

**South East Hampshire Pastoral Area**  
**Parish of Jesus Prince of Peace**  
**St Michael and All Angels Catholic Church, Leigh Park**

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**We use the Readings for the Feast of the Holy Archangels, Michael, Gabriel and Raphael**  
**Scripture Readings at Mass**

**Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14** 'A thousand thousand served him'.

**John 1:47-51** 'You will see the angels of God ascending on the Son of Man'.



**CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal this Harvest** Please donate to our Family Fast Day parish collection to share God's abundant gifts with our global neighbours as they find lasting solutions to poverty and climate challenges. Your generosity offers "signs of hope" in this Jubilee Year, helping build more water tanks in communities like Waré's in Ethiopia where women have to walk for hours to get water. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at [cafod.org.uk/envelope](http://cafod.org.uk/envelope) or call 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFOD to 70560 to donate £10.

Fast Day is on 3rd October. Tim Collins will give a short talk after Mass this coming Sunday.

## **Our Liturgies this week**

Reconciliation; in the half hour prior to Mass

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> September**

**St Vincent de Paul, Founder, memorial**

12 noon Mass for St Vincent de Paul

**28<sup>th</sup> September**

**Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9.30 am Mass for Geraldine Hines INT

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September,**

**The Holy Archangels, Michael, Gabriel & Raphael  
Feast Day.**

**Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September**

**St Jerome,**

**Priest, Doctor of the Church, memorial**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October**

**St Teresa of the Child Jesus, Religious, Doctor  
of the Church, memorial**

**NO MASS TODAY**

10.15am Adoration

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October**

**The Holy Guardian Angels**

**Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October**

**St Francis of Assisi**

12 noon Mass for St Francis of Assisi

**5<sup>th</sup> October**

**Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

9.30 am Mass for Brian and Carole Maddock INT

**Safeguarding training** for the Pastoral Area took place last Saturday at St Michael's led by the Diocesan Safeguarding team. It was well attended and ensures our volunteers are fully compliant.



**Congratulations to Mike and Ann Carroll** who celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary with a Papal Blessing presented by Fr James.



**We welcomed St Thomas More School** to Mass last Sunday. They made a great contribution to our Sunday worship.



**We look forward to  
beginning our Alpha  
programme** on Monday  
29<sup>th</sup> September at St Thomas  
More School 1pm and  
Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September at St  
Michael and All Angels

Church at 7pm. **Alpha** is a place where you can ask questions and find out about Jesus's love for you. It's also a way to reignite one's faith. Ten meetings include video presentations and discussions ... as well as good company.

**If you would like your child to make their First Holy Communion in 2026** parents and guardians are asked to join this As **Alpha** ends, we will invite families to register the children. Preparation for children and parents begins in February 2026.

Email [office@stmichaelsleighpark.org.uk](mailto:office@stmichaelsleighpark.org.uk) providing your name and email address.

**Jesus 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](mailto: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!

**Mass for the Sick** St Edmund, Horndean, would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone in Jesus Prince of Peace Parish for a special Mass with the Sacrament of the Sick on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October @ 12noon. Lunch in the hall afterwards and for catering reasons please email Sue on [office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk](mailto:office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk) if you wish to attend. They will be collecting donations which go towards the cost of the lunch, and any money left over at the end of the year goes to charities like CAFOD, Stella Maris and Aid to the Church in Need. This Christmas, the parish will be sending all profits to the Rowans Hospice.

**Fr Anthony Fyk**, *Director of Liturgical Formation along with the Liturgy Project team invites you to formation day for Readers at St Bede's, Basingstoke on **Saturday 18th October**.*

A Formation morning for **Readers** will take place on **Saturday 18th October** and all readers, experienced and new, are very welcome to attend. This day will include a session on Lectio Divina. Anyone wishing to attend either day should register via [liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk). Click on the image for a poster. Why not visit our [Liturgy Project website](#) to see what else the Diocesan Liturgical Formation Team has to offer.

**Sacrament of Confirmation**  
**for Young People 2026**

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

Dear young people, parents and carers.

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: [confirmation@jesusprinceofpeace.org.uk](mailto:confirmation@jesusprinceofpeace.org.uk) and provide your name, age, and a parent's email address and mobile.

Fr James Lewis

**Oaklands Catholic School - Open Evening**

Come and explore the inspiring learning environment that awaits within the Oaklands community. Oaklands Catholic School invites you to join us for our school Open Evening on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2025 from 5-8pm, No booking is required for this event.

We will also be holding our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October, where you can explore our state-of-the-art facilities, meet our friendly staff, and learn about our wide range of post-16 courses and exceptional co-curricular offerings.

Don't miss this opportunity to see what we offer - we can't wait to see you there.

**St Edmund's Catholic School Open Morning**

Saturday 4th October 2025: 9am to 1pm

Come and get an insight into our Outstanding Catholic School in Portsmouth. The morning will be in 2 sessions and book is required.

Session 1 - 9:00am - 11:00am

Session 2 - 11:00am - 13:00pm

For more details please visit:

<https://www.saintedmunds.org.uk/openmorning>