St Francis de Sales Church

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Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes				
SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER- YEAR B				
	Time	Place	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention
Sat May 11	6:00pm	St F	MASS	
Sun May 12	9:00 am	OLOL		Edward Krawiec RIP
	11:00 am	St F		Jane Horscroft RIP
Mon May 13				
Tues May 14	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	St F	Adoration & Reconciliation	
	7:30 pm		MASS St MATTHIAS, APOSTLE	
Wed May 15	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00 am - 10:30	OLOL	Adoration & Reconciliation  MASS	The Gill Family RIP
Thurs May 16	9:30 am - 10:00 am 10:00 am - 10:30	St F	MASS  Adoration & Reconciliation	
Fri May 17				
PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR B				
Sat May 18	6:00pm	St F	MASS	
Sun May 19	9:00 am	OLOL		Tom O'Grady RIP & Margaret Ainge RIP
	11:00am	St F		The People of the Parish

### Popes Intention May

For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Please help us to continue God's work by supporting us financially Lloyds Bank 30 93 04 a/c number 00882993 CDP Newbury St Francis de Sales Ref: St Francis de Sales/Your name/?Kath

Kath Scott RIP. Please pray for the soul of Kath who died on 27th April. Her funeral will be on Friday 27th April at St. Thomas the Apostle Church Woolton Hill, RG20 9XQ at 2.00pm. Kath was a Parish flower arranger for many years.

Courtney Andrews RIP. Courtney's funeral will be on Tuesday 21st May at 11.00 am at the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows, Salsbury Rd., Fordingbridge SP6 1EG

Booking for Parish Hall. Please email Maureen Hudd at <u>Maureen.hudd@btinternet.com</u>

#### John 17:11-19

We hear the priestly prayer of Jesus addressed to his heavenly Father. Jesus is praying for us in our very secular world with all its distractions. He is praying that we may be true to his name, and that we may be consecrated in truth.

In these days between the Ascension and Pentecost, with the whole Church, we are praying for the coming of the Holy Spirit. In our readings we see the Spirit at work as the lot falls on Matthias

It is God's Spirit of love that will enable us to love one another and bear witness to the Christ of love.

It is the prayer of Jesus that the Spirit of truth may consecrate us, and keep us true to his name.

Come, Holy Spirit! Bishop Peter Doyle

# HOLD THE DATE SUNDAY 21st July!

PARISH PICNIC AFTER MASS BRING YOUR OWN FOOD. MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW SHORTLY.

Sunday 12th May. World Communications Day. Second collection for the Catholic Communication Network

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER
TUESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY
11:00AM- 2:30 PM

If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office

Please pray for Geoffrey Keegan, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, 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, Elizabeth Sage, Linda Verner, Arthur Mitchell, Malcolm Higgins, Sofia Joseph, Corbert Joseph, Gillian Spencer, Jim Polland, Krzysz Zablocki, Margaret McGuire, Sandy Hebden & Ann Haynes who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.

# Children's Liturgy

From Sunday 19th May to Sunday 21st July the Parish will pilot a new scheme for registration for Children's Liturgy. Parents/carers are asked to register their child's attendance when they arrive for Mass. The registration will take place in the Church Porch. Please be aware that initially this may take a few minutes so please allow extra time. Hopefully this new initiative will give more time when the children assemble in the Hall. We will monitor how the scheme works so please feel free to comment.

#### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024 -2025

Our next Confirmation programme will begin in September 2024. It will be offered to young parishioners, who are in year 9 or above, and who are resident and participants in our Parish community.

Confirmation celebrates the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit on a baptised person, completing and strengthening the grace given by the Spirit in Baptism. It marks the Christian as a follower of Christ and a full member of the Church. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible giving your name, age and contact details. Information about the programme will be provided when we receive your application. Parish Office: washcommon@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Wednesday 15th May 7.15 - 9.00pm **Bible Study** with Fr. Peter at Our Lady of Lourdes

Hungerford. Wednesday 15th May 7.30 **Adult Formation Group** with Fr. Michael at St.

Joseph's

Thursday 16th May 2.30 - 4pm **Grandmothers' Prayer Group** at Newbury Grove Care Home, 370
London Rd. Newbury RG14 2QH Friday 17th May
10.30 - 12.00 **Mothers' Prayers** at Chris &
Teresa's house 0791 7323364

Thursday 23rd May 7.30 - 9pm **Journey in Faith Together** examining the Sunday readings at Chris & Teresa's house.

Sunday 2nd June Feast of Corpus Christi. Family Mass followed by Corpus Christi Procession around our grounds

Sunday 16th June OLOL Celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the new church. Mass at 5t. Francis de Sales at 10.00 and at OLOL at 12.00 noon.

We are pleased to let you know that we have booked a paddle boarding evening at The Waterside Centre, Newbury. It will be from 5.45pm to 8pm on Friday 17th May. The cost is only £12, which includes tuition and use of equipment. Places are limited so please contact us if you would like to reserve a place. Please contact: shanymiddleton@hotmail.co.uk

Thank you to our dear parish family for your legendary generosity in supporting our young people across the pastoral area. So far we have raised about £4000, and hope to raise more, towards supporting those going to the Youth Festival and other projects.

We had fantastic weather for the flight which was exhilarating to say the least!

I hope that our young people and their families know how much that they are loved and valued by all of us.

When the plane reached altitude, 2000 feet, I placed all of our young people and their families in the love of God, asking that they will all discover how much God loves them.

Then came the loop the loop!!

Be part of this joyful discovery and join us at the Youth Festival.

Thank you everyone! Teresa Dykes

Caritas Portsmouth is hosting Sue Carter from the Alzheimer's Society, to run a Dementia Friends Information Session for anyone interested in hosting a Dementia Café, looking to make their parish more Dementia Friendly or just want to know more to support people in their family or community. Everyone welcome. The session will be held online on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 7pm. Please register in advance HERE. For more information please contact us at caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or visit https://caritasportsmouth.org.uk

MEDJUGORGE YOUTH FESTIVAL. 31st July to 7th August. Further details from Sue Smith <susan.smith313@ntlworld.com>

Youth Pilgrimage for Lourdes 22nd - 26th July details from clourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk>