



The Catholic Church in Park Gate St Margaret Mary

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**“Come to me,
all you who are
weary and burdened,
and I will give
you rest.”**

Matthew 11:28 (NIV)

Sunday 5th July

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter Week 2)

8.30am Philomena Swatton RIP
10.30am Mgr Brendan Murphy RIP
6.30pm People of the Parish
9.30am Philomena Swatton RIP
7pm Adoration
9.30am Eileen White RIP
7pm Knights of St Columba Intention
9.30am Philomena Swatton RIP
11am **First Holy Communion Mass**

Monday 6th

Tuesday 7th

Thursday 9th

Friday 10th

Saturday 11th

Sunday 12th

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter Week 3)

8.30am Aiden Kenny RIP
10.30am Jane Swales RIP
6.30pm People of the Parish
9.30am Private Intention
7pm Adoration
9.30am Philomena Swatton RIP
12.15pm Funeral Mass—Margaret May Rose
7pm **No evening Mass**
9.30am No Intention

Monday 13th

Tuesday 14th

Thursday 16th

Friday 17th

Saturday 18th

**Saturday 18th July at 11am, as St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth.
Ordination to the Priesthood—Rev Jack Ryan**

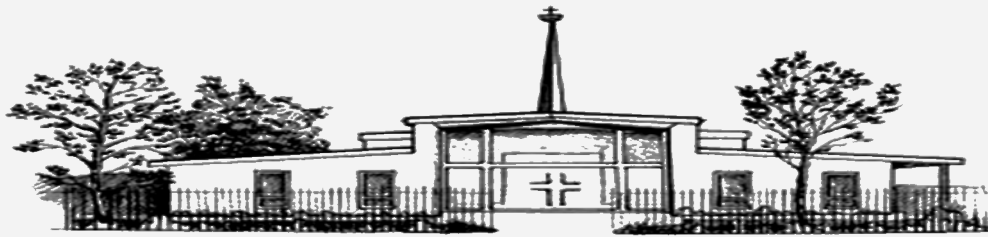
Sunday 19th

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter Week 4)

8.30am Kenneth Alderson RIP
10.30am People of the Parish
**Rev Jack Ryan's first Mass of Thanksgiving—followed by
Reception in Parish Hall**
6.30pm Philomena Swatton RIP

Refreshments are served in the Parish hall after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday.

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Fr Ansel's day off is Wednesday, so will be unavailable on this day.

For any urgent sick calls on this day, please contact Cn John Cooke at Sacred Heart, Fareham on 01329 318869.

Our thanks to Fr John Adikwu who will be coming to celebrate morning mass on Friday 17th July at 9.30am.

Dear fellow parishioners,

During the Easter season, the parish was invited to think about how they may participate in the mission of the church. During the season, the liturgical readings follow Peter and the apostles through the Acts of the Apostles, as they take up Jesus's command to go and make disciples of the nations baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. We also read how St Paul, after being thrown off his horse and encountering Jesus on the road to Damascus, also comes to faith and begins to preach the Good News. The liturgical readings also invite us to think about how we can follow in the footsteps of the apostles in proclaiming the Gospel to others, through daily living and maybe in other ministries too. As we approached Pentecost, the homilies also took on a missionary focus. Both the Saint Vincent De Paul Society, the knights of St Colomba and the Padre Pio prayer group were also invited to talk after mass and to share with the parish how each group takes up the call of evangelisation by assisting and supporting the parish, local schools, and the local community. Many of them do this in various ways which includes raising money for Catholic and local charities, hosting a community Café, painting competitions to encourage children to think about the mystery of Advent and Easter, and praying for the parish, diocese, and local community. There are many more activities they are involved in too. I'm pleased to say that since their inspiring and encouraging talks they have given, the SVP has gained 5 new members, the Knights of St Colomba have gained 3 new members, and the Padre Pio prayer group has also gained 5 new members. We also have had a few new members join our cleaning teams, several parishioners who have taken up the ministry of parish lector, and we also welcome two new altar servers. We also set up a grandparents prayer group where grandparents are invited to pray for their children, grandchildren, the elderly and any other intentions that are needed at the time to.

I am grateful to everyone who serves the parish in many different ministries and would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone once again. For those members of the parish who already have several commitments with work, family, looking after grandchildren etc and are unable to commit to any parish ministries at this time, we are very grateful for your prayers and the witness you give both in your families, at work, and amongst your friends.

As we move forward into the summer, let's also remember to pray for the children who will receive Holy Communion next weekend and for Deacon Jack as he prepares for his ordination to the priesthood. As a parish community, let's also remember to pray for each other. Lastly, If you are going away on vacation, I wish a restful break.

With every best wish and blessing,

Fr Ansel

Mass Intentions. To book a Mass intention/s please contact the Parish office by phone, email or in person. If you leave an envelope outside office hours, please put all your details on envelope. The most important thing is that the sacrifice of Mass is offered, but we cannot guarantee the date. If you make a donation via BACS, please include reference of 'Mass Int'. Thank you.

Standing Orders and Gift Aid

Thank you for all you do to support your parish in many different ways.

If you haven't already done so, please consider donating via a standing order, and sign up for gift aid, in order to provide a more stable, and 25% extra, parish income. Forms available on the website, at the back of the church and from the Parish Office.

Contactless Giving—Available at the back of the Church.

Do you need our bank details?

CDP PARK GATE ST MARG MARY

Sort Code: 30-93-04 Account Number: 00883663



You can also scan this QR code to donate online.

Park Gate Noticeboard For more information on all our activities, have a look on our web site:
www.stmargaretmary.co.uk

Please submit any notices for the Newsletter by **Tuesday lunchtime**.

The NEW Parish office opening times are Monday, Tuesday and Friday, 9am-3pm.

Advance Notice: The Parish office will be closed Mon 4th-Fri 10th July for annual leave. This newsletter is a two week issue. The next newsletter will be on Friday 17th July.

Padre Pio Prayer Group —The next meeting is: Sunday 26th July @ 7.45pm

You are all most welcome. For more information, please contact David Walford: walford101@hotmail.com



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de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

We are here to help. If you need help in any way, or are interested in volunteering some time to help, give us a call, in confidence, between 9am and 6pm on 07935 941686.

Donation cheques to be made out to : B170413 SVP St Margaret Mary Park Gate

Friday Coffee Morning - Join us in the Paray room after morning Mass.

Shop (Repository) — Please call in and see the range of Christian gifts and cards available.

Vinnie's Café—Saturday 25th July from 2-4pm.

Come along for a friendly chat and cup of tea. All welcome. Free, but donations welcome.

Grandparent's Prayer Group—Next Meeting 7th July after 9.30am morning Mass.

This group will meet monthly on the first Tuesday of the month, led by Dcn Brian Stoker. This is an opportunity for grandparents to pray for their children and grandchildren's faith, safety and wellbeing.

Knights of St Columba — The next meeting is Sunday 12th July at 4.30pm. All welcome.

If you interested to find out more about the organisation, please join us or contact Kevin on 07791653775

Thank you Father Ansel for the opportunity to inform the parish of the work of the Knights of St Columba and our involvement in the parish, schools and diocese. Following our appeal for more members, I'm pleased to inform you we had five enquiries. Two new members will be installed on Sunday 5th July at the 8:30 Mass. We are hoping the others will follow in time.

Fish & Chip Event (20th June) We are also delighted to inform you, that the Fish & Chips event held last Saturday was attended by 61 people. After expenses, we raised over £1000 for the ALMA MATER charity and the Knight's fund. Many thanks to those who attended and to other parishioners for your generous donations.

Refreshments Team (Sunday) - Would you be willing to join our valued teams to help out with refreshments after 10.30 masses on Sunday? It works out on average every other month—so 5 or 6 times per year per team of two.

Please contact maggie@raymontc.plus.com for further details.

Church and Hall cleaning Volunteers—Update

If you can spare one hour each month to look after our beautiful church and hall please leave your contact details in the Parish office or email office@stmargaretmary.co.uk



Gosport Section of the Catholic Women's League are meeting at 1.30 pm in the Hall of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Stubbington, on **Wednesday 8th July**. Our group consists of members from all the parishes in this area and we would welcome visitors, so come and see what we do. For further information, please contact Marguerite Boulter 07751 435 487 margieboulter@aol.com or Maria Owen 07790 378 097 mariaeowen@gmail.com

Missio—Red Box Holders.

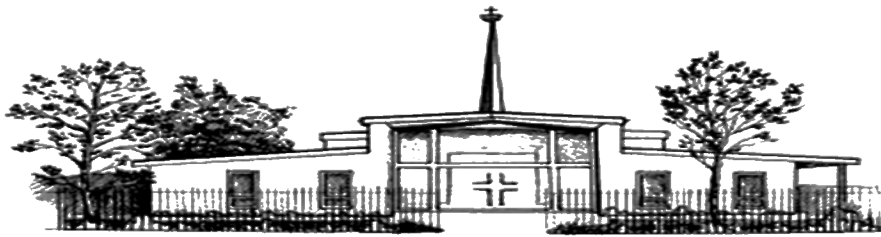
All Red Box holders can find a prayer card and new Missio magazine in the box in the foyer.

More info Marguerite Boulter 07751 435 487

Bamenda—Summer Update.

Following our recent fundraising for Bamenda, I have attached a summer update posted on the Portsmouth Diocese recently for your information. A 'Thank you' letter received from Bamenda to the Parish at St Margaret Mary is on the noticeboard.

<https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/2026-Bamenda-Summer-update.pdf>.



If you are unwell and would like a Eucharist Ministry team member to bring Holy Communion to you at home.
Please contact Jane Green on 07528 948536

If you are going in to hospital, please contact the relevant chaplaincy service:
Southampton General 02381 208517
QA Portsmouth 02392 286408

Second Collections in July.

Sunday 5th July—Rev Jack Ryan

On celebration of his Ordination to the Priesthood next Saturday, 18th July at St. John's Cathedral

Sunday 12th July—Stella Maris—The Apostleship of the Sea

Stella Maris, the official maritime charity of the Catholic Church, which you may also know as the Apostleship of the Sea. Firstly, I would like to thank you for your generosity each year during Sea Sunday.

Over the past year, Stella Maris supported more than 100,000 seafarers in UK ports, and many more worldwide. This is what your support makes possible. Every donation helps Stella Maris chaplains be there, on ships, in ports, and in hospitals. Offering care, friendship, and hope to people who would otherwise be alone.

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Out of hours please get in touch as below

Email: office@stmargaretmary.co.uk Tel: 01489 572797 (this number is linked to Office & Presbytery, please leave voicemail message when office is closed)

Parish Gift Aid: Milton Hewins Email: accounts@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Safeguarding Co-ordinators: Contact: safeguarding@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Anita Fitzpatrick: 07743 481363 or Fran Slater: 07899 691094

Hall Bookings:

Email: hall@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Maintenance:

Email: facilities@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Repository (Greeting Cards, Books, Gifts and more)

Enquires: office@stmargaretmary.co.uk (please see www.cbcdistributors.co.uk for items you can order)

Portsmouth Diocese Safeguarding Coordinator: Ruth Attfield 023 9421 6486

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