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Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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2nd October 2022

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Increasing our Faith and Putting it into Action

Fr Mark writes:

In today's Gospel we hear the disciples asking Jesus to "increase their faith". They want to increase their trust in the Lord. As so often happens, though, Jesus addresses their concerns in a roundabout route. He doesn't directly answer their questions but rather speaks to them about the power that faith has to accomplish great things, even if these start off from small and humble beginnings.



The tiny mustard seed which grows and gives life to the big 'tree' is the example which Jesus uses to illustrate this. If we think about it, how is it that something so little as this seed can become something so big? Likewise, how can something as small as our faith grow into something so powerful? Just as we cannot 'force' the seed to grow but need to plant it and water it and tend to it, so we cannot force our faith to grow.



What Jesus is perhaps saying is that there is no short-cut to faith. There is no "silver bullet" or "quick fix". We cannot force it but have to let it grow. The way to let faith grow, he seems to tell us, is by putting it into practice. This would make sense. We learn to trust things and people by gently doing things with them that require more trust.

I remember the first time I went abseiling. I was terrified and didn't want to carry on. To let myself lean backwards over a cliff and walk down it seemed like the most stupid and unnatural thing I could do. After I'd done it once, however, I realised it was possible. After the second or third times my fears slowly evaporated and I loved the experience. My faith in the rope and the people who had set everything up had grown enormously.

To practice our faith is to follow in the Way of Jesus, the man of faith. Just as he spent his life reaching out to the poor and the needy, so are we to do the same in our own lives. Today we are asked particularly to support the work of the Covenant with the Poor. Someone will be speaking briefly at our Masses about the appeal and you can find more details in this newsletter. What an excellent opportunity to put our faith into action.





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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/ We are part of the RC Diocese of Portsmouth

If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, or becoming a Catholic, visit our Journey in Faith webpage.

TWENTY- SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 2nd October 2022 **Entrance Antiphon:**

Within your will, O Lord, all thngs are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

First reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 94:1-2, 6-9. R.v.8
O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.

Second reading: Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel Acclamation:

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: You have the message of eternal life.

R. Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Communion Antiphon:The Lord is good to those who hope in him,

to the soul that seeks him.

Second Collection – CWP Today the Covenant with the Poor team will be appealing at all masses for support for 'EVC Uganda', a Catholic charity funding school building in Uganda. Please support generously as ever, by donating using the blue envelopes or by bank transfer to the parish bank account with the reference **CWP**. A link to the appeal leaflet with full details is on the parish website front page in the CWP section.



Mass, confession and prayer time changes - Please note the following changes to this week's timetable:

Saturday 1st October – No 9am Mass or morning confessions Wednesday 5th October – No Mass

Thursday 6th October – No Mass

Morning Prayer will be on Thursday 6th October only

HUGE thanks to Fr Jean-Patrice who will be celebrating 4 masses in the parish on Sunday and to Bishop Peter and Fr Tom for their continuing support in covering so much at this time.



Livestreaming of Masses — Please be aware that over the next few weeks during Fr Mark's time of leave, and whilst we have different priests covering, there may be occasions when the livestreaming of some masses might not be possible.

Mass with Prayer for Healing and Sacrament of the Sick – 2pm Sunday 9th October Anyone who is sick and suffering in any way, emotionally, physically or spiritually, is invited to attend this mass with family and friends. Please register your interest online at https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/diocese-of-portsmouth-st-peters-church/t-rppoyjv

Filipino Celebration There was a Filipino celebration at the 10.30 Sunday Mass at St Peter's - and it was amazing! the music was incredible, and all the more so when we heard that most of the choir had come to church after completing a night shift. After Mass there was a party in the pastoral centre, with that bring and share buffet that we all love so much.... We are truly a blessed community







Congratulations to Natalie Cadde and Thomas Munday who celebrated their marriage at St Peter's on Friday 23rd September. May their lives together bring glory to God and much joy to one another.

Funeral Notices: The funeral service of Paris Holzapfel will take place at 10am on Wednesday 5th October at St Peter's Church. Please pray for Paris' family and friends at this difficult time. May God grant him eternal rest.



Funeral details for Fr Roy Bennett RIP

Fr Roy Bennett was assistant priest at St Peter's from 1966-1969 and was much loved here - he was also well-known through his other Diocesan roles, and we know many people remember him and loved him. His funeral will be at Immaculate Conception in Portswood (Fr Anthony's new parish) on Thursday 6th October at 12 noon. Fr Roy was parish priest there from 1983-89.



PRAYER CORNER: During the summer and into September/October, our Prayer Corner petitions will be based on our Parish Prayer - taking a line from the prayer each week.

This Week's Intention: "Bless our ministry leaders"

We pray for all who are have taken responsibility to lead others in ministry in our parish: may they be given wisdom and perseverance by the Holy Spirit.

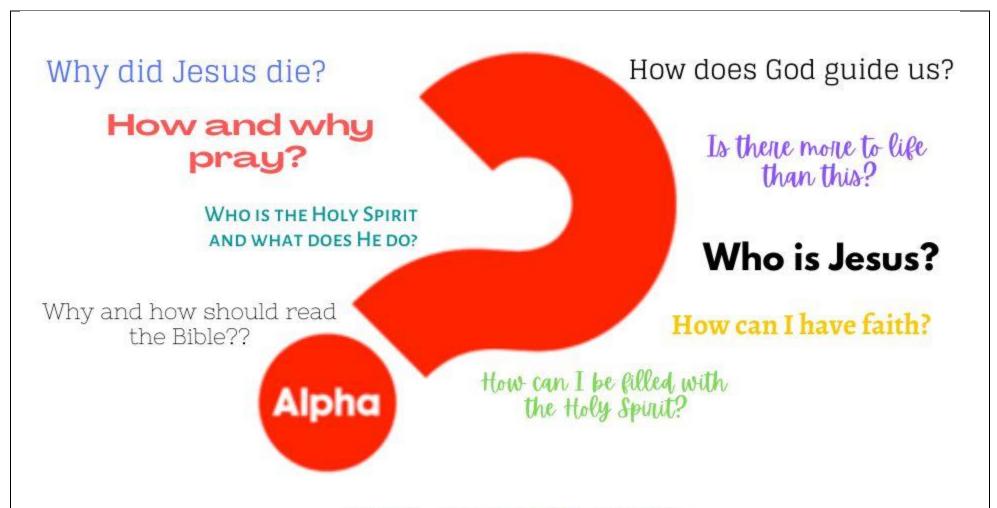


PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:

Paris Holzapfel

Fr Roy Bennett RIP

Gary Carter



Got questions? Try Alpha!

Starts Monday 26th September 2022 at 7.30pm at St Peter's Church, Jewry Street

To register, visit www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/alpha or email alpha@stpeterswinchester.org.uk



The Alpha Course – YOU ARE INVITED. YOU ARE WELCOME...

The Alpha Course.

Our new season of Alpha got off to a great start last Monday: fantastic team, wonderful guests and amazing food!

There is still time to join us or invite others to join. If you are a little sceptical, here is what a guest on the last season said: "Alpha became not only a 'lesson in my spiritual reunion with God' but also that 'wake up and smell the coffee' moment. After allowing fears and feelings of unworthiness to hold me back for far too long, I feel rejuvenated, inspired - REBORN. As my relationship with Christ evolves into something far deeper, I am fortunate to have found this CHURCH the love and spiritual guidance from many new friends and the ongoing fellowship from the parish".

God does indeed surprise us!

To register, visit www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/alpha or email alpha@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

Youth Alpha Our Youth Alpha course is starting again on the 26th September 2022! The Youth Alpha course is very similar to the main adult Alpha course that we run. It is typically run over 10 weeks with an away day. In each session you have a meal, watch a talk, and discuss questions in small groups. The talks tackle core questions about life and faith from a Christian perspective. Along the way there are opportunities to experience worship through music and moments for prayer. All of this is done in a fun environment where everyone is welcome.

If you are aged 13-17 and considering Confirmation, please do sign up, as participation in at least one Alpha course is necessary for Confirmation. The course will run from 7.30pm – 9pm on Monday evenings, starting on September 26th. Please do get in touch if you are interested, or want to hear a little bit more! We look forward to hearing from you (3) Jo D youthstuff@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

ALPHA YOUTH

Confirmation 2023 If you are in years 9 and above (so age 13+) and would like to receive the sacrament of Confirmation in May/June 2023, please keep reading!

As part of our Confirmation course, young people are required to enrol in at least one Youth Alpha course. Our next course will be running from **September 26**th- **December 12**th (more details in the Youth Alpha section above). We are running one course of Youth Alpha this academic year, so if you wish to be Confirmed in the new year, please do get in touch and book! The Catechetical course, specifically for Confirmation Candidates, will run in the new year (2023) in the weeks leading up to the Confirmation Celebration which usually takes place in May/June.

Please do get in touch if you would like to know more, or to register interest. We're really looking forward to journeying with our next group of Confirmandi! Jo-youthstuff@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

JOURNEY IN FAITH

The Journey in Faith programme at St Peter here in our parish provides an opportunity to discover more about the Christian faith and what we believe and practice in the Catholic Church. In our sessions, we reflect on Scripture, share our questions about faith, explore the Sacramental encounter with our living Lord through the Church, and discuss the relevance of the Church's teachings to our lives.

When? Where?

Starting **October 4th**, we meet regularly on Tuesday evenings at 7:30PM, at St Peter's Church Parish Centre.

How to sign up or find out more?

Please contact Alexis via the Parish Office: office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk or call 01962 852804 You can also visit our website: https://sites.google.com/view/journey-in-faith



Petercares Ministry
Awareness Raising
Weekend — Our wonderful
Petercares ministry group have
been working hard to prepare
for an awareness raising
weekend on October 15th and

16^{th.} Do look out all the information that they have prepared in advance for the week and pass on to anyone who you think would benefit from the team's support.



SOUP & PUD LUNCH in aid of Winchester Basics Bank. The CWL will be hosting their next lunch on **Friday 7th October**, from 12.00noon to 1.30pm, in the Pastoral Centre. For £5 (cash or contactless), you will be able to enjoy a delicious homemade meal. All are very welcome.

Altar Server Meeting - a date for your diay!

All altar servers are warmly invited to gather after 10.30am Mass on October 23rd, finishing at 1pm.



The Diocesan Day for Catechists is happening on Saturday 8th October in St Peter's Winchester, from 10am to 4pm. This is a day of prayer, formation and fellowship which will include reflecting together on our catechetical ministry in the light of the proposed diocesan 10 year mission-plan 'You will be my Witnesses' and in the light of the new Directory for Catechesis. This day will be a great opportunity to meet together in person and share our experiences and good practice for catechesis and children's Liturgy. It will be run by the Dominican Sisters and Fr Mark Hogan. Register for the day here: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/diocesan-day-for-catechists-registration-337127185487



Laudato Si Corner

Our parish has marked Green Week and the Season for Creation with art displays and messages at the Pastoral Centre and at St Stephen's, where the St Peter's School children have displayed their work.





There are 2 Parish events for Green Week:

On Saturday October 1st 7.30-10.30pm, we are organising a Green Quiz(provided by WinACC) in the Parish Centre during Winchester Green Week. Bring your own food and drink to share. And bring your teenagers...they will probably win as they know more about green issues!

Sunday 2nd October, 5.30pm Mass at St Peter's led by the Youth Group. This will have a theme linked to Green Week and the Season of Creation.

Green Week ends with a "Cry of Creation" service at Winchester Cathedral at 3.30pm on Sunday 2nd October.

"We must care for nature so that nature may care for us"

Pope Francis

Also there is a forthcoming talk by the brilliant **Dr Peter Coughlan** which offers a theological framework for considering climate change. Please click here for details.

PASTORAL COORDINATOR FOR EVANGELISATION

Required to work part time (14 hours per week) to be worked on a flexible pattern to include some evening and weekend work. Based at: Pastoral Centre, St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs, Jewry Street,

Winchester, Hants SO23 8RY.

Salary £12-13 per hour depending on experience.

We are seeking a Pastoral Coordinator for Evangelisation to support the Director of Evangelisation and Leadership in delivering and developing the parish Evangelisation Ministry and its programmes and initiatives, with a particular focus on our primary tool for evangelisation, Alpha. Values: The post holder will be required to work within and represent the principles, ethos and values of the Diocese of Portsmouth and the Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs in all aspects of their work.

Policies and procedures: The post-holder will work in line with the Policies & Procedures of the Diocese of Portsmouth. They will also be required to ensure that service users/clients, staff and volunteers are treated in accordance with the Equal Opportunities policy of the Diocese of Portsmouth with particular emphasis on anti-discriminatory practice and the promotion of the rights of children, young people and vulnerable adults.

Safeguarding: The post-holder will be required to ensure that children, young people and vulnerable adults are safeguarded, and must be aware that everyone has a safeguarding responsibility and a duty to refer any safeguarding concerns they may have to their line manager.

Closing date: Friday 28th October 2022 at 12 noon

Interviews: to be held week commencing 7th November 2022

For Job Description, Person Specification and details of how to apply, please contact recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk If you would like a confidential discussion about the role please contact:

Father Mark Hogan – Parish Priest mhogan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Tel: 01962 852804

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5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	All Souls in Purgatory
8.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Sindisiwe Mlotshwa-Mbuli
9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	People of the Parish
9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	
10.30AM	Mass at St Peter's	Mary O'Shea RIP
11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	People of Ukraine
5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of William Meader
12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of John Joseph Voller
10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Holy Souls in Purgatory
10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Richard Spencer & local concelebrating priests
9.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Laura Conlon (for eyesight recovery)
5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Jennifer Pickerell
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Confessions every Saturday 9.30am till 10.30am and 4.30pm-5.00pm at St Peter's Church – booking not required Please note that there will be no morning confessions on Saturday 1st October.

Morning Prayer (livestream and open to public) on Thursday 6th October only this coming week, 8.00am at St Peter's followed by Adoration till 9.00am *To participate online or see the recorded services for Morning Prayer & Adoration, go to our <u>YouTube channel</u>*

ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER) FROM ST PETER'S ARE LIVESTREAMED

Clergy: Fr Mark Hogan (Parish Priest) (mhogan@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)

Housekeeper: Sarah Culhane (sculhane@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

Finance and Property Manager: Annette Parr (annette@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)
Facilities and Resources Manager: Sean Reidy (sean@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

 $\textbf{Parish Administration Manager: Michaela Waterfield } (\underline{\textbf{michaela@stpeterswinchester.org.uk}})$

Sacristan: Laurie Howe Caretaker: Richard Phiri

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 <u>admin@st-peters.hants.sch.uk</u>
St. Thomas More's Stockbridge: please email <u>stm@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</u>

Maryfield Care Home formerly Maryfield Convent Residential Care Home London Rd., Hook, Hampshire, RG27 9LA Tel: 01256 643508

Maryfield Care Home has re-opened under new management we are very keen to maintain the Catholic ethos of the home. Mass is celebrated daily in the adjoining convent chapel where residents are welcomed by the Dominican Sisters of Malta. The home provides continuous quality care, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. We presently have vacancies. If you would like to arrange a visit, or require further information, please call: 01256 643508 or email manager@maryfieldcarehome.com

Teaching Assistant (KS2)

Contract/hours: 31.25 hours per week, term time only,

permanent

Salary range: Grade B/C depending on experience (pro rata)

Start date: ASAP

Closing date: 7th October 2022 (midday) Interview date: 12th October 2022

St Peter's Primary School is looking for an excellent teaching assistant to support children in KS2. The role will include supporting children 1:1 as well as within a small group and class. We are looking for someone with a holistic, nurturing approach focusing on children's education and their well-being.

You will be joining a friendly, supportive team of staff who are committed to being the best that they can be. Part-time working is possible for the right candidate. This position could also be suitable for an individual who is seeking school-based experience prior to training to teach. For more details, please visit the school

website: https://www.stpetershants.co.uk/vacancies/



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Dear parents

What have we been up to in class?

Year 1

Year 1 have begun their longitudinal study this week looking at the difference in weather in our different seasons. The children had great existing knowledge of the seasons and about how we knew that Autumn was Autumn. There were discussions about clothing, events, temperature and what happens to plants and animals during Autumn. We have a great foundation to now continue to think about what the weather is like in Autumn and why. We will be keeping a weather log over the year so we can track this.

Year 2

Year 2 have enjoyed getting stuck into our English learning. We have explored 'We're going on a Bear Hunt' and used stick puppets to retell the story in a sensory way. We then went on our own bear hunts around the school and had to figure out how to deal with the obstacles we came up against. We used prepositions to describe how we did this, like under the arch, and through the tunnel. We are now reading Peepo to help us think about rhyme and simple sentences.



We have also enjoyed some fantastic gymnastics lessons led by a visiting teacher from Kings. We are looking forward to using the skills she has taught us in future PE lessons.

Year 3

Year 3 have had a wonderful start to the year. It is a big transition from Key Stage 1 to 2 but Mrs Lightfoot and Miss Green have been so impressed with the children so far. We have been learning about the Stone Age in History. This has also filtered into our writing and our Art. The children have been fascinated with how people lived in 13,000 BC, including their clothing, food and painting techniques! Some of the children have also begun learning an instrument which has been a highlight for them too!

- 'I have enjoyed writing sentences about the Stone Age and in Art I have loved making paintings using berries and our hands.' Emilia
- 'I have enjoyed the start of year 3 because I have liked getting to know my teacher.' Jack
- 'I have enjoyed having a piano lesson with Mrs Postlethwaite and learning a lot about the Stone Age.' Alice

Year 4

Year 4 had a great start to the year investigating a crime scene, based on artefacts from the Book Beowulf.

We looked at the different items strewn about the wild lands and tried to predict who they belonged to and how they all linked to each other. We had great fun telling each other stories that may link the items, from kings who destroyed kingdoms resulting in their crowns losing their jewels, to battles between heroes and giants as we had a broken sword and a large, pale severed arm.

'The arm was very mysterious' - Archie

'This was a very fun way to start our book for this half term' - Hope

'I was rather interested in the crown' - Ollie

'The sword and dagger might belong to a hero' - Daisy.

Year 5

As Year 5 are our almost weekly contributors to this newsletter we have given them the week off!

Year 6

In Year 6 we have been exploring a variety of learning. In **English** our text driver has been Street Child which focuses on the life of a Victorian orphan.

"Our book, Street Child by Berlie Doherty, is all about Jim Jarvis a boy in the Victorian times and his journey after his Da died. The book is exciting and teaches me a lot about the Victorians as well. In English, our writing is currently based on this book and we are writing the story about a boy called Josh who Jim has just met. The only thing we know about Josh is that he has worked with boats for a really long time." - Ciara

"I enjoy the suspense of Street Child and the twists of what will happen to Jim." - Dom

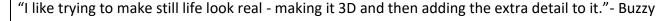
We have enjoyed creating electricity experiments in **science**.

"I have really enjoyed doing the investigations we've done because most of them have involved planning and experimenting with different variables. Electricity has been a very interesting topic and I like learning about and exploring with the circuits." - Matilda

"I love getting to make and experiment with circuits." - Freddie

In **art** we have been able to study some famous still life artists such as Paul Cezanne and have been learning new techniques in building still life drawings step by step.

"I have enjoyed learning about still life this year because it has been very fun learning about different techniques for shading such as hatching and pointillism - we can use these in our work for different things." - William



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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