



ARCHDIOCESE OF BAMENDA

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To
All Monsignors,
All Fathers,
All Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life,
All Members of Christ's Faithful,
Archdiocese of Bamenda.

**Re: PORTSMOUTH SUNDAY IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF
BAMENDA**

I have decided to institute a Portsmouth Sunday to be celebrated in Bamenda on the First Sunday of November every year, to correspond with the Bamenda Sunday which is celebrated in Portsmouth on the same Sunday. While they do a collection and pray for Bamenda on that day, I call on all Christ's Faithful of Bamenda to pray for our Sister Diocese of Portsmouth. This year, every Parish shall include two Bidding prayers for Portsmouth Diocese in their list of prayers of the faithful. Our intentions for this year are:

1. Pray for Vocations to the Priesthood, religious life and many more dedicated Lay Pastoral Workers in the Diocese of Portsmouth
2. We pray for the Gift of a deeper faith and trust in God among our brothers and sisters in the Diocese of Portsmouth, and for a renewal of the life of the church in the spirit of synodality.

We shall continue to be united with our Sister Diocese of Portsmouth in prayer, faith-sharing and journeying together spiritually for the growth of our two churches. My hope is that we strengthen this unity between our two dioceses as we prepare for the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of this relationship in 2023.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

+Andrew NKEA,
Archbishop of Bamenda

