



# The Catholic Church in Jersey



One Catholic Parish for the Island of Jersey

4/5 February 2017 ~ Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time ~ Year A

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



What have Bishop Philip and the Apostle Matthew got in common? Both, this weekend, will be

speaking to us about what we are called to do and be as Catholic Christians. And, they will challenge us about how others perceive us.

Matthew makes it quite simple by telling us to be salt and light for others. What does this mean? Clearly these images of salt and light explain the nature of our mission and our witness. They lead us to ask whether we are these things for others in our workplace and home. What example do we set?

Despite all the food fads today and fear about the excess use of salt, it is still an important ingredient, which even in small measures, flavours food as it always has done. So it is easy to see how we are

called to flavour the office or shop where we are working, however insignificant we think we are. The flavour we should give is kindness, tolerance, patience, nice words, words and honesty. Surely others should expect this from us?

Light is the other image. We follow Christ because in Psalm 118 we pray, '*Your word is a lamp for my feet and a light for my path.*' And again, in today's liturgy, the prophet Isaiah says, '*If you feed the hungry, be concerned about people's housing and clothing then your light will shine like the dawn.*'

In the words of Pope Benedict: '*United to Christ, in the darkness of indifference and selfishness, Christians can diffuse the light of God's love, with true wisdom that gives meaning to human life and action.*'

**Father Nicholas**

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## LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

### **WE WELCOME BISHOP PHILIP**

Back to Jersey this weekend when he will be focussing on the 'East'. After arriving on Saturday morning and having lunch with the priests in St Thomas' Presbytery, he will be meeting with Fr Nicholas, Fr Benjamin, Deacon Tony and Deacon Christopher in preparation for the visitation to St Patrick's and Our Lady, St Martin.

At 5pm on Saturday there will be Adoration at St Patrick's church. Bishop Philip will also be hearing confessions before the 6pm Mass when he will preach. In the evening of **Saturday 4 February** at 7.30pm there will be a meeting at Catholic Pastoral Services when Bishop Philip will meet representatives from our many lay organisations as well as representatives from the Health & Safety and Safeguarding Committees.

On **Sunday 5 February**, Bishop Philip will preach at the 9am Mass at Our Lady, St Martin and after greeting the congregation will then go to St Patrick's Church to celebrate the Mass at 11am.

Bishop Philip will have lunch at St Thomas' with the Priests and Deacons from the East and their wives, before going to the Oasis of Peace where he will meet lead catechists for the various sacramental programmes. At 3.30pm the Bishop will lead Adoration during a Holy Hour at St Matthieu's Church. All very welcome to come along.

After another busy weekend the Bishop will return to Portsmouth in the evening and will return to Jersey for 'Part 3' of his visitation on the weekend of **25/26 February**.

### **THANKS & RENEWAL AT ST MARY & ST PETER'S**

On **Sunday 5 February** at 11.30am Mass there will be a Thanksgiving for those involved in various ministries at St Mary and St Peter's Church, followed by a cake sale in aid of Bamenda - please bake and buy for Bamenda.

### **FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

On **Saturday 11 February** Mass will be celebrated at 11am at St Thomas' Church followed by a procession.

### **Baptisms**

We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism: Georgia Legg and Adelyne Harris.

### **Funerals**

Please pray for the souls of Peter Zambon, and Barbara Pamplin. May they rest in peace.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### **WELCOME BACK**

To Fr Francis after his first visit to Rome.

### **FR NICHOLAS IS AWAY**

In Portugal this week to continue to negotiate for a Portuguese speaking priest for Jersey. He will also be meeting with the leaders of Caritas Portugal. He is very grateful to Fr John, chaplain to the Little sisters of the Poor and to Fr Wieslaw, chaplain for the Polish Catholic Mission, for covering some of the weekend and weekday liturgies.

### **ST PATRICK'S TABLE TOP SALE THANK YOU**

A big thank you to all who came and donated to the Table Top Sale last weekend and to Ellie and all the helpers. Thank you also for the cake donations. All raffle prize winners have been notified. The sale raised the wonderful sum of £600 for the St Vincent de Paul society.

### **THE FRIENDS OF ST THOMAS' INVITE .....**

Parishioners from across the Island to a lunch at the Hotel Ambassadeur on **Sunday 23 April** at 1pm for 1.30pm. Tickets are priced at £20 per person and £10 for children aged between 4 and 11 years old. You and your families are warmly invited to attend. Application forms for tickets are available at the back of all churches (menu on back – no need to pre-order). Please complete and return forms to The Friends of St Thomas' c/o St Thomas' Presbytery, marked for the attention of Mrs Daphne Minihane. **Please book early as tickets are limited to 200.**

### **CTJ - FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT**

#### **27 FEBRUARY - 12 MARCH**

The Jersey Fairtrade Island Group will have a programme of events and activities during the fortnight. Will you try and use Fairtrade products more extensively? Fairtrade contributes greatly to trade justice for very poor people around the world. Please try and support.

### **FAITH TALK AT OASIS OF PEACE**

On **Tuesday 21 February** at 2pm on the Gospel of St Matthew. All welcome.

### **CWL EAST – LENT LUNCHEAS**

Catholic Women's League would value help to set up and serve Lent Lunches on Friday **3 and 10 March**. Ten to fifteen people are required to help and are asked to be at St Martin's Public Hall by 10.30am. If you are able to help, please contact Marguerite Birch: 862127 leaving your name, contact details and availability. Thank you.

### **OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS**

We acknowledge with thanks:

	CASH	PLANNED GIVING
East	£805.95	£462.75
St Helier	£1645.00	£1044.96
West	£1378.41	£521.42

## YOUTH NEWS

JaCy is open for you with many opportunities for children, teens and young adults to share in faith, friendship and fun. For more details contact the Youth Ministry Co-ordinator: Sarah Wakeling 07797787090/s.wakeling@catholicchurch.org.je or 'Like' our Facebook page 'Jersey Association of Catholic Youth (JACY)'



**Youth 2000 6.30pm – 8.30pm** at the Youth Room. Year 10+ welcome. We start with a time of Adoration and Prayer followed by formation using the 'Altaration' programme and a takeaway. New people are always welcome.

**Friday 10 February** – JaCy will *not* be at St Thomas' Hall as we will be joining in the **International Rosary evening at St Mary & St Peter's Church**. Meet us at 7.45pm at St Mary & St Peter's Church for an 8pm start.

**Sunday 12 February** – JaCy Youth night at St Thomas' Hall 7pm – 10pm Years 7+. Join us for a '**No device night.**' Our love and life group will also be meeting to discuss the first chapter of the book '**How to find your soulmate without losing your soul**'. If anyone did not receive a copy of the book and would like to join the group, please contact Sarah or come along to JaCy.

## PILGRIMAGES

### CENTENARY FATIMA PILGRIMAGE

Direct flight from Jersey **28 April – 2 May 2017**  
£750 per person sharing twin accommodation, full board, transfers, coach. Travel insurance £28 per person.

### SPECIAL APPEAL

Would you consider assisting a pilgrim to travel on the pilgrimage who could not otherwise afford to go? If so, please make a cheque to 'Catholic Church in Jersey' and send to Deacon Iain.

For further information and bookings please contact:  
Deacon Iain: 01534 725963 blessings41@gmail.com

### PEREGRINAÇÃO CENTENÁRIA A FÁTIMA

### JERSEY LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2017

*"The Almighty has done great things for me!"*

**Friday 15 September to Saturday 23 September**

9 days full board for £775 sharing with a £185 single supplement. Joining with the Oblates of Mary Immaculate, Anglo Irish Pilgrimage and staying at Hotel Ste Rose, just two minutes' walk from the Domaine. We already have a number of bookings for this year so places may be limited. For further details please call Leslie on 483855 or Deanna on 638973.

## MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Contact: Mary Cahill m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je  
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**Catholic Grandparents Association** - Our Jersey branch meet to pray for our families on the first Wednesday of the month at Little Sisters of the Poor after 11am Mass. We also meet at Catholic Pastoral Services at 10.30am on the third Wednesday.

**Friday Faith, Fun and Food** weekly at 3.30pm - 5pm at St Thomas' Hall. Babies, toddlers and pre-school age children all welcome with an adult. Primary age children to be signed in or accompanied. Play, food, pray, crafts and fun. £2 per family donation

**Praise & Play Baby & Toddler Group** - Mondays 9.30am -11.30am at St Bernadette's Church Hall.

**Natural Fertility Awareness** - Qualified practitioner available for confidential appointments to explore your fertility and natural family planning. Also, available to support parents with sex education. Ideal for young teens to learn about puberty and the monthly cycle. Group talks also available on contraception and church teaching on sexuality and love. Contact Mary Cahill RGN.

**Do you identify as LGBTQ?** Are you searching to follow your faith and yet be open about yourself with family and the faith community? Contact Mary, in confidence, for more information about a prayer and support group starting soon.

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

**Chapel of the Little Sisters** – every Sunday 4.30pm followed by Benediction & Evening Prayer at 5.10pm

**The Oasis of Peace** – every Thursday at 9am

**Sacred Heart, St Aubin** – every Wednesday at 6pm

**St Bernadette** – Every Thursday at 7pm

**St Mary & St Peter** (in Polish) – every Friday at 8pm

**St Patrick** – every Tuesday - 7pm to 8pm

**St Thomas** – every Mon, Wed & Fri 1pm to 6pm

## ROSARY

**The Oasis of Peace** every Thursday at 9am

**Sacred Heart** every Wednesday at 7pm after Mass

**St Patrick** every Saturday at 9am before Mass

**St Thomas** every Saturday at 5.30pm before Mass

## CONFESSION - SATURDAY

**Sacred Heart** 5.15pm - 5.45pm

**St Patrick** after 9.30am Mass & before 6pm Mass

**St Thomas** 11.30am - 12noon & 5pm - 5.45pm

or by arrangement with a priest

## THIS WEEK AT THE OASIS OF PEACE...

**Monday 6 February** at 7pm - Preparation for the Sunday Readings – An opportunity to reflect, discuss and pray.

**Thursday 9 February** 9am Adoration & Rosary, prior to Mass at St Matthieu followed by tea & coffee.

**Friday 10 February** at 6.30am Morning prayer followed by breakfast.

# Mass Times in the Parish during the next week

Date	Time	Church	Mass intention
<b>Saturday 4 Feb</b>	<b>First Mass for the Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Bruno Noves RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Deceased members of the Doublet Family
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Charles McCormick RIP
<b>Sunday 5 Feb</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		<b><i>Is 58:7-10; Psalm 111; 1 Cor 2:1-5; Matthew 5:13-16</i></b>
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Mary Mooney RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Maria Natividade Fernandes RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Louis Gouedart RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	John Etienne RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Manuel Gomes RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Evelyn Wellman RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary)
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Jordão Cassiano RIP, João Júnior RIP, Maria de Jesus RIP, Xavier dos Reis RIP, João Manuel dos Santos Moniz RIP, Maria Fernanda Pereira da Silva RIP and Marcelino Sá Diogo in Thanksgiving
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	António Lima RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish
<b>Monday 6 Feb</b>	<b>St Paul Miki &amp; Companions</b>		<b><i>Gen 1:1-19; Psalm 103; Mark 6:53-56</i></b>
	9:30 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Deceased members of the Norman Family
<b>Tuesday 7 Feb</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b><i>Gen 1:20-2:4; Psalm 8; Mark 7:1-13</i></b>
	9:30 am	Sacred Heart	Maria de Jesus dos Passos RIP
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Roger Hayes RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Daniel Vieira RIP
<b>Wednesday 8 Feb</b>	<b>St Jerome Emiliani</b>		<b><i>Gen 2:4-9.15-17; Psalm 103; Mark 7:14-23</i></b>
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	James McCormick RIP
	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart	Martin Curran RIP
		6pm Adoration 7pm Rosary	
<b>Thursday 9 Feb</b>	<b>Feria</b>		<b><i>Gen 2:18-25; Psalm 127; Mark 7:24-30</i></b>
	7:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Holy Souls
	9:30 am	St Patrick	In Thanksgiving
	10:00 am	St Matthieu	Jose de Sousa Agrela RIP
<b>Friday 10 Feb</b>	<b>St Scholastica</b>		<b><i>Gen 3:1-8; Psalm 31; Mark 7:31-37</i></b>
	12:00 pm	St Bernadette	In Thanksgiving
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	António & Isabel Teles RIP and Luís Teles RIP
	7:00 pm	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish + Holy Hour
<b>Saturday 11 Feb</b>	<b>Our Lady of Lourdes</b>		<b><i>Gen 3:9-24; Psalm 89; Mark 8:1-10</i></b>
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Anthony Martin RIP
	11:00 am	St Thomas	Our Lady of Lourdes Feast Day
<b>Saturday 11 Feb</b>	<b>First Mass for the Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Jacques Birrell RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Roger Hayes RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Jack Doyle RIP
<b>Sunday 12 Feb</b>	<b>Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		<b><i>Ecclus 15:15-20; Psalm 118; 1 cor 2:6-10; Matthew 5:17-37</i></b>
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Frank & Steve Marquer RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Agnes Guibout RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Thierry de Boisanger RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Anthony Martin RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Manuel Gomes and Conceicao Gomes RIP RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Jack Doyle RIP
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Thanksgiving Mass to Our Lady of Fatima and Rosa Maria Ferreira RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Bert RIP & Intentions of the Tortolano Family
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish

Little Sisters: Mass at 11am each weekday and 10.30am every Sunday. For the addresses of the above churches, please call one of our parish offices (phone numbers on the front page of this newsletter) or visit our website: [www.catholicchurch.org.je](http://www.catholicchurch.org.je).

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