



St. Swithun's Weekly News

North East Hampshire Pastoral Area

Sunday 1st September 2013

22nd Sunday of the Year (C)

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MASS TIMES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sun 1st **22nd Sunday of the Year**

6.30pm(Sat) Philomena D'Sa GE

8.00am Eileen Barkway

9.15am Dave Morgan GE

10.30am Peggy Davies GE

Tues 3rd **St. Gregory the Great**

7.30pm Mass for UCM

Wed 4th **St. Cuthbert**

9.30am David Pearce RIP

10m-9pm Adoration

Thu 5th **Feria**

9.30am Deacon Dave Morgan GE

Fri 6th **Feria**

7.30pm Canon Brian McEvoy RIP

Sun 8th **23rd Sunday of the Year**

6.30pm(Sat) Sarah Wallis RIP

8.00am Francis Soler RIP

9.15am Mass in Hartley Wintney

10.30am Annette Pitt RIP

Penitential Act: 525

Readings: 1049

Creed: 541

Gloria: 529

Blessing over gifts: 545

Preface: 569

Euch Prayer II: 605

Lord's Prayer: 633

God cries out that the kingdom of heaven is for sale. The glorious bliss of this kingdom surpasses the power of mortal eye to see, mortal ear to hear, mortal heart to conceive. If anyone asks the price that must be paid, the answer is: The One who wishes to bestow a kingdom in heaven has no need of earthly payment. No one can give God anything he does not possess, because everything belongs to him. Yet he does not give such a precious gift entirely gratis, for he will not give it to anyone who lacks love. After all, people do not give away what they hold dear to those without appreciation. So since God has no need of your possessions but must not bestow such a precious gift on anyone who disdains to value it, love is the one thing he asks for; without this he cannot give it. Give love, then, and receive the kingdom: love and it is yours. To reign in heaven simply means exercising a single power with God and all the holy angels and saints through being so united with them in love as to want only what they want. Love God more than yourself, then, and already you will begin to have what you desire to possess fully in heaven. Be at one with God and with other men and women—so long as they are not at variance with God—and already you will begin to reign with God and all the saints.





Porta Fidei

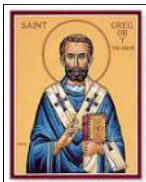
Year Of Faith

Celebrating the year of Faith with you family:

- “Pray together as a family - grace before meals, prayers before bedtime, family rosary
- Display religious imagery in the home
- Make a 'shrine' for the YEAR OF FAITH - a statue, cross, candle, Bible etc
- Have a family prayer board where prayer intentions can be posted
- Celebrate the Church's liturgical year in the home - for example, an Advent wreath, religious advent calendars, a crib, Lenten prayers, Easter candle
- Keep the feasts of saints after which family members are named
- Make a family pilgrimage - for example, to the Cathedral
- Read Bible stories with children
- Use craft materials to create images of faith, make rosaries
- Trace the sign of the cross on each other's foreheads before journeys, at bedtime, before school, at the end of family prayers
- Prepare prayerfully for Sunday Mass together using The Wednesday Word

ST. GREGORY THE GREAT

Pope Gregory I, commonly known as Saint Gregory the Great, was the head of the Catholic Church from 3 September 590 to his death in 604. Gregory is well known for his writings, which were more prolific than those of any of his predecessors as pope. Throughout the Middle Ages he was known as “the Father of Christian Worship” because of his exceptional efforts in revising the Roman worship of his day. He is also known as St. Gregory the Dialogist in Eastern Orthodoxy because of his Dialogues. For this reason, English translations of Orthodox texts will sometimes list him as "Gregory Dialogus". He was the first of the popes to come from a monastic background. Gregory is a Doctor of the Church and one of the Latin Fathers. He is the patron saint of musicians, singers, students, and teachers.



GARDEN OPENING

In aid of air ambulance BOB (Berks, Oxon, Bucks). **Fri 6th Sep**, 5pm, adults £4. Farley Hill Place gardens, church road, Farley Hill, Reading, RG7 1TZ.

AFTERNOON TEA

You are invited to a Full Afternoon Tea Saturday **7th Sep** 2.30-5pm. Only £3.50 per head. Plus Mini Market, Stalls including Home made Preserves, Home grown Produce, Children's cakes etc. All proceeds to St Joseph's School Nigeria. Tickets will be on sale after all Masses and from the parish office.



SPONSORED WALK

Fr. Dominic and Carole, are joining the Walk in Hartley Wintney on the **28th September** to raise money for Christ the King school in Nigeria. Please can you sponsor us, the sponsor form is displayed in our parish porch. Thanks



FRIENDLY FINCHES

“Retirement Club”

You are invited to join the 1st meeting “TEA AT THE RITZ”, Aka Finchamstead Memorial Hall, Flinchamstead, **Thu 19th Sep, 2.30pm to 4pm**. Tickets £1 for tea, cake & Sandwiches. Transport can be arranged, please call Kate on 01189 733114.



SING FOR YOUR SUPPER

As it's so popular we have “Sing for Your Supper” returning **Sat 5th Oct** 7.30 pm. Tickets £15. including Light Supper. To book your tickets, please put your Name & Telephone number on list in Church Porch as soon as possible.



CABRINI CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Cabrini has written to us and they would like to thank you for supporting the children they work with. Earlier this year we raised £174.46 from our 2nd collection. So thanks again!



ZANUSSI DISHWASHER

Full size white dishwasher, in good use. Free to anyone interested. Please contact the parish office.

The First Holy Communion Programme

The First Holy Communion Programme for 2013-14 will commence on Saturday **14th September** at 12.00 – 1.30. If your child is starting Year 3 and will be aged 8 before **31st August 2014** please complete an application form and return to the parish office ASAP. These can be found in the porch and the closing date is **Friday 13th September**.



The First Holy Communion celebration will take place on **Sunday 22nd June 2014**.

This will be Jeff & Stephanie's final year as First Holy Communion catechists and therefore, in order for the programme to continue into 2015 and beyond, we are looking for people willing to take on this fantastic role from next September. You will be able to join in with sessions over the coming year to find out all about what happens during a lesson and how we prepare for the children's masses. Please do consider becoming a valued mentor to the children of our parish and ensure that they can continue to prepare for the sacrament and celebrate it here at St Swithun's.

Sing for your Supper

If you have booked tickets, please could you pay at your earliest convenience to secure your place. You may pay money or cheque into office or to John Eden or Mary White. Please leave payment in an envelope with your name etc.

UCM

Meeting Tuesday **3rd September**, starting with Mass at 7.30pm followed with Business meeting, all welcome to join us.

FOOD BANK

Red vouchers: If you are in crisis / need, or if you know of anyone else who is, voucher may be obtained via Carole / Fr Dominic in the office or Mike Tevlin on 01252 871196.

Items urgently needed

Instant Mash,
Tin Spaguetti,
Fruit Juice
Long life milk

Thank You All



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Items for Newsletter please email Carole:
office@stswithunsyateley.org.uk latest by Wednesday lunchtime. Any items you would like on the STM website please ask John Marcotti or email to the website address above.

MASS IN SEPTEMBER 2013

Sun 1st Sep **22nd Sunday of the Year**
9.15am Mass

Parish Picnic Lunch

Sun 8th Sep from 12Noon at Winchfield Lodge, Reading Road, Hartley Wintney. All parishioners are welcome including St Swithun's and Hook parishes too. Please bring some food to share with others. BBQ facilities if needed and ample parking. Please come and join us!

UCM

Hartley Wintney Mothers Union invites the ladies of St Thomas More to their afternoon meeting on Wed Sep 11th at 2.30pm at St John's Church Centre. The speaker will be the Diocesan President of the Mothers' Union, Mrs Stella Roberts and her subject is 'The Seeds We Sow'. The talk will be followed by a Tea Party and Fellowship. If you are interested in going please let Carole Johnson (842859) know by Sept 2nd.

Sponsored Walk

From St. Thomas More to St. Swithuns, Saturday 28th September 10am. Raising money for Fr. Dominic's school in Nigeria. You don't have to be sponsored, you may join us and donate a small fee if you wish to.

MASS COLLECTION:

25/08: £100.68 Thank you

MASS COUNT:

25/08: 55

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER:

01/09: Simone Whitall, Hedi Lewis, Pat Gregory

READERS:

01/09: Tim Davies & Patrick Wilson

GREETERS:

01/09: Pat Bell

CLEANERS:

02/09: Hedi Lewis

PRAYERS

For the sick: Deacon Dave Morgan, Margaret Wilshire Fran O'Neil, Rose O' Halloran, Hugh Sullivan, Robert Fletcher, Margaret Wiltshire, Jessie Silver, Daniela Evans, Kenneth Duarte, John Manton, Richard Kemp, Richard Silber, Ruth Hudson, John Hicks, Grace Wilson, Louise Wildman, Agnes Link, Bishop Michael Scott-Joynt, John Sullivan, Walter Sudell, Bob Fernandez, Madge Carroll.

Those who have died: Morris Taylor, Jim Bird, Michael Carton, Mary Mc Mahon, James Gill, Eleanor Fahy, Christopher McCormack, Mark Farniloe, Margaret Wilson.

Be with them Lord!

Anniversary of the dead for September

Malcolm Hancock, Michael Candem, Winifred Lesrille, Mary Coombes, Gertrude Flynn, Vera Lucas Roger Russell, Ivy Stenson, Enio Lynch, Wilfrid Barefoot, Mitzie Donoghue, Bill Roberts, Malcolm Hancock, Sheila Mitchell, Betty McDonnell, Carmen Thorn, Robert O'Halloran, Kathleen Brtown, Marty Smith, Marion Houlihan, Patrick Breslin, Betty O'Donnell, Peter Clarke, Peter Farry, Philip Graham.

REFRESHMENTS

Coffee will take place after Mass in the parish centre this Sunday.



CHILDREN'S CORNER

Children's Liturgy will NOT take place during the summer holidays.

MASS COUNT

25/08: 6.30pm: 65; 8am: 40; 10.30am: 92;= 197

YOUR GIFT TO GOD'S CHURCH

25/08: £ TBA Thank you

100 CLUB

Congratulations to the **August** winners!

Names of winners are displayed in the porch.

Please come and claim your money
from the Parish Office

Any new members would be most welcome.

No vacancies at present but you may go on the waiting list.

Please contact the parish office.

Do You Know?

When you fill in the Gift Aid Declaration Form, together with the establishing of either a Standing Order or the issue of a box of envelopes for every gift you give, the Parish gets Tax Reclaim at no extra cost to you. Please consider filling in a form today and then contact our Gift Aid Organiser Nigel Vince directly 01252 660129 or via the office. for further information.

HUMOUR FOR YOU

A couple drove several miles down a country road, not saying a word. An earlier discussion had led to an argument, and neither wanted to concede their position.

As they passed a barnyard of mules and pigs, the husband sarcastically asked, "Relatives of yours?" "Yep," the wife replied, "In-laws."

As soon as the newlyweds returned from their honeymoon, the young bride called her mother, who lived a couple of hours away. "How did everything go?" her mom asked. Oh, mother," she began, "The honeymoon was wonderful! So romantic, we had a terrific time. But, mother, on our way back, Andy started using really horrible language. Stuff I'd never heard before. Really terrible four-letter words. You've got to come get me and take me home. Please, Mother!" the new bride sobbed over the telephone. "But, honey," the mother countered, "What four-letter words?" I can't tell you, mother, they're too awful! Come get me, please!" "Darling, you must tell me what has gotten you so upset.... Tell mother what four-letter words he used." Still sobbing, the bride said, "Mother, words like dust, wash, iron, cook."

A married couple, both 60 years old, were celebrating their 35th anniversary. During their party, a fairy appeared to congratulate them and grant them each one wish. The wife wanted to travel around the world. The fairy waved her wand and poof - the wife had tickets in her hand for a world cruise. Next, the fairy asked the husband what he wanted. He said; "I wish I had a wife 30 years younger than me."

So the fairy picked up her wand and poof - the husband was 90.