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Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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30th April 2023

4th SUNDAY of Easter – Year A

Hoping to Hear the Voice of the Good Shepherd

Fr Mark writes:

Last week, we discussed how the risen Lord restores our hope. We then talked about three degrees of hope: casual hope, precious hope and ultimate hope. I invited you to do an exercise – to make a list of all the things you are hoping for and to categorise those hopes into casual hopes, precious hopes and your ultimate hope.

This weekend I want to focus on a contender for our ‘ultimate hope’ as we look at the passage from the tenth chapter of John’s Gospel. Jesus is speaking to the Pharisees and other religious leaders. In his speech, he uses imagery that would have been very familiar to them – that of a shepherd. He also describes a scene that they would have witnessed daily in their middle eastern community.

Towards evening shepherds would herd their sheep into an enclosure called a sheepfold along with the flocks of the other shepherds. A guard would be stationed at the entrance of the gate, both to protect the sheep and to keep them in the fold. Then, at dawn the shepherds would return to call their flocks out of the sheepfold.

Each shepherd had his own distinct call, and the sheep knew the sound of their own shepherd’s voice. They heard that voice every single day, so they became accustomed to it and followed it. The sheep knew their shepherd and the shepherds knew their sheep.

There are certain voices you recognize. They bring comfort and security. As a child, you recognized the voice of your parents. Maybe you can recall a time as a child when you were separated from your parents at a supermarket or in a crowd. For me it was Woolworths! You were scared and alone and then you heard the voice of your parents, and you knew it would be ok.

Nowadays, it might be the voice of your spouse or a good friend. When you hear their voice or their greeting it brings joy to your heart. It is that feeling of being at a party when you don’t know anyone, and you feel out of place, and you hear a friendly voice call out your name. There is a joy in knowing someone knows you and is glad you are there. It is said the sweetest sound you ever hear is the sound of your own name.

Jesus says that he knows the name of his sheep. He calls his sheep, his people, his followers by name. He knows us that well.

The shepherd would lead the sheep out of the sheepfold and off to the pastures where they would graze for the day. On different days they would go to different pastures, to give the grass time to grow back. Shepherds would walk ahead of the sheep and lead them to the right pasture. He would make sure they were on the correct path and with his staff he would ward off any potential predators they might encounter along the way. He goes before them leading them to exactly where they will be able to feed, in peace and security.

- ✦ Did you know that the Lord walks ahead of you?
- ✦ He knows the path you should be on and the direction you should take.
- ✦ He knows the mistakes you can make, and the wrong paths you can take, as well as the threats and dangers lurking up ahead.
- ✦ He knows the very best place for you to be, what is best for the health of your heart and soul and spirit.
- ✦ He wants to lead you into the future that he has in mind for you.

There are many voices in our lives. And often they are leading us.

- ✦ There are voices that are supportive and encouraging of the path we’re on...
- ✦ There are voices that are critical, whether or not we deserve the criticism.
- ✦ There are voices of wisdom and voices of folly.
- ✦ There are voices of humour and good cheer and voices of gloom and doom.

Then, there is that voice in our own head, which can often be quite negative.

There are many voices in our lives, and they have the potential to influence us. They’re leading us:

- ✦ to more successful living or to self-defeating patterns of behaviour.
- ✦ to life affirming and enriching relationships or just abusive ones filled with distrust/discord.
- ✦ to hope and confidence in the future or just anxiety about it.

The wrong voice can rob us of joy, like a thief stealing what is valuable to us. The wrong voice in our lives can be destructive, damaging and destroying our future.

Christ describes himself as the Good Shepherd who came that we might have life and know it more abundantly: abundant peace, abundant joy, abundant love.

So, here’s a hope, among all our hopes, which we can hold onto in all circumstances of our lives...

We can hope to hear the Lord as he goes before us.

I’d like to suggest three steps we can take to help make that happen, to learn to hear Jesus’ voice as he goes before us. I am not offering anything terribly insightful, just three basic steps:

Firstly, simply turn down the noise.

You need some space and silence to listen to the Lord. Maybe that’s not a problem for you these days if you live alone. We have plenty of silence, whether we like it or not. *But*, for others among you silence can be in shorter supply than usual.

Secondly, ask the Lord to help you hear.

We have to want to hear from Jesus enough that we ask him to speak to us. Ask Jesus to allow you to hear his voice. If you don’t know what else to say in prayer, pray that.

The third key to hearing Jesus’ voice is Scripture.

Scripture is the Word of God and anytime we spend time reading it, even reading it out loud, we are hearing the Lord.

A good place to get started is with the Gospels. The Gospels literally give us Jesus’ own words, what he said to his friends and followers during his life. In your daily quiet *time take care*, even if only a few minutes a day, to read through one of the four gospels. Pay attention to how Jesus addresses people. Imagine the tone of voice he used in speaking to people and addressing them.

You really can learn to recognize the voice of Jesus.

His alone is the voice that can confidently lead us into a more hopeful future.

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 [Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth](#)

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

4th SUNDAY of EASTER (Year A) 30th April 2023

Entrance Antiphon :

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
By the word of the Lord
the heavens were made, alleluia.

First reading: Acts 2:14,36-41

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22:1-6. R. v.1

The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.

Second reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25

Gospel Acclamation:

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my own sheep and my own know me.

R. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 10:1-10

Communion Antiphon:

The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Changes to Masses in the Coming Week Mass at St Peter's on Monday 1st May is at 10.00am, as it is a Bank Holiday.

From Wednesday 3rd May, Wednesday Mass time will revert to 10.00am.

On Friday 5th May there will be No Mass at St Gregory's and the 12.15pm Mass at St Peter's is a Memorial Mass for Maureen McKenna RIP (and will be followed by the CWL Charity lunch. Please see below).

Funeral Notices:

Maureen McKenna – A Memorial Service will be held at St Peter's Church, Jewry Street on **Friday 5th May at 12.15pm**, followed by the CWL Charity Soup & Pud Lunch.

Please pray for their family and friends at this difficult 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 continue along the path to Pentecost, let us pray that as a Parish community we are growing increasingly eager for the coming of the Holy Spirit.



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

Jerzy Waloski RIP

Year of the Holy Spirit

Diocesan Mission Event - "Then You Will Be My Witnesses" - Fri 12th, 7:30-9:30pm and Saturday 13th May, 10am-4:30pm

In this Year of the Holy Spirit, Fr Mark Hogan, Episcopal Vicar for Evangelisation, would like to invite you to a Diocesan Mission Event at St. Peter's Church, Winchester on the evening of Fri 12th May and the daytime of Sat 13th May. It will give us the opportunity to come together, to receive input from Allegra Mutanda, our parish Director of Evangelisation and Leadership, who has spoken at several international and national events, such as the New Dawn Conference; to worship God and to be filled afresh with the Holy Spirit. The theme we have chosen is "Then You Will Be My Witnesses", which links closely with our Diocesan 10-year Mission Plan and reminds us that the disciples had to wait in Jerusalem to receive the Holy Spirit before stepping out and allowing God to change the world through their witness. Please click on this link by 5th May to book <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/620724673207>. And please do come, even for just a little while...



Life in the Spirit Sessions for Children Age 7 – 11 (Years 3 - 6) Fridays 3:30pm – 4:30pm (Arrival up to 3:45pm) Beginning on Friday April 28th!

An offering for children in our Parish and Diocesan Year of the Holy Spirit!

A chance to grow in faith and love of God, and to welcome the Holy Spirit into your life in a new way!

Please think about encouraging your child to attend the Life in the Spirit seminars for children that starts this Friday (April 28th). These are 5 weekly sessions beginning at 3:30pm in St Stephen's Church (next to the school). If warmer weather, we may also use the outside space during the welcome time.

We will start with a time of transition from the school day with (nut/dairy-free) refreshments and games/ice breakers. This will hopefully give children from schools further away time to join for the main session at 3:45 – 4:30pm. Each week, following a time of singing praise to God, the children will discover in interactive ways how we can live a life of joy in the

Holy Spirit, how we can really know that God loves us and is with us, how God speaks to us through the Bible and in our day to day lives, and how He has a special plan for each of us...and more!

In the final session on Friday May 26th (just before Pentecost Sunday on May 28th) the children will be individually prayed with by Fr Mark and the team, for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Please don't expect your children to suddenly become perfect little angels 😊 but do expect there to be a positive change in them in the weeks that follow. For some this may be gradual, for others almost straight away.

Sign up for those at St Peter's school will be through the school, and those from other schools will be at the first session (quick form to fill in).

For further information, please contact rosanne@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

Diocesan Life in the Spirit Course (Zoom)

Bishop Philip has announced that this year in the diocese is to be the Year of the Holy Spirit. Do you wonder about what the Holy Spirit is doing in your life? Have you made the time to really consider the issue? Why not come and join the Life in the Spirit course running after Pentecost! This will be held on Zoom from Thursday 1st June until Thursday 13th July at 7.30pm until 9pm. Get involved in Praise and Worship of the Lord. Listen to sound teaching on the Holy Spirit. Meet up with other members of the diocese - and beyond - to discuss what you believe. It is in articulating our thoughts that we really come to know what we do believe. Link to follow soon.

Second Collection this weekend for the Clergy Training Fund Our Second Collection today is for the Clergy Training Fund, in support of our seminarians currently in formation for the priesthood, for the duration of their six- or seven-year journey to ordination. Each seminarian brings to his training his own life experience, and then participates in a comprehensive programme of formation pastorally, intellectually and spiritually. These are the men who will baptise and catechise the coming generations, and care for us on our pilgrim way: our generosity today is a legacy to the Church of tomorrow. To sustain a seminarian costs around £30,000 each year. If you would like to give a gift to this collection, donations can be made in the usual ways (contactless or via the offertory collection) or you can donate here: [Clergy Training Fund second collection 2023 | Give as you Live Donate](#)

The Coronation of King Charles III

As a Catholic community, we wish to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III on 6th May. We will keep the King in our prayers at Morning Prayer and Mass on Wednesday 3rd, Thursday 4th and Friday 5th May. On Saturday 6th May, we will offer the Mass for the intentions of the King at 9am in St. Peter’s, allowing people enough time to go home and watch the coronation later that morning. There will be special readings and prayers for that Mass, provided by the Bishops’ Conference of England and Wales. Then, the *Domine, salvum fac* in English or Latin and/or the National Anthem will be sung at the end of each Mass on Sunday 7th May (including the Vigil Mass), and a Prayer of Intercession for the King will be included in the Prayer of the Faithful. Prayer cards for this occasion from the Secretariat of the Bishops’ Conference will be available at the back of all Churches.

Volunteers required for the Youth Ministry Programme We are looking for more fantastic volunteers to help us with our Youth Ministry programme for those aged 11-18. We have a variety of roles available including facilitating small groups, preparing food or resources, or even help with the flow of sessions. We run several courses in the year; some continuous, others more seasonal so there are options to help with either a short-term or a long-term group. These groups run on different days of the week so if you can commit to a specific day, that’s okay! Our young people are wonderful, and it is very rewarding to work with them. So, if you would like to give generously of your time to our teenagers, please do get in touch for an initial chat about our Youth Ministry, the vision in our parish, gifts and skills you might be able to offer. There is no requirement to commit at this stage.

As the role will be working with young people a DBS check (Children) will be needed which the Parish will provide. Thank youuuuu.

First Holy Communion Information Evening 2023-2024

When? Tuesday May 16th 7 – 8:30pm

Where? Pastoral Centre Hall at St Peter’s Church

Who? Please come along if you are the parent/guardian of a child currently in Year 3 wishing to make their First Holy Communion next year.

What age? Most children are in Year 4 during the programme; however if your child is presently in Year 2 but you feel they would be ready next year and you attend Sunday Mass regularly, please do get in touch with Rosanne via the Office.

Divine Renovation Fundraising Dinner

Many of you will know that our parish belongs to a network of parishes, called “Divine Renovation”. We are trying to support each other to become more outward-focussed and missional in our approach to parish life. We receive an enormous amount of support from “DR”, both internationally and here in the UK, all of which is for free, due to the generosity of donors across the world.

Fr James Mallon, author of the book, “Divine Renovation: Bringing Your Parish from Maintenance to Mission” and one of the founding members of the network, will be giving a keynote address at a fundraising dinner in London for approximately 50 people on Thursday **6th July**. The evening will focus on the opportunities that lie ahead of us to transform the Catholic Church in this country! We’ve been given the opportunity to fill a table at this event with parishioners who have a passion for renewal and the capacity to give substantially to the work of Divine Renovation across the UK. Please speak as soon as possible with Fr Mark, in confidence, if you would like more details.

Laudato Si Corner

An act of witness for the Care of Creation.

Eight St Peter’s parishioners went to London for the big demonstration on Friday 21st April against our government’s reliance on the fossil fuels which contribute to the Climate Crisis. We joined many other Christians attending the “No faith in fossil fuels” event that had been organized by CAFOD, Christian Aid and other Christian charities at St John’s Church, Waterloo. The event began with a discussion with members of the House of Lords Environment and Climate Change Committee, Baroness Karen Parminter and Bishop Steven Croft, before a service led by the Tearfund (which like CAFOD is an international Christian relief and development agency).

After the service, we walked on pilgrimage to Parliament Square, halting at the headquarters of Shell where a letter was handed in about the damage caused by fossils fuels to our environment. Outside the Parliament buildings, we joined with many other groups of demonstrators.

It was heartening to have the support of the many Christians involved and good that so many people were making their concerns known. Let’s hope the demonstrations (which were continued by many other groups on Saturday and Sunday) will lead to effective Government policies on the speedy reduction in our reliance on fossil fuels.

We pray for the world: the interdependence of all living things; the beauty and flourishing of the planet, plundered and misused by humanity.

May we all, through our actions, help repair the harm we have caused.

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.



Amen.

May Rosary Chain

We have many things to pray for in our world and this May we turn to Mary again to ask her to pray for us. The parish statue of Mary will travel from home to home, linking us in a chain of prayer again this May. You may also like to make a little prayer space for Mary in your own home and send us a picture for the Facebook page.



Please contact: prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk to find a date.

(Please note corrected email address. Apologies for any confusion.)

If you do not have a car, please let us know.

Missing Easter Basket



The basket pictured here went missing at the end of the traditional Polish Easter blessing of the food on Easter Saturday at St Peters. It was placed along with the other baskets on the steps towards the Altar at the beginning of the Service but had

disappeared when the basket owners went up to collect their baskets. The basket’s owner is especially upset about losing her basket as it is Jamaican, over 50 years old and was used to hold her daughter’s toiletries when she was born there in 1973.

If anyone knows anything about it or has it could they please let the office or the front desk know or leave it with the Office. Thank you



The next **CWL Charity Lunch** (in aid of Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance) will be on **Friday 5th May**, in the Pastoral Centre from 12 noon to 1.30pm.
Delicious homemade soups and lovely puddings for £5. Great place to meet up with friends.
Come along and join us.

Winchester Catholic History Society. Wed 10th May 2023 – A talk by **Lady Appleyard** entitled: **“An Amateur’s View of some of Hampshire’s Historic Churches”** at 7.15pm in the Pastoral Centre at St Peter’s, Jewry Street. Visitors welcome; £5.
Further information from win.cath.history@gmail.com

Call To The Permanent Diaconate?

Have you ever wondered about becoming a Deacon in the Catholic Church, but something has held you back from finding out more about it? Is there a little voice in your head, that can’t be silenced?

If that’s YOU, why not **‘Come & See’** for yourself without committing to anything further? We’ll be holding an information event on **Saturday, 27th May, 2023 @ The English Martyrs Church, Didcot** from **9am – 2pm** where you’ll get to hear first-hand, from those who are involved and what it’s been like for them. You’ve got nothing to lose! If you’d like to attend, please call Pam on 07883 059529 to book a space and to help with catering requirements. If you can’t make it on the day, but would like to know more, please contact Pam on 07883 059529 or email diaconate@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk



Dear Parents

Turtles and Dolphins - Manor Farm

Year R had a great time at Manor Farm last Wednesday. We met Farmer Chris who showed us the farm and we stroked cows, goats and sheep and learnt all about animals that lay eggs. We fed the goats and saw 12 four-week-old piglets which were so cute! We heard the story of the three little pigs and tried to build houses out of straw, sticks and bricks and talk about what animals need to live. We walked through the herb and vegetable garden and made our own plant pots before planting a bean in them which we hope will grow very tall in our EYFS garden. The children behaved beautifully and a great time was had by all!
Thank you to everyone who was able to help.



"How many are your works, Lord! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures. There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number – living things both large and small." **Psalm 104:24-25**

We currently have a vacancy for an After School Club Assistant. For further details and an application form please see the Vacancies page on our website: <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

BEFRIEND THE END

One of our parishioners in Alresford, Tim Tyler, has recommended this group to us:

Are you curious? Do you have questions about death and dying? We are all on the path to death from the moment we are born but the tradition and culture of accepting death as part of Life has altered, and present-day society has distanced itself from this type of conversation. Do you have thoughts as to what could make a 'good death' possibly for someone you may need to support or physically care for or even for yourself? You do not need to be dying to engage in this interesting topic, nor even old!

Starting on 3rd May, a new group set up by a small group of people, both medical and non-medical, who believe that by openly acknowledging the reality of death we are better equipped to engage with 'Life', will meet in Alresford on the first Wednesday of the month in the Alresford library from 2-3pm. The meeting will be a safe space to ask any questions about death and dying and to discuss anything around this subject.

All are welcome to these informal afternoons to meet like-minded people to share and discover more about living well and dying well, over a cuppa and a slice of cake. For further information email: contact@befriendtheend.co.uk

Churches Together in Winchester (CiTW) AGM

The CiTW (Churches Together in Winchester) AGM will be held at All Saints Church, Highcliffe (SO223 0JD) **at 7.30pm on Thursday 4th May**. Plenty of parking available and it will be short, relevant and informative.

BOOKSHOP We sell Missals, Bibles, Prayerbooks, rosaries, crucifixes and crosses. There is a good selection of books for Alpha and books on the Holy Spirit. We also have gifts and cards for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, as well as cards for all occasions. Many thanks, Susan Henry.

Mass Timetable	29 th April 2023 – 6 th May 2023		
Date	Mass Times & Intentions		
SATURDAY – April 29 th ST CATHERINE of SIENA, Religious & Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe, <i>feast</i> 4 th SUNDAY of EASTER - Vigil	9.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Tricia Carpenter RIP
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Wilfred Perara RIP
SUNDAY – April 30 th 4 th SUNDAY of Easter	8.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	James Murphy's health
	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	People of Ukraine
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	People of the Parish
	10.30 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Intentions of Maggie Prendergast
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Millie & Alex Greig RIP
MONDAY – May 1 st	10.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Patrick & Mary Josephine Geoghegan
TUESDAY – May 2 nd – St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church, <i>memorial</i>	10.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
	12.15 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Souls of Primus & Emma Steiert
WEDNESDAY – May 3 rd – Ss PHILIP & JAMES, Apostles, <i>feast</i>	10.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Klara & Leon Trowski RIP
THURSDAY – May 4 th – THE ENGLISH MARTYRS (1535-1680), <i>feast</i>	10.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Souls in Purgatory
FRIDAY – My 5 th		No Mass at St Gregory's	
	12.15 PM	Memorial Mass at St Peter's	Maureen McKenna RIP
SATURDAY – May 6 th 5 th SUNDAY of EASTER - Vigil	9.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Intentions of King Charles III
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	All Souls in Purgatory
<p>Confessions every Saturday 9.30am till 10.30am and 4.30pm-5.00pm at St Peter's Church – booking not required. Morning Prayer (livestream and open to public), 8.00am at St Peter's followed by Adoration till 9.00am. To participate in any service online (including Morning Prayer & Adoration) or to see the recorded services, go to our YouTube channel ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER) FROM ST PETER'S ARE LIVESTREAMED.</p>			
Useful Contacts			
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<p>Job Vacancy - Catholic Home Care Co-ordinator Catholic Home Care are looking for a self-motivated, and resourceful individual to take over the role of co-ordinating the activities of the Catholic Home Care. This is a demanding but rewarding post which offers the opportunity to lead a team of caring people who make a significant social impact providing domestic support, to enable elderly people to safely remain in their own homes for longer. You will be making an important contribution to your community and helping local people. The position is part-time, flexible 20 hours per week, days, and times to be agreed, based in Southampton. This post will require a full DBS check. For an application form or more details, please call Anne Monaghan or Marina Joyce 023 8017 0498 or catholichomecare@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Closing date for applications 22 May with interviews on 26 May 2023</p>			
<p>Parish Safeguarding Minister – If you have any safeguarding concerns or requests, such as help with applying for a DBS check, please contact the Parish, by emailing safeguarding@stpeterswinchester.org.uk or by phoning 01962 852804 (Option 2, followed by Option 1). If there is a concern that someone is at immediate risk of harm, people should be advised to contact 999 for the emergency services.</p>			
<p>Contacting the Parish Office – Our Parish Administration Manager, Michaela, is taking extended leave in order to have major surgery and further chemotherapy treatment. During her time of absence, please direct any mass intentions, queries or requests for help to the reception desk volunteers (01962 852804 – Option 2, followed by Option 2 again) or by emailing office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk. The parish office will continue to be open from 9am-4pm daily. Please keep Michaela and all her family in your prayers at this time.</p>			