# PETERPOST

### Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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10 <sup>th</sup> July 2022	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Who is my neighbour?

#### Fr Anthony writes:

The term 'neighbour' is not unfamiliar to us; we have certainly heard and used it since we were young. It is not uncommon to hear someone introducing another as 'my neighbour' or 'we used to be neighbours'.



So, what exactly is a neighbour? Etymologically, the word neighbour can be traced back to two different old English words: neah and gabur. The word "neah" means near and the word "gabur" means dweller. Putting it together, this creates the word neighbour; someone who dwells near. This seems to be the biblical understanding of neighbour, which appears twice in the Old Testament. It is first used in the Ten Commandments, Exodus 20:16-17 "You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour". "You shall not covet your neighbour's house; you shall not covet your neighbour's wife, or his male servant, or his female servant, or his ox, or his donkey, or anything that is your neighbour's." The second usage appears in Proverbs 3:28, "Do not say to your neighbour, "Go, and come again, tomorrow I will give it"when you have it with you. Thus, for a Jew then, a neighbour was a fellow Jew, someone they knew personally, someone in need of help.

It was surely from this background that the Jewish scholar asks Jesus the question 'who is my neighbour?' in today's gospel. The motive behind the question is to know where to draw the line. Jesus had been suggesting something otherwise. He had told them to love and help foreigners who About 13 years ago, I listened to an elderly Franciscan Frair on EWTN comment on the parable of the Good Samaritan. He said the text reveals three philosophies of life: the philosophy of a thief (what you have is mine and I must take it); the philosophy of a priest (what I have is mine and I must keep it) and the philosophy of the Good Samaritan (what I have is mine and I must share it). Which of these philosophies drive our lives as neighbours? Do I often secretly desire things that belong to others? It is not only material things, sometimes it is slandering someone's good reputation; taking from them their priceless treasure: their good name. The code of canon law (n.220) and the 10th commandment tell us that to calumniate another is certainly to ruin their good name and so do them injustice, hence sinning against the virtue of justice. Furthermore, are we driven by the 'priest' philosophy of keeping to ourselves the gifts God has blessed us with? While it is not a sin to happily enjoy what we have worked for, we are reminded that God has blessed us with them to bless others. This also applies to 'our time'. Yes, the time we have is ours, but God also wants us to sacrifice our time and resources for the growth and edification of our neighbours. God invites us today to develop the philosophy of the Good Samaritan; 'what I have is mine, but I will share it'. When we remember that we are mere earthenware jars holding the treasures of God, we gain humility and find our place in the service of God's people.



were non-Jews. In fact, he challenged them to love even their enemies and do good to those who hated them. The scholar's intention today is to get Jesus to clarify himself.

Unfortunately for him, Jesus uses the opportunity to strengthen his 'new' teaching. It is in this context that Jesus tells him the parable of the Good Samaritan; an outsider who helped a Jew attacked by fellow Jews and left to die by fellow Jews (Priest and Levite). Jesus is inviting them to be as merciful as his heavenly father, whose love knows bounds, who even sent his only begotten son to die for us (Jews and non-Jews). In his compassion, the Samaritan in Jesus' parable reveals the boundless mercy of God, who came down to us when we were fallen in sin, close to dead, unable to pick ourselves up.

Who then is your neighbour and what calibre of a neighbour are you. Which philosophy epitomises your drive as a neighbour?

Welcome....... If this is your first time reading the newsletter, then you are particularly welcome. Please get in touch - we'd love to tell you about everything that's going on here, and invite you to join us. Just to start you off, elsewhere in the newsletter you will find our services and other activities. Look at our website https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/, or our Facebook page or email office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

#### FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C) 10<sup>th</sup> July 2022 **Gospel Acclamation: Entrance Antiphon:** R. Alleluia, alleluia! As for me, in justice I shall behold your face; The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice, I shall be filled with the vision of your glory. says the Lord, I know them and they follow me. First reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14 R. Alleluia! **Responsorial Psalm:** Ps 68:14, 17, 30-31, 33-34, 36-37. R.Cf v.33 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 Seek the Lord, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive. **Communion Antiphon:** The sparrow finds a home, Second reading: Colossians 1:15-20 and the swallow a nest for her young: by your altars, O Lord of hosts, my King and my God. Blessed are they who dwell in your house, for ever singing your praise.

Second Collection – Apostleship of the Sea Our Second Collection this Sea Sunday is for Stella Maris (the Apostleship of the Sea),

the Catholic Church's maritime charity. Seafarers lead hard and dangerous lives. This Sea Sunday your gifts and prayers will help seafarers and fishers get the support they need. Stella Maris chaplains and volunteers are working in ports up and down this country, and across the world, but they cannot do it without your support. If you would like to give a gift to this collection, you can donate here: https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/apostleship-of-the-sea



**Solemnities of St Gregory and St Swithun** – Mass will be celebrated at **10am on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July** in St Gregory's Church on the Solemnity of this great saint. There will also be a 7pm Mass on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July in St Peter's Church for the Solemnity of St Swithun.

**Night Prayer** – Fr Mark will be taking a well-earned break from Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July to Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> July so there will be no Night Prayer during this time.

Family Mass at St Stephen's – on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July at 9.15am, Fr John Lee will be celebrating a Family Mass in St Stephen's Church. All are welcome!

**First Holy Communion 2022-2023** Registration is now open for the FHC programme 2022-2023, and the deadline to send back completed forms is Friday July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

If you have any questions or if you would like an enrolment form sent to you, please email Rosanne at <u>fhc@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</u>



Welcome to Maeve McGuire and Tobias Sheehan Philips who were baptised at St Peter's Church last weekend.

May God bless these children with His love and grace, today and always.

James Lewis Ordination – Help with transport If you would like to attend the special occasion of James Lewis' Ordination on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July but require help with transport to get there, please let Michaela in the office know. We will try our best to find someone who can help with lifts and car shares. Equally, if you are

willing to offer someone a space in your car, please let Michaela know and she will put both parties in contact with one another.

**Only 1 week to go!** Join the parish as we enjoy time together and celebrate the ordination of James Lewis on **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July from** midday. Book online here, via our website or by phoning the Parish Office.



Funeral Notices: Teresa Frith – 11am Monday 11<sup>th</sup> July at The Chesil Suite Breda Scanlon – **12.15pm Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July** at St Peter's Church (during Mass) Pat Garrett – 2.30pm Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> July at St Edward's Church, Chandlers Ford Please keep the family and friends of Teresa, Breda and Pat in your prayers at this sad time. May God grant them eternal rest.





PRAYER CORNER: Each week, this section will contain an intercession that 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: As we thank God for those who made their first holy communion last weekend, let us pray that all of us receiving communion at mass prepare ourselves as if it were our first or our last time.



#### SOUP & PUD LUNCH in aid of WINCHESTER HOSPICE – New date!

Winchester Hospice

The CWL will be having their next charity lunch on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August**, in the Pastoral Centre, from 12.00 to 1.30pm. All very welcome!

**The Catholic Women's League (CWL),** warmly welcome ladies to their next monthly meeting in the Pastoral Centre, at 4pm on Thursday 21st July. This meeting will be the Annual General Meeting, and to plan future events.

Hearing aid found – A hearing aid has been left in the narthex of St Peter's Church. Please contact the parish office to reclaim.



**Roe V Wade decision** On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June, the US Supreme Court struckdown the Roe v Wade decision, returning the matter of abortion legislation to individual states.

There have been many mistruths and misinformation shared online about the implications of this decision, hence Lord Alton has published an excellent piece that sets out the key facts:

https://thecritic.co.uk/reversing-atragic-half-century-of-lost-lives/



## Laudato si Corner



#### Want to know more about the Parish Laudato si' Group?

This active group within our parish now has it's very own Youtube channel! Click <u>here</u> to hear Mike Slinn's informative introduction to the group and to gain access to the channel.



#### Year of the Holy Spirit

Here's some advance notice: the Parish is planning to have a "Year of the Holy Spirit", starting in the autumn, so running over the next academic year. This is very much at the planning stages at the moment, but the idea is to enable our parish to grow in our knowledge and awareness of the person of the Holy Spirit, including the spiritual gifts. We are also hoping to provide opportunities for people to experience Holy Spirit-focussed prayer times more frequently. Watch out for more details soon.

**Sharing something of home** – A group of Ukrainian women who meet at St Peter's Sanctuary Welcome Hub in the Pastoral Centre (or Milner Hall) every Wednesday morning, put on a show of song and dance this week in celebration of Kupala Night, a traditional Slavic festival. The opportunity to appreciate and learn more about other cultures in our community was enjoyed by all.



#### **Useful Contacts**

Clergy: Fr Mark Hogan (Parish Priest) (mhogan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk); Fr Anthony Chiatu Njingo (Assistant Priest (cnjingo@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk); Deacon Gerard Dailly (gdailly@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) and Deacon Martin McElroy (mmcelroy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) Director of Evangelisation and Leadership: Allegra Mutanda (allegra@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Finance and Property Manager: Annette Parr (annette@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Facilities and Resources Manager: Sean Reidy (sean@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Parish Administration Manager: Michaela Waterfield (michaela@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) **Caretaker: Richard Phiri** Sacristan: Laurie Howe Pastoral team – Baptism and First Holy Communion: Rosanne Walker (baptism@stpeterswinchester.org.uk), (FHC@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Pastoral team – Youth Ministry: Jo Donaldson (youthstuff@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Outreach Ministry Lead: Mike Elks (mike@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) Volunteer Director of Operations: Dcn Gerard Dailly (gdailly@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) Volunteer Director of Communications: Moira Redmond (moirar@stpeterswinchester.org.uk) To get in touch with them, and for other general matters, please contact the Parish Office: 01962 852804 office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk. PeterCares: petercares@stpeterswinchester.org.uk Prayerline: prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk Newsletter (deadline for items Wednesday evening): newsletters@stpeterswinchester.org.uk Newsletter list: hello@stpeterswinchester.org.uk St. Peter's School Office: 01962 852820 admin@st-peters.hants.sch.uk St. Thomas More's Stockbridge: please email <a href="mailto:stm@stpeterswinchester.org.uk">stm@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</a>

**Parish Safeguarding Minister** - Any safeguarding concerns or requests for advice can be discussed with Michaela Waterfield in the Parish Office or routed through to the central diocesan safeguarding team via this email address <u>safeguarding@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk</u> or telephone number: 02394 216486. If there is a concern that someone is at immediate risk of harm, people should be advised to contact 999 for the emergency services. In the meantime, please use the <u>safeguarding@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk</u> address for any queries or contact Ruth Attfield, our diocesan safeguarding coordinator on 02394 216486.

**Mass Counts** We understand that some parishioners may still have concerns about spending time amongst larger groups of people. We will share the information we have on numbers attending the different masses in order for people to make an informed judgement on which one they would feel most comfortable attending. Please see the table for the mass counts from last weekend (3<sup>rd</sup> July)

As a parish, we are now moving to people making a personal choice with regards to the wearing of masks in our churches, whilst being conscious of the needs of others around us.

Mass	Church	Capacity	Attendance
Saturday 5.30pm	SP	381	65
8am	SP	381	72
9am	STM	98	52
9.15am	SS	150	110
10.30am	SP	381	218
11am	SG	115	69
5.30pm	SP	381	53

Mass Timetable	9 <sup>th</sup> July – 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2022		
Date	Mass Times & Intentions		
SATURDAY – July 9 <sup>th</sup>	9.00AM	Mass	Soul of Mary Wheble
Our Lady on Saturday 15 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - VIGIL	5.30PM	Mass	Maureen & Alastair Mitchell RIP
SUNDAY – July 10 <sup>th</sup>	8.00 AM	Mass	Anne Jonas RIP
15 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	People of the Parish
	10.30AM	Mass	James Lewis
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	People of Ukraine
	5.30PM	Mass	Pat Garrett
MONDAY – July 11 <sup>th</sup>	12.15PM	Mass	Ben's family
St Benedict, Founder, Patron of Europe			
TUESDAY – July 12 <sup>th</sup>	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
St Gregory - Solemnity	12.15PM	Mass	Soul of Rose Margaret Fletcher
WEDNESDAY – July 13 <sup>th</sup>	10.00AM	Mass	For the Benefactors
THURSDAY – July 14 <sup>th</sup>	10.00AM	Mass	Soul of William Meader
FRIDAY – July 15 <sup>th</sup>	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
St Swithun, Bishop	12.15PM	Mass/Funeral	Breda Scanlon RIP
	7.00PM	Mass	Soul of Mary Perry
SATURDAY – July 16 <sup>th</sup> 16 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - VIGIL	11.00AM	Ordination Mass For James Lewis – St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth	
	5.30PM	Mass	Angelo RIP and Avelina Bonus (50 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary)

All at St. Peter's, except where stated.

Confessions every Saturday 11.00am till 12.00noon and 4.30pm-5.00pm at St Peter's Church – booking not required Please note, there will be no confessions on the morning of Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July.

Adoration every Monday and Friday 11.00 till 12.00noon.

Morning Prayer (livestream and open to public) every weekday, 8.00am at St Peter's followed by Adoration till 9.00am Please note there will be no Night Prayer from 7<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> July.

To participate online or see the recorded services for Morning Prayer & Adoration and Night Prayer & Adoration, go to our <u>YouTube channel</u> ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER, NIGHT PRAYER & ADORATION) FROM ST PETER'S ARE LIVESTREAMED

#### Job Vacancies in Portsmouth Diocese

Head of Estates (Diocesan Surveyor) – The Head of Estates will have responsibility for the development and delivery of all estates and facilities services across the Diocese. This includes Churches, School Estate, Presbyteries and other investment property. The postholder will have substantial experience providing building and construction expertise and a commercial approach to investment properties to support the work of the diocese. This role will be the principal advisor on all land, property, estates, and facilities matters to the Parishes and Diocesan Trustees through the Chief Operating Officer. The postholder will work closely with Diocesan colleagues and external advisers. We are looking for someone who enjoys working with people, has excellent communication skills and whose values are sympathetic to those of the Catholic Church. Salary dependant on experience. If you would like to receive a full job	Senior Estates Manager A vacancy has arisen in the Diocese for a Senior Estates Manager to join the team. This role carries senior and professional responsibility for the delivery of all schools' estates and facilities services across the Diocese. The postholder will provide building and construction expertise to support the development of the schools' estates and be the principal advisor on all land, property, and facilities matters to the Parishes and Diocesan Trustees through the Head of Estates. The postholder will also be the competent person for all Diocese Health & Safety activity and work across the diocese including parishes working closely with our external Health & Safety consultants and internal colleagues to ensure full compliance. We are looking for someone who enjoys working with people, has excellent communication skills and whose values are sympathetic to those of the Catholic Church. If you would like to receive a full job description
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recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk	recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Closing date for applications: 9am, Monday 18th July 2022	Closing date for applications: 9am, Monday 18th July 2022



#### **Dear Parents**

#### **First Holy Communion**

Congratulations to all our children who made their First Holy Communion on Saturday. We hope you all had a special family time and that the children find continued nourishment with this sacrament. Thank you for all of the pictures that you sent in that we will be sharing within the school. We have only shared photos of individual children and avoided group photos due to permissions.



Then Jesus declared, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

#### John 6:35

If you have pre-school children and like the sound of St Peter's School then why not contact us to find out about the application process? Telephone 01962 852820 or email admin@st-peters.hants.sch.uk.

Best wishes

Louise Buxton (Miss)

Headteacher





Come and join the diocesan pilgrimage to WYD in Lisbon, 1<sup>st</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> August 2023!

Led by Bishop Philip, for those aged 16 by July 2023.

Hurry! Spaces are limited! Scan the QR code to sign up!

Price tbc, but to be approximately £1200.

Why not start fundraising or speak to your parish priest!

For more details contact: wyd@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

