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www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/parish/havant-pastoral-area/



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

6/7 SEPTEMBER 2025

fr. Tom Hiney writes...

I worked as a freelance journalist and author for several years, writing for The Sunday Times, The Spectator, and The Observer. During that time, I also wrote a biography of the American novelist Raymond Chandler and a non-fiction book called On the Missionary Trail, which was serialised on Radio 4.

In my late 20s, while based in South Africa, I began to reexplore the Christian faith of my childhood, and eventually (in my mid-30s) returned to the UK, where I attended Anglican seminary, later working as a British Army chaplain.

After being received into the Catholic Church in 2020 by Bishop Philip, I was sent to Rome for four years. I was ordained as a Catholic priest last year and have been working at the Cathodral. I am passionate about teaching the Catholic Faith and, when I have time, am still writing.



Fr. Tom will be moving into the parish this week and begin celebrating Masses next weekend – be sure to say 'Hi' if you see him around!

Alpha 2025-26

It is very exciting to have alpha courses beginning at Sacred Heart, Waterlooville, (Monday 29th) and St Michael's Leigh Park, (Tuesday 30th) between 7 and 9pm Alpha is wonderful for anyone who has questions, is seeking to grow in their faith or wants to experience a greater sense of belong in our communities.



The Alpha course sessions will take place for 10 weeks. Each evening begins with a delicious hot meal and opportunities for developing new friendships. This is followed by an engaging presentation on the Christian faith and the opportunity, in small groups, to share your thoughts and raise questions in a supportive and non-judgemental environment. If you haven't done alpha before and feel this could be a good opportunity for you, please email alpha@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk to register and find out more.

THE LITURGICAL WEEK...

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	VENUE	SACRED HEART MASS INTENTION			
START OF NEW MASS TIMES							
Saturday 6 September	<mark>11.30am</mark>	Adoration & Confession	St Michael & All Angels				
Our Lady on Saturday	12noon	Mass	St Michael & All Angels Sacred Heart				
	5-6pm	Guided Adoration, Praise & Worship and Confession	Sacred Heart				
Vigil TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN OT	6.15pm	Mass	Sacred Heart	John Beauvoisin, RIP (FM)			
Sunday 7 September	9am	Mass	St Edmund	Kay Webb, RIP			
TWENTY-THIRD	9.30am	Mass	St Michael & All Angels				
SUNDAY	<mark>llam</mark>	Mass	Sacred Heart	Maggie Bray, RIP			
IN ORDINARY TIME	4pm	Mass	QA Hospital Chapel				
	5.30pm	Mass	Sacred Heart	People of the Parish			
Monday 8 September	<mark>7am</mark>	Mass	Sacred Heart	Lalichan James, RIP			
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BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, feast	12.30pm	Mass	QA Hospital Chapel				
Tuesday 9 September	6pm	Adoration & Confession	St Edmund				
Feria [23rd Week in OT]	6.30pm	Mass	St Edmund	For all young people looking for employme			
Wednesday 10 Sept	9.45am	Confessions	St Michael & All Angels				
Feria [23rd Week in OT]	10.15am	Mass	St Michael & All Angels				
	11.30am	Adoration	Sacred Heart	7 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5 5			
	12noon	Mass	Sacred Heart	John Paul DeBattista, RIP			
Thursday 11 September	9.30am	Adoration & Confession	St Edmund	NAW O NAWA Chandan Awaralah			
Feria [23rd Week in OT]	10am	Mass	St Edmund	Mr. & Mrs. Charles Arnold			
Friday 12 September	<mark>1pm</mark> 6.30pm	Sacrament of Marriage Mass	Sacred Heart St Colman	Margaret & Patrick, Intention			
Feria [23rd Week in OT] Saturday 13 September	11.30am	Adoration & Confession	St Michael & All Angels				
St John Chrysostom,	12noon	Mass	St Michael & All Angels				
Bishop, Doctor of the	5.30pm	Confession	Sacred Heart				
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Vigil THE EXALTATION	6.15pm	Mass	Sacred Heart	Lisa Magee-Lawler, Intention			
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Sunday 14 September	9am	Mass	St Edmund	Arlene Lodrick & Emmy Willis, R			
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THE HOLY CROSS				d'Esperance & Adams Families			
	9.30am	Mass	St Michael & All Angels				
	<mark>11am</mark>	Mass	Sacred Heart	Private Intention			
	4pm	Mass	QA Hospital Chapel				
	5.30pm	Mass	Sacred Heart	People of the Parish			

WHAT'S GOING ON THIS WEEK...

DATE	EVENT	TIME	VENUE			
SATURDAY 6 September	Choir Practice: We are always pleased to welcome new members to our choir. If you are interested in joining us and able to commit to a weekly practice (usually Saturdays), please do come and have a chat to me after Mass. If you have any favourite hymns that you would like us to include at some point during the 10.30am Sunday Mass, please do let me know by emailing the office office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk	llam- l2noon	Sacred Heart Church			
	Pre-loved Clothes Sale: For more information please contact Nina: careinthecommunity@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk	2-4pm	Sacred Heart Parish Centre			
	Knit & Natter: Everyone welcome! Just bring along your wool and knitting needles. Refreshments will be provided.	4-5pm	Sacred Heart Narthex			
MONDAY 8 September	Team Clean: Remember that Cleanliness is next to Godliness. Why not join the 'Team Clean' to ensure His house is always clean and tidy. Give it a try - the Team are very friendly bunch. Mondays, 9-10am in church.	9-10am	Sacred Heart Church			
TUESDAY 9 September	Rosary Group: All welcome, just pop along!	6.45pm	Sacred Heart Church			
SATURDAY 13 September	Choir Practice	11am- 12noon	Sacred Heart Church			

NOTICES & FUTURE EVENTS ...

Bill to legalise Assisted Suicide

Archbishop John Sherrington, the Lead Bishop for Life Issues, has issued a statement about the Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill which is about to go before the House of Lords

As the Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill is being considered at length in the House of Lords, we reiterate our firm opposition to the bill in principle and in practice. Despite being described by proponents as the safest of its kind, the bill remains unworkable. It puts the safety of our healthcare institutions, professionals, and patients at risk. The Bill threatens the future of care homes and hospices that would not otherwise provide assisted suicide, as doing so would violate their core mission and ethical principles. The House of Commons rejected an amendment which would allow employers to prevent their employees from facilitating assisted suicide. https://www.thecatholicherald.com/article/religious-orders-may-be-forced-out-of-care-homes-by-assisted-suicide-bill Cardinal Nichols and I previously noted that "a right to assisted suicide given to individuals is highly likely to become a duty on care homes and hospices to facilitate it."

www.cbcew.org.uk/future-of-many-care-homes-and-hospices-in-doubt-if-assisted-suicide-legalised/ As a result, there is a real danger that some care homes and hospices may be forced to significantly limit or even fully withdraw their services.

Inadequate conscience clause

The bill undermines the duty of care of healthcare professionals by permitting them to help patients to end their lives, fundamentally changing the relationship between the medical professional and the patient. www.ourdutyofcare.org.uk/declaration/ Furthermore, as the Catholic Medical Association (CMA) has stated, the bill's conscience clause is not adequate, despite assurances from the bill's proponents. www.cbcew.org.uk/cma-statement-on-conscience-protections-in-tia-bill/ Many doctors will effectively be unable to opt out of cooperating with the procedure, because of the duty to direct patients to information and to where they can have a preliminary discussion.

Putting vulnerable patients at risk

This bill puts the lives of vulnerable patients at risk due to inadequate safeguards against coercion. Evidence from other jurisdictions indicates that patients often feel pressured to choose assisted suicide because they feel as though they are a burden on those caring for them. In addition, countries such as Canada demonstrate that wherever assisted suicide is initially introduced for a limited group, the criteria quickly expand to include the non-terminally ill, and soon those without mental capacity. www.theconversation.com/assisted-dying-canada-grapples-with-plans-to-extend-euthanasia-to-

<u>people-suffering-solely-from-mental-illness-230129</u> Moreover, introducing assisted suicide does not reduce the overall number of suicides. <u>www.righttolife.org.uk/news/overall-suicide-numbers-increase-when-assisted-suicide-and-euthanasia-made-legal-research-suggests</u>

Priority must be given to the provision of palliative care which, though excellent where provided, is patchy in terms of its provision around the country. The legalisation of assisted suicide will inevitably further undermine the resourcing of palliative care. Where such provision is absent, individuals will inevitably feel pressured to end their lives.

A call to prayer and action

We continue to call for prayer and action. I urge you to contact members of the House of Lords and in particular share your personal or professional experience on this important matter. A link on how to contact members of the House of Lords can be found here www.cbcew.org.uk/how-to-write-to-peers-in-the-house-of-lords/
Taken from this week's Portsmouth E-News

Please pray for those who need our prayers...

We pray for those who are ill in mind and body. May they find comfort and hope in the tender love of Jesus. We also pray for those who care for them, that they may be blessed with the gifts of gentleness and patience.

Sacrament of Confirmation for Young People 2026

'At the heart of our faith is one truth: God loves you' (Pope Francis)

In the Autumn Term, we are beginning the journey for those that would like to consider receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, next Summer. This is open to all young people that are in year 8 and above from September 2025.

We are beginning with the exciting, new youth alpha series. Following this, there will be an opportunity to enrol in early January for further faith-based interactive sessions to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

We are delighted that Bishop Philip will be Confirming our young people with the Holy Spirit at the Sacred Heart Church, Waterlooville, on Tuesday 2nd June at 7pm.

If you would like to receive more information about this opportunity, please e mail:

<u>confirmation@jesusprinceofpeace.org.uk</u> and provide your name, age, and a parent's e mail address and mobile.

I hope you have a great Summer! Fr James Lewis jlewis@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Preparation for 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- First Reading: a reading from the Book of Wisdom [Wisdom 9:13-18] Who can discern what the Lord wills?
- Responsorial Psalm Response:
 - O Lord, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation.
- Second Reading: A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to Philemon [Philemon 9B-10, 12-17] 'Anyone who does not renounce all that he has cannot be my disciple.'
- Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia. Let your face shine forth on your servant, and teach me your decrees. Alleluia.

Catholic Mothers Portsmouth

Maria Ryan, parishioner at Sacred Heart [along with her friend, Katherine], has set up a Catholic Mothers Group for the wider Portsmouth area.

Maria writes... Join a community of Catholic mums growing in faith together. Join us for prayer, discussion, friendship and a space to encourage and support each other. Children are welcome too! This term, we will be looking at Pope St John Paul II's "Letter to Women".

At St John the Evangelist Cathedral, Portsmouth parish hall (parking is available at the Cathedral) from 9:30-11:30am on the following dates:

Monday 15th September Monday 6th & 20th October Monday 3rd & 17th November Monday 1st & 15th December

Please contact Maria or Katherine at catholic mothers ports mouth@gmail.com for more information.

Coffee Morning in Aid of Macmillan Cancer Support

On Thursday 25 September, following the 10am Mass at St. Edmund, you are invited to attend a Coffee Morning for Macmillan. You can also help support the event by donating raffle prizes, cakes and your time to help on the day.

Gentlemen's Bereaved lunch Club

Bereavement is one of the most difficult times in one's life.

It is proposed to start a gentlemen's club within the Parish where light conversation among friends over a meal may help to ease the pains of bereavement or unprocessed grief.

If you would wish to support this venture, you are requested to please contact me on 07842 755196 or davidlodrick@outlook.com Thank you, David Lodrick.

Jerus Prince of Peace Parish Music Ministry Team

Marijke Miles writes... We are delighted to share with you that we have a new, central contact for our new Parish music network. From now on, all communications will come from this address and this is a new opportunity for *anyone* (not just leaders and co-ordinators) who is interested in being involved in future events, rehearsals planning meetings, sharing of knowledge and resources and so on to register their interest and be added to distribution lists and our database of musical activity across the Parish. Please send an email with the subject line *Expression of Interest* to music@jesusprinceofpeace.org.uk and you will receive a link to a simple Microsoft Form which, once completed, will ensure that you are included in future information sharing. This is not a one-off opportunity. You can always invite and encourage new arrivals and newly interested Parishioners to use this email address to get involved. We look forward to hearing from you!

first Holy Communion Programme 2026

Do you have a baptised child in Year 3 or above who could make their First Holy Communion in 2026? Please email Sue in the parish office office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk with the following information: Child's full name, date of birth, home address, parent's mobile, date & place of baptism. Full details of the programme will be emailed out to parents in the autumn. There will be a Registration session on Sunday 18 January after the morning Mass and sessions will continue on after this date. Closing date for names: Friday 31 November 2025.

Season of Creation | September - 4 October

The World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, which was celebrated on 1 September is the official start of the Season of Creation, a time of sustained prayer and action which lasts a month and four days. During this season we are encouraged to pray and engage in community events in order to deepen our relationship with God, our neighbour and the earth we share, being ever more attentive to the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

On the 30th June the Vatican said the theme of this World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, chosen by our beloved Pope Francis, is 'Seeds of Peace and Hope'. On the tenth anniversary of the establishment

of this Day of Prayer, which coincided with the publication of the encyclical Laudato Si', we find ourselves celebrating the present Jubilee as 'Pilgrims of Hope'. This year's theme thus appears most timely. May it continue to inspire us and integral ecology be increasingly accepted as the right path to follow. In this way, seeds of hope will multiply, to be "tilled and kept" by the grace of our great and unfailing Hope, who is the risen Christ. *Philip Hayllar*

How your CAFOD donations make a difference

Jo Lewry invites you to come and hear about how your donations to CAFOD are making a difference to communities in Ethiopia.

On Saturday 20th September from 10:30am to 1:30pm there will be a CAFOD meeting at St Bedes Church Hall Basingstoke RG24 9DX for CAFOD volunteers and supporters - everyone is welcome. A simple lunch will be provided so to help with catering please book your place by emailing Jo on jlewry@cafod.org.uk Jo Kitterick CAFOD's Director of Fundraising and Participation will be talking about our work with partners in Southern Ethiopia and sharing Waré's story.

Once, rains fell reliably, fields were green, and water was close by but now the seasons in Ethiopia are unpredictable, and long droughts are forcing women like Waré to walk for hours each day just to find water for drinking, washing, and livestock.

"It was very traumatising," Waré says. "When I was pregnant, I had to go fetch water in the mountains. Sometimes I felt so weak I could fall down, so I worried about my child."

Yet, Waré refused to give up. Guided by her own faith and uniting with her neighbours, she took action. With support from CAFOD and local water expert Abbiott, they built an underground water tank to collect and store every precious drop of rain. Now, over 300 families have safe, clean water just a few steps from their homes. I look forward to seeing you at our meeting on 20th September.

St Edmund Catholic School Open Morning - Save the date!

St Edmund's Catholic School is holding an Open Morning for Year 6 pupils and parents on Saturday 4^{th} October 2025 between 9am and 1pm. We hope you will come to get an insight into life at St Edmund's. Booking will be required: Session 1 - 9:00am - 11:00am and Session 2 - 11:00am - 13:00pm. Further details will become available on the school website.

In Aid of the Rowans Hospice: Camel Race Night

Saturday 11 October at All Saints' Church Hall, Denmead – First Race 7pm. Tickets £7.50, accompanied children FREE. Tickets and enquiries: Elaine Radford 023 9236 0678 or 07775 522354.

Our New/letter

All news items and forthcoming events to <u>office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk</u> by 2.30pm on Wednesday for inclusion in the next issue. We reserve the right to edit any articles prior to publication due to space. Articles may not be published immediately and may be held in reserve for future use. If you would like to receive a copy via email please contact Sue.

Payments to Sacred Heart & St Edmund

If you would like to make a donation to Sacred Heart or St Edmund, there are several ways to do this:

Sacred Heart:

Cheque made payable to 'CDP Waterlooville Sacred Heart' 'Donate with Dona' button on our Webpage Online payments in church using the Dona machine [by the Sacristy] BACS: Lloyds bank account 01861043, sort code 309304, CDP Waterlooville Sacred Heart

St Edmund:

Cheque made payable to 'CDP Horndean St Edmund' Donate using the Sum Up machine in the narthex BACS: Lloyds bank account 00880222, sort code 309304, CDP Horndean St Edmund

Please consider - Gift Aiding your donation

As a charity we can get tax relief which allows us to reclaim an extra 25% in tax on every eligible donation made by a UK taxpayer. Claiming Gift Aid on donations made by parishioners means we can claim from the government 25p for every £1 you give, at no extra cost to you! Please consider completing a Gift Aid Declaration form today. Forms are available on request by emailing Yvonne for Sacred Heart or Niall for St. Edmund – Contact details in the 'Contact us' part of this newsletter.

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