



The Catholic Church in Jersey

One Catholic Parish for the Island of Jersey

14/15 April ~ Third Sunday of Easter ~ Year B

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



It was uncomfortable and cold. But I don't regret that night I spent under the stars in a German field.

We were awaiting Holy Mass to be celebrated in the morning by Pope Benedict. This was during World Youth Days in Cologne in 2004, which inspired Mary Cahill, myself and others to start JACY on our return to Jersey.

Next weekend's event, Spirit on the Rock, was an idea that came out of the Youth Days Pilgrimage to Sydney in 2008. The young pilgrims wanted to come back and share a taste of what they had experienced. The idea was to bring young people together for a weekend of catechesis, fun and witness.

This has also become an event for families, with children from Year 7 upwards. It seeks to make faith normal in home life, rather than 'doing God' only in church. The programme is radical. It will look at the challenges our young people experience with the question: "What would Jesus do?"

Those taking part will look at social justice and the moral teaching of the church, and how it is possible to live these teachings. This is a fabulous opportunity and I am only

sad that many parents don't enable their children and young people to attend. Of course, their homework is important and so is sport. But they need to exercise their spirit as well as their mind and their body. Otherwise they will not be holistic individuals.

In today's gospel, Jesus showed his wounds to his disciples as a sign of his love. We need to touch his wounds in the lives of many of our children and young people, sometimes damaged by their parents break up; seduced away from Mass by easy money from jobs for teenagers; minds twisted by violence, pornography, witchcraft and other negative aspects of the Internet, which otherwise has been such a positive gift to mankind.

Never have we more needed our Catholic Youth Ministry. Whether it is the meetings of JaCy on Friday evenings, the Confirmation sessions, Spirit on the Rock or the World Meeting of Families in Dublin this summer, the opportunities are there. **Remember the three B's?** Young people need to develop a sense of **belonging**, which precedes **believing** and **behaving**.

Father Nicholas

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LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

Baptisms

We welcome into the Church through the Sacrament of Baptism: Alana Figueira, Aleksandra Laskowski, Derek Marques, Daniel Figueira, Anthony Monteiro Oliver Dawson, Austin Sty and James Duku.

Funerals

Please pray for the souls of Mark Proudfoot, Peter De Momme, Cynthia Le Petit, José Velosa, Bridget Murphy, Reginald Hamoniaux, Michael Kennedy and Joseph O'Hara. May they rest in peace.



The Pope's prayer intention entrusted

to the Apostleship of Prayer for April is: *For those who have responsibility in economic matters and that economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.*



FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND PRAYER FOR APRIL FOR 'CHILDREN IN THE HOLY LAND'

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Matthew 19:14)
Please pray that children may grow up in loving and nurturing families.

- ❖ That uncertainty and fear will not prevent them from reaching their full potential.
- ❖ That they will have access to sports and play equipment to encourage physical and mental development.
- ❖ For the many Christian schools and education establishments and their teachers and pupils.
- ❖ For the orphanages and those who work in them.
- ❖ For the children with special educational needs and for the School of Joy and similar educational establishments.

OASIS OF PEACE

Monday 16 April 7pm Preparation for the Sunday Readings: read, discuss & reflect

Thursday 19 April 9am Adoration & Rosary prior to Mass at 10am

Friday 20 April 6.30am Morning Prayer followed by breakfast

MOTHERS' PRAYERS

A Mothers' Prayer Group will be starting on **Tuesday 17 April** at St Bernadette's Church at 8pm. Anyone who would like to join the group, or find out more about Mothers' prayers or is interested in starting a group at another time or location, is welcome to attend or contact Siobhan James on 502949.



SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARY MASS

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or anniversary over 60 years?

The Parish would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration at St Thomas' Church, to be celebrated by +Bishop Crispian Hollis, on **Saturday 23 June** at 11.00am followed by a Reception in the Hall. Please email to dcnain@catholicchurch.org.je or telephone 725963/Mob: 07797 723853. Deacon Iain will send you a form to complete. To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a COPY of your wedding photograph which should be provided with the completed form and left at Catholic Pastoral Services or posted to Deacon Iain MacFirbhisigh KHS, c/o Catholic Pastoral Services, 19 Val Plaisant, St Helier JE2 4TA. Please mark envelope: 'Significant Anniversaries' Mass'

SISTER ANNE-MARIE RYAN FCJ - MEMORIAL

Father Benjamin will celebrate a Memorial Mass for the late Sister Anne Marie at Our Lady, St Martin's on **Friday 20 April** at 10am, followed by light refreshments in the Parish House. All Past Pupils and Friends of FCJ are invited to attend.

THE PADRE PIO PRAYER CHAIN

Is a Catholic group dedicated to St Pio who contact each other by phone or email to pass urgent prayers for those in desperate need, irrespective of their faith. Are you at home most days and have a few minutes to spare? If so the Prayer Chain needs your help. Your contribution will swell the volume of prayer for Padre Pio's Intercession.

Are you an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist? If so, do you know a housebound parishioner who might be interested in becoming a valuable Member of the Prayer Chain?

Perhaps you need urgent prayerful support for family or friends? Contact us today on 636772. With your support the Prayer Chain can make a difference.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

Holy Places of Jerusalem Planned Giving Cash

	Planned Giving	Cash
East	£330.00	£462.75
St Helier	£1293.00	£1041.23
West	£412.43	£521.42

APF RED MISSION BOXES IN THE WEST

Raised £1968. Thank you.

Our Priests thank you all for your generous Easter gifts and cards.

The 'Apostleship of the Sea' thank all those who sent an Easter card to a Seafarer. The crews of the 9 ships, 140 seafarers, appreciated the visits.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

AN ISLAND PARISH LUNCH SUNDAY 29 APRIL WILL YOU COME AND SUPPORT?

Takes place at the Hotel Ambassadeur in St Clement. Letters with menu and information about purchasing tickets are available at the back of each church. Please purchase your tickets asap. If anyone can donate to the raffle please contact Rosemarie on 854281.

SPONSORED WALK BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY FOR APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA (AOS)

Please come and join our Sponsored 'Walk on Water' to France, on **Monday 7 May**, in support of Seafarers, at St Catherine's Breakwater starting at 9am until 2pm. The Parish Clergy will be taking part in the walk and are looking for sponsorship.



THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN DUBLIN

Fr Benjamin is leading a pilgrimage for all ages, married, single, with or without children, young adult or teenage as well as

grandparents, aunts and uncles. Pope Francis will be attending this meeting.

Fundraising events for this pilgrimage include a coffee & cake sale in St Matthieu's Hall **Saturday 28 April** 10am and a Table top Sale including 2nd hand Christian books on **Saturday 5 May** 11am – 1pm in St Thomas' Hall.

Thank you for supporting the Easter Egg excitement which raised £195.

'BE THE LIGHT' 10TH ANNIVERSARY SPIRIT ON THE ROCK 21 AND 22 APRIL

Fr Benjamin invites all young Catholics year 7+ to join the Confirmation Yrs 1 & 2 from 8.30am Saturday until 1.15pm Sunday for an action packed, faith filled witness to faith. We ask all to register using the packs in the churches. Confirmation Yrs 1 & 2 do not need to register. We need adult volunteers: 'Sign up' sheets for volunteers are available at the back of each church. Please contact Moyra Journeaux at m.journeaux@catholicchurch.org.je or Mary Cahill at m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je Tel: 07797787090/732583

Facebook 'Jersey Catholic Youth'; Follow us on Twitter @JaCy2005; Visit www.jacy.org.je Youth 2000 Thursdays 6.30pm – 8.30pm.

Fridays 7pm – 10pm in the Youth Room. Please note that the Youth Room is open on **Friday 20 April** for a choir practice (rather than our usual activities) to support Spirit on the Rock. Will YOU come and join us?

SCRIPTURE THROUGH DRAMA Wednesday 18 April 7pm in the Youth Room. Young people are invited to prepare scripture through drama for the Spirit on the Rock Service of Light.

ROSARY ON THE COAST

On **Sunday 29 April** at 3pm, thousands of Catholics will gather around the coasts of the British Isles to pray the Rosary for Peace, Life and Faith. In Jersey, the Knights of St Columba have organised three locations for Catholics to pray. These are at **Le Hocq**, between the pétanque pitch and the Conway Tower, at **West Park** just west of La Fregate near the memorial to the airfield & at **Corbiere** around the German bunker near the German Lookout Tower. The Knights invite all Catholics in our Island Parish to join them by gathering between 2.40pm & 2.55pm at these locations for this important prayer meeting. We will start at 2.55pm with an Act of Contrition, followed by the Glorious Mysteries at 3pm. It is hoped that those attending the 'Island Parish Lunch' at the Hotel Ambassadeur on this same day, will pray the Rosary following the meal and that the Rosary will be prayed at St Thomas' at 3pm prior to the 3.30pm Portuguese Mass.

FCJ PAST PUPILS' 85TH ANNIVERSARY

A celebration will be held at Government House on **Friday 15 June**. Tickets are £10 each. To book your place, please send a cheque with a stamped addressed envelope to Carole-Anne Robins. 15 Les Tuillies, La Route de Mont Mado, St John JE3 4DW. The charities supported from the proceeds are: Age Concern, Parkinson's Jersey and FCJ Sisters' work abroad.

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK.....

LADIES FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Monday 16 April 2pm St Bernadette's Hall

CATHOLIC PASTORAL SERVICES TEAM

Tuesday 17 April 10.30am

EVANGELISATION STRATEGY TEAM

Tuesday 17 April in St Thomas' Hall at 7.30pm.

ST HELIER PROPERTY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

Thursday 19 April 10.30am in St Thomas' Presbytery

CATHOLIC GRANDPARENTS ASSOCIATION

Wednesday 18 April 11am at CPS

ST HELIER PRAYER LIGHTHOUSE

Wednesday 18 April 8pm at St Columba's Church

WEST CONSULTATIVE GROUP

Fr Francis invites congregations from the West to the meeting on **Thursday 19 April** 7pm in St Bernadette's

MARRIAGE & FAMILY LIFE

Contact: Mary Cahill m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je
Tel: 07797742767/732583

Praise & Play Mondays in St Bernadette's Hall 9.30am–11.30am and **Friday Faith & Fun** in St Thomas' Hall 3.30pm – 5pm for babies, toddlers & primary aged children

Catholic Grandparents Association need volunteers for a Family Friendly Adoration each Friday 4pm to 5pm, helping parents to introduce children to adoration.

CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT IN AID OF FAIRTRADE

JERSEY Friday 20 April 7pm – Mayfair Hotel

Mass Times in the Parish during the next week

Date	Time	Church	Mass intention
Saturday 14 April	First Mass for the Third Sunday of Easter		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Noel Casey and family
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	John Curtin RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Our Lady of Fatima in Thanksgiving
Sunday 15 April	Third Sunday of Easter <i>Acts 3:13-15.17-19; Psalm 4; 1 Jn 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48</i>		
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Golden Wedding Anniversary Robert & Marguerite Birch
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	João Ferreira RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	João Jose Ferreira RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	Marguerite Etienne RIP
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Manuel Filipe RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	The People of the Parish
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese: : João and Antónia Faria RIP, João José Ferreira RIP, João Júnior RIP, Maria de Jesus RIP and Xavier dos Reis RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Mary Murphy RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish
Monday 16 April	Of the 3rd Week of Easter <i>Acts 6.8-15; Psalm 118; John 6:22-29</i>		
	9:30 am	Our Lady, St Martin	50th Wedding Anniversary Marguerite & Robert Birch
Tuesday 17 April	Of the 3rd Week of Easter <i>Acts 7:51-8:1; Psalm 30; John 6:30-35</i>		
	9:30 am	Sacred Heart	In Thanksgiving
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Angela Harrison RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Holy Souls
Wednesday 18 April	Of the 3rd Week of Easter <i>Acts 8:1-8; Psalm 65; John 6:35-40</i>		
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	João da Cruz Fernandes RIP
	6:30 pm	Sacred Heart 6pm Adoration 7pm Rosary	Cristina Perestrelo RIP
Thursday 19 April	Of the 3rd Week of Easter <i>Acts 8:26-40; Psalm 65; John 6:44-51</i>		
	7:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	Holy Souls
	9:30 am	St Patrick	Intentions of Fr. Nicholas France
	10:00 am	St Matthieu	For people who have nobody to pray for them
Friday 20 April	Of the 3rd Week of Easter <i>Acts 9:1-20; Psalm 116; John 6:52-59</i>		
	12:00 pm	St Bernadette	Sylvie Migalt RIP
	12:30 pm	St Thomas	Manuel da Silva RIP and Luísa de Leça RIP and sons
	7:00 pm	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish + Holy Hour
Saturday 21 April	St Anselm <i>Acts 9:31-42; Psalm 115; John 6:60-69</i>		
	9:30 am	St Patrick	
	11:00 am	St Thomas	Murphy & Power deceased family members
Saturday 21 April	First Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Easter		
	6:00 pm	Sacred Heart	Denis Webb RIP
	6:00 pm	St Patrick	Joan Smith RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	The People of the Parish
Sunday 22 April	Fourth Sunday of Easter] <i>Acts 4:8-12; Psalm 117; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18</i>		
	9:00 am	Our Lady, St Martin	Wynford Sidney Richardson RIP
	9:00 am	St Mary & St Peter	Mass in Polish
	9:15 am	St Thomas	Pat Brady RIP
	9:30 am	St Matthieu	João Jose Ferreira RIP
	11:00 am	St Patrick	
	11:15 am	St Bernadette	Tony Coogan RIP
	11:30 am	St Mary & St Peter	James O'Neil RIP
	3:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Portuguese Rui Agrela and Family in Thanksgiving Jerónimo Agrela RIP, Maria Agrela RIP, Moisés Agrela RIP, Maria Augusta Paulos RIP and Manuel Gomes RIP
	6:00 pm	St Thomas	Jean Anne Thebault RIP
	7:30 pm	St Thomas	Mass in Polish

Little Sisters: Mass at 11am each weekday and 10.30am every Sunday. For the addresses of the above churches, please call one of our parish offices (phone numbers on the front page of this newsletter) or visit our website: www.catholicchurch.org.je.

Catholic Pastoral Services	732583	cps@catholicchurch.org.je
The Welcome Centre	767997	thewelcomecentre@catholicchurch.org.je
Caritas Jersey	768963	info@caritasjersey.je
Marriage & Family Life	07797742767	m.cahill@catholicchurch.org.je/naturalfertility@catholicchurch.org.je
Saint Vincent de Paul Society	874008	svp@catholicchurch.org.je
The Oasis of Peace	861750	oasis@catholicchurch.org.je
Community Christ of Bethany	722970	ccb@catholicchurch.org.je (m) 07797727625
Padre Pio Prayer Chain	636772	lorraine.pppc@gmail.com

In an emergency (when someone seems to be near death) phone the General Hospital: 442000 and ask them to page the Duty Priest.