024 07:30 pm to 9.00 pm
- Feb 27, 2024 07:30 pm to 9.00 pm
- Mar 5, 2024 07:30 pm to 9.00 pm
- Mar 12, 2024 07:30 pm to 9.00 pm
- Mar 19, 2024 07:30 pm to 9.00 pm
- Mar 26, 2024 07:30 pm to 9.00 pm

https://www.lightoftruth.uk/event-details/transformed-by-love-2024-02-20-19-30 .You can attend this retreat 6 Tuesdays at the comfort of your own house. You can also attend at St Bernard's church Hall. If you are intending to at St Bernard's church Hall-you do not need to book .Just turn up by 7.15pm for 7.30pm



Our Prayers for our brothers/sisters/friends in the parish community : We keep in our prayers the sick and housebound members of the parish: John Allen, Pauline Moore, Mike Slipper, Paola McCarthy and Hugh Kelly .

(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 repose of the souls of the dear departed of the parish and for those whose anniversaries occur this week. Please have a look at the names of the faithful departed in the book of remembrance .Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let Perpetual Light shine upon them.



2nd Collections coming up 2024

1. CAFOD - 25th February

2.Clergy Assistance Fund - 10th March

3Holy Places-29th March

Thank you for your generosity

Parish Finance Committee : We are in the process of reestablishing Parish Finance committee. We are looking for 3 more people (Total 5). If you have skills / experience around fundraising, income generation, financial matters please speak to Father Innaiah, Deacon Ian or Colin . Parish Finance Committee is an obligatory committee according to 1983 code of canon law. Thank

Shrove 99 you. Tuesday Pancake

Shrove Tuesday-Pancakes : Prayer & Pan Cakes-St Bernard`s church ,Tuesday 13th February at 6pm



Quiz & American Supper : There will be Quiz & American Supper (Bring your own food & Drink) on Saturday 24th February at 7pm- Doors open by 6.30pm . £5 per head. Tickets on sale on 11th & 18th Feb and of course you can pay at the door on that day Many thanks. Kevin Brophy .

Palms -Ash Wednesday : Could you bring Palms you have in your homes to be burned for this Ash Wednesday distribution of Ashes. Ash Wednesday is on Wednesday 14th February 2024.



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4th February, is Sexagesima Sunday.

Have you ever heard of Septuagesima Sunday or Sexagesima Sunday? Or for that matter, Quinquagesima or even Quadragesima? You never know which quiz these

names might come up in, so now you will be primed with the right answers! In the Church's Liturgical Calendar that was in use prior to 1969, we would now be in the pre-Lent preparation period. The Third Sunday before the beginning of Lent was called Septuagesima Sunday, Septuagesima literally meaning "seventieth" in Latin, that is, 70 days until Easter (although in fact there are only 63 days). The next Sunday, the Second Sunday before Lent, was called Sexagesima Sunday, that is, 60 days before Easter and the following Sunday, the one before Ash Wednesday, was called Quinquagesima meaning "fiftieth" or 50 days until Easter. (In fact, there were 49 days). The First Sunday of Lent itself was called Quadragesima Sunday (40 days till Easter). These names date back to a time when it was common for Christians to begin the Lenten fast immediately after Septuagesima Sunday.

Just as Lent today begins 46 days before Easter - since Sundays are not days of fasting - so, in the early Church, Saturdays and Thursdays were considered fast-free days. So in order to fit in 40 days of fasting before Easter, the fast had to start three weeks earlier. These pre-Lent Sundays are still observed in celebrations of Mass according to the 1962 Missal, but they were removed when the liturgical calendar was revised in 1969, in order to underline and focus on the forty days and forty nights of Lent and the fasting associated with it. In the post-1969 Missal, Sundays, which always celebrate the Lord's resurrection - even in Lent - are not fast days.

Waterside Parish News

Cooking with Fe: . Cooking with Fe will resume on the 10th of February 10.30 to 12.pm . Fe will be demonstrating how to make Sushi on the 10th of February . Everyone welcome.

Adoration on Wednesdays : We have resumed Adoration on every Wednesday, 9.30am to 3pm. New members greatly welcome. Please sign up on Mon & Tue each week for Wed adoration .

Fr.Innaiah's visits to Parishioners/at Presbytery or Home : Fr.Innaiah is more than happy to be contacted on his email

(imaddineni@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or 07515001645) if you need a home visit or anointing/ Holy Communion. Father Innaiah will be delighted to meet up with you at the comfort of your own home.

Sacraments-contact: Please contact Father Innaiah -Our Parish Priest directly to talk about Baptism, Communion, Confirmation, Wedding, Funeral arrangements for your family member etc (imaddineni@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or 07515001645)

Many thanks for your generosity. Parish received the following collections recently.

Sunday 21st January 2024 £ 399.50

Cathedral of St John the Evangelist £ 215.00

Sunday 28th January 2024 £ 313.75

Racial Justice £ 101.23



Standing Orders - December 2024 £1605

Burns Night £502.00



You Will Be My Witnesses. "I

want to thank everyone, clergy and laity, for all the hard work being done in your Pastoral Areas and in individual parishes to bring to life the mission plan You Will Be My Witnesses. I have asked every area for

a first draft of their Pastoral Area plan by 26th March. It needs to cover the three main themes of (1) deepening faith; (2) mission and service; and (3) parish structures. At their meeting last November, Co-ordinating Pastors received a workbook with helpful prompts about what needs to be considered. It led to a good discussion. I look forward to the submissions in March in order to see how things are going. In the summer, I will be visiting each pastoral area to meet with the team of clergy and laity in order to hear directly where things are up to and also to

offer support." Bishop Philip

www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/you-will-be-my-witnesses

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If you want to meet **Fr Innaiah** Maddineni(Parish Priest)

To book a Mass Intention—To Book a Baptism of your child

To know more about Catholic Faith - To request a home visit

To join our **joyful & welcoming community**

To plan **funeral** of your loved one/family member

Monday to Thursday - 10am to 4pm (White building left to church (The Presbytery)

Fri to Sun - Call & Leave a message on Parish office number 023 8089 1866 and we will get back to you ASAP.

Sunday Worship 9am at St Bernard`s

(20A Southbourne Avenue, Holbury SO45 2NT)

Sunday Worship 11am at St Michael`s (6 Langdown Lawn, Hythe, SO45 5GR)

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PORTS-

MOUTH—Job Opportunities

HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER (H&S)

Hours: Full time 37 Hours per week. It is expected that the post holder will work



flexibly to meet the demands of the role. **Salary:** £30-35,000 per annum (depending on relevant experience) **Based** at St Edmund House, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth

ST PETER AND THE WINCHESTER MARTYRS PARISH OPERATIONS MANAGER

Hours: Full time: 37.5 hours per week Mon-Fri, but with flexibility to allow at least one Sunday morning per month (approx. 4 hours) and occasional evenings and weekends.
Salary: £40-45,000 per annum
Closing date for applications: Friday 9th February 2024 at 12 Noon—Interviews: Friday 1st March 2024

HAVANT PASTORAL AREA PASTORAL COORDINATOR OF EVANGELISATION

Hours of Work: Part time (15 hours per week) to be worked on a flexible pattern to include some evening and weekend work.

Aim of the Job: To work with churches and schools in the Havant Pastoral area to provide an amazing alpha experience that helps people encounter Jesus and raise up leaders to become missionary disciples. You will be collaborating with Fr James to bring this vision to life.

> **Closing date:** Friday 9th February 2024 **Interview Date:** 20th or 21st February 2024

> > Recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk