

St Michael and All Angels Catholic Church, Leigh Park

Twenty-First Sunday of the Year, 27th August 2023

Peter's Profession of Faith

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Parish Mass Book page 120 **Prayer of the Church** Week 1



Pietro Perugino, Christ giving the Keys of the Kingdom to Peter, in the Sistine Chapel 1481-83

Scriptures at Mass

Isaiah 22:19-23 We read about one man being dismissed from high office and the keys of authority being passed to another.

Romans 11:33-36

The second reading is a hymn of praise to the wisdom of God, which is far too deep to fathom.

Matthew 16:13-20 Peter declares his faith in Jesus. Jesus promises to make Peter the rock on which he will build his church.

Our Liturgies this week

Reconciliation: in the half hour prior to Mass.

Saturday 26th August, Bl Dominic Barberi

5 pm Reconciliation

6 pm Vigil Mass Clive Judge RIP (AJ)

Fr David Bateman celebrates our Masses.

27th August 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

10 am Mass intentions of the Parish

Canon Gerard is at St Edmund's, Horndean.

Monday 28th August, St Augustine of Hippo

10 am Mass Janine RIP

Tuesday 29th August

The Passion of St John the Baptist

10 am Mass Derek Mott RIP

Wednesday 30th August,

Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward

10 am Mass Toni Messenger's intentions

10.30 am Adoration

Thursday 31st August St Aidan

No Mass today but here is a fine prayer:

Leave me alone with God as much as may be. As the tide draws the waters close in upon the shore, make me an island, set apart, alone with you, God, holy to you. Then with the turning of the tide prepare me to carry your presence to the busy world beyond, the world that rushes in on me till the waters come again and fold me back to you.

St Aidan

Friday 1st September Feria

**8.45 am Mass is at St Thomas More School
for the intentions of the staff and governors.**

Saturday 2nd September

Our Lady on Saturday

5 pm Reconciliation

6 pm Mass Leonard Smith RIP

3rd September 22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

10 am Mass Noyal Gerald's intentions (SA)

Tea and Chat group meet on Thursday 31st August at 2 pm. All are very welcome.

Please pray for fellow parishioners who are unwell at this time and for those undergoing tests or treatment for various ailments.

First Holy Communion On Sunday 10th

September at 10 am Mass we invite all the children from this year's celebrations to come dressed in their wonderful Communion clothes. We will give out the certificates and invite you to a barbecue afterwards. Please let us know numbers for the barbecue at office@stmichaelsleighpark.org.uk



In September, we present the faith-building **Alpha** programme about being Catholic. It's a way to know the faith better. Ten meetings include video presentations and discussions, as well as good company! We have a 1pm Monday programme, finishing in time for people to collect school children, and a Tuesday 7pm programme. We begin on 18th and 19th September. If you wish to be involved, please let the Parish Office know at office@stmichaelsleighpark.org.uk (A programme also begins at Sacred Heart Parish Waterlooville at 7 pm on Mondays from 2nd October. Contact: Steve Leigh alpha@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk or on 07476 875007.)

Time to pray!

Who do you say that I am?

Come and pray for a day! On 21st October everyone in our Pastoral Area is invited to pray and reflect at St Michael and All Angels, Leigh Park. We will respond to Jesus's question

We will share music, prayer, witness, reflection, images of Jesus and Adoration.

Our previous days on the Synod, and on the Diocesan Plan, *You will be my witnesses*, were great gatherings! This is a third opportunity to be together as we look ahead to sharing our love of the Lord in our new Parish.

Lunch and refreshments will be provided. Please watch out for news of how to sign up; and please pray for a prayerful and happy day!

Canon Gerard edits this Newsletter and welcomes items for inclusion by the Sunday prior to publication, please. Thank you.

