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Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes

NINETEENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - Year C

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Feast of the Day</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
Sat Aug 6	6:00 pm	St F	MASS	For the People of the Parish
Sun Aug 7	9:00 am	OLOL		
	11:00 am	St F		
Mon Aug 8			St Dominic, Founder	
Tues Aug 9	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm - 7:30 pm	St F	Adoration & Reconciliation MASS ST TERESA BENEDICTA OF THE CROSS, Religious, Martyr	
Wed Aug 10	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00 am - 10:30	OLOL	Adoration & Reconciliation MASS ST LAURENCE, Deacon	
Thurs Aug 11	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00 am - 10:30	St F	MASS Adoration & Reconciliation	
Fri Aug 12				
THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - Year C				
Sat Aug 13	6:00 pm	St F	MASS	
Sun Aug 14	9:00 am	OLOL		
	11:00 am	St F		

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The Popes Intention August 2022
Small Businesses

We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities

Luke 12:32-48

The passage here is the shorter version of the gospel reading, is generally to be found towards the end of the gospel story. This is clearly so in the gospels of Mark (chapter 13) and Matthew (chapters 24 and 25). In Matthew's gospel the parable of the wise and foolish virgins describes the readiness of the wise virgins, who have brought oil with their lamps, to welcome the bridegroom. Here in Luke Jesus is still journeying to Jerusalem when he encourages all disciples to be ready with their lamps lit to welcome the return of the master from the wedding feast. The disciple-servant must be ready for the return of the master, who will come and knock at the door. Such servants are declared blessed, but, in a surprising reversal, it is the master who puts on an apron and waits on the servants. This recalls the story of the washing of the feet of the disciples by Jesus in John's gospel (chapter 13).

Jesus is described as the servant throughout the gospels. In Luke's gospel he says to the disciples at the Last Supper: 'Yet here am I among you as one who serves!' (Luke 22:27).

The theme of constant readiness is developed by reference to the watches of the night. The second watch is from 9 p.m. until midnight, and the third watch from midnight until 3 a.m. The lateness of the hour underlines the sacrifice required of the servant in staying alert to welcome the master. A further short parable follows: the idea of a house being plundered once again encourages watchfulness

Parish Administrator: Yvonne Eaton
The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm

URGENT APPEAL FOR NEW CLEANERS FOR THE CHURCH ROTA

**IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE CONTACT CATH AT:
richcath2@btinternet.com**

Would you like to become an Altar Server

It's that time of year again when we welcome a new group of Altar Servers to the team.

If you've made your First Holy Communion, whether recently or not, then I would like to invite you to become a Server. If you are interested, please contact Andrew by emailing andrewpolland@gmail.com. We intend to get the new starters onboard in September

SAFEGUARDING: Should you have any safeguarding concerns about a child or vulnerable adult, please contact the parish safeguarding team (Jemma Pollard and Mike Pyne): safeguarding@stfrancisdesales.org.uk
Virtual Landline Number: 03301334514
Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office.

Please pray for Geoffrey Keegan, Lucy Tyler, Courtney Andrews, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, Bronck (father of Anna Brooks), Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Chris Dykes Emma, Joe Emery, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Mary Russell, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner, Arthur Mitchell, Peter, Cecelia Smith, Malcolm Higgins, Sofia Joseph and Corbert Joseph who ask for our prayers. *Please let the Parish Office know of any changes*

Confirmation 2023

We shall very soon be starting our course of preparation for young people who wish to be confirmed next Summer. The course is for those in Year 9 or above from September 2022. We regret that we cannot take anyone in Year 8 or below. An introductory meeting will be held using zoom on 18th July, so all young people (or their parents) who wish to join us should contact Lucy Gallagher asap. Email (preferred) lucygallagher214@btinternet.com
Tel : 0118 962 4995 - please leave a message.
The young people will receive the sacrament of Confirmation at the Cathedral in Portsmouth in May/June 2023 (exact date tbc).

Retrouvaille: A Programme for Couples Struggling in their Marriages

Help Your Marriage - Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. It brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage. Tens of thousands of couples headed for divorce have successfully saved their marriages by attending and using the tools provided. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. It helps them through difficult times whether they are disillusioned or in deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 13 - 16 October 2022 or a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 24 - 26 February 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk