



# The Catholic Church in Jersey

One Catholic Parish for the Island of Jersey

14/15 October ~ Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year A



## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

### 'TILL DEATH US DO PART'

My darling wife Maureen died in August from the results of dementia. Thus ended 53 years of happy marriage, but lovely memories live on.

Times have changed dramatically since I met her. We were both virgins on our wedding night. It was reassuring in a way, that we were not sexually experienced and had to learn from each other how to express our wedded love. God blessed us. Greg was conceived on honeymoon. Most couples in those days did not co-habit until they had made their wedding vows. Perhaps, for some, the motive was the avoidance of the shame that society laid on those who 'jumped the gun', but I believe that, for most, it was the conviction that married life and the raising of children warranted a commitment that was best expressed by making vows of lifelong love.

Now it is commonplace to cohabit. The expense of a big wedding and reception is sometimes quoted as the reason, but I conducted a beautiful wedding (not just my opinion) a couple of months ago at

which there were no more than twelve guests. It doesn't have to cost a fortune.

Here's a lovely definition for you:

*Marriage is a gift of God in creation through which husband and wife may know the grace of God.*

*It is given that, as man and woman grow together in love and trust, they shall be united with one another in heart, body and mind, as Christ is united with his bride, the Church.*

*The gift of marriage brings husband and wife together in the delight and tenderness of sexual union and joyful commitment to the end of their lives. It is given as the foundation of family life in which children are born and nurtured and in which each member of the family, in good times and bad, may find strength, companionship and comfort and grow to maturity in love.*

Our marriage was like that. Thank you Lord.

**Deacon Tony**

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# LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

## OASIS OF PEACE JERSEY – 10<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY

From this **Sunday 15 October** to **Saturday 21 October** the Oasis of Peace celebrates the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of its dedication by Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor and Bishop Crispian. Please see below for the list of events taking place:

- ❖ **Sunday 15 October** – 9.30am at St Matthieu's Church, a Mass of Thanksgiving will be celebrated by Fr Nicholas. Between 2pm and 4pm, all are invited to an Open House and Afternoon Tea in the Oasis of Peace with music, face-painting, scavenger hunt, dance display and fun for all ages.
- ❖ **Monday 16 October** - 6.30am – 6.30pm Twelve hours of Adoration and at 7pm - Preparation for the Sunday readings - An opportunity to read, reflect, discuss and pray using the readings for next Sunday.
- ❖ **Tuesday 17 October** - Prayer Labyrinth – An opportunity for personal prayer & reflection from 9am - 12pm and at 4pm - 7pm.
- ❖ **Wednesday 18 October** - Catholic Grandparents Association Meeting at 10am concluding with the Angelus at 12 noon.
- ❖ **Thursday 19 October** - Adoration & Rosary at 9am, prior to Mass at St Matthieu. AGM, tea and coffee after Mass. Youth Retreat Evening from 6pm - 9pm.
- ❖ **Friday 20 October** – 6.30am - Morning Prayer followed by breakfast and at 9am Lydia Prayer group for ladies.
- ❖ **Saturday 21 October** - At 10am - 4pm 'A Day of Reflection', led by Professor Nathan Eubank (Oxford University). To reserve a place for this reflection, please contact Deacon David tel: 861750 or email: oasis@catholicchurch.org.je

## CENTENARY FESTA OF THE APPARITIONS OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA – 14/15 OCTOBER

This weekend we welcome Fr Bernardino Trindade SCJ, who is coming for the Centenary Celebrations:

**Saturday 14 October** – at 8pm there will be Rosary, Confessions and Mass at St Thomas' with an outdoor candlelight procession through the streets around St Thomas' Church.

**Sunday 15 October** – at 3pm at St Thomas' Church there will be Rosary, Confessions and Mass, concluding with a 'farewell' to our Lady with an indoor procession.

## FR NICHOLAS WILL BE IN THE WEST THIS WEEKEND

Especially to celebrate Mass for the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Oasis of Peace. Fr Paul Rowan will celebrate Masses in town. Fr Paul is an Assistant Head at Beaulieu School and looks forward to meeting you.

## Baptisms

We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism: Jaxon Cairney.

## Marriages

Congratulations to Gian Vedovatti & Ewa Jaworska and Bruno Goncalves & Racquel Franco who were recently married.

## Funerals

Please pray for the souls of Marguerite Lucas and Suzanne Poulliquen. May they rest in peace.

## SR MARIE CHRISTIANE RIP

Sister Marie Christiane, a dearly loved and respected Sister, died on Monday 9 October at the Mother House for the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, St Meen Le Grand in Brittany. Sister Marie Christiane was a Sister in Jersey since 1946 and was a past teacher and bursar of Beaulieu and retired to the Mother House in St Meen in 2013.

Our love and prayers go to all the Sisters and congregation of the Immaculate Conception, Beaulieu. May Sister Marie Christiane rest in peace. Sister Marie Christiane's Funeral Mass was held on Thursday 12 October in St Meen and a Memorial Service will be held in Jersey at a later date.

## OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

We acknowledge with thanks:

	Cash	CAFOD	Planned Giving
East	£813.86	£1,200.00	£462.75
St Helier	£1,735.00	£2292.00	£1044.96
West	£1095.41	£881.57	£521.42

## OLD ONE POUND COINS

We would appreciate it if parishioners who hold CAFOD and any APF Mission Boxes return them to the area offices at their earliest convenience. The monies need to be counted as the old £1 coins will no longer be in circulation from **15 October**.

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY SEND THANKS.....

To the congregation at St Mary & St Peter's Church, who gave so generously to the St Vincent de Paul Society at their recent Mass to celebrate the Harvest Festival. The St Vincent de Paul Society is always in need of non-perishable (in date) food items to be distributed to the many people in need who visit the food bank each week. Please continue to donate. There are food collection points at the back of each of our churches. Please take one of the pocket sized shopping lists, available at the food collection points, which show the types of food needed. If you would like to set up a standing order to the SVP, please call Peter Farrell on 874008.





### STATES PRIMARY SCHOOLS CATHOLIC FAITH SHARING

States School Catechists are warmly invited to attend a coffee morning on **Thursday 19**

**October** at 10.30am at Catholic Pastoral Services. *Anybody who would like to find out more about this important ministry or parents who have children who attend a 'Catholic Faith Sharing class' are warmly invited to come along to meet some of the catechists.*

### CATHOLIC LADIES' FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Next meet on **Monday 16 October**, at St Bernadette's at 2pm. New members will be most welcome.

### CHRISTIAN UNITY GROUP MEETING

Takes place on **Monday 16 October**, at St Columba's Church at 7.30pm. This interdenominational discussion group is studying the book 'If You Want To Walk On Water, You've Got To Get Out Of The Boat' - by John Ortberg.

### ST HELIER PRAYER LIGHTHOUSE MEETING

Takes place on **Wednesday 18 October**, at Jersey Baptist Church at 8pm.

### FINANCE MEETINGS

- East Finance & Property Committee - **Thursday 19 October** at 7.30pm in the Presbytery at Our Lady, St Martin.
- Island Finance & Property Committee - **Thursday 26 October** at 10am in St Thomas' Presbytery.

### TABLE TOP AND CAKE SALE AT ST PATRICK

Will take place after Masses on the weekend of **21/22 October**. Do you have any unwanted gifts or goods you can bring? All donations will be gratefully received. If you can help, please call Clara: 853953 or email: [east@catholicchurch.org.je](mailto:east@catholicchurch.org.je).

### EAST CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Everyone is invited to the Christmas Lunch for the East of the Catholic Church on the **Sunday 17 December** at the Hotel Ambassadeur.

### FLOWER ARRANGERS NEEDED AT SACRED HEART

If you would like to be part of this team then please call Christina on 863149. Thank you.



### PARISH PARTY THE BAMENDA BALL

**Friday 3 November - Merton Hotel**  
Live Music/Dinner & Grand Raffle  
Tickets £30 per person  
All enquiries and further information  
Deacon Iain – [blessings41@gmail.com](mailto:blessings41@gmail.com)  
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Please come and enjoy this Parish event  
**Booking Forms with payment to Deacon Iain by  
Friday 20 October please!**

### MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

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**FRIDAY FAMILY FAITH & FUN** – Open every Friday during term time between 3.30pm and 5pm in St Thomas' Hall. £1 per child - up to a maximum of £3 per family. We invite families with babies, toddlers and pre-schoolers as well as primary age children up to school year 6.

**PRAISE & PLAY BABY & TODDLERS** - Mondays 9.30am - 11.30am in St Bernadette's Hall. £2 per family.

### YOUTH NEWS

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For more information on what is happening in Youth Ministry please visit our website on [www.jacy.org.je](http://www.jacy.org.je)  
The new Twitter is now available @JaCy2005  
To keep updated 'like' us on Facebook - Jersey Association of Catholic Youth

**Youth 2000** – Meet every Thursday evening in the Youth Room from 6.30pm – 8.30pm aimed at school years 10 upwards. Youth 2000 would also be useful for second year Confirmation candidates. **Next Thursday 19 October**, Youth 2000 will take place at the Oasis of Peace for a Youth Retreat – all young people from Year 7 upwards welcome to come along.

School year 7 and upwards, the Youth Room will be open on Friday evenings for 'chill out' time with friends. Come along and have fun with other young Catholics from across the Island schools. Next Friday we will be continuing the preparation for our Advent 'Giving Tree' project as our service to the community.

**YSVP** - Come along on Friday evenings and find out about opportunities for youth to become involved in volunteering activities in order to give a service to our wider community. We will be starting our 'Giving Tree' project in October.



**Youth Concert on Sunday 10 December - Calling Young Musicians -**

We are still looking for more youth from across our Island churches to become involved in some small way. Think about representing your church community at this parish event.

**500 Club** - Please consider being part of our 500 Club draw, which is an important source of our income. We will be renewing membership for the 2018, 500 club in November - please consider joining.

*More leaders/helpers are needed. Please call Moyra if you can help, even in a small way.*

# Mass Times in the Parish during the next week

Date	Time	Church	Mass intention
<b>Saturday 14 Oct</b>	<b>First Mass for the Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Debbie Webb RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Anne Duff RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
	8:00 pm	St Thomas	Our Lady of Fatima Festa
<b>Sunday 15 Oct</b>	<b>Twenty Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Is 25:6-10; Psalm 22; phil 4:12-14.19-20; Matthew 22:1-14</i>		
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Rosalie & George Le Bacle
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Thanksgiving Mass for Padre Pio
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	In Thanksgiving for 10 years at the Oasis of Peace
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Sister Marie Christiane RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Manuel Filipe RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Stephen Watson RIP
	<b>3:00 pm</b>	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Our Lady of Fatima Festa
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Kathleen Healy RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish
<b>Monday 16 Oct</b>	<b>St Hedwig</b> <i>1:1-7; Psalm 97; Luke 11:29-32</i>		
	9:30 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Francis Hamon RIP & Nanette Renault RIP
<b>Tuesday 17 Oct</b>	<b>St Ignatius of Antioch</b> <i>Rom 1:16-25; Psalm 18; luke 11:37-41</i>		
	9:30 am	Sacred Heart	Patrick Gorman RIP
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Sister Marie Christiane RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Holy Souls
<b>Wednesday 18 Oct</b>	<b>St Luke</b> <i>2 Tim 4:10-17; Psalm 144; Luke 10:1-9</i>		
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Denis Finbar O'Driscoll RIP
	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart	Cristina Perestrelo RIP
		6pm Adoration 7pm Rosary	
<b>Thursday 19 Oct</b>	<b>St Paul of the Cross</b> <i>Rom 3:21-30; Psalm 129; Luke 11:47-54</i>		
	7:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	<b>NO MASS</b>
	9:30 am	St Patrick	
	10:00 am	St Matthieu	The Friends of the Oasis
<b>Friday 20 Oct</b>	<b>Feria</b> <i>Rom 4:1-8; Psalm 31; Luke 12:1-7</i>		
	12:00 pm	St Bernadette	In Thanksgiving
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Michael & Winifred Conroy RIP
	7:00 pm	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish + Holy Hour
<b>Saturday 21 Oct</b>	<b>Our Lady on Saturday</b> <i>Rom 4:13.16-18; Psalm 104; Luke 12:9-12</i>		
	9:30 am	St Patrick	
	11:00 am	St Thomas	Breda Crapp RIP
<b>Saturday 21 Oct</b>	<b>First Mass for the Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	In Thanksgiving
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Sean Flanagan RIP
<b>Sunday 22 Oct</b>	<b>Twenty Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> <i>Is 45:1.4-6; Psalm 95; 1 Thess 1:1-5; Matthew 22:15-21</i>		
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Laura & Syd Jehan RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Lily Flanagan RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Odette Parker RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Margaret Franks RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Maria Nunes da Camara RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	The People of the Parish
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: José da Mata RIP, Clementina Rodrigues RIP, José Ferreira RIP,
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	José Marques and Family RIP
	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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