



The Catholic Church in Jersey

One Catholic Parish for the Island of Jersey

25/26 August 2018 ~ Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time ~ Year B

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



What does the word 'family' mean to you?

Do you have good thoughts or unhappy thoughts about your experience of family, now or in the past? We all know the ideal, but it is not easily attainable.

Much of my work as a priest has been in support of broken families, individual women or men struggling with the pain of divorce, sharing children and financial problems. I hope that Pope Francis will address these parents, as well as those trying to build second families, and even gay families. He has the chance to do that this Sunday in Dublin at the World Meeting of Families.

Pope Francis needs to speak words of

healing especially in the Irish context, where some have suffered within the Family of the Church.

This Sunday we hear of the ideal relationship between men and women, as expounded by St Paul. This is based on love and respect, not fear and obedience. I hope that the happy experience of many families does not obscure the problems that others experience.

Having just one unmarried brother, the family of the Church has been my special family since ordination. You are all my family. That is why leaving you will be sad, although necessary. But among my brothers in the priesthood, whom I hold in high regard, is Canon Dominic. So I have no fears for you in our Jersey branch of the family of God.

Father Nicholas

Please join me at Fort regent on Sunday 9 September, when I shall give thanks to God for my Jersey years among you. I shall also be asking God's blessing on the years that lie ahead under new leadership for our Island Church.

Canon Dominic Golding will be coming in mid-September. His Inauguration as Catholic Dean will be at 7pm in St Thomas' Church on Monday 1 October. Please come and support him.

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WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Fr Benjamin and the Jersey group of pilgrims send their prayers and best wishes from Dublin. This weekend they will all be attending the Festival of Families and the final Mass with Pope Francis. On **Friday 31 August** they look forward to a gathering of the group returning from Dublin in the Youth Room where they be sharing some of their inspiring experiences.

The groups and activities for Marriage & Family Life will recommence in the week commencing 17 September.

FROM BISHOP PHILIP

Following the Pennsylvania Grand Jury Report, Bishop Philip has written a letter to clergy and the Faithful of the Diocese. There are hard copies available in each church as well as on our website.

Pope Francis has also written a letter – here is the link to the Holy Father’s letter:

<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2018-08/pope-francis-letter-people-of-god-sexual-abuse.html>

CANON DOMINIC & FR ROSS

Will be arriving in Jersey on September – Fr Ross for the weekend of 15/16 Sept & Canon Dominic for the wd of 22/23 Sept. We look forward to welcoming them as they begin their ministries in Jersey.

CHILDREN’S LITURGY VOLUNTEERS AT OUR LADY, ST MARTIN

We thank Maureen Gowan and Melody Walters for their valuable contributions over the years and now we are in need of 2 more volunteers. Will you help? Please contact Henry Kierulf 07707 777623 for more information.

THE PORTUGUESE FOOD FAYRE

Is currently taking place and **this Sunday at 12 noon** Fr Nicholas will be celebrating the Portuguese Mass in People’s Park – this has been a tradition for many years and will be for Fr Nicholas, the final Mass he will be celebrating at this special Food Fayre. Please try and come to support this day especially for our Portuguese community.

WELLSPRING PRAYER MEETING

The next meeting takes place on **Thursday 6 September** at 7.30pm in the presbytery at Our Lady, St Martin followed by another meeting on **Thursday 4 October**. All welcome to this Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group dedicated to living in a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and a deeper life in the Holy Spirit. Please direct any queries to Mark Lewis 07880006002.

YES IN JUST 2 WEEKS TIME IT IS THE FAREWELL MASS FOR FR NICHOLAS

WHERE? FORT REGENT

TIME? 10.30AM

There will be choir practices this **Thursday 30 August** and **Wednesday 5 September 7.30pm** in **St Thomas’ Church**. A final rehearsal will take place at **Fort Regent on Saturday 8 September at 4.30pm**. Malcolm L’Amy, Director of Music writes *‘All are welcome who wish to come and join us – music booklets will be provided.’*

The presentation to Fr Nicholas will be made at the end of the Mass at the Fort on 9 September. If you have not had an opportunity to send in your contribution towards Fr Nicholas’ gift, there are envelopes at the back of each church and please return them to Delia Hardiman at Catholic Pastoral Services. Thank you.

During the Mass all our Catechists who have recently attended a formation course and will be involved in ministry from September, will be commissioned.

After the Mass you are all invited to the Queen’s Hall for light refreshments and you will have an opportunity to view the Caritas Jersey showcase – where so many of our Catholic Organisations will be showing all they do for outreach in Jersey and further afield too.

We thank Claudio Vieira, Photographer, who took wonderful photographs of the Golden Jubilee Mass and will be shown as part of a ‘powerpoint’ before Mass, has again kindly agreed to photograph the Thanksgiving Mass.

We anticipate that the Fort Mass will be a wonderful gathering of all our Catholic Community especially to say thank you and give a fond farewell to Fr Nicholas who leaves the Island the following day to begin his retirement.

THE CONSTABLE OF ST HELIER & MRS ANGELA CROWCROFT

are hosting a Farewell Celebration for Fr Nicholas at St Helier Town Hall on **Thursday 6 September at 7.30pm**. There are just 150 tickets available from the Catholic Gift shop on a ‘first come, first served’ basis. Don’t leave it too long to collect your tickets as they will of course go quickly.

THE HEALTH AND COMMUNITY SERVICES

Is organising a service 'The gift of Life' to remember and give thanks to all involved in organ donation. This will take place in the Town Church on **Saturday 8 September** at 2.30pm.



A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY DIARY 2 NOVEMBER

THE BAMENDA BALL" A PARISH PARTY FOR ALL

Following the success of last year's Ball, the Jersey Catenian Circle are again sponsoring this fundraising event at the Merton Hotel, in aid of our Parish Project in support of our sister Diocese. The aim of the Ball is to sponsor a Seminarian studying in the Bamenda Diocese. We promise a happy night of African-themed cuisine, socialising and lively music. The event will be attended by +Bishop Michael Bibi – Auxiliary Bishop of Bamenda. Booking Forms are available from Catenian Brothers and will be available at all churches and from the Catholic Church in Jersey website - access Caritas then Bamenda Support. The co-ordinator is Bro. Matt Bewers - for further information email him at: bathmatt808@gmail.com

Baptisms

We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism: Joshua Menard, Beatrice Vieira, Lydia Norman, Florence Ross, Zachary Clayton, Dominic Silva, Tiago Vieira, Santiago Gonçaves, Mia Silva, and Sophia Abreu.

Marriages

Congratulations to Ricardo Nobrega & Sandra Nobrega and Manuela Gois & Paul Kendrick who were recently married.

Funerals

Please pray for the souls of Violet Curran and Jill Shenton. May they rest in peace.

KERALA FLOODS AND SVP APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul Society is very active in Kerala in Southern India and are in need of funds. If you can contribute to the SVP's Kerala appeal you can donate by visiting www.svp.org.uk or telephone 02077033030 or send cheques made out to SVP - writing Kerala appeal on the back of cheque and send to SVP, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB. Please remember all the victims of these terrible floods in your prayers.

The 7.30am Mass at SMSP will be commencing once again this Thursday.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

We acknowledge with thanks:

CASH PLANNED GIVING

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East	tbc	£462.75
St Helier	£1918.00	£1,096.37
West	£1096.80	£521.42

HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE NEXT CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME



Is your son/daughter in year 9 or above from September? You are invited to attend our final registration meeting on **Friday 7 September 7.30pm** in St Thomas' Hall. It is important for both the young person and at least one

parent to attend. If you are unable to make this registration please contact Mary Cahill.

2nd year Confirmation Families: Meeting for all on **Thursday 6 September** at 7pm in St Thomas' Hall.

OASIS OF PEACE

Monday 27 August 7pm - Preparation for the Sunday Readings.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Chapel of the Little Sisters – every Sunday at 5pm followed by Benediction & Evening Prayer at 5.30pm

The Oasis of Peace – every Thursday at 9am

Sacred Heart, St Aubin – every Wednesday at 6pm

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 (except in August)

St Bernadette – every Friday at 11.30am (before Mass)

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

Mass Times in the Parish during the next week

Date	Time	Church	Mass intention
Saturday 25 August	St Louis IX		<i>Ezek 43:1-7; Psalm 84; Matthew 23:1-12</i>
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
	11:00 am	St Thomas	
Saturday 25 August	First Mass for Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	For the Intentions of Sister Violet Grennan on her Golden Jubilee
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	William & Peggy O'Gorman RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	May Quilty RIP
Sunday 26 August	Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time		<i>Jos 24:1-2.15-18; Psalm 33; Eph 5:21-32; John 6:60-69</i>
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	John Stone & Odette Cole RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Fiona Brodie RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Joao Ferreira RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Intentions of Fr Nicholas
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Oscar Chevalier RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Sister Teresa Rosengrave RIP
	12noon	People's Park	Mass in Portuguese: Manuel Velosa RIP, Maria Goretti de Abreu RIP, Júlia Pestana RIP, Agostinho Rodrigues RIP & Manuel Rodrigues RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish
Monday 27 August	St Monica		<i>2 Thess 1:1-5.11-12; Psalm 95; Matthew 23:13-22</i>
	9:30 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
Tuesday 28 August	St Augustine of Hippo		<i>2 Thess 2:1-3.14-17; Psalm 95; Matthew 23:23-26</i>
	9:30 am	Sacred Heart	Luciano Periera da Rocha RIP
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Catherine Turner RIP
Wednesday 29 August	The Passion of St John the Baptist		<i>2 Thess 3:6.10.16-18; Psalm 127; Matthew 23:27-32</i>
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Bob Byrne RIP
	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart	Eurico Correia Duarte RIP
		6pm Adoration 7pm Rosary	
Thursday 30 August	Ss Margaret of Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward		<i>1 Cor 1:1-9; Psalm 144; Matthew 24:42-51</i>
	7:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Our Lady of Fatima in Thanksgiving
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Intentions of Deacon Iain & Cheryl MacFirbhisigh
	10:00 am	St Matthieu	Intentions of Fr Francis
Friday 31 August	St Aidan		<i>1 Cor 1:17-25; Psalm 32; Matthew 25:1-13</i>
	12:00 pm	St Bernadette	
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Holy Souls
	7:00 pm	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish + Holy Hour
Saturday 1 September	Our Lady on Saturday		<i>1 cor 1:26-31; Psalm 32; Matthew 25:14-30</i>
	9:30 am	St Patrick	
	11:00 am	St Thomas	Patrick Reilly RIP
Saturday 1 September	First Mass for the Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	George and Breda Rae RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Joan Smith RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Ann Morvan RIP
Sunday 2 September	Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		<i>Deut 4:1-2.6-8; Psalm 14; Jas 1:17-18.21-22.27; Mark 7:1-8.14-15.21-23</i>
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	James Quinn RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	
	9:15 am	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	Piero Guidi RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Cristina Perestrelo RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	St Anthony in Thanksgiving
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: Constantina Caires RIP, Augusto Caires RIP & Our Lady of Fatima in Thanksgiving
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Olinda Gouvêla RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish

Little Sisters: Mass at 11am each weekday and 10.30am every Sunday

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In an emergency (when someone seems near death) call General Hospital 442000 and ask for the duty Priest to be called.