



PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Millbrook

Fr Benjamin writes ...

Over the last few weeks I have been able to walk through some stunning countryside. With mountains rising high and delicate flowers growing along the rugged pathways, it was all very beautiful and relaxing. Yet, my mind also turned to this corner of Southampton, where I have been asked to serve as your Parish Priest these last four years. I could see in my mind's eye our procession of the Blessed Sacrament through the streets of Millbrook. Mountains there may not be, and the flowers may not be in such abundance and variety, but I contemplated the mountains of faith that there are here and the beautiful souls, more lovely than that of even the most exotic flower.

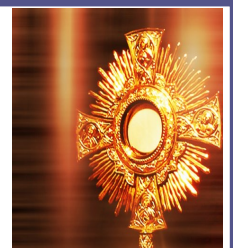
Perhaps that is what went through the Mind of the Word Who became flesh. He willed to walk through the mountains and valleys of faith and challenge, to walk amongst His people, His little flowers.

It is with this thought that I invite you all to walk with Our Blessed Lord Who came to walk with us. This *Corpus Christi* day He will walk through our streets, pass our houses be present at the bus stops in the same way He once walked through a desert land and a holy city. With His Presence, He now makes this city holy, so that desert hearts become springs of faith and the greatest act of love ever given shall be shown to the world of today. Walk with us today, and in the life of faith and prayer, as we proclaim by our public procession, the continuing fulfilment the promise, "I am with you always, yes to the end of time" (Mtt 28: 20).

God bless you this Sunday and always

Parish Vacancy

Job Title: Permanent Adorer of Our Blessed Lord
Hours of Work: Saturdays 1 am until 2 am (very early morning)
Salary: Innumerable graces
Job description: Watch for one hour, wrapped in His love.
Contact: ministry@holyfamilysouthampton.org.uk or the office



June is the Month of the Sacred Heart

Please make an extra effort this month to make acts of reparation to the Sacred Heart for our sins and the sins of the world; to offer thanksgiving for our priests and seminarians and to pray for vocations.

Perhaps spend an extra hour in Adoration (Thursday evening until Saturday evening)

NB: Benediction this Sunday 2 June will be on the steps of the Church at approximately 12 noon after the Corpus Christi procession. There will be no public evening prayer and benediction in the Church this Sunday evening.

This is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This,' he said, 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

Responsorial Psalm**Psalm 115(116):12-13,15-18****The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name****Second reading****Hebrews 9:11-15****The blood of Christ can purify our inner self**

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than the one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

Gospel**Mark 14:12-16,22-26****This is my body; this is my blood**

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.



HOLY FAMILY, SOUTHAMPTON

Parish Notices

Fundraising—Boilers Church and Hall

We are delighted to announce that we have been awarded a grant of £20K from the Greendale Trust towards the replacement of the Parish Hall heating system. There is still a mountain of work to replace the heating systems but this significant boost should enable us to replace the heating for the hall during the school summer holidays whilst our current fundraising which stands at £8300 should cover the Church and Louis Suite heating at the same time. We are incredibly grateful to the Greendale Trust and to Alasdair Akass whose hard work made it happen. Please include them in your prayers of thanks. Holy Mass will be offered for their intentions. Once complete we shall hold an “event” so Fr. Benjamin can bless the new heating systems, our tenants, and their work, and of course our generous benefactors.

Outdoor Rosary Mondays and Tuesdays

As well as our Sunday afternoon Rosary at 4pm we will pray the Holy Rosary outside the Church on Mondays at 9am and Tuesdays after Mass at approximately 10am. Please join us.

Deeper In Faith (16-18 year old group) This Monday 3 June 6-7pm

Fr Benjamin guides this group of young people wanting to look deeper into their Faith, perhaps filling in gaps in their knowledge and understanding and for those looking to be received into the Church in due course. We next meet this Monday **3rd June** from 6-7pm in the Louis Suite. For more details please get in touch with Angela ministry@holyfamilysouthampton.org.uk

Gardening with Father

Gardening Saturdays 1st and 8th June from 10am until 12 noon to continue to clear the grounds in front of the Church and to weed the Sacred Heart rose garden for the Month of the Sacred Heart. If you have any spare time do come along.

Corpus Christi Procession 2 June 2024 11.30am

Start approximately 11.30am

Procession: approx. 20-30 minutes)

12 noon Benediction on the steps of the Church.

Afternoon tea in the Parish Hall (£5 per head; ice-creams sold separately)

Marshalls will facilitate road crossing. There is one small road to cross and two sets of wide steps.

Please dress appropriately for the weather, be considerate of our neighbours and aware of the safety of those around you.

Please be very safety conscious in the car park—more than usual!

Sacramental Preparation - First Reconciliation and Holy Communion 2025

The application process for our

Parish First Reconciliation and Holy Communion programme for 2024/2025 will be open until Monday 3rd September 2024.

Please note the following information:

Your child or children will need to be in Year 4 or above from September 2024

You need to live in our parish and must be registered parishioners.

You must attend Mass regularly.

To apply we ask that you simply complete an interest form found on our website -

<https://www.holyfamilycatholicchurch.co.uk/copy-of-baptism>

Job vacancies in the Diocese <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs>

THIS WEEK AT HOLY FAMILY



Holy Mass OF = Ordinary Form, EF = Extraordinary Form

2 June	CORPUS CHRISTI	9.00 am (EF) 10.30 am (OF)	Emanuel Saliba (RIP) People of the Parish
3 June	St Charles Lwanga & Companions	7.30 pm (OF)	Chris and Faith Ukah (Wedding Anniv)
4 June	Feria	9.15 am (OF)	Anthony Baldacchino
6 June	St Norbert	7.30 pm (EF)	James Caddell (intentions)
7 June	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS	9.15 am (OF) 7.30 pm (EF)	Joseph Hoi Tran Fr A Ray (RIP)
8 June	The Immaculate Heart of Mary Vigil	9.15 am (OF) 6.30 pm (OF)	Phero Lung Le, Phero The Le Seamus O'Brien (RIP)
9 June	Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	9.00 am (EF) 10.30 am (OF)	Adam Tegetmeier People of the Parish

Please hand Mass intentions to Fr Benjamin, to Catherine, or place in the collection basket. We are currently booking Mass intentions for **July** (EF Masses for September) Thank you.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<p>June</p> <p>1st Gardening with Father 10am-noon</p> <p>2nd CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION</p> <p>2nd Afternoon Tea (Fundraiser and Social)</p> <p>3rd Deeper in Faith 6pm</p> <p>3rd Outdoor Rosary 9am</p> <p>4th Outdoor Rosary 10am</p> <p>7th SACRED HEART (procession before evening Mass)</p>	<p>June</p> <p>8th Gardening with Father</p> <p>29th STS PETER AND PAUL</p> <p>29th Bring a Plate of Food to Share Social</p> <p>30th First Holy Communion</p> <p>July</p> <p>7th First Holy Communion</p> <p>14th First Holy Communion</p> <p>27th Parish BBQ</p>
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THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED THE WEEK COMMENCING 3 JUNE

<p>Confessions (when there is Mass)</p> <p>Saturday: 5.30—6.20 pm</p> <p>Monday & Thursday: 6.45—7.20 pm</p> <p>Tuesday & Friday: 8.30—9.10 am</p> <p>Eucharistic Adoration</p> <p>Thursday 8.00 pm to Saturday 6.00 pm</p> <p>Rosary, Vespers & Benediction for Vocations</p> <p>Sunday: 4.00 pm</p>	<p>Groups/Activities in the Louis Suite</p> <p>Sewing Group - Tuesdays at 10.00am</p> <p>Gardening Club - Tuesdays 10am until 12 noon</p> <p>Mother's Prayers Wednesdays at 2.00 pm</p> <p>Lunch Group Fridays, fortnightly at 12.00 noon:</p> <p>NEXT LUNCH: TBC</p> <p>Youth Group 1st Saturdays 3.00-6.00 pm</p> <p>Catholic Men's Group 1st Saturdays at 7:30 pm</p>
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Grateful thanks for your generosity in April

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