

St Mary's Dedication

THE CENTENARY booklet from 1965 gives a fascinating list of furniture and fixtures and who donated them. Pride of place among the benefactors of 100 years earlier were Canon Luck who donated the Priest's House, Charles John Eyston who donated the Church, the Caretaker's Cottage, the Bridge, the High Altar, the Benches, the North East window of the Sanctuary, the Patronal Statue of the Blessed Virgin, the Old School, Endowments for the Church and the School, and a Processional Cross and Thurible no longer needed at St Amand's Chapel, Hendred House. Many other features of the Church were donated by the Eyston family, but it was interesting to hear in the last couple of years from descendants of Rachel Hunt, who gave the Pulpit, and the South East window of the Nave.

More than 100 years on – back in 1965 – fundraising was apparently no longer necessary. The buildings were complete and the latest addition – new buildings for St Amand's School – had been completed a couple of years earlier, with much enjoyable fund-raising including a donkey derby. In 1965 they decided, therefore, to raise money to train a priest. The cost for this, in those days, was said to be £2,000. Nowadays it costs about £25,000 per year - £150,000 in total.

At our 150th Anniversary (2015), the priorities were modernising our back-stage facilities – providing a kitchen and loo and refurbishing the 1865 Sacristy and what is now the Holy Family Room for meetings and children's liturgy. Though we need to complete work on the font area – bringing together the aumbry (cupboard for holy oils) and font – we have installed a proper cover. Our attention is now turning to the St Mary's Parish Rooms, badly in need of a facelift. We hope that, in future years, the parish will look back in gratitude to us for what we have managed to do in our generation to maintain the gifts of which we are stewards.

And what of the future? We can certainly foresee that, in addition to running repairs, we shall eventually need a new floor, with underfloor heating that warms rather than blows noisily. The life of an electronic organ is on average 15 years so our rather extraordinary instrument is in its dotage. And who knows what else will be needed? *Fr Andrew*



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		Year C: Week 3
Sunday 11 th August	SUNDAY XIX PER ANNUM Mass: 9.30am St Mary's Mass: 11.15am St Patrick's	[GREEN] <i>Pro populo</i>
Monday 12 th August	<i>Feria: Of Week 19</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's	Week 19 per annum [Year 1] [green]
Tuesday 13 th August	<i>Feria: Of Week 19</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's	[green]
Wednesday 14 th August	St Maximilian Maria Kolbe, Religious, Priest, Martyr Morning Prayer: 8.45am St Mary's [<i>Ecumenical</i>] Mass: 9.15am St Mary's	[red]
Thursday 15 th August	THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY <i>Holyday of Obligation</i> Mass: 11am St Mary's Mass: 8pm St Mary's	[white]
Friday 16 th August	<i>Feria: Of Week 19</i> Mass: 8.30am Hendred House <i>Exposition: 3pm Hendred House</i> Evening Prayer: 5pm St Augustine's [<i>Ecumenical</i>]	[green]
Saturday 17 th August	<i>Our Lady St Mary on Saturday</i> <i>No Mass: Mass 9.30am at English Martyrs', Didcot</i> Vigil Mass: 6pm St Patrick's	[white] <i>Pro populo</i>
Sunday 18 th August	FEAST OF DEDICATION Sung Mass: 11am St Mary's <i>with the Newman Consort</i> No 11.15am Mass at St Patrick's	[GOLD] <i>Pro populo</i>
	Confessions: Sundays at 8.45am or by after any weekday Mass www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk	

THIS WEEK AND LOOKING AHEAD

SACKCLOTH & ASHES

On **Wednesday (14th August)**, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed as there was a large increase in the number of abortions in this country last year. For details of our live saving work see www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

ST MARY'S FOUNDATION CELEBRATIONS

On **Sunday 18th August** at St Mary's there will be a sung mass at 11:00 am. This will be followed by lunch at The Wheatsheaf. Please sing up using the sheet in the porch.

PARISH CENSUS

Thank you to the many who have already completed. An urgent request to those who haven't, to fill in the forms as soon as possible. No one is too well-known or too marginal. We want to include everyone.

CAR PARKING

Please do not use residents' parking. During the resurfacing of the school car park, please feel free to park on Sundays on the Poplars Field (entrance at the bottom of the Eystons' drive). Many thanks to Edward and Ali.

GATHERING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday, September 3rd**. All welcome; Parish rooms at 7.30 pm and finish between 8.30 and 9.00pm. Please contact Denis Smith; 01235 765564; djbm.smith@ntlworld.com.

RIDE AND STRIDE 14th SEPTEMBER 2019

Jean Murphy has sponsor forms if anyone is wanting to take part, she will not be asking you to sponsor her this year as she will be riding the waves in Cornwall that weekend.

PARISH COLLECTION

Last two Sunday's collections raised £2,190.22 of which 90% was Gift aided. We raised £103.61 for the Refugee council.

FORTHCOMING COLLECTIONS

Home Mission Sunday: **15th September**
Our Lady of Walsingham: **29th September**

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

NEWSLETTER | Please send all notices for next week's Newsletter to hendred@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk by **Wednesday 10 am**

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, Alfie Bartlam, Jadvyga Adasko, Angus Clark, Karen Greig, Kitty Teasdale, Mary McNichol and Katherine Eyston.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Those who have died recently and those with anniversaries at this time: *Harold Hackwood, Herbert Reeley, Margaret Brown, Fernley Smith and Elizabeth Hunt.*

HOLY FATHER'S AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION - That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly "schools of true human growth."

CONFIRMATION (ADULTS)

Any Adults (16+) who have not been received into the Catholic Church, or who have not received the Sacraments of Baptism or Confirmation, please speak to Fr Andrew. We run a fireside group during the winter months during which further consideration is given to these matters and whether to proceed formally.

CONFIRMATION (CHILDREN)

We are contacting parents of children aged 11 or over who may want to join our Confirmation Programme in the autumn. Have a word with Maria or Fr Andrew.

DIOCESAN DAY FOR CATECHISTS AND CHILDREN LITURGY LEADERS

On **Saturday 19th October** from 10am to 4pm at Portsmouth Cathedral, lunch provided. A day to celebrate and give thanks for our Mission. A day to form our understanding of this mission, at the service of Jesus Christ. A day to discover how to foster intimacy with Jesus Christ. Book your place at www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/catechists

PILGRIMAGES

EUCCHARISTIC MIRACLES & SPECIAL SAINTS OF ITALY ✳ 16-26 September, with Fr Marcin Drabik, cost £980pp includes airfares, shared accommodation, all meals and transport to sites. See stswithuns.org.uk/pilgrimage-sep-2019

ROME & ASSISI ✳ 11-21 October, with Canon Dominic Golding. Please see poster in church or contact E_blessings41@gmail.com

HOLY LAND ✳ 10-17 November 2019. Cost pp £1,195, includes flights, accommodation, meals and full religious programme. Please see information in the porch. Bookings E_aglowpilgrimages.com or call Jonathan on **0800 6894792**

COFFEE AFTER MASS

Please join us for a cup of coffee at St Mary's Parish Rooms after every Sunday Mass and at St Michael's Room on the **first** Sunday of the month.

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