

ST. JOSEPH and ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW  
**THE YEAR OF MARK: EATING WITH THE BRIDEGROOM**  
**TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**  
**AND NOW FOR SOMETHING COMPLETELY DIFFERENT.....**

**18<sup>th</sup> October 2015 Psalter Week 1**

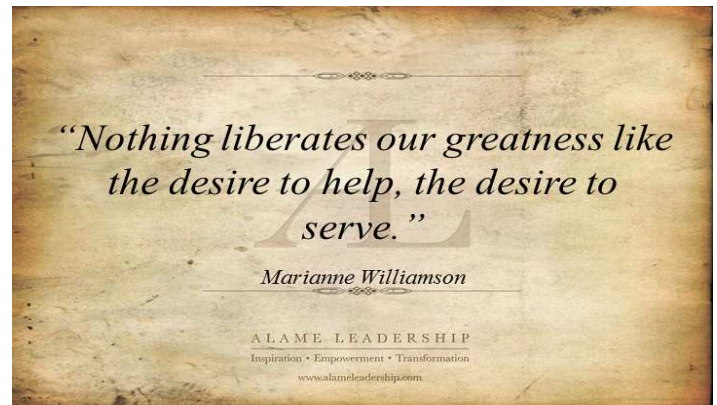
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James and John approach the Teacher. And the Teacher knows the best way to give the disciple a better understanding of their own heart is to ask them to reveal their desire (s).

As soon as Jesus hears their 'desire', He knows they don't quite understand Him yet. They want it all and all Jesus has to offer is a cup of sorrow that becomes a saving cup. His invitation to a life lived in genuine loving service to others, of suffering for the sake of justice, and of losing in order to find make it clear that death and resurrection are a package deal.



Spiritual and Social climbers tend to upset other spiritual and social climbers! The fantasy of being first has a tendency to make someone else feel they are the last. When life becomes a competition, someone looks higher than someone else. Those on top push around those beneath them. This is not the way of the new humanity which Jesus is bringing to birth.

Disciples touch their true greatness when their presence is gentle, healing, liberating, compassionate, loving and life giving - and through these activities others are set free from what hurts, debases, imprisons and kills them.

The Buddha taught that for those who are overcome by ego, suffering spreads like wild grass. Those who overcome ego open a doorway to a larger, eternal world. As they go, their steps leave no trace.

The Golden rule, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" holds good but looks easier than it is. The invitation of the prophets - This is what God asks if you, that you act justly, that you love tenderly that you walk humbly - is even more of a challenge. But there is only one way to find out if what Jesus is saying is true and that's to dive in and try the water. This week, when as a parish community, we try to embrace a more vibrant commitment to justice, peace and social responsibility, this Teaching supports us to take the next step together and not leave it for others.

# ***St Joseph and St Margaret Clitherow***

## **TWENTY-NINTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday	17 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Parish Intentions
Sunday	18 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Anthony O'Boy†
		10.30am	Mass	Helen Considine†
		<b>2.30pm</b>	<b>Divine Mercy Chaplet</b>	
Monday	19 <sup>th</sup>	<b>NO MASS</b>		
Tuesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Mass	Mary Hughes
Wednesday	21 <sup>st</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Mass	Helen Breen O'Grady
		10.15am	Rosary	
Thursday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Mass	Rita Robinson
		10.15am	Mothers Prayers	
Friday	23 <sup>rd</sup>	11.00-12.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		12.10pm	Mass	Luz & Carlos
		7.00pm	Rosary	
Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup>	9.40am	Rosary	
		10.00am	Mass	Jim & Josie McVeigh
		10.30am	Confessions	

## **THIRTIETH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

Saturday	24 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Robert Buchanan†
Sunday	25 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Parish Intentions
		10.30am	Mass	Bridget & Francis Robinson

### **We pray for the Sick and Housebound of Our Community and for those who care for them.**

**Sick and Housebound:** Brenda Theobald, Olga Maguire, Audrey Dunne, Betty Winn, Peter Dossett, Sue Beasley, Adrian Sweeney, Thelma Briggs, Johanna Lenz, Peggy Prendergast, June Bartlett, Millicent & Brian Mecklenburgh, Bridget Tanner, Ena Stanton, Peggy O'Sullivan, Kate McGrath, Frances Dyson, Bill Guilfoyle and Yvonne Gantzer.

**Those who are unwell or in hospital:** Geoff Hallett, Una Gilligan, Eileen Collins, Una Mair, Esther Brophy, Winnie Justice, Freda Edgington, Anne Hardy, Maureen Groves and Nora Cronin.

## DATES, NEWS AND VIEWS

**JUSTICE, PEACE & SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY** – Pope Francis and Bishop Philip have asked every parish to establish a working party to highlight and act upon issues of Justice, Peace & Social Responsibility which directly cause suffering to others. I appeal, especially to the younger people in our community to join this group and to give a voice to those who have none. Please ..... don't just leave it to someone else.

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET WITH BENEDICTION** – Will be held **this Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October** at 2.30pm. As a special concession - we have a Relic of St Faustina which will be on display in the Sanctuary.

**LIFE IN THE SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP MEETING** – Meet on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month 7.45pm-9.15pm in the hall. The next meeting is on Tuesday **20<sup>th</sup> October**.

**DAY TIME PRAYER GROUP** - Welcoming everyone who would like to come to our Day Time Prayer Group starting on the Wednesday **21st October** 2015 in the hall from 10.30-11.30am For further information please feel free to contact Anne D'Souza on 01344 420465.

**SERVICE OF HEALING** – There will be a Service of Healing for the Sick, Housebound and Elderly of our Parish at 3.00pm on Sunday **25th October** followed by afternoon tea in the Hall. If you can help by giving someone a lift on the day or if you can make cakes/sandwiches, then write your name on the signup sheets on the noticeboard in the porch or speak to Maura Holt or Theresa McDougall.

**SHARE YOUR STORY** - Do you have a family member or friend, over 18, who is baptised Catholic but no longer practises their faith? Perhaps they no longer attend Mass regularly? As part of a campaign to listen to those who no longer practise, Bishop Philip would like to hear from them. Perhaps they feel let down by the Church or have something they would like to say to the Church. Or perhaps they have just drifted away. Whatever their story, they are invited to share it anonymously. The survey is available at [www.mystoryshared.co.uk](http://www.mystoryshared.co.uk) and will be open until Christmas. Encourage them to share their story today!

**WEEKEND RETREAT - Friday 30th October - Sunday 1st November**. Young people aged 16-35 are invited to Bournemouth at the end of this month for a weekend retreat, full of engaging talks, lively music, workshops, discussions, powerful prayer times, evening entertainment and loads more. The youth retreat is a joint mission between our diocese and Youth 2000, and is an excellent event for any older teens and young adults. It takes place at St Peter's School, St Catherine's Road, Bournemouth BH6 4AH. More details can be found at <http://www.youth2000.org/#!/nations/cm2> or by emailing [youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

**CRAFT GROUP** – The first meeting of the Craft Group will be on Wednesday **11<sup>th</sup> November** 11.00am-12.00pm. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Marija Brincat through the Parish office [stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or 01344 425729.

**APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA** – The Knights of St Columba are organising a collection of rosaries, prayer books, prayer cards and religious medals that people are not currently using but would like to pass on to others in need. The seafarers say these items give them comfort when away from home for long trips and draws them ever-nearer to the love and trust in God and Our Lady – Star of the sea. You will find the collection box in the Porch. Thank you.

**PEW PACKS FOR CHILDREN** – Our new Pew Packs are in the porch please take one. They are designed for you to use with your children during Mass, they contain many

different activities to give your child a better understanding of why we come to Church. Please remember to return them to the box in the Porch after Mass.

**ST MARGARET CLITHEROW SCHOOL FIREWORKS DISPLAY** – On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November, gates open 6.30pm, show starts at 7.30pm, tickets available from the School Office.

**CARER AND TODDLER GROUP** – Every Tuesday at 9.30am in the hall during school term time.

**OVER 50s KEEP FIT CLASSES** – On Tuesday 2.00pm-3.00pm in the hall.

**CHILDRENS LITURGY** – Now weekly at 8.30am and 10.30am Masses. To enable us to continue we welcome more people who are able to join the team. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

**QUIZ NIGHT** – To everyone who supported the quiz last Saturday, participants, helpers and those of you who gave a donation, a very big thank you. You will be pleased to hear that we raised £554.55 for Alexander Devine Children's Hospice Service. Well done everyone!

**WYD2016 CAKE SALES** - Back by popular demand! Cake Sales after all Masses next weekend **24th/25th October** to raise funds to send 6 young people from our parish to the World Youth Event in Poland next summer. Donations of cakes/cupcakes would be very much appreciated and may be left in the porch or brought to the Hall before Mass. Thank you for your continued support. Youth Fundraising Team

**DONATION BOXES IN THE PORCH** – There is now a box in the Porch dedicated to the work of the **SVP** in our parish. Other donation boxes include Bamenda/Mother Teresa, The Life House, Flowers, and Papers and Books etc. Thank you for your generosity.

**VACANCY IN THE PARISH OFFICE** – Due to a reorganisation in the Parish Office a vacancy has arisen for a part-time secretary/administrator. If this is of interest to you, please email [stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) for the job description and application form. Closing date for applications 26<sup>th</sup> October 2015.

**CAR PARK ADMINISTRATION** – John Cole has done a tremendous job in designing and implementing a new system for the administration of the Church car park. He would now like to hand this over to another willing volunteer. This would suit a retired/semi-retired person. If you feel drawn to help please call the parish office on 01344 425729 or email [stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**RETIRING OFFERING** – This weekend's offering is for Foreign Missions. Thank you.

**KEEP IN TOUCH** - With the latest news! Go to [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) and add your email address to receive updates.

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERING**  
**Total £1169.12 - Thank You**

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**To everyone who attended  
the Dementia Friends  
Awareness Training**