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**The Most Holy Trinity Sunday Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

**THERE ARE NO WEEKDAY MASSES NEXT WEEK**

**Fr Thomas is now at home recovering from his operation which will take three to four weeks**

Page 81	Proverbs 8: 22-31	Romans 5: 1-5	Gospel John 16: 12-15
<p>In the early Church the Arian heresy developed which denied the divinity of Jesus and considered he was not part of the Trinity. In 325 the Council of Nicea defined the divinity of Jesus as the Son of God and equal to the Father and the Holy Spirit which had always been the orthodox doctrine since the beginning of the Church at Pentecost. The Apostles' Creed which we say at Mass is an ancient statement of Christian belief from the early Church. It articulates the core tenets of our faith and has roots in the apostolic tradition.</p> <p>The first reading from the Book of Proverbs speaks of the wisdom of God being present before and at the creation of the earth and oceans. God is delighted in the formation of the world and especially humankind.</p> <p>In the second reading from the letter from St Paul to the Romans he tells us justified by faith, we are at peace with God through Jesus and rejoice in hope. Our sufferings produce endurance, character and hope., filled with God's love. This hope is because of the Holy Spirit within us, highlighting the Spirit's role and importance in our lives.</p> <p>In John's Gospel Jesus acknowledged the disciples' limitations in understanding and promised the coming of the Holy Spirit to guide them in the truth, revealing future events and leading them to glorify Jesus by sharing His teachings. Jesus affirmed that the Holy Spirit's revelations are from His divine authority. Malcolm.</p>			
Mass times		Feast Days	
6 pm Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass Brian Newman RIP	Saturday 14 <sup>th</sup> St Methodius of Constantinople Born in 788 in Sicily to wealthy parents. Received an excellent education in his home town. Went to Constantinople to study. Joined a monastery and became abbot. Founded a monastery on island of Chios. Patriarch of Constantinople asked his help to oppose banning by the Emperor of the use of sacred icons. Methodius was in favour of veneration of holy images and was arrested in 821. He suffered terrible conditions for 8 years in an underground prison which damaged his health. He then criticised the new emperor who had him tortured. Managed to escape with the help of friends and went into hiding. When the emperor died, his wife Empress Theodora, regent to her infant son, agreed to the return of icons and images. Methodius was made Patriarch of Constantinople. He triumphantly had icons and images restored to churches and brought back orthodoxy to the Eastern Church. Only survived 4 years as patriarch due to his damaged health from his time in prison. He died on 14 <sup>th</sup> June 847 aged 59.		
	9.30 am Mass	Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	The Most Holy Trinity Sunday
NO MASS	Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> St Tikhon (Tychon) of Amathus, Cyprus Born about 350 on the island of Cyprus. Raised a Christian and became very pious. His father had a bakery and when left alone he gave free bread to the poor. When discovered his father was angry but his son told him to check the granary which was now miraculously overflowing with wheat. On hearing this a gardener brought dried prunings of vines from his vineyard. Tikhon planted them and prayed to God and they rooted and grew eventually producing high quality grapes that made the best wine. The pious young man was ordained a deacon and later by acclaim and universal agreement was appointed Bishop of Amathus by the Bishop of Cyprus. He worked hard to eradicate the remnants of paganism on Cyprus and destroyed pagan temples. The holy bishop was generous to all and tried to fulfil the requests of each person. He died in 625 aged 75. He is greatly honoured in Russia. In Cyprus on his feast day of 16 <sup>th</sup> June there are prayers and the blessing of vines ahead of the ripening time		
NO MASS	Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> St Juliana Falconieri Born in 1270 to noble family in Florence, Italy. Rich father paid for construction of Church of Annunciation in Florence. Uncle was one of the 7 founders of Servite Order. Given a good religious education. She was a tall, graceful, beautiful girl but refused to marry. Mother was furious. Involved in self harm as penance. Eventually allowed to join the Servites as a nun in the Church of Annunciation built by her father. Her uncle tutored her. Stayed at home to care for her widowed mother. Collected together women in Florence to form nuns for Servite Order, Sisters of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Order of Servites. First Convent near Church of Annunciation in Florence. Devotion to Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady of Sorrows. Cared for sick. . Mother Superior for 35 years		
SVP Social 1 pm to 3 pm NO MASS	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> . St Elizabeth of Schonau Born in 1129 in Germany to family containing members of the clergy. Educated at Benedictine monastery of Schonau. At age 18 joined the double monastery as a nun. Started having visions which were recorded by her brother, Ekebert, a monk in the monastery, in six books. Became famous. Made Abbess of Schonau.		

<p><b>NO MASS</b></p>	<p><b>Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> St Romuald of Ravenna</b> Born about 950 to a noble Italian family. As a youth indulged in the pleasures of the world. Was a second to his father in a duel where the opponent was killed. Horrified did 40 days of penance. Joined Benedictine monastery following Rule of Cluny as a monk. Not strict enough despite being made abbot. Became hermit with Marinus who followed harsh and solitary life near Venice. Later they moved hermitage to near monastery at Cuxa in Spain to use its library to study types of monastic life. Returned to Italy to help his father who had become a monk. Spent 30 years in Italy founding many monasteries and hermitages. He collected disciples including Peter Damian. Wanted to go to Hungary but prevented by illness. Given land near Arezzo in Tuscany, northern Italy. With Peter he founded a hermitage and monastery at <i>Camaldoli</i> for <i>Camaldolese Benedictines</i> which eventually became the motherhouse of the separate <i>Camaldolese Order</i></p>
<p><b>NO MASS</b></p>	<p><b>Friday 20<sup>th</sup> St Alban</b> Born in 3<sup>rd</sup> century near St Albans. Prominent citizen in Roman town of Verulamium. Alban was a pagan who was converted by a Christian priest fleeing persecution by the pagan Roman authorities. When Roman soldiers arrived, Alban was arrested thinking he was the priest. Judge then asked him to offer sacrifice to pagan gods. Alban refused and then was recognised as not being the priest. Judge furious at deception, sent him to be tortured which did not shake Alban's faith. Ordered to be beheaded. Executioner, moved by Alban's faith, cast down his sword. Roman soldiers also refused to kill him. Taken to a hill and an executioner was found who beheaded Alban and his first executioner. After killing them, the eyes of the executioner popped out. Alban's head rolled down the hill. Stopped where a well sprang up. Judge then honoured Alban's death.</p>
<p><b>6 pm Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass</b></p>	<p><b>Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> 24 Martyrs of Titus Oates fictitious Popish Plot</b> 24 martyrs executed due to fictitious conspiracy invented by the villainous Titus Oates, 1678 to 1681. This disreputable character was expelled from school, rated a dunce at Cambridge University and left with no degree. Anglican vicar. Dismissed for drunken blasphemy. Joined father, a Hastings cleric, as curate. Falsely accused schoolmaster. Arrested for perjury. Escaped to London. Chaplain to a ship in Royal Navy. Arrested in Tangier for sodomy, capital offence, just dismissed due to clerical status. Chaplain to the Protestant members of household of Catholic Duke of Norfolk. Unreliable so lost his position. Joined the Catholic Church and Jesuits for training. Thrown out. Joined Israel Tongue a fanatical anti-Catholic Puritan preacher who blamed Catholics for the Plague of London and Fire of London. Devised the false "Popish Plot" to kill King Charles II. King never believed conspiracy. Titus named more people including Queen. 16 executed for the plot, 8 of them priests. Titus tried and imprisoned for perjury.</p>
<p><b>9.30 am Mass</b></p>	<p><b>Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> June Corpus Christi Sunday</b></p>
<p><b>PLEASE PRINT IN BLOCK CAPITALS WHEN RECORDING NAMES FOR MASS INTENTION</b></p>	
<p><b>Your prayers are needed for the following people</b></p>	
<p><b>Sue Chandler    Hazel Sale    Mary Light    Trevor Delves    Fr Shaun Budden    Ann Drumgoole</b></p>	

**NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Just heard the sad news that Pauline Lawrence died on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June**  
Pauline was a long time parishioner at St Vincent de Paul and would have reached the age of 86 this month. She has been ill for some time but regularly attended the 9.30 Sunday Mass up to three weeks ago. Her funeral will be arranged at St Vincent de Paul in the near future. Please remember Pauline and her family in your prayers.

**Next SVP Social is next Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> June – 1pm to 3 pm**  
This is another opportunity to meet for refreshments and a chat. Please come along with your friends. No need to stay for the whole time, a few minutes of two hours, whatever suits you. Renee and Pat

**Funeral of Fr Vincent Convery a previous parish priest for St Vincent de Paul in the 1980's.**  
Fr Vincent , who was a greatly loved by the parishioners, died on 27<sup>th</sup> April at Kiln Green Nursing Home north east of Reading in Berkshire. He had suffered a severe stroke in 2016. His funeral will be held in Chapel there.

**Geoff Bradley, a previous active parish member, died last week. Please remember both in your prayers.**

**Important notice from church cleaners: DO NOT LEAVE CHEWING GUM IN THE CHURCH**  
Chewing gum can damage the pews, floors and other surfaces. It is also very difficult to remove. Please can we all work together to keep our sacred space clean and welcoming for everyone.

**Jubilee 2025 Youth Pilgrimage between 28<sup>th</sup> July and 4<sup>th</sup> August coinciding with World Youth Day**  
Any young person who is 17+ in invited to take part in the Diocese of Portsmouth Youth Pilgrimage to Rome and includes visits to the Vatican and World Youth Day Jubilee events. Cost is £1,350 per person for a shared room.

**Parish collection for last weekend 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> June**

Parish Gift Aid Envelopes	Gift Aid	Parish Loose Collection	Direct debits, standing orders	Gift Aid	Total of Offertory Collection	Use of the church	Gift Aid	Loose	TOTAL of all money
£77	£19.25	£186.32	£242.54	£51.98	£577.09	£150			<b>£727.09</b>