

# SOUTHAMPTON CIRCLE NEWS

Circle No. 12 in Province No. 11

President: Michael Ingram



**CATENIANS**  
FRIENDSHIP FAMILY FAITH

JUNE 2020

## June Council Meeting

7.30 pm

Tuesday 30 June 2020

By Zoom



## July Circle Meeting

10.00 am

Monday

6 July 2020

By Zoom

Dress: Casual

Glass of wine optional



## QUIZ NIGHT

7.00 pm

Friday

26 June 2020



There was no whisky  
draw in June



## June

### Meeting Statistics

Circle Strength:	43
Present:	29
Apologies:	14
No Apologies:	0
Visitors:	15



**Mayfield  
Nurseries**

Gardening for better mental health



**TWO SAINTS**  
REBUILDING LIVES FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

## **NEWS FLASH**



### **The Aussies are coming...**

After considerable thought and discussion we are going ahead with a morning meeting in July to invite Catenian brothers from the antipodes.

It appears that the Aussies are unwilling to get up at 4 a.m. to attend meetings in the UK. So, quite reasonably I hope, we have elected to have our meeting on 6th July at 10 a.m. You will have time for breakfast before this once in a lifetime event.

The format of the meetings down-under is very different from our own. They are more relaxed and are prepared to innovate whenever they believe it's appropriate. Our meetings are more traditional so it will be interesting to hear their comments.

After the business side of the meeting is over we will have a short presentations from both sides of the world to talk about our circles, province, geography, local history, Circle charities and anything else of interest. I know the timing of the meeting will be a challenge for working brothers but please try to attend if you can.

**Meeting Date: Tuesday, 6th July, 2020 at 10 a.m.**

**Dress Code: Casual (Ladies welcome after the Circle Meeting)**

**Visitors: Please email Folkert Van Galen [fvangalen@aol.com](mailto:fvangalen@aol.com)**

### **May Ladies' Night**

Another month and another Zoom meeting under our belts. I was very pleased to welcome Claire and Emma from Two Saints to talk to us about how they have adapted to the restrictions which have been imposed during the Corona virus outbreak. Instead of closing up shop they have gone out onto the streets and worked with doctors and professionals from other agencies to ensure they are still able to help those who are vulnerable on the streets. I look forward to inviting them to join us at the Christmas party when I hope the virus will be just a fading memory.

At the end of our last meeting we handed over to the ladies. From the feedback I received, everything seemed to go very well. Claire and Emma were there for a while, chatting with the ladies about heir involvement with Two Saints. Thanks to Jane for taking over the controls after the gentlemen left the meeting.

## June Lunch Club

This month we followed the normal rhythm of circle life and had our first virtual lunch club. We had a good number turn up, each having raided the fridge or larder and with a glass of a favourite tippie in hand. We agreed to meet up again virtually next month so I will send out another invite in July. Everyone is welcome to attend.



## June Birthdays

*Birthday wishes to:*

Margaret Lillie (1)

Bob Millar (6)

Felicity Singleton (11)

Helen Matteucci (21)

Christine Palethorpe (23)

Wilma Boddeke (25)



## Blandform Forum and Isle of Wight Anniversaries in June

Congratulations to Blandford Forum and Isle of Wight Circles for their anniversaries in June. Southampton brothers were well represented as Blandford Forum celebrated their 50th meeting and Isle of Wight Circle celebrated their 600th meeting.



While the current crisis prevented them from celebrating as they would have liked, the use of Zoom meant that a great many brothers could attend virtually who might otherwise not have been able to do so. I believe both circles may celebrate their anniversaries more formally at a later when the current restrictions are no longer in place.

Prior to the circle meeting, Fr. Joe Gruskiewicz celebrated Holy Mass by Zoom from the Church of the Sacred Heart in Shanklin. There was a very good turnout and Fr. Joe spoke very highly of the work being done by the Catenians.

## End in sight for COVID-19?

Thankfully now we see the start of some easing to the lockdown. Churches are starting to open, albeit only for private prayer. Football has started again, people are returning to work and traffic is starting to build up again.

It is difficult to know when we will be able to meet again but we may start with a BBQ if the weather is good as being outside is safer.

When the pubs open again for food maybe we can try the lunch club. It will, of course, depend on how safe members feel and we will not rush back with undue haste. I still have hopes we may be able to hold our Lulworth event in September but President's Sunday in July is unlikely to go ahead.

## Quiz Night

**Friday 26 June at 7 pm**

Our second QUIZ NIGHT of the lockdown has some "fun" questions.

Connect with ZOOM to find out more! Family members welcome.

[Click here to join](#)

## DONATING YOUR DINNER MONEY

While Circle meetings are being held via Zoom, our Brotherly pockets are a little heavier in the absence of Circle dinners. Would you please consider donating a portion of your dinner money to Brother President's charities:

Two Saints: <https://www.twosaints.org.uk/donate/>

Mind (with Mayfield Nurseries): <https://www.mind.org.uk/donate/>

If possible, please use the Gift Aid option.

## River Hamble Country Park



After moving to Hedge End over twenty years ago, I was surprised to find I was in walking distance of Manor Farm Country Park, recently renamed River Hamble Country Park. It was a place I had never heard of before but it has historical connections going back many years.

The park is situated on the west side of the River Hamble between the M27 and Botley. This area was extensively used for medieval shipbuilding, using timber grown locally in the neighbouring woods. One of these woods

was Kings Copse, formerly Kings Forest, which is now a housing estate although the school there is named Kings Copse. It is still possible to walk through two other woods, Dock Copse and Fosters Copse. At extreme low tide, it is just possible to see the remains of the wreck of Henry V's 15th century warship Grace Dieu.



In the north-east corner of the park is Manor Farm itself where you will find a café. The farm provides opportunities for children to see farm animals and there are areas for children to play. There is also a 13th Century church called St Bartholomew's which, until the 1800s, was the parish church of Botley.

The Manor Farm section of the river was also home to HMS Cricket during World War II. HMS Cricket was

commissioned on 15 July 1943 as a "Royal Marine Landing Craft Crew Training Base". The base was later used to assemble troops and landing craft in the build-up to D-day. From 23 May 1944, during the final preparations for D-Day, the base was completely sealed. It was decided to close HMS Cricket after the end of the Second World War. The last arrivals were on 20 May 1946 and the base was decommissioned on 15 July 1946. The remains of the buildings are still visible in the woods.

If you have never been to the park before it is worth a visit. It's a good place to walk or cycle and it's where I go (occasionally) for exercise. Click this link for more details: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryparks/rhcp>

### Useful Links

#### Watch Mass online:

- St. Swithun Wells Parish Churches - <https://www.stswithunwellsparish.org.uk>
- Portsmouth Cathedral - <https://www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk/live>
- St. Osmunds, Salisbury - <https://salisburycatholics.org/st-osmunds>
- UK Masses - <https://www.churchservices.tv/timetable>

### PRAYERS FOR THOSE ON THE FRONTLINE OF COVID-19

Wilma	(Doctor, Southampton)	
Rachel	(Staff Caterer, Lincoln)	(daughter - Paul & Jackie)
Hazzie	(Doctor, Winchester)	(niece-in-law - Michael & Jane)
Oliver	(Doctor, Oxford)	(nephew - Michael & Jane)
Claire	(Carer, East Sussex)	(daughter - Tony & Pauline)
Stephen	(Testing Covid-19, London)	(son - Malcolm)
Elizabeth	(Nurse, London)	(niece - John & Felicity)
Tara	(Nurse, Bristol)	(daughter - Jim & Siobhan)
Daniela	(Physiotherapist, Winchester)	(daughter - Daverio & Helen)
Paolo	(Surgeon, Hull)	(son - Daverio & Helen)
Rachel	(ICU Nurse, Salisbury)	(daughter - Bill & Helen)
Madeleine	(Admin, Southampton)	(granddaughter - Tony & Catherine)
David	(Doctor, Southampton)	(son - Graham & Christine)
Joanne	(Admin, Southampton)	(daughter - Tony & Catherine)
Jane	(Community OT, London)	(niece - Bill & Helen)
Liam	(Doctor, Cork)	(son - Jim & Siobhan)
Louise	(Itinerant Nurse, South England)	(daughter - Tony & Pauline)
Megan	(Nurse, London)	(granddaughter - Martin & Elizabeth)
Pam	(Care Home Worker)	(daughter-in-law - Mike & Claire)

### CIRCLE WELFARE

*Please pray for our Brothers & ladies who are unwell:*

Myra & Bosco Andrade, Derrick Aus<n, Paul Barber, Ann & Tony Brady,  
Roger Carter, Dawn Harrison, Henri Kemhadjian, Claire Lund Yates, Peter O'Connor,  
Pat O'Neill, Louise O'Shea, Jim Shine, George Wysocki, Mark Owen (Bournemouth).



*Please also pray for:*

Luke Andrews, nephew of Paul & Jackie Andrews  
Mark Ingram, son of Mike & Jane Ingram

*May we please give thanks for those of us who have contracted Covid-19 and are now recovering.*

Dawn Harrison continues to suffer regular relapses and asks for prayers for a full recovery.

May we give thanks for all those who have recovered from Covid-19.

### IN MEMORIAM

*Please pray for the Circle Brothers whose anniversaries occur in June:*

William Tickle  
Charles Marston  
Harry Parker  
Joe Gleeson  
Sheila Barber



*Please pray for the repose of the soul of:*

Hilary Murphy, wife of Bro. John Murphy of Bournemouth Circle who died recently

CIRCLE DIARY 2020		
Friday 26 June	QUIZ NIGHT	7.00 pm: By Zoom
Monday 30 June	COUNCIL MEETING	7.30 pm: By Zoom
Monday 6 July	CIRCLE MEETING	10 AM: By Zoom (NOTE: MORNING MEETING)
Tuesday 21 July	LUNCH CLUB	Midday: By Zoom
Sunday 26 July	PRESIDENT'S SUNDAY	To be confirmed
Tuesday 28 July	COUNCIL MEETING	7.30 pm: By Zoom
Monday 3 August	CIRCLE MEETING	7.30 pm: By Zoom
Sunday 20 September	LULWORTH EVENT	To be confirmed
The Jersey Weekend in October has been cancelled		

BROTHER PRESIDENT'S CIRCLE VISITS	
Wednesday 17 June (5 pm Mass, 7.15 pm Circle Meeting)	Isle of Wight - 600th Circle Meeting
Wednesday 1 July	Poole Circle
Monday 6 July	Guernsey Circle
Wednesday 19 August	Andover Circle
Please see emails from Brother Vice-President confirming President's Circle Visits. By Zoom until further notice.	

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