

ST. JOSEPH and ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW
THE YEAR OF MARK: EATING WITH THE BRIDEGROOM
ON NOT BEING FRIGHTENED
TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (B)

21st June 2015 Psalter Week 4

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There is a strange little sentence in this Sunday's Gospel from Saint Mark. Our Blessed Lord has just finished a long day teaching. I pause to express my thanks to our wonderful catholic teachers and support staff in our schools. Moving on. The disciples invite Jesus into their boat - Marks code word for the Church. They think it's their adventure! They have a lot to learn. It isn't. And Mark says, " On leaving the crowd behind, they took Him with them in the boat, just as He was." There's the strange bit. He is still in teaching mode.



A few years ago, in another time and place, I was called to the bedside of a disciple who was at end of life. I was astonished by her prayerful peace and tranquillity. After we had said the prayers, she said she wanted to ask for a favour. And the favour was to have Mark 4: 35 - 41 as the Gospel reading for her Funeral Mass. She explained that her family's faith had been broken by doubt and the storms which had swept over their lives. They couldn't make the crossing and they couldn't look at themselves to ask why this was so. All they had for God was a question that may be familiar to us. "Do You not care that we are perishing!" In danger, they had lost faith in the oceanic, boundless Love which is their life.

The awakened Jesus, like the sleeping Jesus is not storm tossed. He rebukes fear and commands silence and peace and the waves and the winds have no choice but to obey Him.

His answer to their question, 'Does God care?' is Yes. But this can only be understood and received by the mind that does not doubt.

The woman of faith wanted to leave her family one last gift. To understand more of her own crossing to the other side and to challenge them. This week, Mark invites us talk to Jesus about the ways fear overrides our faith. Instead of speculating about Jesus identity, it is better to ask how we might integrate His Teaching into our lives. Why? Because when Jesus the Teacher cannot be received, Jesus the Saviour is born.

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TWELFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	20 th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Parish Intentions
Sunday	21 st	8.30am	Mass	Bridie Doherty†
		10.30am	Mass	Catherine, Mary & Peter Considine
Monday	22 nd	NO MASS		
Tuesday	23 rd	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Communion Service	

THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

Wednesday	24 th	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Communion Service	
		10.15am	Rosary	
Thursday	25 th	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Communion Service	
		10.15am	Mothers Prayers	
Friday	26 th	11.00-12.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		12.10pm	Communion Service	
		7.00pm	Rosary	
Saturday	27 th	NO MASS		

NO CONFESSIONS

SS PETER & PAUL

Saturday	27 th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Gerry Berry†
Sunday	28 th	8.30am	Mass	Crisostomo Silva†
		10.30am	Mass	Parish Intentions

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, Teresa Mercieca, Ena Stanton, Peggy O'Sullivan, Peggy Malone, Kate McGrath, Frances Dyson, and Yvonne Gantzer

And those who are unwell or in hospital

Anne Adams, Geoff Hallett, Una Gilligan, Eileen Collins, Carol Clarke, Una Mair, Peggy Heasman, Anne Hardy, Ester Brothy and Nora Cronin

DATES, NEWS AND VIEWS

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS – Peggy Finan and Tim Brierley who have died. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 – Cake Sales after all Masses this weekend. All proceeds will go towards funding the 6 young people from our parish to attend the World Youth event in Krakow, Poland from 21 July – 2 August 2016, the highlight of which will be the Youth Mass celebrated by Pope Francis. Thank you for your support.



SAFEGUARDING TRAINING - Saturday 4th July 2015. **Child Protection** Training to take place in the morning from 10am-12.30pm followed by **Vulnerable Adults** Training to take place in the afternoon from 1.30pm-4pm. To register please email Soraya at Soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or telephone 023 92 836511

CONFIRMATION JOURNEY 2016 'COME AND SEE' on Sunday 5th July 2015 at 12pm in the hall. We are blessed that Hannah Vaughan-Spruce will be coming to Bracknell to lead this session. Hannah is the author of 'Transformed in Christ' - a new journey of evangelisation to prepare our young people for Confirmation. We welcome all those in the parish interested in learning more; those hoping to use their gifts and talents to join the team as well as prospective parents and candidates.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2016 - Application forms for next year's journey are available in the porch for children who will be in Year 3 and above in September 2015. Please complete and return the form to Mary McNab in the parish office by the **end of July**.

CONSULTATION ON ACADEMY CONVERSION - Multi-academy trusts. Bishop Philip and the diocesan trustees are circulating a consultation document on the conversion of schools into the preferred model of multi-academy trusts. See <http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/schools/consultation.php>. The consultation closes on **14th July 2015**.

DIOCESAN YOUTH EVENTS - There are a number of youth events planned over the summer, including: **Stand Firm** (post-Confirmation summer camp) – **19th – 21st July** **True Survivor course** (spiritual survival course hiking and camping in the New Forest for young men) – **27th – 29th July**. **Cherished course** (for young women aged 16-25) – **10th – 12th August**. To find out about these events and more www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/youth

COME JOIN US FOR A QUIET DAY AT AYLESFORD PRIORY - We are planning a quiet day at Aylesford Priory on Monday **13th July**. The coach leaves our church at 9.00am and arrival home is at approx. 6.00pm. Mass will be at noon. The rest of the afternoon will be for quiet time with the Lord in the chapel or grounds. Bring a picnic. Price for the day is £20.00 per person. Sign up on the notice board or for queries repayment contact Renata on 01344 484495.

GOSPEL CHALLENGE – The next meeting is on Monday **22nd June** 7.45pm in the Parish Room.

'COME AND SEE'- The Perfect Joy Fraternity invites you to the next meeting of the Order of Franciscans on Saturday **27th June** 2.00pm-4.00pm in the Hall.

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL FAYRE - Is being held on Saturday **4th July** from 12.00-4.00pm. Raffle tickets will be on sale after all Masses this weekend.

FR JAYA'S ORPHANS – Some parishioners generously sponsor an Indian orphan for £150 a year. Joint sponsorship by a group just for this year, or any contributions would be gratefully received. Please contact dominica.roberts@gmail.com or 01344 422902.

CAR PARK – For those parishioners not registered to park and requiring access to the Car Park for Church business, Press 1 followed by Enter on the Key Pad on the Wall by the 'IN' Gate to speak to someone in the Parish Office.

PLEASE NOTE – Under no circumstances should the 'IN' gate be used to exit the car park, this is extremely dangerous and may result in severe damage to the exiting vehicle and the bollard. The considerable cost for any repair to both vehicle and bollard will be borne by the driver not using the correct exit gate. St Joseph's Church will accept no responsibility for damage caused during the misuse of the gate entry and exit system. The designated 'EXIT' gate is automatic and drops as a vehicle approaches after which the 'Red' light turns 'Green' then and only then may the vehicle exit.

CARERS AND TODDLERS GROUP – Each **Tuesday** in the hall 9.30am-11.30am during School Term Time.

SOUP AND ROLL – Every **Friday** in the Hall after the 12.10pm Mass, everyone welcome.

BRACKNELL FOODBANK - "We need the following items; Fruit juice (long-life 1L), Custard (tinned or packet), Jam/Honey/Marmalade, Milk (long-life 1L), Sponge puddings (tinned or plastic pots) Rice pudding (tinned) and biscuits". Thank you for your continued support.

FAIRTRADE TEAS & COFFEES - After all Masses this weekend.

NEXT WEEKENDS RETIRING OFFERING – Will be for Peter's Pence. Peter's Pence is the name given to the financial support offered by the faithful to the Holy Father as a sign of their sharing in the concern of the Successor of Peter for the many different needs of the Universal Church and for the relief of those most in need.

SICK AND HOUSEBOUND – If you would like prayers for anyone who is sick, housebound or in hospital and those who care for them, please contact the Parish Office on 01344 425729 or speak to Fr. Danny.

THE PARISH EMERGENCY NUMBER – Has been deleted due to misuse.
In future, please contact Fr Danny on the land line 01344 425729.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING
Total £1147.81- Thank You
PLEASE MAKE ANY CHEQUES
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THANK YOU
To Marion McGuire for
looking after the safety of
our children and elderly
parishioners