

Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 6th March

ND 5.30pm **First Mass of Sunday:**
Lloyd & Madeleine Norman RIP
SS 6.00pm For all who give so generously
to the Priests Retirement Fund

Sunday 7th March

SJ 8.00am Joan Allis & Cindy G.E.
SS 9.30am Stephanie Ballay
SJ 10.30am Brian White RIP
ND 4.30pm MSZA SW (*Mass in Polish*)
SJ 6.30pm Mrs C P Meade RIP

Monday 8th March

SJ 7.30am Fr Michael
SS 12 noon John Pinsard in thanksgiving

Tuesday 9th March

LP 7.30am Evelyn Quentin & Parents RIP
SJ 9.30am Michael Cataroche RIP

Wednesday 10th March

SJ 7.30am Alexander Burrige RIP
ND 12.05pm Joseph Collivet RIP

Thursday 11th March

LP 7.30am Canon John Longinotto RIP
SJ 9.30am Paulette Wherry G.E.

Friday 12th March

SJ 7.30am Miss J Meade RIP
ND 5.30pm Holy Souls

Saturday 13th March

SJ 10.00am Albert Gilman RIP
ND 5.30pm **First Mass of Sunday:**
Josef & Martine Schupfer
SS 6.00pm James Tomlinson RIP

Sunday 14th March

SJ 8.00am Charles & Irene Horan RIP
SS 9.30am For all mothers of our Island
Parish
SJ 10.30am Seamus O'Reilly RIP
ND 4.30pm MSZA SW (*Mass in Polish*)
SJ 6.30pm Helene Bourel RIP

SJ - St. Joseph's Church

ND - Notre Dame Church

SS - Our Lady Star of the Sea Church

LP - Le Platon Convent

Today's Psalm Response

The Lord is compassion and love.

Prayer of the Church: Week 3

**Morning Prayer at 9.15am on Tuesday
and Thursday and at 9.45am on
Saturday in St Joseph's Church.**

Confessions on Saturday

St Joseph's 10.30am - 11.00am
Star of the Sea: 5.30pm - 6.00pm
Notre Dame: following 5.30pm Mass

Finance

Thank you for your generosity towards the
work of the Church in Guernsey:

Offertory: **£2,625**

Standing Orders & Covenants: **£ 540**

Total: £3,165

CAFOD Lent Fast Day: £2,663

Covenant with the Poor **£34**

**The retiring collection next weekend
is for the Clergy Assistance Fund.**

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**New Wine Guernsey Weekend
1st and 2nd May 2010**

**A weekend of worship, bible teaching and
ministry for all ages at Baubigny Schools.**

**Philippi Guernsey Initial Course:
A Basic Introduction to Counselling**

Monday to Friday from 14th June 2010
Contact Margaret Ogier, 254633, for details

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes
20th - 27th August 2010
with Bishop Crispian Hollis**

Travel by Euro-Star (via Paris), Coach or
Plane (from Stansted) direct to Lourdes.
Brochures and application forms from Mgr
Vincent Harvey, St Edmund's Presbytery,
14 Rockstone Place, Southampton, SO15
2ED; or from vincent.harvey@gsy.org.uk
**The overall leader of the pilgrimage this
year will be Bishop Peter Doyle
(Northampton).**

**Parish of Our Lady
and the Saints of Guernsey**

"IN FIDE et LENTITATE"

THE LINK

**Third Sunday of Lent C
7th March 2010**

St Joseph & St Mary Church
La Couperderie, St Peter Port
Our Lady Star of the Sea Church
Rue des Monts, St Sampson
Notre Dame du Rosaire Church
Burnt Lane, St Peter Port

Parish Priest and Dean: Fr Michael Hore
Assistant Priests: Fr PJ Smith
Fr Stanislaw Gibzinski

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**The Parish Office is open weekdays
9.30am-1.30pm.**

Diocese of Portsmouth Registered Charity No 246871



**We are celebrating
St Patrick's Day**

**on Wednesday 17th March
with Mass at 6.30pm**

at Our Lady Star of the Sea followed by a
Party in St Mary & St Michael School
Hall. **Everyone is welcome.**

Please bring your instruments to play us a
tune, your voices to sing us a song or re-
cite a poem and a plate of food for the
buffet. There will be a raffle to raise
money for those suffering in Haiti for
which prizes will be welcomed. All chil-
dren must be accompanied by an adult.
Contact Ron, 246357, or Greg, 245197.

Stations of the Cross during Lent

**Mondays: 11.30am preceding the
12 noon Mass at Our
Lady Star of the Sea;**

**Fridays: 7.00pm in St Joseph's
(except on 26th March);**

**Saturdays: 5.00pm before the 5.30pm
Mass at Notre Dame.**

**TURN AWAY FROM SIN AND BE
FAITHFUL TO THE GOSPEL**

Lent brings with it a Recognition of Our
Sinfulness of our failures to respond to a
Loving Father; but it carries with it also an
assurance of its continuing divine promise
of forgiveness if we are prepared to repent
of our self-centred ways.

You will Remember a few weeks ago
on Ash Wednesday when you came to
Church and the Priest put Ashes on your
forehead and said "Turn away from sin and
be Faithful to the Gospel" What he was
inviting you to do was to begin a new and
Loving Relationship with God our Father.
The enormity of our sins lies in the poverty
of our response. It may be indifference,
ingratitude, infidelity, call it what you like.
Basically it's a refusal to love. Sin is not
only a rejection of God but the Son whom
he sent to die on a Cross for us. "Look,
there is the Lamb of God who takes away
the sin of the World".

Lent is a beautiful season during which
we are asked to reconcile ourselves with
Our Father through the beautiful Sacrament
of Reconciliation.

Father Michael

Following the success of last year's
'Glamour, Gossip and God' Retreat

Father PJ will be leading another
retreat for Women.

"A Balanced Diet"

**Retreat Day for women
Saturday 13th March 2010**

10.00am - 4.00pm at Les Cotils

The day will include spiritual input,
time for prayer and reflection, Lunch
and Mass. No experience or expertise
is needed. *Please contact the parish
office on 720196 to book a place.*
We ask for a donation of £16 to cover
the cost of food and other 'goodies'.

All notices for the Newsletter should be
given to the **Parish Office at Amphill
House**, marked 'The Link', by Thursday noon
at the latest. Please ensure full details of date,
time, venue **and contact details** are included.



Cake Sale for the Madeiran Community

in the Hall following 10.30am Mass TODAY to raise funds for the Madeiran Community who were affected by the floods.



Mike Tanguy also took a collection last Sunday which raised **£151.01**. This amount has been paid into the Lloyds TSB Madeira Appeal A/C.

A warm welcome to all visitors who join us for today's Celebration. Please join us for tea/coffee available after **9.30am Mass in Our Lady Star of the Sea and 8.00am & 10.30am Mass in St. Joseph's.**

THIS WEEK'S DIARY

Meetings are in St. Joseph's Parish Room (SJ), Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish Centre (SS), Amphill House (AH), Centre for Peace (CP) unless noted otherwise; Services in the Church.

MONDAY

11.30am Way of the Cross & Mass (SS)
3.45pm First Communion Class (SJ)

TUESDAY

10.00am Adoration of the Blessed
- 12.00 noon Sacrament (SJ)
7.30pm UCM (SJ)
7.30pm GPC (SJ)
7.30pm Rosary (CP)

WEDNESDAY

2.30pm Legion of Mary (AH)
6.45pm Eucharistic Ministers (SJ Ch)
7.30pm Holy Hour/Rosary/Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (SJ)

THURSDAY

10.00am Adoration of the Blessed
- 12.00 noon Sacrament (SJ)
6.00pm Confirmation Preparation (SJ Hall)
7.30pm RCIA (SJ)
7.30-8.30pm Notre Dame Choir (ND)
7.30pm Reflection Group (CP)

FRIDAY

9.30-11.30am Parent & Toddler group (SS)
2.30pm Mother's Prayer Meeting (CP)
7.00pm Stations of the Cross (SJ)

SATURDAY

10.00am Ladies' Retreat (Les Cotils)
5.00pm Stations of the Cross (ND)
7.00-9.00pm Delancey Drop in Club (SS)

Notre Dame Readers Rotas are available at the back of the Church – please remember to contact someone on the list if you are unavailable on your allocated date.

Prayers for all the people of the Middle East & the Peace of Jerusalem will be at Les Cotils Upper Room on **Sunday 7th March at 2.00pm.**

Life to the Full - bringing the Bible alive

A five week course to be held on Monday evenings in St Joseph's Parish Room on **8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March and 12th April from 7.30pm - 9.20pm.** A typical evening will begin with a welcome and refreshments, opening prayer, DVD & discussion. **The title of the first session is 'Where on Earth is God?'**

It is not necessary to attend all sessions - come and go as you can.

UCM meet in St Joseph's Parish Room on **Tuesday 9th March at 7.30pm.** Discussion on 'Women's Role in the Church'. The programme for the year will be distributed. Sales table and raffle. *All women, married or not, welcome.*

Please remember in your prayers:

- The people of Haiti, Chile & Madeira;
- All who are sick in our community;
- **Beverley Gilbey** who died this week, **Albert Gilman, Fr Andrew Laverty, Kate McNamara, Ted Noyon** and all whose anniversaries occur about now.
May they rest in peace.

The Island Prayer Scheme this week asks for prayers for the Town Church.

Guernsey Pastoral The next meeting will be on **9th March.** *Items you may wish discussed can be submitted to The Secretary, GPC, % Amphill House.*

Ministers of the Eucharist: You are invited to "A Time for Reflection" at **St Joseph's Church on Wednesday 10th March at 6.45pm** followed by refreshments and discussion after. *Please phone 711077 if you have any queries.* A warm welcome to Ministers from Alderney and any visiting Ministers.

Emmaus Reflection Group

All are welcome to join a Reflection Group led by **Fr Stan** concentrating on the Sacraments and based on the texts/homilies of Pope John Paul II during his visit to Britain in 1982. **The meetings will be held at the Centre For Peace, Rue de L'Epinel, Forest, on Thursdays during Lent at 7.30pm.**

Lenten Lunch at the Town Church on Friday 12th March will support the charity **Action Aid.** A light soup lunch will be available from **12.30pm.**

Concert at St James

in aid of

Carers Coming Together

Friday 12th March at 8.00pm

Soprano Natalya Romaniw, 23 year old 2009 Cardiff Singer of the World finalist.

Tickets £10, Senior Citizens £7, Music Students Free.

Please book at St James Box Office.

St Mary & St Michael School PTFA Quiz Night on Friday 19th March

St Sampson's High School

Teams of up to 6 - £8 per person includes Ploughman's Supper, Cakes, Tea/Coffee **Starts at 7.30pm with Supper; first question 7.50pm.** (We can't sell alcohol but please feel free to bring your own.)

To book tel Christa on 07781 147560, or email: ptfa@stmary-stmichael.sch.gg

DIARY DATES

Cliff Walk for Lent: Saturday 20th March. *Details nearer the time.*

The UCM will be hosting a **Table Top Sale** at St Joseph's following the children's Mass on **21st March.** This will be a nearly new sale **not** a jumble sale and items for sale will include good quality ladies and children's handbags, books, DVDs, school uniform and special gifts. All proceeds will be donated towards replacing the tables in the hall. *If you have anything to contribute please contact Sonia Hollowell on 264432.*

Way of the Cross by candlelight at the Little Chapel on Friday 26th March at 7.00pm. *Details nearer the time.*

Legion of Mary invites all Auxilliary Members to attend the **ACIES Ceremony** and blessing of our new Legion banner at **2.30pm on Saturday 27th March, Le Platon Home.** Refreshments will be served after Benediction. *RSVP to Maud Blin, 729445, or Margaret Cusack, 254904.*

Society of St Francis Retreat

'Living as Easter People'

Monday 12th - Wednesday 14th April 2010
Details from Rev Jan Le Billon, 234283.

Celebration of Significant Wedding Anniversaries

Bishop Crispian will be celebrating a special **Mass at 11.00am on Saturday 12th June** at St Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke for those celebrating their **Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond and Diamond plus** (i.e. above 60th) wedding anniversaries in 2010. This Mass is **not** only for Catholics married to Catholics but for all married couples in our diocesan community celebrating one of these anniversaries. **Attendance at the Mass is by invitation only.** If you are celebrating one of these anniversaries this year, and would like to receive an invitation, *please contact Katja Babei, tel 01329 835583, or email: kbabei@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.*