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Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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17th July 2022

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Christian Hospitality

Fr Anthony writes:

What typically comes to mind when we think or hear the word hospitality? For some the word may bring to mind a hospital, or the hospitality of the industry (hotels). Both would be appropriate associations. In both hospitals and hotels, a guest or patient is offered a place to sleep and food to eat. But biblical hospitality is more than a room and board, it requires love and not just duty.

In today's readings, two very famous hospitality parts of the Old and New Testaments given us are joined together, and there's about one thousand eight hundred years between Jesus and Abraham. The two passages reveal to us that God wants to dwell within each of us personally, intimately—as the mysterious guests once visited Abraham's tent, as Jesus once entered the home of Mary and Martha.

Reflecting on the readings of today, Scott Hahn writes '*By his hospitality in this week's First Reading, Abraham shows us how we are to welcome the Lord into our lives. His selfless service of his divine guests (see Hebrews 13:1) stands in contrast to the portrait of Martha drawn in this week's Gospel. Where Abraham is concerned only for the well-being of his guests, Martha speaks only of herself—"Do you not care that my sister has left me by myself . . . ? Tell her to help me." Jesus' gentle rebuke reminds us that we risk missing the divine in the mundane, that we can fall into the trap of believing that God somehow needs to be served by human hands (see Acts 17:25).*

Our Lord comes to us not to be served but to serve (see Matthew 20:28). He gave His life that we might know the one thing we need, the "better part," which is life in the fellowship of God. Jesus is the true Son promised today by Abraham's visitors (see Matthew 1:1). In Him, God has made an everlasting covenant for all time; He has made us blessed descendants of Abraham (see Genesis 17:19, 21; Romans 4:16–17, 19–21). The Church now offers us this covenant, bringing to completion the word of God, the promise of His plan of salvation, what Paul calls "the mystery hidden for ages."

As once He came to Abraham, Martha, and Mary, Christ now comes to each of us in Word and Sacrament. As we sing in this week's Psalm: He will make His dwelling with those who keep His Word and practice justice (see also John 14:23).

If we do these things, we will not be anxious or disturbed. We will not have our Lord taken from us. We will wait on the Lord, who told Abraham and who tells each of us: "I will surely return to you."

James Lewis' Ordination Saturday 16th July



James Lewis spent his extended pastoral placement year in our Parish as a seminarian, from autumn 2018, and very quickly became a popular member of the community: he was known to everyone in no time at all, and was much-loved. He got involved in all areas of Parish life - from being a member of Fr Mark's Senior Leadership Team to youth ministry and the Confirmation group - and of course table-tennis! James is an accomplished musician (clarinettist) and he assisted in enhancing our liturgies when he joined our musicians. He was invited everywhere, and loved to visit groups, and the school. He also organized a memorable bus trip up to London. His deep faith was as apparent as his smiling manner, and everyone has known all along that he will make a wonderful priest. He was ordained a Deacon a year ago - and in a very James touch, he didn't want our Parish to make a big fuss then, because he didn't want to deflect attention from those being ordained to the priesthood at the same time. So we did as he asked - but now we really have the chance to celebrate with him, so we hope as many of you as possible will come along - Ordination in Portsmouth Cathedral (11am), First Mass in St Peter's at 10.30 am Sunday, and Parish party in the grounds immediately afterwards.

We express our congratulations to James on his ordination and wish him well in his future ministry as our new Diocesan Priest.

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

SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C) 17th July 2022

Entrance Antiphon:

See, I have God for my help.
The Lord sustains my soul.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart,
and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

First reading: Genesis 18:1-10

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1
The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Second reading: Colossians 1:24-28

Gospel Acclamation:

R. Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to accept the words of your Son.
R. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord, the gracious, the merciful,
has made a memorial of his wonders;
he gives food to those who fear him.

Morning Mass and Confessions – Saturday 16th July

As James Lewis' Ordination will be taking place on Saturday morning, there will be no 9am Mass or morning confessions on this day.

A request from Fr James Lewis: Thank you for attending my first Mass at 10:30am this coming Sunday (17th July). We will be starting the singing at around 10:25 - in other words, before the bell goes for Mass. So please arrive early for Mass, and please be seated, if possible, by 10:20, so that you are ready to participate.

Mass in St James' Cemetery On **Saturday 23rd July**, Mass will be celebrated at 10am in St James Cemetery and not at 9am in St Peter's Church. All are welcome to attend.

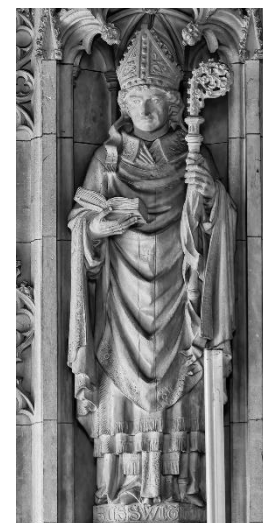
First Holy Communion 2022-2023 Registration is now open for the **FHC programme 2022-2023**, and the deadline to send back completed forms is **Friday July 22nd**.

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



St Swithun's Day and Mass

Friday 15th July is St. Swithun's Day and this will be remembered by a celebration of Mass at 7pm in St Peter's Church. Traditionally, if it rains today it will continue for 40 days. But there is more to Swithun than bad weather! A 9th century bishop of Winchester, he was revered as a pious and simple man, renowned for building churches and feeding the poor. At his request, his grave was outside the cathedral. Soon miraculous cures began there and continued at a glorious shrine created in the newly built Norman cathedral. Swithun was declared its patron and Winchester Cathedral still celebrates Swithuntide. The shrine, which became festooned with the crutches of the healed, was next in fame and importance in southern England only to that of St. Thomas Becket at Canterbury. The picture shows St. Swithun in St. Peter's Church carved for its opening in 1926.



Pies & Puds - Wed 20th July

Our next lunch event will be on **Wed 20th July** in the Pastoral Centre, 12.45 for 1pm. All welcome. As usual, there'll be a choice of pies, along with vegetarian and gf options, and proper puddings with custard. There's a chance to socialize, and then a talk. This month our speaker is Tim Foy, and his topic is "Prisons in England and Wales - how much do you know?" Intriguing! Come along and find out more. No need to book or commit, but email moirar@stpeterswinchester.org.uk with any questions or to be added to our mailing list. (FYI This is our last meeting till September)

SOUP & PUD LUNCH in aid of WINCHESTER HOSPICE

The CWL will be having their next charity lunch on **Friday 5th 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.

Parish 100 Club: the big summer draw took place last weekend after the 11.00 mass at St Gregory's, and the winners were £50 Catriona Mills: £100 Nick Scallan: £200 Jack Gore: £500 Nan Macnamara. Congratulations to all the winners!

Thank you to all member of the 100 Club for your support during the year. Renewal invitations will go out shortly for 2022-2023, and new members are warmly invited to join. The annual subscription is £48. Please contact Piers Armstrong via the Parish Office, on office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk or call 01962 852804.



Welcome to Felix Chetwynd-Talbot who was baptised at St Peter's Church last weekend. May God bless Felix with His love and grace, today and always.

Congratulations to Alexander Fidgen and Lucy Caldwell who were married at St Peter's on Saturday 9th July. May their lives together bring glory to God and much joy to one another.



Funeral Notices: The funeral of Angela Thompson RIP will take place at St Peter's Church at 11am on Wednesday 27th July. Please keep Angela's family and friends in your prayers at this sad time. May God grant Angela 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 celebrate James Lewis' ordination and his First Mass, let us pray that our parish community will open their hearts to the Lords calling to the priesthood, to religious life, to marriage and to our mission, bringing us closer to Christ in hope and joy.



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

Angela Thompson



Laudato si Corner



Car Parking at St Peter's during Weekend Masses

It has been brought to our attention that some of our parishioners are parking in the area that leads into our flats at The Old Presbytery (the area to the right of the drive as you come into church). This is stopping our tenants from reaching their homes, which, as you can appreciate, is very frustrating for them. Could you please ensure that this area is kept clear at all times.



This week's tip: Water's Worth Saving 2022

Join this summer's campaign to save water at home, at the office, and in your garden.

[Learn more here](#)

7-9TH OCTOBER 2022 YOUNG CATHOLIC ADULTS (YCA) WEEKEND

Theme: "The Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics"

During the weekend of the **7th-9th October 2022**, Young Catholic Adults will be running a retreat at Douai Abbey, there will be two talks – Rachael Mackenzie from "Rachael's Vineyard" will be telling her conversion story (Sat) and Fr. Glaysheer will be talking about the Communion of Saints' prayer and the veneration of Holy Relics (Sun).

YCA will be running the weekend with the Schola Gregoriana of Cambridge who will be holding Gregorian Chant workshops. There will also be a Marian Procession, Rosaries, Sung Masses, Confession, talks (and socials).

It's possible to stay the whole weekend (full board) or to come for the day (bring a packed lunch). Please note to guarantee your place Douai Abbey have requested that everyone books in 3 weeks before the start of the weekend (16th September 2022).

For More information: <http://youngcatholicadults-latestnews.blogspot.co.uk/> or <http://www.youngcatholicadults.co.uk>.

To book go to :-

<https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2022>

Useful Contacts

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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 stm@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

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 safeguarding@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk 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 safeguarding@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk 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 (10th 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	82
9am	STM	98	52
9.15am	SS	150	110
10.30am	SP	381	160
11am	SG	115	58
5.30pm	SP	381	53

Mass Timetable	16 th July – 23 rd July 2022		
Date	Mass Times & Intentions		
SATURDAY – July 16 th 16 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - VIGIL	11.00AM	Ordination Mass for James Lewis – St John’s Cathedral, Portsmouth	
	5.30PM	Mass	Angelo RIP & Avelina Bonus (50 th Wedding Anniversary)
SUNDAY – July 17 th 16 TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	8.00 AM	Mass	People of the Parish
	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More’s	
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen’s	
	10.30AM	Mass	Len Yacovetta RIP
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory’s	People of Ukraine
	5.30PM	Mass	Pauline Wilson RIP
MONDAY – July 18 th	12.15PM	Mass	Soul of Mary Lady Mannock
TUESDAY – July 19 th	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory’s	
	12.15PM	Mass	CWL – Fr James Lewis’ intentions
WEDNESDAY – July 20 th	10.00AM	Mass	Fely Roberts RIP
THURSDAY – July 21 st	10.00AM	Mass	Soul of James Wheble
FRIDAY – July 22 nd ST MARY MAGDALENE	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory’s	
	12.15PM	Mass	Soul of Stanley Evans
SATURDAY – July 23 rd ST BRIDGET OF SWEDEN, FOUNDRRESS, PATRON OF EUROPE 17 th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - VIGIL	10.00AM	Mass at St James’ Cemetery	
	5.30PM	Mass	Kay & Eric Kearney RIP

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 16th 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

To participate online or see the recorded services for Morning Prayer & Adoration and Night Prayer & Adoration, go to our [YouTube channel](#)

ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER, NIGHT PRAYER & ADORATION) FROM ST PETER’S ARE LIVESTREAMED



Dear Parents

Hengistbury Head – Year 2

On Wednesday 6th July, the Year 2 classes enjoyed a splendid day at Hengistbury Head. As part of our Geography unit, we looked at a variety of beaches. We have been learning about human features, physical features and seaside activities. We saw and experienced so much!

Our favourite human feature was the Land Train and by far our favourite physical feature was the beach; we also had first-hand experience seeing a cliff. At the top of the headland we learned about the ‘Coast Watch’ look-out station and the work done there to keep people safe. It was such a beautiful day that there were many seaside activities happening all around us. We spotted kayakers paddling past us and laughed when we saw dogs chasing sticks in the sea.

From the top of the headland we could see the Isle of Wight and across the English Channel. Fatima said, “Look, it looks like there are diamonds sparkling on the sea.”

Many children spotted sailing and fishing boats too. Eli loved building in the sand and you should have seen the beautiful shell collection that Precious found. Our ‘beach art’ included a sand mermaid and a home for the crabs with seaweed to feed them.

Many thanks especially to our parent helpers.

We currently have a vacancy for a part-time Teaching Assistant in EYFS. Please see our website for further details and an application form: <https://www.stpetershants.co.uk/vacancies/>

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

