



St Margaret Mary Church

PARISH WEBSITE: www.stmargaretmary.co.uk

11TH JULY 2021 - FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Altar Servers: Would you like to learn to be a Server? All children who have received their First Holy Communion are welcome to join the Altar Serving team. When you 'sign up' Nick Sadler will issue you with Consent Forms and details of training sessions. *Remember Altar Servers can be all ages and help out at all Liturgies.* We are blessed with an ample number of Servers for the 10:15 Mass on Sundays. Fr Rob also needs volunteers prepared to serve at either 8am Sunday Mass or the Sunday evening Mass. It would be great to have a couple of Servers for Wednesday evening Benediction (7pm). If you are interested in being of service and this is something you would like to help out with... please let Fr Rob know.

Book Keeper: We are looking for someone with the requisite skills who could offer two to three hours a month by assisting our Parish Finance Team. Can you help? If you, (or someone you know) can be encouraged to volunteer, please let Parish Office know.

Anticipation of July 19th

We are all eagerly awaiting an end to the restrictions! The last year has been a minefield to negotiate as we have tried to keep up to date with current advice. So much has changed and developed during the course of this pandemic. It is a testament to you all, and indeed to our valiant Team of Stewards, as we mark the one year anniversary of their ministry. It is to their credit that, since the church re-opened (after the first lockdown) we have not had to miss one Mass or Liturgy *and* not one single case of transmission has occurred in this place. I am staggered by the tireless effort and commitment our stewards have shown during the past year. **To you all a big thank you for such an amazing achievement.**

We will offer next Sunday's Masses for our team of Stewards as a thankyou.

Of course nothing is certain, but *if restrictions are relaxed on 19th July*, then the plan is this: Firstly to keep in the forefront the concerns of others.

The best example I can give: After the first lockdown ended, I arrived at the hospital as usual to do my rounds. Having been there for months, I was used to all the PPE, visiting restricted Covid wards etc. etc. so I was slightly shocked to see how reticent and unsure people were on entering the hospital. They were unlikely to be entering any restricted Covid wards, so in my eyes they would be comparatively safe.

And then I remembered the fear I had experienced during my first two weeks as hospital Chaplain...

It might be similar for those returning to Mass. Even though many of us are now used to coming to our socially distanced Church, remember your first time. Please be welcoming and considerate to those who haven't been able to come for some while - as I know you all will.

I intend to keep the hand sanitiser in place by the door *and to encourage its use.*

Face mask-wearing to be entirely optional.

I think there may still be a limit on singing in confined spaces but not sure. Hopefully it will not be too long before we can reintroduce hymns. Brace yourself, as I have already intimated to the choir that when we do start singing hymns again, I want the people to be the main choir!!!

I rather think it will be sometime before the Chalice is administered during Holy Communion.

I intend to continue sanitising my hands during Communion - as I do at present.

I would also like to thank those of you who have challenged practices over the last year. This might not have been an easy thing for you to do but I am grateful. On some occasions I have, as it were, stuck to my guns, however I have never seen the challenge as anything other than us all wanting the same thing: being able to offer the Mass as safely as possible. **Again a big thank you to all.**

**God Bless Park Gate and may the intercession of St Margaret Mary
gain our parish an abundance of grace. Fr Rob**



Today is Sea Sunday, when the Church prays for all who live and work at sea. **The second collection is for Stella Maris (Apostleship of the Sea)**, the Catholic Church's official maritime welfare agency. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. For an appeal talk from Bishop Paul Mason, and a video showing some of what Stella Maris does, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/SeaSunday.

This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to continue its important work. To donate, please visit www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate or text 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. Stella Maris is dependent on voluntary donations, so please give generously. Thank you.

Keep your Faith alive in your home and in your Family during this time.....

On **YouTube: 'colour and shape liturgy'**

Children's liturgy in song and word.



or **Sign up** for the **Cafod Children's Liturgy** and then download the weekly resources.....

CAFOD - CHILDREN'S LITURGY

<https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Children-s-liturgy>

Or tune in to

REDEMPTRISTS/DOMINICAN SISTERS:

<https://www.rpbooks.co.uk/celebrate-following-your-faith>

PORTSMOUTH DIOCESE:

<http://www.casopportsmouth.org.uk/daily-worship-2/>

MEMORIAL MASSES FOR TWO PARISHIONERS



26th July at 11:30 for Jim Brown RIP

places are by invitation only

28th July at 10:30 for Sue Forer RIP

Open Invitation to attend Sue Forer's Mass on 28th July. All are invited to attend gathering at Sarisbury Cricket Club afterwards. The family will attend the interment at Holy Hill Cemetery 1200 before going on to cricket club.

Life is changed not ended...

Please keep their families in your prayers.

Mass for the Sick at 2pm on Thursday 29th July 2021

This Mass, with Anointing of the Sick, will be celebrated in St. Philip Howard Church, Bishopsfield Rd, Fareham and will be followed by light refreshments, provided by the Fareham St. Vincent de Paul Society (SVP), in the St. Philip Howard Hall. Please contact Fareham Parish Office for more details: 01329 318869.

Everyone is welcome.



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<https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/enews>

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COMING TO CHURCH

If this is the first time *you* have been able to come to Church - **Welcome Home!**

THANK YOU TO ALL OUR STEWARDS

for enabling us to come to Church safely.

To keep *yourself* and *others* safe: We are still advised to keep a **physical distance**: 1+ metres apart (2 metres wherever possible); to **sanitise our hands**, to **wear a face covering**, and to **'sign in'**.

The windows are open - the Church is full of fresh air...

COME TO WEEKDAY MASS IF POSSIBLE - LEAVING THE SUNDAY PLACES FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNABLE

TO COME TO MASS DURING THE WEEK.

There are often spare places available at the 6:30pm Mass....

REMEMBER



HANDS



FACE



SPACE

PARISH FINANCES

GIFT AID: In response to our recent appeal for new gift aid authorisation forms, we now have over 100 parishioners who are gift-aiding.

Thank you - this increases your 'giving' by 25%.

There are still many eligible parishioners who have not responded to our appeal. **If you are a taxpayer**, and are happy for your church to **reclaim 25% of the tax paid** on your offertory, **could you consider** filling in a form?

Further details please contact the Parish Office or Email: farehamgiftaid@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

A Gift Aid Form can be emailed to you - contact the Parish Office - or use a printed copy (in Church Porch).

Anyone who signed a Gift Aid Declaration pre-2017 will be contacted in the near future as Declarations should be renewed every 5 years.

NUMBERS ARE ONLY ISSUED TO PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE COMPLETED A GIFT AID FORM

If you are new to the Parish, or returning to Mass after 'shielding', why not contact Ken to discuss, in confidence, the most effective way of making your offertory contribution??

WAYS TO GIVE:

BY CHEQUE:

'P.R.C.D.T.R Parkgate St. Marg. Mary'
(anything else will be refused by the bank).

BY STANDING ORDER: Parish Bank account details:

PRCDTR Park Gate St Margaret Mary
(Lloyds Bank) **Sort Code: 30-93-04 A/C: 00883663**

BY BANK TRANSFER: *details as above* Please send a copy of your Standing Order/BACS for our records: especially if you pay UK tax and wish to Gift Aid.

ENVELOPES FOR SUNDAY & SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

These are available for Gift Aided donations. *In the interests of saving paper and printing, it would help if they are only used by Gift Aiders.*

Second Collection this week: **Stella Maris**
Bags are available (alongside Church Offertory) for use by non-gift aiders.

Thank you for all your contributions to the Parish.

Our Offertory is an act of worship

Heavenly Father, you have given us riches beyond measure. We can only return a fraction of what we owe you; but we ask, Lord, that you will bless our offerings and help us to use them wisely in your service and for your glory.
Amen.





PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Our Parish - Our School - Our Priest.

All in need of healing prayer whether sick, housebound, lonely or in need.

All who are facing illness and death, those who have died recently, known or unknown and all who died during the Covid Pandemic, may they rest in peace, Amen.

Everyone involved in keeping us safe;

All who work in the health services;

Our Stewards who have kept us safe in Church.

All who live and work on the sea bringing us goods and produce; keeping our coastlines safe.

Our teachers and school staff; our Families and Catechists involved in preparation for the Sacraments of Eucharist & Reconciliation.

We pray for the children who are receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time.

Couples preparing for Marriage and those who embrace the single life.

Our Families and our older parishioners.

All who are considering a Vocation to the Priesthood or Consecrated life.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayers

*The Month of July is traditionally dedicated to **The Precious Blood** which we worship as the Blood which the Saviour shed for us on Calvary and re-assumed at His glorious Resurrection; it is the Blood which courses through the veins of His risen, glorified, living body at the right hand of God the Father in heaven; it is the Blood made present on our altars by the words of Consecration; it is the Blood which merited sanctifying grace for us and through it washes and beautifies our soul and inaugurates the beginning of eternal life in it.*



A PRAYER FOR YEAR OF THE EUCHARIST

Lord Jesus Christ, fill us with the fire of divine charity, and through the intercession of Mary Immaculate, St. Edmund of Abingdon and Blessed Pier Giorgio Frassati, renew our Diocese, its clergy, religious and faithful. Give us all a deeper love for your Word and for the Holy Eucharist and make us totally dependent on your Holy Spirit. Fill us with the desire to go out on mission to everyone as servants of all. Restore the lapsed; bless our youth and help us to put our time, talent and treasure at your service. Above all, make us holy that we may bring many more souls closer to You through your Church. Bless us all, dear Lord, and bring us one day to heaven, where you live and reign for ever and ever. Amen.



PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS

Monday to Friday 10-12

Changes to Parish email addresses - To contact Claire in the Parish Office use:

office@stmargaretmary.co.uk

To contact Maria for **Mass Intentions** and **Sunday Mass invitations** please use

officesupport@stmargaretmary.co.uk

ADoRE Online - July 24th, 10.00-13.00



You are invited to a spiritual mini-retreat morning with Mass, Adoration, Reflection, Praise, Talk, Prayer & Discussion.

Theme: "**Transformation in Christ**" - The Holy Spirit is at work in you to change you and make you holier. Guest speaker: Maria Heath, Chair of English Catholic Charismatic Renewal Service.

Please register in advance at bit.ly/ADOREJUL2021

ADoRE also offers confidential **prayer for healing by telephone** - ring **07579 824523** Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm. Experienced prayer ministers will pray with you confidentially for healing of physical, emotional and spiritual problems.



POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTION

During the month of July, we pray that in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship. Amen

Are you aged between 12 - 18? You are invited to come to the "Fanning the Flame" summer camp which will be at St Cassian's, Kintbury, from 16th - 20th August... You will be sleeping outdoors! The camp will be run by the Dominican Sisters of St. Joseph and an experienced team of volunteers who have been running FTF events for over 20 years. Further details can be found on the special website: <https://www.fanningtheflame.co.uk/summer-camp> where you will find booking forms and all you need to know. Places are limited, please BOOK ASAP to avoid disappointment.

MESSAGE FROM SVP - We are here to help...

If you would like a phone call - just for a friendly chat or if you need help in any way - give us a call: **07487659277**



Going into Hospital?

Please remember to inform **the Parish Office and the relevant hospital Chaplaincy**, if you, or a member of the family, are in, or due to enter, hospital.

University Hospital Southampton -
Chaplaincy Team 023 8120 8517

Queen Alexandra Hospital Portsmouth -
Chaplaincy Team 023 9228 6408

**THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PUBLIC MASSES THANKS TO OUR STEWARDS WHO ARE KEEPING US SAFE
PLEASE WEAR YOUR MASK AND KEEP SAFE DISTANCES**

SUNDAY MASSES - *by invitation only* WEEKDAY MASSES *first come - first served*
Contact the Parish Office to reserve a place at Sunday Mass

SEA SUNDAY 11TH JULY 2021 15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B (Psalm week 3)

10:15 MASS Repose of the Soul of Jenny Buckley RIP (*N Sadler*)

18:30 MASS The People of the Parish

M **12th July** *Feria* **09:30** Liam O'Mahony RIP (Birthday) (*B O'Mahony*)

T **13th July** *Feria* **No Public Mass**

W **14th July** *Feria* **09:30** Helen Mitchell RIP (Birthday) (*E Holmes*)

Rosary, Adoration, & Benediction 19:00

Th **15th July** St Swithun, *Bishop* **19:00** Margaret Powell RIP - *in memory* (*P Swatton*)

F **16th July** Our Lady of Mount Carmel **09:30** Anne Calleya (after successful op) (*M Calleya*)

S **17th July** *Private Mass*

18TH JULY 2021 16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B (Psalm week 4)

10:15 MASS Thanksgiving for our Team of Stewards

18:30 MASS The People of the Parish

Live Streaming of All Public Masses - YouTube recording of Public Masses - link on parish website

CONFESSIONS - *please telephone*

***Fr Rob to request an appointment:
01489 572797***

***Leave a message and
your contact details.***



MASS INTENTIONS -to arrange a Mass please contact the Office email: officesupport@stmargaretmary.co.uk
If you are requesting a specific date, please make your request in advance.

Mass Offerings can be made using a marked Envelope or by Bank Transfer (please identify as 'Mass Offering').
Please Note - the Mass Intention does not need to be read out during Mass for it to be a valid offering.

Parish Priest: Fr Robert Stewart

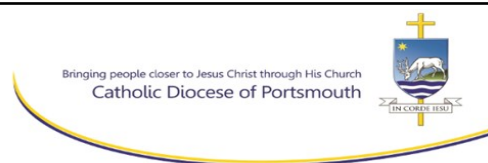
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