

PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE

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NEWSLETTER 19th September, 2021 Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year (B)

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MASS TIMES: Sunday 9.30 a.m. & 11.00 a.m. - currently by advanced reservation only

Weekdays (Tuesday – Friday) 10.00 a.m. – no need to book

Confessions: On request.

Liturgical Calendar

To request mass intentions, please email or phone the Parish Office or leave an envelope at the church.

Sunday 19 th	September	Twenty-Fifth Sunday of the Year (B)	People of the Parish
Monday 20 th		St Andrew Kim Taegon and Companions	-
Tuesday 21 st	T	St Matthew Apostle	-
Wednesday 22 nd		of the day (25 th Week)	-
Thursday 23 rd		St Pio of Pietrelcina	-
Friday 24 th		Our Lady of Walsingham	-
Saturday 25 th		of the day (25 th week)	-
Sunday 26 th		Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year (B)	People of the Parish

Prayer Corner: Please remember all the sick and housebound of our parish especially: Patricia Kowalewska, Win Sheridan, Kathleen Wood, Peter Henry, Phillip Rockford, Germain McAulay, Geoffrey Dixon, Joe Bonnici, and Marjorie Lee.

COVID safeguarding restrictions remain in place for the time being, namely, social distancing within the church and the wearing of masks.

Mass times and church opening:

Sunday mass 9.30 & 11.00 a.m. by advanced reservation only.

Weekday mass (Tuesday – Friday) is at 10.00 a.m. No need to book. There is generally good capacity on all days.

For all masses **please be punctual**. The doors will be closed five minutes before mass starts and it will not be possible to admit latecomers.

Please be advised that the Sunday obligation remains suspended and so, for some, it might be beneficial to attend during the week.

On Sundays, the church will remain open after the 9.30 mass until 10.30 for those who may wish to make short individual visits but will then be closed for cleaning before the 11.00 a.m. mass. During the week, the church will remain open after the 10.00 a.m. mass until 11.00 a.m.

Please note: There will be no access to the Hall, the lift or to the toilets.

How to make a reservation to attend a Sunday mass:

You can request a reservation by one of the following methods (in order of preference):-

- 1) Send an email to oliadmin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
- 2) Leave a clear message on the parish office phone **01202 760640**
- 3) In writing, and placed in the letter box by the church door, or by post to Our Lady Immaculate, Seamoor Road, Westbourne, BH4 9AE

When making a booking, please give the following details and you will be contacted by phone or email to let you know which mass you can be offered:-

Name(s)

Phone number or email address:

Number of seats required:

Which Sunday mass you would prefer: 9.30, or 11.00, or either.

Would you like to be added to the ongoing Sunday rota? Yes/No

Finance. A 'Thank you' to those who are using the 'Donate' button on the website. The 'Donate' button has the facility of adding a reference in the 'leave a message' box and also the option to Gift Aid any donation. Any donation with no specific reference will be treated as ordinary offertory. The parish's bank details are set out below for those who may wish to take out a standing order or make a bank transfer.

Account Name: PRCDTR Bournemouth Our Lady Immaculate

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Account Number: 00875075

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord
for ever.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father.
Amen.

COLLECT

O God, who founded all the commands of
your sacred Law
upon love of you and of our neighbour,
grant that, by keeping your precepts,
we may merit to attain eternal life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of
the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.
Amen.

FIRST READING Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

A reading from the book of Wisdom.
The godless say to themselves,
"Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since
he annoys us
and opposes our way of life,
reproaches us for our breaches of the law
and accuses us of playing false to our
upbringing.
Let us see if what he says is true,
let us observe what kind of end he himself
will have.
If the virtuous man is God's son, God will
take his part
and rescue him from the clutches of his
enemies.
Let us test him with cruelty and with torture,
and thus explore this gentleness of his
and put his endurance to the proof.
Let us condemn him to a shameful death
since he will be looked after – we have his
word for it."
The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Psalm 53

Response:

The Lord upholds my life.

- O God, save me by your name;
by your power, uphold my cause.
O God, hear my prayer;
listen to the words of my mouth. (R.)
- For proud men have risen against me,
ruthless men seek my life.
They have no regard for God. (R.)
- But I have God for my help.
The Lord upholds my life.
I will sacrifice to you with willing heart
and praise your name for it is good. (R.)

SECOND READING James 3:16–4:3

A reading from the letter of St James.

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition,
you find disharmony, and wicked things of
every kind being done; whereas the wisdom
that comes down from above is essentially
something pure; it also makes for peace,
and is kindly and considerate; it is full of
compassion and shows itself by doing
good; nor is there any trace of partiality or
hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work
for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit
in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between
yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the
desires fighting inside your own selves?
You want something and you haven't got
it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an
ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight
to get your way by force. Why you don't have
what you want is because you don't pray
for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is
because you have not prayed properly, you
have prayed for something to indulge your
own desires.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
anyone who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 9:30-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his
disciples made their way through Galilee; and
he did not want anyone to know, because he
was instructing his disciples; he was telling
them, "The Son of Man will be delivered
into the hands of men; they will put him to
death; and three days after he has been put
to death he will rise again." But they did not
understand what he said and were afraid to
ask him.

They came to Capernaum, and when he
was in the house he asked them, "What
were you arguing about on the road?" They
said nothing because they had been arguing
which of them was the greatest. So he sat
down, called the Twelve to him and said,
"If anyone wants to be first, he must make
himself last of all and servant of all." He then
took a little child, set him in front of them,

put his arms round him, and said to them,
"Anyone who welcomes one of these little
children in my name, welcomes me; and
anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me
but the one who sent me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**PROFESSION OF FAITH**

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with
the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,

(all bow during the next three lines)

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the
Virgin Mary,
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under
Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,
the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored
and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and
apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness
of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the
dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Receive with favour, O Lord, we pray,
the offerings of your people,
that what they profess with devotion and faith
may be theirs through these heavenly
mysteries.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

You have laid down your precepts to be
carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your
statutes.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously raise up, O Lord,
those you renew with this Sacrament,
that we may come to possess your
redemption
both in mystery and in the manner of our life.
Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

THE WORD

Christ and the disciples, façade of Monestir Monastery of Montserrat, Barcelona

After the experience of the transfiguration, Jesus and his companions
continue their journey through Galilee.

Jesus' public ministry there is over: he will now instruct his disciples privately, beginning
with his second teaching about his coming suffering and resurrection, and, as usual, they
fail to understand the mystery of the cross as the unfolding of God's plan. They even seem
to be moving into a state of wilful ignorance, being reluctant to ask questions.

The disciples' lack of understanding is heightened when we learn that they have been
arguing among themselves about who is the most important. This provides the opening
for Jesus' subversive teaching which we find throughout the Gospel versions about rank
and status. Illustrating the lesson by introducing a child is not for sentimental effect: in the
society of Jesus' time, a child did not represent innocence or the like, but rather someone
who had no rights, no social standing, was totally dependent on others. There is nothing
to be gained by being kind to someone who is, in effect, a "non-person". Jesus has called
the Twelve apart from the wider group of disciples and directed this teaching at them in
particular. Jesus puts his arms around the child, thus showing that this "non-person"
deserves care and respect. Mark introduces the theme of treating Jesus well (or badly) in
socially insignificant persons with the phrase "in my name", and welcoming Jesus means
welcoming the one who sent him. ■

REFLECT

It is interesting that Jesus' teaching on humble and disinterested leadership is
directed specifically at the Twelve, members of his inner circle. Given the social
attitude to children of his day, his example of a child as being especially worthy of
respect is nothing short of revolutionary. The Gospel presents us with values and
principles which we are supposed to apply to our own times and circumstances. If
a child represents a non-person in the society of Jesus' time, who fits that category
in ours and what is our attitude towards such people? Who are our leaders most
concerned about?

We might take comfort in Mark's description of the disciples and their difficulties in
understanding Jesus and his message. In today's Gospel reading, their mistaken
arguing about rank offers an opportunity for them to learn an important lesson from
Jesus. The important thing about mistakes is that we should learn from them, not
that we should not make them in the first place. The biblical picture of the people of
Israel was that none of their repeated failures was the last word: God was always
prepared to give them another chance. Even the disciples' ultimate abandoning
of Jesus in Gethsemane was not to be the final scene in the story, as Mark's
very writing of his Gospel shows. Our knowledge and understanding of Jesus is
deepened by our questioning what we believe: the opposite of faith is less likely to
be doubt than certainty, where there is no room for mystery. ■

DO

Make the Sign of the Cross and ask for the
courage to keep asking questions about
your faith.

**LEARN**

In the Synoptic tradition, Jesus makes three
prophecies about his passion, death and
resurrection.

The figure of Simon of Cyrene will illustrate
Jesus' teaching on taking up the cross and
following him.

A child, in the time of Jesus, was effectively
a non-person, of no social standing.

SAY

We adore you, O Christ,
and we praise you,
because by your holy
cross you have redeemed
the world.

(from the Stations of the Cross)

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SUNDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2021

25TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B



Jesus, I trust you and I love you.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

We say these words or sing a hymn as the priest approaches the altar.

COLLECT

O God, who founded all the commands of your sacred Law upon love of you and of our neighbour, grant that, by keeping your precepts, we may merit to attain eternal life...

We ask for God's help. Listen now to the priest as he offers this prayer.



FIRST READING WISDOM 2:12. 17-20

Good people annoy those who don't do what is right. These "bad" people may have been brought up well and don't want to be reminded that they are letting their families down. They may behave

even worse, to avoid having to face up to their own wrongdoing. Here, bad people are making plans to test a good man. They plot to hurt him and see if he will still do what is right. God will be with the good man.

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. Bad people plot to test a good man's faith.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 53

The Lord upholds my life.

The cantor or psalmist sings or says the psalm. Listen to the verses, and then respond by using these words.



SECOND READING JAMES 3:16 - 4:3

Wars and battles are caused by the jealousies and ambition in human beings. We all have the tendency to fight for what we want and to be selfish. God's wisdom, however, brings peace and harmony into the world. When we

pray, we allow God's peace to come into the world. The Holy Spirit will give us the strength to put other people first and to be selfless. God will help us all to be peacemakers, sowing the seeds of love and goodness.

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. Peacemakers sow the seeds of holiness.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
anyone who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!

We give a shout of praise to God, using these words taken from the Bible.



DO YOU KNOW?

Today in England and Wales the Church is celebrating **Home Mission Day**. We think about how can **share the Good News** in our own neighbourhood, our schools and country. How can we **tell people about God's love** today by **what we say** and by **what we do**?



THINK

Jesus asks us to **welcome others**. When we make someone welcome, we are making **God welcome**. How will we make people welcome in our homes and school? Find out how we can make **refugees and immigrants** welcome in our country.



GOSPEL MARK 9:30-37

The Good News about Jesus is told to us by St Mark.

Ironically, as Jesus is trying to share information about his mission of love with his friends, they are fighting among themselves. The disciples do not yet understand just how different Jesus' leadership is. Jesus is not going to lead them in the way they expect. He is trying to tell

them that he will be put to death and then rise again, but the disciples are caught up with arguments about who is more important. Jesus hugs a little child as he explains that real greatness is found in serving the least important people. In loving others, we will find life.

◀ **STAND to LISTEN** to the priest or deacon as he prepares to read the Gospel. What does the priest or deacon do to the book when he has finished reading the Gospel?



PRAY

Think about the times when you have been irritated by people who are just too good. Ask yourself why you are annoyed. Ask Jesus to help you to have patience and to be kind and loving.



PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Dear Lord, please help us to spread your message of love in our parish and local communities. Help us to sow the seeds of peace by what we say and do. Lord, hear my prayer.

Listen to the reader as he or she encourages us to pray for situations and people in need. This is a prayer you could say privately.



OFFERTORY PROCESSION

As we take our gifts of bread, wine and money to the altar, think about a time this week when you were selfish and then think about another time when you put other people first and showed your love and care.

Watch as the gifts are made ready and the priest washes his hands and prepares for the Eucharistic Prayer.

Say a little prayer offering these thoughts up to God.



THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Today's special prayer thanks God for fulfilling all God's promises to us.

We listen to the prayer of praise and thanks to God.

What can you give special thanks for today?



THE LORD'S PRAYER

As the priest extends his hands, we say the prayer that Jesus taught us.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.

You are invited to sing a Communion song or say this verse, which has been especially chosen for today's celebration.



MY PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, Jesus, for loving me so much. Thank you for showing me that pain and hardship will lead to new life and joy. Amen.



ΙΧΘΥΣ

is the Greek word for "fish" and was used in the catacombs as a sign for early Christians. It is made up from the first letter of five Greek titles for the Lord:

- I (Jesus)
- X (Christos)
- Θ (Theou/God's)
- Υ (Uios/Son)
- Σ (Soter/Saviour)

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We take Jesus with us to carry on the work that he did on earth, until we meet again next Sunday.

Go in peace.





My name is _____

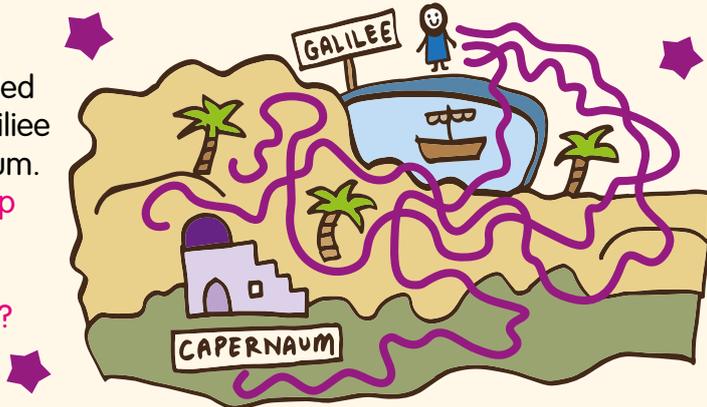
IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

Jesus' friends are arguing about who is the most important. Jesus explains that if they want to be important, they must put other people first. Following Jesus means helping and serving others. When we do, we will be happy and full of Jesus' love.

WHO IS JESUS?

Maze

Jesus travelled through Galilee to Capernaum. Can you help him find his way to the house there?



Welcome mat

Design a doormat to show everyone that they are welcome in your home.



Word search

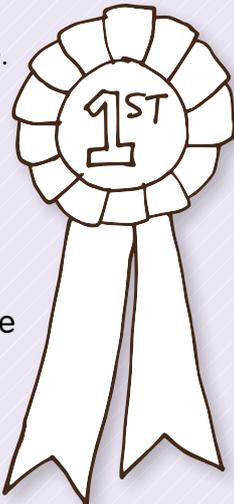
FIRST CARE
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Jesus shows us love

Jesus shows us how to love. He shows us how to put other people first. When we put others first we are being like Jesus. Here is a rosette for the winner of a first prize. Colour it red.



How do you think you could win this rosette? Draw a picture to show how you are going to help someone today. You could draw Jesus giving you the rosette.

Unscramble the letters to see who else you welcome when you welcome someone to your home.

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A PRAYER TO SAY

Jesus, I want to be like you. Help me to be happy by serving other people, just like you did. Amen.