

CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

X. INDULGENCES [PART II]

In the Communion of Saints

1474 The Christian who seeks to purify himself of his sin and to become holy with the help of God's grace is not alone. "The life of each of God's children is joined in Christ and through Christ in a wonderful way to the life of all the other Christian brethren in the supernatural unity of the Mystical Body of Christ..." *

1475 In the communion of saints, "a perennial link of charity exists between the faithful who have already reached their heavenly home, those who are expiating their sins in purgatory and those who are still pilgrims on earth. Between them there is, too, an abundant exchange of all good things." In this wonderful exchange, the holiness of one profits others, well beyond the harm that the sin of one could cause others. Thus recourse to the communion of saints lets the contrite sinner be more promptly and efficaciously purified ...

1476 We also call these spiritual goods of the communion of saints the Church's treasury, which is "not the sum total of the material goods which have accumulated during the course of the centuries. On the contrary the 'treasury of the Church' is the infinite value, which can never be exhausted, which Christ's merits have before God. They were offered so that the whole of mankind could be set free from sin and attain communion with the Father. In Christ, the Redeemer himself, the satisfactions and merits of his Redemption exist and find their efficacy."

1477 "This treasury includes as well the prayers and good works of the Blessed Virgin Mary. They are truly immense, unfathomable, and even pristine in their value before God. In the treasury, too, are the prayers and good works of all the saints, all those who have followed in the footsteps of Christ the Lord and by his grace have made their lives holy and carried out the mission the Father entrusted to them. In this way they attained their own salvation and at the same time cooperated in saving their brothers in the unity of the Mystical Body."

Obtaining indulgence from God through the Church

1478 An indulgence is obtained through the Church who, by virtue of the power of binding and loosing granted her by Christ Jesus, intervenes in favour of individual Christians and opens for them the treasury of the merits of Christ and the saints to obtain ... the remission of the temporal punishments due for their sins. Thus the Church does not want simply to come to the aid of these Christians, but also to spur them to works of devotion, penance, and charity.

1479 Since the faithful departed now being purified are also members of the same communion of saints, one way we can help them is to obtain indulgences for them, so that the temporal punishments due for their sins may be remitted.

* Unattributed quotations are from St Paul VI's apostolic constitution, *Indulgentiarum doctrina*.



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Sunday 10th November	Week 32 per annum [Year 1] SUNDAY XXXII [C]: REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY [BLACK] Sung Mass: 9.30am St Mary's War Memorial Mass and Blessing of the Churchyard Ecumenical Service at the Champs Chapel War Memorial: 11am Mass: 11.15am St Patrick's [green] Mass: 6pm St Mary's Pro populo
Monday 11th November	St Martin of Tours, Religious, Bishop [white] Mass: 9.15am St Mary's Kath Oldham's Intentions
Tuesday 12th November	St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr [red] Mass: 9.15am St Mary's Dante Chacin's Intentions
Wednesday 13th November	<i>Feria: Of Week 32</i> [green] Morning Prayer [Weds 4]: 9am St Mary's [Ecumenical] Mass: 9.15am St Mary's November Departed List
Thursday 14th November	<i>Feria: Of Week 32</i> [green] Exposition: 11.45am St Mary's Mass: 12.15pm St Mary's Julie Lazarus: Deceased Family & Friends
Friday 15th November	<i>St Albert the Great, Religious, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</i> [white] Mass: 8.30am Hendred House Leo Shepherd: Special Intention Evening Prayer: 5pm St Augustine's [Ecumenical]
Saturday 16th November	ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON, Bishop, Joint-Principal Patron of the Diocese <i>Mass at English Martyrs', Didcot and St John Vianney Wantage</i>
Sunday 17th November	Week 33 per annum [Year 1] SUNDAY XXXIII [C] [GREEN] Sung Mass: 9.30am St Mary's FM Canon Luck 1919 Mass: 11.15am St Patrick's Mass: 6pm St Mary's Pro populo
	Confessions: Sundays at 8.45am or by after any weekday Mass www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

BLESSING OF ST MARY'S CHURCHYARD & REMEMBRANCE TODAY

This will follow the 9.30am Remembrance Sunday Mass today and precede the 11am ceremony at the War Memorial beside Champs Chapel.

Welcome to the Scouts today who, this year, are on parade at St Mary's.

CARITAS EVENT "WORLD DAY OF THE POOR"

On the World Day of the Poor, 17th November 2019, between 1pm and 5:30pm, Caritas Portsmouth are holding an afternoon in St. Peters, Winchester where we can all come together to share experiences and encourage new ideas around the issue of poverty. The event will include a short play by "Staging Faith" on the life of St. Vincent De Paul, and also some personal testimonies of people who have experienced life on the margins. There will be opportunities to network with others and to see what we can practically do to help those in need around us. Come along and let this event be the place where we begin to open our church doors to those in need and be a voice of the voiceless. For further information contact Kevin Gallagher from Caritas at cari-tas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 07388994057.

MUMS ON THE RUN

Next meeting will be on **Monday 18th November**. That will be the last Mums on the Run this year since December is usually such a busy month that it is a struggle for people to attend. For more information, please contact Amanda at physioamanda@btinternet.com

GATHERING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, **December 3rd**. All very welcome. We meet in the parish rooms at 7.30 pm, begin with coffee and biscuits and finish between 8.30 and 9.00 pm. For more information, contact Denis Smith; 01235 765564; djbm.smith@ntlworld.com

READER'S WORKSHOPS

To mark the **Year of the Word** the diocese of Portsmouth is launching Readers' training workshops. The training consists in two workshops of three hours each, for all church readers and aspiring readers. For further information and/or to book your place please go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/readers

Visit our website hundredcatholicparish.org.uk still under construction, but with basic information.

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NEWSLETTER | Please send all notices for next week's Newsletter to hundred@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk by **Wednesday 10 am**. Please see the noticeboards at St Mary's for changes of service times made since the Newsletter went to press.

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

BAPTISM AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time.



THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

Sr Catherine, Mary Wallace, Brenda Paddon, Jadyga Adaskeo, Angus Clark, Karen Greig, Kitty Teasdale, Mary Mc Nichol and Katherine Eyston.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Those who have died recently and those with anniversaries at this time: *Ann Maud Eyston, Elizabeth Rivers, Mary Eyston, Adelaide Battley, Canon Thomas Lock, Edith Lily O'Driscoll, Gerrard Felle, Rose Anne Rooke, Gertrude (Trude) Corby.*

HOLY FATHER'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION - That a spirit of dialogue, encounter, and reconciliation emerge in the Near East, where diverse religious communities share their lives together.

GIVING TREE

There are many local children who will not be looking forward to presents this Christmas due to financial constraints. Last year we joined with St John Vianney church to bring presents to 'Little People' and St Mary's parishioners kindly donated many items. This year the organiser has requested toys, family games and vouchers. We will have a 'giving tree' in the church with Christmas tags labelled with a particular item (e.g. toy for a boy aged 4-7 or 'money for voucher'). If you can help then please choose a tag from the tree and wrap the item and put the tag on and leave the present under the tree. For vouchers please put money in an envelope marked 'Little people voucher money' and leave with one of the ushers after Mass – we will then use the money to buy vouchers. Each Sunday any presents will be collected from under the tree. The tree will be in the church from 24th November until December 15th. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

WELCOMING AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FOR CHRISTMAS

Would you consider opening your home and heart to an international student to experience true British Festive hospitality? Host UK arranges for international students to enjoy brief-visits-one day, a weekend or longer. If interested please visit www.hostuk.org

PILGRIMAGES

SOUTHERN ITALY & PADRE PIO ✘ Father Des Connolly, will be leading a pilgrimage to Southern Italy from **Sunday 16 - Friday 21 August 2020**. For more information please call Gill from Tangney Tours on 01732 886666.

COFFEE AFTER MASS

Please join us for a cup of coffee at St Mary's Parish Rooms.