

**CATHOLIC PARISH OF  
ST. JOSEPH and ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW**  
**ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN**  
***CORPUS CHRISTI***

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Monday – Friday 9am-3pm

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## **GRATITUDE, TRANSCENDENCE AND SACRIFICE**

We eat a piece of bread - We drink a glass of wine - it becomes part of us.  
Robert Noznik fills this out.

"We meet the food in the ante-room of the mouth and greet it there. We probe and explore it, surround it, permeate it with juices, press it with our tongues against the roof of the mouth along the hard ridge directly above the teeth, place it under suction and pressure, move it around. We know its texture fully; it holds no secrets or hidden parts."

(The Examined Life. 1989. pp 56-57)

Whatever we eat demands a sacrifice from someone or something. When we eat that we are all involved in Sacrifice - 'in making life holy by giving something back. There is no avoiding this. In his wonderful book, 'Scientific Proof of the Existence of God will soon be announced by the White House! Da Free John writes, "Those who cling to one or another religious or spiritual way must realise that the foundation of all such ways is the disposition of sacrifice ... Such a disposition freely anoints the world with help and intelligent consideration ... The whole Earth, the Cosmos, and every separate being is a great Sacrifice! ... Let us give ourselves up, so that each temple - each bodily and mental person - may become a temporary and perishable altar of self-giving into the Mystery that pervades us." (pp 33-34)

Jesus is a Great Teacher. He gathers His Life in his Hands and gives Thanks. His Life is not His own, and since all is Grace, He turns to the Giver of Life in Gratitude. Now filled within, He flows without. The life freely given becomes the life He seeks to give away.

Gratitude, Sacrifice and Transcendence move as one Dance.

If we just look up, we risk being aloof and uninvolved. If we just give thanks but do not move to Sacrifice we risk only counting our Blessings without realising they are separating us from the Communion of Love. If we Sacrifice without gratitude we risk the cul-de-sac of resentment. We pour ourselves out and find we are empty so we stop giving ourselves away.

Don't forget to consult the One who knows how to break bread and pour out his life blood.



# St Joseph and St Margaret Clitherow

## Sunday Mass Schedule (and Intentions)

### CORPUS CHRISTI

*[Psalter Week 4]*

Saturday	21 <sup>st</sup>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Maureen & David Marlow†
Sunday	22 <sup>nd</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Bridie Doherty†
		10.30am	Mass	Parish Intentions

### Weekday Mass (and Intentions)

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> **NO MASS**

### THE NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST

Tuesday	24 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Mass	Thanks Giving for New Grandson
Wednesday	25 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Mass	Maria & Guillermo Caladiao†
		10.15am	Rosary	
Thursday	26 <sup>th</sup>	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Mass	John O'Sullivan†
		10.15am	Mothers Prayers	

### THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Friday	27 <sup>th</sup>	11.00-12.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		12.10pm	Mass	Oduntan Family Thanks Giving
		7.00pm	Rosary	

### THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	9.40am	Rosary	
		10.00am	Mass	Colin Mason†
		10.30am	Confession	

### SS PETER & PAUL

*[Psalter Week 1]*

Saturday	28 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Peter & Espiciosa Fernandes†
Sunday	29 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Brian Stapley†
		10.30am	Mass	Parish Intentions

Please pray for the aged, sick, housebound and hospitalised of our community and for those who care for them.

"Take care of God's creation. But above all, take care of people in need" Pope Francis

**If you know of anyone who is sick, in hospital or housebound and unable to get to Mass, or just needing a priest, please tell Fr. Danny or contact the Parish Office**

## PARISH NEWS

**PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS** – All the young people who will be Confirmed this Sunday afternoon at 3pm at St. John's Cathedral in Portsmouth.

**'GO FORTH' YOUTH MASS** - Will take place on Sunday 29 June at 5pm. At this Mass we will welcome back our newly confirmed young people for a celebratory Mass, led by our Youth and featuring live music! This is not a Mass exclusively for young people - everyone is welcome to come along. In the hall after Mass, everyone is invited to stay for drinks and nibbles and a chance to socialise.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2015** – Application Forms for the programme starting in September 2014 are now available from the Porch, if your child is in year 3 or above they are able to join the programme. The deadline for returning the form is **Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> July 2014**. **Please Note:** Forms received after this date will not be accepted.

**SICK AND HOUSEBOUND** – If you would like prayers said for anyone who is sick, housebound or in hospital of our community and, also those who care for them, please contact the Parish Office on 01344 425729

**CALLED AND GIFTED WORKSHOP** – A great weekend and it's FREE if you're in Portsmouth Diocese visit [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/called and gifted](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/called_and_gifted). Friday 27 June 7pm-9pm & Saturday 28 June 9am–5pm with author of 'Forming Intentional Disciples', Sherry Weddell.

**A SPECIAL INVITATION FROM SVP** - The St Vincent de Paul Society has successful programmes in around 100 primary and 150 secondary schools in England and Wales. If you are a teacher approaching retirement, or already retired, you are warmly invited to contact the SVP. Your skills and experience make you the ideal candidate to be an SVP youth coordinator and there is no need to be a member of the SVP. Email Daniel Blackman: [danielb@svp.org.uk](mailto:danielb@svp.org.uk) or call 0207-358-4199.

**SAFEGUARDING ATTENDANCE** - If you attended the Diocesan Safeguarding Training at the end of March, please collect your attendance form from the table in the porch.

**KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA - 2014 PILGRIMAGE IN HONOUR OF ST. EDMUND CAMPION and the Martyrs of England and Wales**

**Sunday 29 June** - 3.30pm Intercessions at St Mary's Church, Lyford Village followed by procession of the Relic to the Tithe Barn, **Lyford Grange** for Mass at 4pm.

**Ascot & Bracknell Knights of St Columba**, We are looking to increase our membership in this area. Why not come along and join us at our next meeting? For details contact [www.province23.co.uk](http://www.province23.co.uk) or email [province23@hotmail.com](mailto:province23@hotmail.com) or telephone 01344 883363

**JOURNEY OF FAITH** – Starts on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 7.30-9.30pm for those wishing to explore the Catholic Faith. Please contact the Parish Office [stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**BROTHER JOHN MARTIN** - On Thursday 10th July at 6.30pm in St Joseph's Church Hall Brother John Martin one of the closest followers of Father Bede Griffiths, spiritual director of Shantivanam Ashram in Southern India will be giving a talk entitled: Do Secularism and Atheism open the door to discover the original message of Christ? There is no charge for this event. Coffee/Tea at 6.30pm, his talk will commence at 7.00pm. Please contact Annie Cygler 01344 772496, 07944 5293 for more details.

**ST VINCENT de PAUL** - Annual Fundraising Event Date for your Diary - Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June, to be held at 34 Llanvair Drive, Ascot. SL5 9HT. Look out for Blue Balloons to indicate house. Donations of wine, gift sets or any items suitable for the raffle please, also bric a brac toiletries jewellery etc would be greatly appreciated. SVP Donation box will be in the Porch on the weekend of 21/22<sup>nd</sup> June, raffle tickets will also be sold at all Masses on this weekend.

**YOUTH BAND** - We are looking for young musicians and singers to come forward and form a Christian band. All levels of experience are welcome, and we are hoping for a wide variety of instruments to make up the band. To find out more please contact: Thomas Birch - Email [thebirchesuk@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:thebirchesuk@yahoo.co.uk), Tel: 07864 647 026 or Sophie Bone - [snybone@googlemail.com](mailto:snybone@googlemail.com), Tel 07474 319572.



**ST JOSEPHS SCHOOL FETE** – On Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July from 12 noon until 4.00pm in the school grounds. Raffle tickets will be on sale after the 10.30am Mass this Sunday and on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June.

**FAIRTRADE TEAS AND COFFEES** - There will be teas and coffees served in the Hall after all Masses this weekend. Everyone is welcome.

**WEIGHT SUPPORT GROUP** – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June 10.15am-noon in the Parish Room for those who would like help in controlling their weight, either to reduce or cope with an eating disorder. Share experiences with diet & exercise, tips and snacks. The programme is based on nutrition awareness. Please call Sue on 0759 4976699 or 07747 196014 for more detail.

**FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> JULY** - Craft, bric a brac, cakes and more. In the Church Hall after all Masses. Raffle tickets available next weekend.

**CHURCH CLEANING** – We will be cleaning the Church next Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> June after the 10.00am Mass. All are welcome to join us.

**COMMUNICATION** – Do you know that you can receive our parish newsletter directly to your inbox? Please email [stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) to be added to the distribution list. Also, there is a new Diocese enews which will keep you up to date with everything in the Diocese [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**MINISTERS OF THE WORD** – Are Midwives of the Sacred. Please Prepare Well!

**THE PARISH EMERGENCY NUMBER** – Is **07936 538 167**. Fr Danny can be contacted on this number by those who are very ill or needing viaticum.

**THIS WEEKS RETIRING OFFERING** – Is for Peter's Pence, thank you. This is used for Personal Aid Requests to Pope Francis.

**ACCOMMODATION NEEDED** – A member of St Saviour's Catholic Church on the Isle of Wight has a short contract with Bracknell Forest Council and is looking for temporary short term accommodation. Please contact Ian Lacey on 07772 781440.

***JUST TO SAY  
THANK YOU TO  
Everyone who has helped  
our young people on their  
journey towards  
Confirmation***

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS  
Total £1061.02 - Thank You  
PLEASE MAKE ANY CHEQUES PAYABLE  
TO  
PRCDTR Bracknell St Joseph**