

St Theresa of Child Jesus Church

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23rd July 2017

Saturday 22nd Mass at 6pm , Totton

Sunday 23rd Mass at 9am Lyndhurst

Sunday 23rd Mass at 10.30am Totton.

Mon 24th Communion Service at 9.30am

Tue 25th Mass at 9.30am, Totton

Wed 26th Mass at 9.30am, Totton

Thu 27th Mass at 10am, Totton

Fri 28th NO SERVICE

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 30rd July 2017

Saturday 29th Mass at 6pm , Totton

Sunday 30th Mass at 9am Lyndhurst

Sunday 30th Mass at 10.30am Totton.

Prayer to St Michael the Archangel: Holy Michael the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God cast down into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

Lourdes Pilgrimage: Why not consider joining the Diocesan Pilgrimage with Bishop Philip from Friday 18th - 25th August 2017? If you'd like more information, please contact Fr John Cooke or Mrs Clare Ryan on 01489 572797 or email parkgate@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Prayers: Please pray for the following parishioners who need our help and prayers: John Percival, Christopher Browne, and Daphne Hine, Edna Wharton and Mike Burnett. If any of your family members or you need our parish to pray for you and especially doing our Worship, please speak to Father Innaiah or write their names on the sheet of paper left for you. Or send an e-mail totton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Prayer to St. George: St. George, Heroic Catholic soldier and defender of your Faith, you dared to criticize a tyrannical Emperor and were subjected to

horrible torture. You could have occupied a high military position but you preferred to die for your Lord. Obtain for us the great grace of heroic Christian courage that should mark soldiers of Christ. Amen

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DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES Fri 18th – Fri 25th August Bishop Philip invites you to consider joining the Diocesan Pilgrimage, in August. Flying from Southampton! No one is too sick or frail. All are very welcome! We can take Pilgrims who need full time care to Lourdes, as well as those who need a little help getting around and about (or none at all). Age & ability is not a barrier to travel! Young Helpers (17-25 yrs) or Adult helpers (25 yrs+) .Perhaps you could consider joining the Team. You will make many new friends. Doctors & Nurses The Pilgrimage is also always looking for medical staff to volunteer (funds available) to help care for our Assisted Pilgrims. Helper applications must be in by 1st June.

All other pilgrim's booking forms to be in by 31st July. Come & join us, and make friends for life! Further information from Liz Bellamy or from the Diocesan Director Fr John Cooke parkgate@portsmouthdiocese.org or 01489 572797.

Welcome to St. Theresa's Totton : A nurse on the pediatric ward, before listening to children's chests, would plug the stethoscope into their ears and let them listen to their own heart. Their eyes would always light up with awe, but she never got a response equal to four-year old Joey's comment.

Gently she tucked the stethoscope into his ears and placed the disk over his heart. 'Listen, she said...What do you suppose this is?' He drew his eyebrows together in puzzled line and looked up as if lost in the

mystery of the strange tap – tap – tapping deep in his chest. Then his face broke out in a wondrous grin and he asked, ‘Is this Jesus knocking?’ The Lord Jesus knocks at the doorstep of our hearts .

I welcome you to our church. Especially our visitors, Thank you for visiting us. We are a dynamic and vibrant Faith Community with over 300 households. As we gather weekly around the Table of the Lord, we are blessed with many diverse ministries involving people of all ages. As famous community our parish is welcome to visitors from all over the country especially in summer holidays.

Catholic means universal and all are welcome! I leave you with this thought for this summer... “Working hard for something we don’t care about is called stress; working hard for something we love is called passion” May we always be passionate serving the People of God. If you live in the area of Totton, New Forest , please register and become a parishioner and get involved. I look forward to meeting you! Catch me after Mass and introduce yourself. Fr. Innaiah Maddineni, Parish Priest. totton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk , Tel: 023 80862270

9th August 2017 – Retreat Day for the Deaf : There will be a retreat day for the deaf on Wednesday 9th August 2017 at St John’s Cathedral and Discovery Centre. This event will be fully sign-interpreted. The theme for the event is St Edith Stein. The day will begin at 10:45 and will include Mass at 12.15. Full details and booking form are available at the exits. If you are interested then please contact Fr Robin Ellwood on email, careofthedeaf@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk St. Theresa’s

100 Club – June 2017 - Winners 1. Margaret Jarvis 2. Bryony Burch 3. Cheryl Robinson.

THE CATENIAN ASSOCIATION On the weekend of 29th / 30th July, Nick Coghlan, Membership Officer and Gerry Parsons , Charity Officer of the New Forest Circle who meet in Lyndhurst to address the Parish at the weekend Masses at Totton and Lyndhurst.

The purpose of our address is to raise the awareness of the aims of the Association and how it may offer opportunities for men to grow in Faith through their own mutual support. Gerry will speak to the good works the Bursary Fund is

doing and how that may offer support to all our young adult Catholics.

Throw them out! Throw them out! The year was 1770, and in a small Italian church, two altar boys prepared for Benediction. Annibale Della Genga and Francesco Castiglioni entered the sacristy, put on their albs, and grabbed the heavy brass candlesticks. And then they began to bicker. Arguing over who would stand on the priest’s right for the procession, their quibble escalated into a shouting match. Alarmed parishioners turned their heads to the back of the Church to see the commotion, and that’s when it happened: Castiglioni cracked Della Genga over the head with his candlestick.

Blood dripped from Della Genga’s injury, and both boys began shoving each other. Shocked parishioners screamed, “Throw them out! Throw them out!” So, the embarrassed priest grabbed the boys, led them to the door, and tossed them out of the church. **Now fast-forward several decades to 1825.** Half a million-people gathered in Rome for the great Jubilee celebration.

The Jubilee occurred every 25 years, and its grand climax was the opening of the Holy Door at St. Peter’s Basilica. Traditionally, the Pope would knock on the door three times with a large silver hammer and sing, “Open unto me the gates of justice!” On the third knock, the door would swing open, and the Pope would lead his people through. The symbolism was rich: pilgrims from all over the world coming back home to the Church, following their leader through the great *porta fidei*, the “door of Faith.” That Jubilee year, in front of thousands of pilgrims, Cardinal Della Genga made his way to the door.

It was fifty-five years after the candlestick incident. Cardinal Della Genga who had become Pope Leo XII neared the door. Turning to the Cardinal beside him—Cardinal Castiglioni, the Pope said “Let me have the hammer.” With a sly grin, Castiglioni replied, “Just like I gave you the candlestick?” Amazingly, four years later Castiglioni succeeded his friend and became Pope, taking the name Pius VIII.

Now if you told any of those pew sitters back in 1770 that they had two future-Popes in the back of their church, they’d have laughed you out of the building: “Those two boys? The ones shoving and whacking each other with candlesticks”?

Today’s Gospel gives us the good news that God can change even “weeds” to wheat and that we should be patient.