

INDULGENCES (II/II)

What is an indulgence?

“An indulgence is partial or plenary according as it removes either part or all of the temporal punishment due to sin.” Indulgences are applied to the living or the dead.

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 of the punishments for sin.

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 from the Father of mercies 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.



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Sunday 22nd October	SUNDAY 29A PER ANNUM Mass: 9.30am St Mary’s Mass: 11.15am St Patrick’s	Year A: Psalter Week 1 <i>[GREEN]</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
Monday 23rd October	<i>Of Week 29</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary’s	<i>[green]</i> <i>FM Minnie Rafferty 1945</i>
Tuesday 24th October	<i>Of Week 29</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary’s	<i>[green]</i> <i>Holy Souls [Julie Lazarus]</i>
Wednesday 25th October	Funeral Mass: 11am St Mary’s	<i>[RIP Lucy Kelly]</i>
Thursday 26th October	<i>Of Week 29</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary’s	<i>[green]</i>
Friday 27th October	<i>Of Week 29</i> Mass: 8.30am Hendred House <i>Adoration: 3pm Hendred House</i>	<i>[green]</i> <i>Holy Souls</i>
Saturday 28th October	SS Simon & Jude, Apostles Mass: 9.30am (<i>Latin</i>)	<i>[red]</i>
Sunday 29th October	SUNDAY 30A PER ANNUM Mass: 9.30am St Mary’s Mass: 11.15am St Patrick’s	Year A: Psalter Week 2 <i>[GREEN]</i> <i>Pro Populo</i>
	Confessions: Sundays at 8.45am or by appointment www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk	

TODAY AND LOOKING AHEAD

TODAY IS WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

World Mission Sunday is your chance to support missionaries and the Church in proclaiming the Gospel of peace to those who suffer around the world. **Today, your prayers and your donation will help a spirit of peace spread across South Sudan and around the world.** Please give what you can, and if possible, please use the Gift Aid envelopes if you are a tax payer. Thank you.

PRAYER AND FASTING ON FRIDAY 27TH OCTOBER

8.7 Million abortions have taken place since the abortion act was passed in 1967. On Friday 27th October, the 50th anniversary of the passing of the Abortion Act, please join the Good Counsel Network in praying and fasting for the end of abortion. For further information please see our website: www.goodcounselnetwork.com

YOUTH GROUP - LASER KOMBAT

The next youth group event will be a Laser Kombat game in Oxford on Saturday 18th November. This event needs to be booked in advance, so please would you let Veronica know by **5th November** (at the latest) if you wish to take part in this event. The cost is £5.95 per person and must be paid in advance. For more details, please contact Veronica on veronicapaget@hotmail.com

GATHERING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

At our next meeting on **Tuesday November 7th**, we continue our study of the story of David in the Old Testament and will be using chapters 6, 7 and 8 of the second book of Samuel to help us discuss and pray together. All are welcome. We start with coffee and biscuits in the parish rooms at about 7.15 pm for a 7.30 pm start; the normal finishing time is about 8.30 - 45.

FRUITFUL DISCIPLESHIP IN OUR DIOCESE

This is a day designed for YOU! So calling all members of Framework Teams, Evangelisation Strategy Teams, parish ministers, clergy and laity, anyone concerned for the life of the Church in our Diocese. Bishop Philip will be hosting the day and giving two talks. There will also be talks by Katherine Coolidge, the global head of Called and Gifted, on how to become a fruit-bearing disciple. **Where and when?** At the Parish Centre, St Peter's Church, Jewry Street, Winchester, on **Saturday 18th November**, 9.30am – 5pm . It is essential to book a place by emailing Amanda Shorten at Shortenashorten@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and please bring a pack lunch.

FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTION

BAMENDA 5th November



Find us on

NEWSLETTER | Please send all notices for next week's Newsletter to Maria at 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

Kathleen Doyle, Sr Catherine, Mary Wallace, Brenda Paddon, Alfie Bartlam, Jadhya Adasko and Angus Clark. Names remain for four weeks. Please request further inclusion.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Those who have died recently especially *Lucy Kelly* and those with anniversaries at this time: *Winnifred Reeley, Thomas Couling, James Delaney, Nora Lodge, Canon Morris P.P., Barbara Rogers, Mary Elsie Gresty, Michael Eyoston, Francis Dearlove and Albert Alfred Ballard.*

HOLY FATHER'S OCTOBER INTENTION - Workers and the unemployed

That all workers may receive respect and protection of their rights, and that the unemployed may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good.

PARISH GROUPS

GATHERING TOGETHER IN CHRIST

Meets on the first **Tuesday** of the month at St Mary's Parish rooms. Starting at 7.15pm (coffee)

MUMS ON THE RUN

Meets at 8.15pm on the third **Monday** of the month at St Mary's Holy Family room.

ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP

As advertised.

JESUS AND THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE EUCHARIST

Unlocking the secrets of the Last Supper. **Where:** St Edmund's Parish Church, Abingdon. **When:** Saturdays 4th and 11th November from 2-3.45pm. Free study guides. Refreshments provided. All welcome! For more details please see poster in church or call 01235 528528.

COME AND CELEBRATE YOUTH SUNDAY WITH BISHOP PHILIP AT THE CATHEDRAL

I would like to invite young adults from around Portsmouth Diocese to join me at St John's Cathedral on **Sunday 26th November:** the Feast of Christ the King and National Youth Sunday. I will be celebrating the 6pm Mass, after which there will be a social with food, and talks from inspiring guest speakers: Isaac Withers from the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales; Former President of Birmingham University Cathsoc will speak on "Being a Catholic Student" and The Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) will speak on "Discipleship on Campus". Please register at youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk The event costs £7 to attend and is open to ages 16+.

COFFEE AFTER MASS

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