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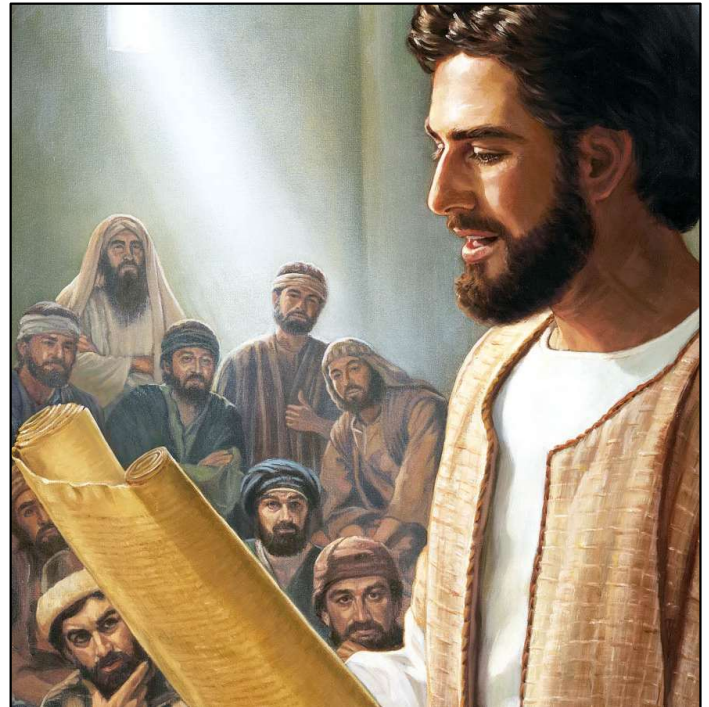
29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

**REFLECTION FROM FR. ANTHONY.** Being Christian is not like being part of an exclusive private member's club. It is not about being power hungry and letting others serve us. Being Christian, by its very nature, involves being a servant, which we ultimately see in Christ, who is the example of humility and servanthood. Jesus's servanthood is rooted in his great love for us: *"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends."*

All of us have been blessed with numerous gifts and talents, and we are called to share these with a spirit of servanthood to each other. As a community based in Jesus Christ in Southsea, we are to be the light to others by loving and serving others. Let us consider: in what way can you give your gifts, talents, and time in the parish? There is much good that can be accomplished in the parish if we have a spirit of giving our gifts, talents, and time. In such a way we live out the example of Jesus Christ, who was a servant for all.

**WORLD MISSION DAY** is our chance to show love and solidarity to our brothers and sisters overseas who share our faith. In offering our prayers, we join with missionaries everywhere in communion and compassion to support them in spreading the Good News. Donations are collected for Missio to support churches, hospitals, schools and vocations in countries where the Church is new, young or poor. Thank you for your generosity.

**ST. LUKE'S DAY MASS FOR PORTSMOUTH AREA HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS.** Wednesday 23 October, 6.30pm, Queen Alexandra Hospital Chapel, Portsmouth. All are welcome. There will be refreshments after Mass. This is hosted by the Portsmouth Catholic Medical Association.



**GOSPEL.** Mark 10:35-45. *"The Son of Man came to give his life as a ransom for many."*

**MASS INTENTIONS AND OFFERINGS.** It is a long-standing Catholic tradition to have the eucharist offered for a particular intention, for the living and the dead. We do this because our faith is centred on the celebration of the eucharist, the source of our life in Christ. Of course, Mass is free, but it is customary to make a donation in a form of Mass stipend or offering to support the presider. In the UK, the suggested amount is £5.00 but it is customary to give £10.00. If you would like to arrange a Mass offering, please contact the office.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.** Parents of year 3 children or older are invited to enroll in the First Holy Communion programme. Please collect a form from the sacristy or email the following address: [b.mccreesh@ntlworld.com](mailto:b.mccreesh@ntlworld.com).

# MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

**Saturday 19 October - Ss. JOHN DE BREBEUF, ISAAC JOGUES AND COMPANIONS (OPTIONAL MEMORIAL)**

6.00pm - Our Lady of Lourdes (Vigil Mass) - *People of the parish*

**Sunday 20 October - 29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8.30am - St. Swithun's - *Peace in the world*

10.15am - St. Swithun's - *Harper-Rose and Harley-Rose Cramp*

**Monday 21 October - 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

9.00am - St. Swithun's - *For the Sick and Suffering*

**Tuesday 22 October - ST. JOHN PAUL II**

9.00am - St. Swithun's - *Private intention*

**Wednesday 23 October - 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

No Mass

**Thursday 24 October - ST. ANTONY MARY CLARET**

9.00am - St. Swithun's - *Private intention*

**Friday 25 October - 29TH WEEK IN ORDINARY TIME**

10.00am - St. Swithun's - *Lara Vinca & Jacobi Day*

**Saturday 26 October - OUR LADY ON SATURDAY**

9.00am - St. Swithun's

6.00pm - Our Lady of Lourdes - *Private intention*

**Sunday 27 October - 30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

8.30am - St. Swithun's - *Rita Vella (RIP)*

10.15am - St. Swithun's - *People of the parish*

**SYRO-MALABAR MASSES Syro-Malabar Holy Qubana**

**St. Swithun's Church**

Monday - 9.30am

Tuesday - 6.15pm

Wednesday - 10.00am

Thursday - 6.15pm

**OFFERTORY.** The Parish bank account details are as follows:

**Lloyds Bank Account name:** CDP Our Lady of Lourdes' and St Swithun Church

**Sort code:** 30-93-04

**Parish Account no:** 01730453

**PARISH CONFESSION TIMES.**

Saturday morning after Mass at 9.45am at St Swithun's, and

5.15pm at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Other times are available.

**YOUR PARISH CONTACT DETAILS**

Have you moved since you first joined the Parish? Do we have your current email address? Have you added to your family? Help us to keep our database up to date. Thank you!

**BAPTISM.** If you are looking to have your baby baptised, please speak to Fr. Anthony Fyk or email the office if he is unavailable.

**PARISH SICK LIST.** Do you know of someone who is ill and would like Holy Communion at home? If so, please let Fr. Anthony Fyk know once you have gained the person's permission to pass on their details. Thank you for your support.

**VOLUNTEERING.** If you could help us in any way, please speak to Fr. Anthony Fyk.

## PARISH OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES & ST. SWITHUN'S

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