

Holy Communion to the housebound is a further consideration because our Safeguarding checks are way out of date. Also, at the moment, we don't know who is actually housebound and who is just staying away, for whatever reason. If you know a Communicant who is actually housebound, please let the office know.

MY DAY BY DAY: August edition available now. All daily readings and reflections for the Masses next month. Bargain at only £1.15.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOS: Have been, wrongly, sent to the parish office. Photos may be collected **THIS WEEKEND, AFTER EITHER MASS** from the Newman Centre. Otherwise, they will be available from SDS School once term starts. **Please DO NOT contact the parish office about photos:** there is no one around to arrange alternative pick-ups.

PAINTER DECORATOR: Can anybody help or recommend someone to re-paint some of the rooms of

the presbytery? They desperately need updating. Nothing fancy: just some emulsion and satin wood on the walls, door frames, and skirting.

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Suspended

Confessions
By appointment

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After Wed & Sun Mass

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Please complete one of the special envelopes and arrange with the office

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GOING INTO HOSPITAL

On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO, WOODLEY

Sunday 24th July 2022

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C

FR BILL WRITES: Following on from last week's announcement, I can confirm that I will be leaving Woodley and moving to Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, New Milton, in September. I expect my last Mass with you will be on Sunday 11th September. In the meantime, I will be forming a small temporary council to advise and assist my successor, Fr. Leo Odomeja, in his first months. Moving is difficult, and adjustment gradual. Please be considerate and help Fr. Leo settle in gently. Avoid turning individual likes and dislikes in to matters of false urgency for him. We are working on getting the priest side of the house decorated prior to Fr. Leo's arrival, so that he will feel appreciated.

PLEASE NOTE; THIS IS A TWO-WEEK NEWSLETTER SINCE BOTH FR BILL AND DEBS ARE AWAY NEXT WEEK. THERE ARE NO WEEKDAY MASSES.

SUMMER HEAT PRECAUTIONS: Please bring water to Mass for the next few weeks as temperatures are set to be high. There are bottles in the flower room for servers to take before Mass.

BIRTHDAY BOY;
Congratulations to Fr. Bill celebrating his Birthday on Friday.

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FLAME NATIONAL YOUTH EVENT 2023: Wembley on Saturday 4th March 2023 for year 9 and above. email youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for info.

WORLD YOUTH DAY, LISBON 2023: If you are going to be aged 16 or above by July 2023, you are invited to join with like-minded young people from across the diocese to journey on pilgrimage to Lisbon for World Youth Day. 1st - 6th August 2023. at wyd@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

PRAYERS PLEASE: For one of our families reeling from the death of a loved one killed in a road traffic incident this week. Although many of you will know the identity of the family concerned, the details have not yet been made public, so we are unable to publish names at the moment. The family is grateful for your prayers and know you will respect their privacy at this time.

Today's Psalm Response:

**On the day I called,
you answered me, O Lord.**

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY MORNING AND WEDNESDAY MASSES ARE LIVE-STREAMED

TODAY	17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C	SAT 6.30PM 10.00AM	Fonseca Family Dec. mem Michael di Gregorio + 1st ann
Mon 25	St James		
Tues 26	Ss Joachim and Anne		
Wed 27	Feria		SORRY, NO WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK
Thurs 28	Feria		
Fri 29	Ss Martha, Mary, & Lazarus		
Sat 30	St Peter Chrysologus	No am Mass	
SUNDAY 31 July	18TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C	6.30PM (SAT) 10.00AM	No Intention No intention
Monday 1	St Alphonsus Liguori	No Mass	
Tues 2	St Eusebius of Vercelli	No Mass	
Wed 3	Feria	10.00am	People of the Parish
Thurs 4	St John Vianney	10.00am	No intention
Fri 5	Ded. of St Mary Major	10.00am	No intention
Sat 6	The Transfiguration	No am Mass	
SUNDAY 7TH AUG	19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C	6.30PM (SAT) 10.00AM	Alphonsus + Guiseppe Monopoli +

KRYSTYNA BINKS: Is showing signs of improvement but is still in intensive care. Her family really need our prayers at this time.

NEW DAWN FAITH WEEK: 1-5 AUGUST AT WALSINGHAM. See <https://www.newdawn.org.uk/> and <https://www.newdawn.org.uk/walsingham-2022/> for details.

ENGLISH MARTYRS DAY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: 13th August. £25 per person. Please book with Tony on 07776 328060.

WALKING THE ENGLISH CAMINO: Reading to Southampton, St. James' Way: David and Adrian of St. James' Parish will be setting out on the journey at 8.00am on Friday 5th August from St James' Church. If

you would like to join them for all or part of the journey, please see the itinerary on the notice board or phone David on 07792824785.

TODAY'S GOSPEL: THE LORD'S PRAYER: The traditional expression "the Lord's Prayer" - oratio Dominica - means that the prayer to our Father is taught and given to us by the Lord Jesus. the prayer that comes to us from Jesus is truly unique: it is "of the Lord." On the one hand, in the words of this prayer the only Son gives us the words the Father gave him: he is the master of our prayer. On the other, as Word incarnate, he knows in his human heart the needs of his human brothers and sisters and reveals them to us: he is the model of our prayer. But Jesus does not give us a formula to repeat mechanically. As in every vocal prayer, it is through the Word of God that the Holy Spirit teaches the children of God to pray to their Father. Jesus not only gives us the words of our filial prayer; at the same time he gives us the Spirit by whom these

words become in us "spirit and life." Even more, the proof and possibility of our filial prayer is that the Father "sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba! Father!'" Since our prayer sets forth our desires before God, it is again the Father, "he who searches the hearts of men," who "knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God." The prayer to Our Father is inserted into the mysterious mission of the Son and of the Spirit. (*Catechism*, para 2765-2766)

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION: Assisting at Mass and taking the Blessed Sacrament to the housebound. Our list of Ministers is really out of date, and faculties need to be re-issued. If you are a Minister and would like to continue, please email the office by 15th August at the latest. If we don't hear from you, we will assume that you don't wish to continue. We will form a rota for Masses. Since Holy Communion is being offered under one kind, the rota should be light. Taking

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially: Ellen Morganti, June Bremner-Tse, Gerry Houlton, Sr. Joseph, Chris Fido, Mimi Peat, Nick Lamb, Robert Mortimer, Julie Hamblin, Linda Guttridge, Anna Dollimore, Iris Eames, Madeline Faherty, Liane Hemingway, Chris Hughes, Marie Dempster, Kyrystyna Binks, and Anne Evans.

(If you would like to add a name to this list, then please contact the parish office.)

Also, for all the faithful departed, especially those in our *Book of Remembrance* for this month and August: Kitty Foley, Maura Cox, William (Liam) Murphy, Ken Webb, Christopher Larkin, Jo Blagbrough, Maggie Beresford, Bernard Joy OBE, Joseph Darné, Rita Belletty, John Davis, Zofia Niedzwiedzka, Tony Jacobs, Margaret Bond, Bridget Pocock, Pauline Siveter and Eileen Murphy, Giuseppe Monopoli, Anthony John Gray, Kathleen Hodges, Tom Treacy, Reginald Halse, Jo Williams, Michael O'Gorman, Reuben Aguiar, Stella Chappe, Bolestaw Klonowicz, Anthony McCarthy, Bruce Bentley, Rita Bellinger, Averil Oxley, Marjorie Pritchard, Fred Silvester, Joyce Wise, Robert Ashe and Noleen Sim . May they rest in peace.