



EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR (C)

4th August, 2019

Background on the Gospel Reading

In Chapter 12 of Luke's Gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples and the crowd on how to be ready for the coming judgment. A crowd of many thousands has gathered to hear Jesus. At first he speaks only to the disciples, reminding them that it is not persecution they should fear but the judgment that is coming for all who do not acknowledge the Son of Man. Suddenly a man in the crowd shouts out to Jesus, "Teacher, tell my brother to divide the inheritance with me." He seems to have grown tired of Jesus speaking only to the disciples. Jesus offers the man no help. Instead he uses the question to teach what, in light of the coming judgment, life really consists of.

Jesus tells the crowd a parable. A rich man's lands have yielded more crops than expected. His response is not to consider how he might share all the extra food with others but to wonder how he can possibly store it all. He has what he thinks is a brilliant idea: to tear down his present barns and build larger ones. Then he will have many things stored up for years of eating, drinking, and making merry.

"You fool" is God's response to this man because that very night his life will be taken away. To whom will everything belong then, God asks. The rich man's world is small, just him and his possessions, and now he learns that he is to lose his life. What good are his possessions now? Jesus states the moral of the story. This is how it will be for everyone who stores up treasure for himself or herself but is not rich in what matters to God.

Centuries later St. Gregory the Great taught that when we care for the needs of the poor, we are giving them what is theirs, not ours. We are not just performing works of mercy; we are paying a debt of justice. Life does not consist in possessions but in sharing what we possess with others. The goods of the earth have been given to everyone.

Taken from the Loyola Press website

Winchester Basics Bank provides lunches during the Summer holidays for needy children who get free school meals during term-time. Could you put some food in the collection bins at the Sainsbury's, Waitrose and Tesco exits? We are particularly needing tinned vegetables and fruit, squash and fruit juice, custard, jelly, dried rice, tinned minced beef and onions and meatballs, dried spaghetti and ravioli. Thanks!

ANNUAL FIRE DRILL:

We are required by legislation to hold an annual fire drill at all churches. Therefore, please be prepared for an evacuation to be called at each of the Sunday Masses, inc. Saturday 6pm, up until 11th August. Please co-operate fully with the fire marshals who will be ushering the congregations to the exits. Thank you.



Over the last year, I've been communicating my vision of what I hope the parish can become, a place where we are "bringing people closer to Jesus Christ in hope and joy". We cannot achieve this without the Lord's help, and without praying for it. That's why I'd like everyone in the parish to pray regularly for the parish and its mission. To help us do this, in Peterpost, over the coming weeks, we're going to publish a Weekly Prayer Intention for the parish, in "Prayer Corner". We'll start by taking a line per week from the Parish Prayer, and as time progresses, we'll have specific intentions for particular activities, or meetings, or groups. I know that many of you have your own prayer intentions, and many of you already pray for things happening in the parish. But I hope everyone will be willing to join in this initiative, because having the same intention, across the whole parish, will not only bring our common need before the Lord, but also, I hope, bind us together in unity as we pray in common.

Fr. Mark

PRAYER CORNER

Each week, this section will contain an intercession which I hope every parishioner will pray for, during the coming week. In this way, we will all pray to the Lord for the parish's mission, because "if the Lord does not build... in vain do the builders labour" (Ps 127:1).

Fr. Mark

This week's intention:

"We praise and thank you for this precious gift of life."

We thank the Lord for our own life, and for all life on earth. We pray that we will cherish and protect all life, especially the vulnerable and the unborn, and our planet.

We acknowledge with thanks, collections for 28th July:	
Average weekly Planned Giving	£3,651.59
Gift Aid envelopes (Actual)	£173.30
Non Gift Aided cash/cheques (Actual)	£1,049.37
Average offering for the week	£4,874.26

As usual, as it is now the summer period, there will be no cantors in St. Peter's throughout August.

Cake sale at St. Gregory's after Mass. Please be generous in your support.

Journey in Faith: Do **you** know someone (perhaps yourself) who might want to know more about the Catholic Church? Perhaps they are just waiting to be asked? Please tell them about the Journey in Faith programme. It is for those seeking answers. For those wanting to know what Catholics believe. Perhaps for parents of children coming to St Peter's School who would like to learn more in order to support them. Or for those who have been coming to mass for years, but have never gone up for communion. The Journey in Faith will try and show you more about what we within the Catholic Church believe and do. We will try and answer any and all questions you might have about our faith, about the Church, about the Journey. Absolutely no commitment is requested or required – we are happy always, to share our journey with you for however long or short a period you choose. Our programme starts on 24 September at 8pm in the Parish Centre, and if you're interested, or just want to know more, please speak to Nick Kelly on 07960 797963, email at nick.kelly@sky.com or just turn up!

Have you ever considered a vocation as a Deacon?

Oscott Seminary have introduced a preparatory year for men discerning a call to the Permanent Diaconate. This consists of three sessions (Friday-Saturday) and commences on 8th/9th November. The other dates for this academic year are 24th/25th January and 27th/28th March. Its aim is to help candidates better understand the reality of a vocation to Holy Orders and to discern whether this is what God is calling them to. There will be Parish based pastoral elements, spiritual formation and intellectual input given through teaching, seminars and discussions. Wives of prospective candidates will also be supported during these days and are encouraged to attend. Attendance at these days does not commit an individual to beginning the formation programme, but is part of the overall selection process. For further information, please email Fr Peter Hart as soon as possible pghart@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

NEW PARISH WEBSITE – This should be coming soon but in the meantime, and in preparation for the re-launch, the current holding page has been updated and transferred over to a different location on the internet. You can now find it at <http://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/> Any questions – please talk to Moira at: moirar@msn.com

TODAY'S MASS - LITURGY OF THE WORD

Entrance Antiphon O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help; O Lord, do not delay.

First Reading Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23

Psalm Response O Lord, you have been our refuge from one generation to the next.

Second Reading Letter of St. Paul to the Colossians 3:1-5. 9-11

Gospel Acclamation Alleluia, alleluia! Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 12:13-21

Communion Antiphon: You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** Dedication of the Basilica of St. Mary Major, Rome *or* Feria
- Tuesday:** THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD
- Wednesday:** Pope St. Sixtus II & Companions *or* St. Cajetan *or* Feria
- Thursday:** St. Dominic
- Friday:** ST. TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS [Edith Stein]
- Saturday:** ST. LAURENCE

CONGRATULATIONS TO Sian Spalding and Alexander Heatherley who were married in St. Peter's last Friday.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:

Denise Critchley-Salmonson, whose Funeral Mass is at 12:15pm in St. Peter's on Monday 12th August.

Derek Butler, whose Funeral Mass is at 12:15pm in St. Peter's on Monday 19th August. May they rest in peace.

Gluten Free Hosts: If there are any Catholics who come to Mass in our parish and who would like to receive a gluten-free host but are unaware how to do so, please contact Fr. Mark or Fr. Tom to find out more.

Did You Know?



St Ethelwold

In Abingdon and Winchester, on 3rd August, the Memorial of St Ethelwold is kept. Together with St Dunstan, Ethelwold ranks as one of the great figures of 10th century monastic reform. Born in Winchester sometime between 904 and 909, he spent his youth at the court of King Athelstan. He became Prior of Glastonbury and in 955 received from King Ædred the Abbey of Abingdon which he re-established. On 29th November 963 he was ordained Bishop of Winchester by St Dunstan. There he installed monks in the cathedral, and restored the two Winchester foundations of the New Minster and Nunnaminster. He died on 1st August 984 and was buried in the Old Minster at Winchester.

EVENTS

Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel: A Different View makes its UK premiere in Winchester this summer (until September 29th):

The exhibition will be on show at three venues across the city: City Space and The Gallery in Winchester Discovery Centre and the Great Hall. The exhibition comes to Winchester after touring major European cities including Copenhagen and, most recently, Amsterdam. Officially licensed by the Vatican Museums, the exhibition will allow unprecedented closeness to the magnificent works which adorn the chapel ceiling, normally 22 metres above visitors' heads. Working in partnership with the Vatican Museums, the frescoes have been photographed, reproduced at high resolution and transferred onto special fabric webs to create highly detailed display panels. This technique allows a true-to-life reproduction of the ceiling and gives visitors a unique opportunity for an otherwise impossible close-up view of his brushwork.

Entry fee is £5 online, £6 on the door.

St Peter's, Jewry St Winchester will be showing a short film by Bishop Robert Barron on Michelangelo's Sistine Chapel through the lens of faith during the summer.

We hope you enjoy the exhibition and can come to the Parish Centre on Friday afternoons (3pm) to see the short film or on 22nd August and 12th September at 7.30 to see a longer version.

Entry is free. All welcome.

If simplicity of life and the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity and obedience especially attract you - discover that life as a priest, deacon, sister or brother. To explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke:

vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

or call 01329 318 869

CAFOD Update meeting 7th September: You are invited to a CAFOD update meeting on Saturday 7th September from 10:30am to 1pm at St Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX. Elouise Hobbs our regional news officer will be talking about her recent trip to refugee camps in Lebanon and how your donations are making a difference to people's lives. Please book your place so that we have an idea of how many people are coming by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or phone 01252 329385.

Saturday 14th September - The annual 'Ride and Stride' event to raise funds for the preservation of historic churches. As usual, St. Gregory's will participate. For more information, google www.hihct.org.uk or contact Rosemary Chambers via chambers.rosemary@btinternet

ORGAN RECITAL by DAVID OLDFIELD

Friday 16th August 2019 at 7pm: All Parishioners and Friends of The Bournemouth Oratory, Sacred Heart Church, 1 Albert Rd. Bournemouth, BH1 1BZ, are warmly invited to our Monthly Concert. Free admission, with a retiring Collection for the Oratory Redevelopment Fund.

ALPHA AT ST. PETER'S:

Our Alpha programme starts again in mid-September and will run most weeks until early December.

Please email alpha@stpeterswinchester.org.uk for more information or to register for a place.

There are more Alphas to choose from this time too:

- Monday evenings 7:30pm to 9:30pm St Peter's Pastoral Centre
- Thursday lunchtimes 12 noon to 2pm Milner Hall
- Friday mornings 8:45am to 10:45am St Peter's School

Alpha is for everyone. Please come and experience it, if you haven't already and don't be shy about asking a friend, family member or colleague to come and experience it with you - it could be the most important thing that you do for someone! Invitations are available for you to use at the back of all churches.



Rosemary Chambers will be hosting a **Bring and Share tea party** on the Feast of the Assumption, Thursday 15th August, 3pm, at the Lake House in Alresford.

Tel. no. 01962 733148.

Email: chambers.rosemary@btinternet.com



Alton Day of Renewal You are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day of spiritual refreshment and renewal, focussing on the Charisms or gifts of the Holy Spirit at Alton Convent, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG. 31st August 11:00 to 10:00



Havant Passion Play present their third production, "Behold the Man!" on 17th and 18th August 2019 in Havant Park. Performance times: 12 noon and 3pm on the 17th and 3pm on the 18th.

Entry is free to all comers. Everyone welcome.

Bring your own chair or rug to sit on! Havant Park, Park Road, PO9 1HA

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Holy Communion: Rosanne Walker
Youth: Jo Donaldson
Neighbourhood
Groups: Sandra Drower
Finance/Admin: Annette Parr
Facilities: Sean Reidy
Admin: Adam Biernat & Richard Phiri
We look forward to welcoming you to our Parish

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION AND MORNING PRAYER:

Our weekday adoration before the Blessed Sacrament (**Tuesdays-Thursdays**), as well as our Morning Prayer & Adoration (**Mondays & Thursdays**) will take a temporary pause for the school holidays and will resume again in the 2nd week of September.

Fr Mark would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who support the vital Eucharistic Adoration ministry in our parish. He would like to offer special thanks to Gerard Carton, who has decided to step down from his role as coordinator after many years of faithful service. Gerard has a deep devotion to and love of Our Lord present in the Eucharist and his dedication and commitment to this ministry has been truly outstanding. Over the summer, Fr Mark would also like to gather with all those who take part in Eucharistic adoration, in order to hear your thoughts and suggestions. If you are currently on the rota, or indeed would like to consider joining, please could you contact the office, leaving your details, so that we can invite you to a meeting.

Masses and Liturgies: 3rd to 10th August 2019 St. Peter's, Winchester

Masses

Sat 3rd	6:00pm	Mass - Souls in Purgatory
Sun 4th	8:00am	Mass - David & Julia O'Connell RIP
	10:30am	Mass - Bernard & Cherry Twomey RIP
	5:00pm	NO Evening Prayer and Benediction
	6:00pm	Mass - Deceased members of the Brookes & Whiteman families
Mon 5th	12:15pm	Mass - Intentions of the Neil Family
Tues 6th	8:00am	Mass - Andre Walker RIP
Wed 7th		NO MASS
Thur 8th	7:00pm	Mass - Fabian Woodley RIP
Fri 9th	12:15pm	Mass - Intentions of Sindi & Zukisa Mbuli
Sat 10th	9:00am	Mass - Dorothy Tosdevine RIP
	12:00pm	Wedding Service - Ross Howard and Johanna Robinson

Confessions:

Sat	11:30am - 12:30pm	4:30pm - 5:00pm
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Eucharistic Adoration

Tue:	9:00am - 7:00pm)	Eucharistic Adoration
Wed:	1:00pm - 8:00pm)	is suspended until after
Thur:	9:00am - 4:00pm)	the summer break

St. Gregory's, Alresford

Sun 4th	11:00am	Mass - Priscilla Ruth Carver RIP
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St. Stephen's, Oliver's Battery

Sun 4th	9:15am	Mass - Robin Brazier RIP
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St. Thomas More's, Stockbridge

Sun 4th	9:00am	Mass - People of the Parish
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Diocese of Portsmouth - Diocesan Property Manager

The Portsmouth Diocesan Trust, a Registered Charity, has an extensive portfolio of property that includes Churches, associated Church buildings, schools, houses, offices, residential and investment property. The Diocese consists of the counties of Hampshire, part of Dorset and Berkshire, South Oxfordshire, the Isle of Wight and the Channel Islands. Considerable travelling will be involved.

The Diocese is seeking to recruit a Diocesan Property Manager who will be a member of the Diocesan Estate Team providing an effective property management and advice service to the Parishes and Schools of the Diocese and protecting the interests of the Portsmouth Diocese. This role will include acquisitions, disposals, leases, ASTs, ensuring statutory compliance, arranging remedial works, managing consultants and contractors for maintenance projects, and other general estate management duties.

The role is a challenging opportunity for a self-motivated individual with considerable experience and a relevant property qualification. While a background in estate management is desirable, your experience could be in surveying or property management. Much of your work will require liaison with priests and parish volunteers, so a commitment to the ethos of the Catholic Church, and excellent communication skills are required. Ability to manage own diary and ensure all tasks completed.

Salary £25,000-£35,000 dependant on qualifications and experience. For informal enquiries please contact Hilary Foley (Director of Estates) 02392 825430. For an application form, job description and Equal Ops Monitoring form, please go to the Diocesan website (www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk). Please return the application and Equal Opportunity Monitoring forms to Victoria Nightingale, HR Manager, Support & Administration Services, St Edmund House, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth, PO1 3QA or via email to vnightingale@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Closing date for applications: Wednesday 14th August 2019