



The Catholic Church in Jersey

One Catholic Parish for the Island of Jersey

21/22 April 2018 ~ Fourth Sunday of Easter ~ Year B

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

" ... I know my own and my own know me ..."

Jn. 10:11-18 - We are reminded in our first reading, on this 'Good Shepherd Sunday', that healing, recovery and life come from Jesus who was crucified and who is risen from the dead. In the letter of St John we are urged to take time to think about God's love. Our new God-given identity is something into which we must grow.

Today we are providing every member of our Catholic community with a copy of the latest report, prepared by Caritas Jersey, focussing on the Eradication of Poverty in Jersey. If we are to sincerely take on board our mission to follow our Good Shepherd, Jesus, and imitate His example, here is a perfect agenda on which to focus: social inclusion of minority groups; housing and accommodation; wages, benefits and employment; health - physical and psychological.

These are some of the challenges which are faced on a daily basis by many of our fellow citizens. There is no question that huge credit must be given to the Statutory Authorities, Health and Social Services and many others. But this does not mean that there are not large numbers of local residents who are suffering tremendous deprivation. There are those who will say that the gap in Jersey is widening between the 'haves' and the 'have nots'.

Caritas Jersey is making this document available to every candidate offering themselves for election next month. Please use this document to establish where your preferred candidate stands on these matters. As Catholic Christians and as Good Shepherds, we have a particular responsibility for people

who are poor and vulnerable. They have a special place in Catholic teaching, as this is what is meant by the 'preferential option for the poor'. Scripture tells us we will be judged by our response to the 'least of these', in which we see the suffering face of Christ himself. Humanity is one family, despite differences of nationality or race. The poor are not a burden; they are our brothers and sisters. Solidarity with our neighbour is also about the promotion of equality of rights and equality of opportunities; hence we must oppose all forms of discrimination and racism.

All Catholic citizens need an informed 'social conscience', which will enable them to identify and resist structures of injustice in their own society. This will especially be the case as our local elections are underway. Attention to Catholic Social Teaching will enable the traditional Catholic custom of 'examination of conscience' to be extended into the social and political realm.

"An authentic faith ... always involves a deep desire to change the world, to transmit values, to leave this earth somehow better than we found it ... If indeed 'the just ordering of society and of the state is a central responsibility of politics,' the Church, 'cannot and must not remain on the side-lines in the fight for justice.'" — Pope Francis, Evangelii Gaudium, No. 183

Deacon Iain

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LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

SPIRIT ON THE ROCK – 'BE THE LIGHT'

A huge thank you to everyone who is supporting Spirit on the Rock this weekend. Please keep all those involved in this special event in your prayers.

ROSARY ON THE COAST

On **Sunday 29 April** at 3pm, thousands of Catholics will gather around the coasts of the British Isles to pray the Rosary for Peace, Life and Faith. In Jersey the Knights of St Columba have organised three locations for Catholics to pray. These are: at Le Hocq, on the grass between the pétanque pitch and the Conway Tower, at West Park just West of La Fregate, near the memorial to the Airfield and at Corbiere around the German bunker near the German Lookout Tower. The Knights invite all Catholics from the East, Centre and West of the Island to join them at 2.55pm at these locations for this important prayer meeting commencing at 3pm. In addition those attending the 'Island Parish Lunch' at the Hotel Ambassadeur will pray the Rosary following the meal. The Rosary will be prayed at St Thomas' at 3pm prior to the 3.30pm Portuguese Mass.



SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th or 60th plus? The Parish would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration at St Thomas' Church, to be celebrated by

+Bishop Crispian Hollis, on **Saturday 23 June** at 11am followed by a Reception in the Hall. Please email: dcniain@catholicchurch.org.je or call 725963/ 07797 723853. Deacon Iain will send you a form to complete. To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a *copy* of your wedding photograph which should be provided with the completed form and left at Catholic Pastoral Services or posted to Deacon Iain MacFirbhisigh KHS,c/o Catholic Pastoral Services, 19 Val Plaisant, St Helier JE2 4TA. Please mark envelope: 'Significant Anniversaries' Mass'.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION IN THE EAST

Please remember the children who will be making their First Holy Communion:

OUR LADY, ST MARTIN

Rehearsal takes place on **Wednesday 25 April** at 4.30pm – 6pm. **First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday 28 April** at 11am.

Children will be presented with their certificates at 9am Mass on **Sunday 29 April**.

ST PATRICK

Rehearsal takes place on **Wednesday 2 May** at 4.30pm – 6pm. **First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Saturday 5 May** at 11am.

Children will be presented with their certificates at 11am Mass on **Sunday 6 May**.

Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.

GOLDEN JUBILEE

Congratulations to Sr Frances Mary, from the Little Sisters of the Poor, who is celebrating her Golden Jubilee on **Monday 23 April**. A Mass of Thanksgiving will be concelebrated by Fr Nicholas and Fr John.

OASIS OF PEACE

Monday 23 April 7pm Preparation for the Sunday Readings: read, discuss and reflect.

Thursday 26 April 9am Adoration & Rosary prior to Mass at 10am.

Friday 27 April 6.30am Morning Prayer followed by breakfast.

Baptisms

We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism: Matilda Pita and Leo Ribeiro.

Funerals

Please pray for the souls of Fernando Cabral, Vito Farina, Mabel Carrel and José Freitas. May they rest in peace.

THIS WEEKEND.....

Fr Nicholas will be celebrating Masses in the East and Fr Benjamin in town.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

We acknowledge with thanks:

	CASH	PLANNED GIVING
East	£761.09	£462.75
St Helier	£1,631.00	£1090.60
West	£843.71	£521.42

SECOND COLLECTION – CLERGY TRAINING FUND

A retiring collection will be taken after all Masses this **weekend 21/22 April** to help towards the training of future priests in our diocese.

JACY 500 CLUB

This is the main income to run our youth ministry programme. For less than £2 a week you can help support events, faith sharing resources, pilgrimages and much more. With 90% of our young people not in a Catholic School please support this cause. We have three prize draws a year. Would you join with friends to take out a share? The first prize draw will be coming soon. Please help us to sell all 500 shares this year? Forms are in your newsletters this week, please return by end of April.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

SPONSORED WALK FOR APOSTELSHIP OF SEA

Please come and join our Sponsored 'Walk on Water' to France, on **Bank Holiday Monday 7 May**, in support of Seafarers, at St Catherine's Breakwater starting at 9am until 2pm. If you complete walking up and down the breakwater eighteen times, you will have completed the same distance as if walking to France! *Our clergy will be taking part in the walk and would appreciate sponsorship.*

SPRING FAIR AT THE LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

On **Saturday 28 April** at 9.30am – 3.30pm - Usual stalls with cakes, bread, jams, needlework, craft, gifts, toys, and bottle stall etc. All in aid of the upkeep of the Little Sisters home and to give the residents a better quality of life.

THE "10TH TINATHON!" FRIDAY 18 MAY

Please bring along a tin or two of food to West's Centre between 8am and 2.30pm, to help the Shelter Trust for the Homeless feed approximately 100 residents a night and also to make food parcels for those in need. Even donating one tin will make a difference.



FUNDRAISING FOR THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN DUBLIN

Fundraising events for this pilgrimage including a Coffee & Cake Sale in St Matthieu's Hall on

Saturday 28 April at 10am and a Table Top Sale including 2nd hand Christian books on **Saturday 5 May** at 11am – 1pm in St Thomas' Hall.

Fr Benjamin is leading a Jersey pilgrimage for all ages, married, single, with or without children, young adult or teenage as well as grandparents, aunts and uncles. Pope Francis will be attending this meeting.

SPECIAL CELEBRATORY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- ❖ **Tuesday 15 May** at 11am - Fr Brian Sandeman will be celebrating his Silver Jubilee of Priesthood. A Mass of thanksgiving and a reception will be held at the Little Sisters of the Poor.
- ❖ **Friday 8 June** at 7pm – Fr Nicholas' Golden Jubilee Mass of Thanksgiving in St Thomas' Church, followed by a reception in the Hall.
- ❖ **Thursday 14 June** at 7pm – Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate of Nicholas Le Cornu, celebrated by Bishop Philip in St Thomas' Church with a reception in the Hall afterwards.
- ❖ **Friday 22 June** – Deacon Iain's Silver Jubilee Mass at 7pm in St Mary & St Peter's Church, concelebrated by Bishop Crispian and clergy followed by a reception in Beaulieu School.
- ❖ **Saturday 23 June** – Silver Jubilee Concert in aid of Friends of the Holy Land at St Mary & St Peter's Church.

CATHOLIC GIFT SHOP...

Has a large selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation Cards and Gifts, Cards for Priests, Religious and Diaconate Ordinations, Anniversaries and Jubilees - all at very reasonable prices.

YOUTH NEWS

Contact: Moyra Journeaux
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Facebook 'Jersey Catholic Youth'.

Friday evenings in the Youth Room - Fridays from 7pm - 10pm. School year 7 and upwards, come and meet other young Catholics in Jersey as well as sharing and developing your knowledge of your faith. Join us for themed faith based activities, followed by chill-out time with friends.

Youth 2000 - Thursdays from 6.30pm - 8.30pm. We will reopen in summer term. Watch this space for exciting new plans. *Pre-Confirmation Youth Alpha programme coming soon.*

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Contact: Mary Cahill m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je
Tel: 07797742767/732583

FAMILY LIFE

Praise & Play Mondays 9.30am - 11.30am at St Bernadette's for babies & toddlers.

FRIDAY FAITH & FUN 3.30pm - 5pm for babies, toddlers and primary age children St Thomas' Hall. Primary children can arrive as soon as school finishes. Thanks to the Catholic Grandparents Association, we host a Family Friendly 'pop in' Adoration every Friday at 4pm - 5pm in St Thomas' Church.

MOTHERS' PRAYERS

St Thomas' Church - Thursdays at 2pm
St Bernadette's Church - Tuesdays at 8pm

JERSEY LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - LAST REMINDER

15 to 24 September – Costs: £845 sharing and £200 single supplement.

We still have a few places available before we have to confirm our final numbers. For more details please call Deanna on 638973.

PORTSMOUTH DIOCESE E-NEWS – HAVE YOU SIGNED UP?

This is a weekly publication giving news about all that is happening in our Diocese. There is often news from Jersey with photographs which are shared. Do sign up and learn more about the activities going on in our diocese. To sign up log onto www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and click on the e-news sign up page.

Mass Times in the Parish during the next week

Date	Time	Church	Mass intention
Saturday 21 April	First Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Easter		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Denis Webb RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Joan Smith RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
Sunday 22 April	Fourth Sunday of Easter		Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 117; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Wynford Sidney Richardson RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Pat Brady RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Joao Jose Ferreira RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Myra Cullinan RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Tony Coogan RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	James O'Neil RIP
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Rui Agrela and Family in Thanksgiving Jerónimo Agrela RIP, Maria Agrela RIP, Moisés Agrela RIP, Maria Augusta Paulos RIP and Manuel Gomes RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Jean Anne Thebault RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish
Monday 23 April	St George		Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 41-42; John 10:1-10
	9:30 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Catherine Turner RIP
Tuesday 24 April	St Fidelis of Sigmaringen		Acts 11:19-2; Psalm 86; John 10:22-30
	9:30 am	Sacred Heart	Gerard and Margaret Gleeson RIP
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Alain Pelletier RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday 25 April	St Mark		1 Peter 5:5-14; Psalm 88; Mark 16:15-20
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	João Agrela RIP
	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart	Pascaline Rolland RIP
		6pm Adoration 7pm Rosary	
Thursday 26 April	Of the 4th Week of Easter		Acts 12:13-25; Psalm 88; John 13:16-20
	7:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Mark Coyne RIP
	10:00 am	St Matthieu	Holy Souls
Friday 27 April	Of the 4th Week of Easter		Acts 13:26-33; Psalm 2; John 14:1-6
	12:00 pm	St Bernadette	John Donoghue RIP
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Luiz Viminda Vecino Patron RIP
	7:00 pm	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish + Holy Hour
Saturday 28 April	St Peter Chanel		Acts 13:44-52; Psalm 97; John 14:7-14
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Holy Souls
	11:00 am	St Thomas	Catherine Turner RIP
Saturday 28 April	First Mass for the Fifth Sunday of Easter		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	The Intentions of Patricia Fielding
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	John and Christopher Lakeman RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
Sunday 29 April	Fifth Sunday of Easter		Acts 9:26-31; Psalm 21; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Betty, Tom, Rita, Tony & Steven Gray RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Deceased members of Brady and Ferreira families
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Hamish Orr and his Family
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Dorothy Coyne RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Louise Hood RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Denise Huson RIP
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Jerónimo Agrela and family in thanksgiving, Manuel Vieira RIP, Maria Ferreira RIP, Inocência Freitas RIP, José da Mata RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Monsignor France's Intentions
	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.

Catholic Pastoral Services	732583	cps@catholicchurch.org.je
The Welcome Centre	767997	thewelcomecentre@catholicchurch.org.je
Caritas Jersey	768963	info@caritasjersey.je
Marriage & Family Life	07797742767	m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je/naturalfertility@catholicchurch.org.je
Saint Vincent de Paul Society	874008	svp@catholicchurch.org.je
The Oasis of Peace	861750	oasis@catholicchurch.org.je
Community Christ of Bethany	722970	ccb@catholicchurch.org.je (m) 07797727625
Padre Pio Prayer Chain	636772	lorraine.pppc@gmail.com

In an emergency (when someone seems to be near death) phone the General Hospital: 442000 and ask them to page the Duty Priest.