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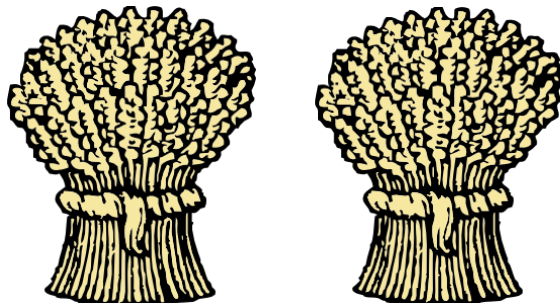
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Sat 03 Aug	10 am	Confession	
	6 pm Vigil Mass	EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	For the Parish
Sun 04 Aug	10 am Mass		For the Catenians
Tues 06 Aug	12 noon Mass	Transfiguration of the Lord	Private Intention (NP/TP)
Wed 07 Aug	9 am Mass	Feria	Tony Baulk R.I.P.
Thurs 08 Aug	9 am Mass	St Dominic	Valeria & Tadek R.I.P.
	9.30 am - 10.30 am	Adoration	
Sat 10 Aug	10 am	Confession	
	6 pm Vigil Mass	NINETEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME	
Sun 11 Aug	10 am Mass		For the Parish

WELCOME FR ZBIGNIEW: by now you will have heard that Fr Bruce will be the new Dean of Guernsey and will be leaving on 9th September. Fr Zbigniew (pronounced Zbig-knee-ef) will replace Fr Bruce and will begin his ministry here on the following weekend. Please pray for him.



If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for **Courtney Andrews, Mary Craig, Michael Dormer, Maria Hall, Bernard & Victoria Kilkenny, Marie O'Sullivan, Pauline Smith, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner** who ask for our prayers.

From the Parish Priest

All of the things which we gain through our short life here on earth are things which we cannot take with us when we die. We can do nothing about this. However, we can do something about our attitude to material goods. The readings for this weekend make some powerful suggestions. The first reading asks us to consider where and to whom we leave our possessions. Most of us would think about family or friends. The first reading suggests a powerful alternative; that we consider good causes, especially those connected with the poor. The Gospel takes up this theme by reminding us that we should be good stewards of our possessions. The relative value of our possessions and our attachment to them is contrasted to the free gift of heaven which no money can buy.

Fr Bruce

DIARY

4 August – Catenian Mass and Barbecue

6 August – Finance Committee Meeting – 4.30pm

15 August – HOLYDAY OF OBLIGATION –
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary –
Mass at 9am & 7.30pm

PARISHES TOGETHER: The Bishop has decreed that the parishes of Hungerford and Wash Common should work together and that the Parish Priest of Wash Common will have responsibility for Hungerford. This means that there will be a need to look at the Mass times for Sunday as, at the moment, Hungerford have only one Mass on a Sunday at 9 a.m.

Hymns for Sunday

Ent: 168 Gloria: 481 (L) Psalm: 1053
Gospel Acc: 41 Off: 801
Holy, Holy 573a Memorial Acc: 574a
Lamb of God: 595 (L) Comm: 165
Rec: 131

NEWS AND FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Catenians Mass and Barbecue – 4th August –

The Catenians are holding a barbecue to which all parishioners are welcome from 12.30pm onwards. £5 for adults and £1 for children.

West Berkshire Homeless 70s Music Quiz Night – 20th or 21st August at different venues.

Please see poster for details.

Pope's intention for August

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth".

Please pray for the soul of Michael Dormer who died this week. His funeral will be here on Tues 27 August at 12 noon.



 <p>FEED THE HUNGRY</p>	<p>For August, the Foodbank urgently needs Tinned Meat, Shampoo, Shaving Foam, Deodorants and Mixed Herbs and are low on stock for Garlic Puree, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Fish and Dried Onion Granules. Please be as generous as you can.</p>
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I am a 25 year old young professional working at Newbury Business Park and am **looking for a spare room**. I work normal hours, have a car and have lived with a family the past 5 months. Reference available. If you are able to help me out or want to know a bit more about me, please get in touch by emailing davidguest25@hotmail.co.uk

"Give us this day our daily bread."

Are you being called to help feed the people of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? To explore further, contact Fr John Cooke on vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869.

CAFOD update meeting on Wednesday 4th September from 7.15pm-9pm at St Joseph & St Margaret of Clitherow Church, 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell RG12 1BE. Nikki Evans, CAFOD's programme officer for Bolivia, will be speaking about their work there. Please book your place so that they have an idea of how many people are going by emailing portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or phone 01252 329385.

Cleaner wanted to clean the hall and presbytery for 3 hours a week. Pay negotiable. References required. Contact the Parish Office.

Help wanted to deep clean the presbytery on Tues 10 Sept at 10.15am for as long as it takes! This would be a good way to welcome Fr Zbigniew.

A REQUEST: Fr Zbigniew has asked if there is someone in the congregation who might be willing to do a little ironing for him as he is totally incapable of wielding an iron with precision! Helpers should contact Judith in the Parish Office.

Thea is fifteen years old and currently raising money for an expedition to Eswatini (Swaziland) in 2020, helping to build an old people's home, as well as assisting with running a care point for AIDS orphans and vulnerable children. The money raised will help to buy materials and necessities for both the home and care point projects, and also to assist with conservation work within Eswatini's National Parks. Any opportunities to raise funds by babysitting, gardening, car washing, etc. would be greatly appreciated. Please contact her using deirdre.bowden@gmail.com. Many thanks.

Bookings for Hall and Parish Rooms Please book the hall with Maureen for all events on 01635 30108 or email Maureen.hudd@btinternet.com

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<http://www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk/user/register>

Any queries, feel free to contact Andrew at andrewpolland@gmail.com

WELCOMING:

Sat 10 Aug: Sue Mangham

Sun 11 Aug: Gill & Lamb families

CLEANERS:

Fri 9 Aug: Clare Heald & Pauline Byrne

COUNTER:

Sun 4 Aug: Angela Spellman & Ivy Goree