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### MASS TIMES

**Sunday September 26<sup>th</sup> 26<sup>th</sup> Sunday in ordinary Time**

**9.30am- currently by advanced reservation only.** *The Parish*

**11am - currently by advanced reservation only** *Dorothy & Gregory Kung RIP*

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

**Confessions: After Mass or by Appointment.**

**Tuesday September 28<sup>th</sup>** -of the day *Frank Franklin RIP*

**Wednesday September 29<sup>th</sup> THE HOLY ARCHANGELS**

**Thursday September 30<sup>th</sup>** St Jerome

**Friday October 1<sup>st</sup>** St Theresa of the Child Jesus *Matthew Chacko RIP*

**Sunday October 3<sup>rd</sup> 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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To request mass intentions, please see Father Leslie after Mass, or Email him:

[ladams@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:ladams@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**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

## CAFOD Family Fast Day Friday 1<sup>st</sup> October



Our local experts are helping people all over the world adapt to climate change and to protect our common home. By donating to CAFOD this family fast day you can help communities affected by the worst impact of the climate crisis. Please donate by using the envelopes provided, online on our website [//CAFOD.org.uk/climatecrisis](https://CAFOD.org.uk/climatecrisis) or by texting **CAFOD10 to 70580 to donate £10** or choose any whole amount between £1 and £20 e.g. £5 CAFOD5 more information on the CAFOD leaflet.

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

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](mailto: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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**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

All that you have done to us, O Lord,  
you have done with true judgement,  
for we have sinned against you  
and not obeyed your commandments.  
But give glory to your name  
and deal with us according to the bounty of  
your mercy.

**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 manifest your almighty power  
above all by pardoning and showing mercy,  
bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon  
us  
and make those hastening to attain your  
promises  
heirs to the treasures of heaven.  
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** Numbers 11:25-29

A reading from the book of Numbers.

The Lord came down in the Cloud. He spoke  
with Moses, but took some of the spirit  
that was on him and put it on the seventy  
elders. When the spirit came on them they  
prophesied, but not again.

Two men had stayed back in the camp;  
one was called Eldad and the other Medad.  
The spirit came down on them; though they  
had not gone to the Tent, their names were  
enrolled among the rest. These began to  
prophesy in the camp. The young man ran  
to tell this to Moses, "Look," he said, "Eldad  
and Medad are prophesying in the camp."  
Then said Joshua the son of Nun, who had  
served Moses from his youth, "My Lord  
Moses, stop them!" Moses answered him,  
"Are you jealous on my account? If only the  
whole people of the Lord were prophets, and  
the Lord gave his Spirit to them all!"

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**PSALM**

Psalm 18

Response:

**The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.**

1. The law of the Lord is perfect,  
it revives the soul.  
The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,  
it gives wisdom to the simple. (R.)
2. The fear of the Lord is holy,  
abiding for ever.  
The decrees of the Lord are truth  
and all of them just. (R.)
3. So in them your servant finds instruction;  
great reward is in their keeping.  
But who can detect all his errors?  
From hidden faults acquit me. (R.)
4. From presumption restrain your servant  
and let it not rule me.  
Then shall I be blameless,  
clean from grave sin. (R.)

**SECOND READING**

James 5:1-6

A reading from the letter of St James.

An answer for the rich. Start crying, weep  
for the miseries that are coming to you. Your  
wealth is all rotting, your clothes are all eaten  
up by moths. All your gold and your silver  
are corroding away, and the same corrosion  
will be your own sentence, and eat into your  
body. It was a burning fire that you stored up  
as your treasure for the last days. Labourers  
mowed your fields and you cheated them –  
listen to the wages that you kept back, calling  
out; realise that the cries of the reapers have  
reached the ears of the Lord of hosts. On  
earth you have had a life of comfort and  
luxury; in the time of slaughter you went on  
eating to your heart's content. It was you who  
condemned the innocent and killed them;  
they offered you no resistance.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Your word is truth, O Lord,  
consecrate us in the truth.  
Alleluia!

**GOSPEL**

Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to  
Mark.

John said to Jesus, "Master, we saw a man  
who is not one of us casting out devils in  
your name; and because he was not one  
of us we tried to stop him." But Jesus said,  
"You must not stop him: no one who works  
a miracle in my name is likely to speak evil of  
me. Anyone who is not against us is for us."  
"If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink  
just because you belong to Christ, then I tell  
you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose  
his reward.

"But anyone who is an obstacle to bring  
down one of these little ones who have faith,  
would be better thrown into the sea with a  
great millstone round his neck. And if your  
hand should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is  
better for you to enter into life crippled, than  
to have two hands and go to hell, into the  
fire that cannot be put out. And if your foot  
should cause you to sin, cut it off; it is better  
for you to enter into life lame, than to have

two feet and be thrown into hell. And if your  
eye should cause you to sin, tear it out; it is  
better for you to enter into the kingdom of  
God with one eye, than to have two eyes and  
be thrown into hell where their worm does  
not die nor their fire go out."

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**

Grant us, O merciful God,  
that this our offering may find acceptance  
with you  
and that through it the wellspring of all  
blessing  
may be laid open before us.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

**Remember your word to your servant,  
O Lord,  
by which you have given me hope.  
This is my comfort when I am brought low.**

**PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

May this heavenly mystery, O Lord,  
restore us in mind and body,  
that we may be coheirs in glory with Christ,  
to whose suffering we are united  
whenever we proclaim his Death.  
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

**THE WORD****THE USE AND ABUSE  
OF JESUS' NAME**

(MARK 9:38-43. 45. 47-48)



There is a certain irony in John's complaining to Jesus about the  
unauthorised exorcist who has been using Jesus' name – and therefore  
Jesus' power – to help people by casting out evil spirits.

Mark has related not long before this episode the incident where the father of an epileptic  
boy asks Jesus to cast out the spirit of dumbness from his son after Jesus' disciples proved  
unable to do so. Jesus reacts with frustration, saying, "You faithless generation... how long  
must I put up with you?" In his reply to John, Jesus makes it clear that his power is not  
limited to the circle of his disciples. There is even a hint that John is not quite clear about  
where this authority lies, as he actually says that the person in question does not follow us,  
rather than does not follow you.

This wider vision extends to people who show kindness to disciples who bear the name  
of Jesus.

The final paragraph is an example of the exaggerated speech which is characteristic of some  
Middle Eastern societies. The idea of self-mutilation as a remedy for sin is not to be taken in  
any way literally, but the language serves to underline the seriousness of attending to our  
moral Christian discipleship, not just for our own sake, but because it can undermine other  
people's following of Jesus. ■

**SAY**

"...nor can she be captured, silenced or restrained."  
(John L. Bell and Graham Maule – on the Holy Spirit)

**LEARN**

The expression "little ones" is Mark's way of referring to people of simple faith.

People in the Middle Eastern society of Jesus' day often used exaggeration or hyperbole to  
emphasise the serious nature of what they were talking about.

The "donkey's millstone", which is what the text actually says, is the upper stone which the  
donkey would turn by walking around: it would be heavy enough to ensure death  
by drowning.

**REFLECT**

Reading the signs of the times is a  
useful theme for today's Gospel  
reflection. In these ecumenical  
days, we are more appreciative of the  
sincerity and values of other Christian  
bodies and of other religions: much  
of this progress comes from simply  
interacting with such people, getting to  
know them as individuals and seeing  
what we have in common, rather than  
what might divide us. Jesus' words  
about the exorcist acting without  
official permission are a warning to  
those who would restrict Jesus'  
influence to any privileged group.

The section on giving scandal is one  
which is of particular relevance, given  
the appalling revelations which have  
rocked the Church in recent years. It  
is clear that many people who have  
survived abuse have, understandably,  
lost their faith in God, Jesus and the  
Church, which is supposed to be "the  
sacrament of Christ's presence in the  
world". Those affected are not only  
those directly involved, but also those  
who are so bewildered or disgusted  
at this abuse of trust that they have  
abandoned the practice of the faith, if  
not their faith altogether.

We might remember that the Church is  
the whole people of God, not just the  
leaders. When the institution becomes  
more important than its reason for  
existing, then something has gone  
seriously wrong. Perhaps John's  
complaint about the unauthorised  
exorcist might be a warning today  
about thinking that the Spirit can  
be limited (or contained) within the  
structures of the Church: Jesus'  
teaching on dealing with the causes  
of scandal would go a long way to  
preventing future disasters. ■

**DO**

Make sure that you are familiar with  
your parish's safeguarding policy and  
requirements.

# ICHTHUS

SUNDAY 26 SEPTEMBER 2021

26TH SUNDAY  
IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B



Thank you, Jesus, for inviting me here today.



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord,  
you have done with true judgement,  
for we have sinned against you  
and not obeyed your commandments.  
But give glory to your name  
and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.

## COLLECT

O God, who manifest your almighty power  
above all by pardoning and showing mercy,  
bestow, we pray, your grace abundantly upon us  
and make those hastening to attain your promises  
heirs to the treasures of heaven...



## FIRST READING NUMBERS 11:25-29

Joshua, who has been Moses' helper since he was young, is very concerned. Two men, Eldad and Medad, have received God's spirit and are prophesying. Joshua is worried that they are speaking on behalf of God. Moses is the special

leader God has chosen and Joshua does not want anyone else taking his place. Moses reassures Joshua. He is not worried at all. In fact, Moses tells Joshua that he wishes everyone could receive God's spirit and speak for God as a prophet.

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

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

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. God's spirit inspires prophets to speak to the people.

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

LOOK at the reader and LISTEN. Money and wealth on earth will not last.

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

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM PSALM 18

The precepts of the Lord gladden the heart.



## SECOND READING JAMES 5:1-6

James has a harsh message for people who are greedy and think too much about their money. They will be sorry that they focused too much on living a life of luxury. Their money could have been used to help people in need.

Instead, some people have become rich because of the way they have mistreated those who work for them, paying them badly and ignoring their terrible working conditions. Money and fine clothes will not last, but love will.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Your word is truth, O Lord,  
consecrate us in the truth.  
Alleluia!



## DO YOU KNOW?

Wednesday 29 September is the feast of Ss Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels. Each of these angels tells us about God. Michael defends God and battles against evil, Gabriel brings the good news that God will become human as the baby Jesus and Raphael guides Tobit along the right path. Angels will help us all too.



## THINK

God wants us to make sure that all workers are treated fairly. Cheap clothes are sometimes made by companies who don't pay their workers properly so that they can make more money. We can help by finding out where our clothes come from and by spending a little more, perhaps less often, on fashion items.





## GOSPEL MARK 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

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

Jesus is not too worried about whether someone belongs to the "right" group of believers or not. As long as people are doing good and helping others, Jesus is happy. His disciples are concerned that someone who isn't part of their group is performing miracles in Jesus name. Jesus tells

them not to worry. Anyone who is helping others is doing what God wants. What should worry us is whether or not we are stopping someone from having faith. We need to encourage anyone who believes in God and work with them to live as God asks.

### 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?

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.

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

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

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



PRAY

Jesus, I am on your side. Thank you for always being on my side and standing with me, whether things are going well or not. Amen.



DO

Offer to bring or make someone else a drink at least once every day this week.



### PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

Dear Lord, please help us to be open to other groups of believers. Help us all to work together to make the world a kinder, fairer place. Lord, hear my prayer.



### OFFERTORY PROCESSION

As we take our gifts of bread, wine and money to the altar, think about a time this week when you were a bit mean and unkind and then think about some of the times when you were kind and thoughtful.

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.

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

By this we came to know the love of God: that Christ laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for one another.



### MY PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Thank you, Jesus, for loving me so much. Help me to share your love with others in the small acts of kindness I will carry out today. Amen.



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

Go in peace.



# 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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Sunday 26 September 2021  
 Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48  
 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

My name is \_\_\_\_\_

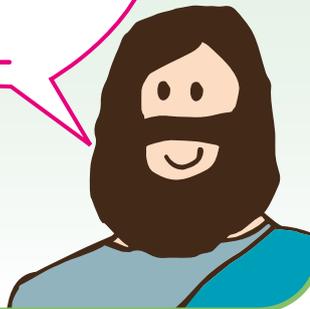
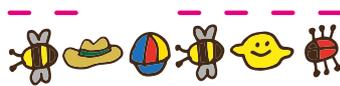
## IN THE GOSPEL TODAY

Jesus' friends are worried about someone who is doing miracles in Jesus' name, but who isn't part of their group. But Jesus is not worried at all! Anyone who is helping others is doing what God wants. The Holy Spirit works through all people who are kind and helpful.

# HELP OTHERS

What does Jesus do?

Can you work out the code to find out what Jesus is saying?



## What good can I do?

Jesus asks us to do good deeds today. Can you fill in the missing letters to find out the good things you can do?

\_\_\_ p (elh) your friends.

\_\_\_ d \_ (iyt) your room.

S\_ a \_ e (rh) your toys.

L\_ \_ t\_n (ies) to your parents.

## Maze

Even today there are some people who have no fresh water. Help the man take water to the sick child.



## Helping hands

I can use my...  \_\_\_s to l \_\_\_e \_ (ntsi) when my

friend is sad,  \_\_\_s to \_\_\_ (ghu) him or her

better,  \_\_\_ to \_\_\_ (ese) when someone

needs help,  \_\_\_ to \_\_\_ (rnu) to help.

## A PRAYER TO SAY

Dear Jesus, help me to show other people that you are my friend by trying to treat other people in the way I know you would. Help me to be kind and helpful. Amen.