

St Theresa of Child Jesus Church, Totton

Our Lady of the Assumption & St. Edward the Confessor Church, Lyndhurst

20 Beaumont Road, Totton SO40 3AL, Hants. (Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth)

Reg Charity No: 246871, Parish Priest: Fr. Innaiah Maddineni, Serving the Parishes of Totton & Lyndhurst.

Parish Office Tel: 023 8086 2270, 07515001645(In Emergency)

E-mail: totton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Rev. Stephen Short, Parish Deacon, Totton Parish Safeguarding Rep: Mrs. Lynda Szymanski

02380292058, Lyndhurst Parish Safeguarding Rep: Adrian Forest. 02380283427

Pastoral Area Website, www.nfwp.org.uk

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time 28.01.2018

Saturday 27th January 6pm Mass at Totton St. Theresa , Mass for George Cutler R.I.P , Sunday 28th January 9am Mass at Lyndhurst Lyndhurst, Mass for Margaret Vernon R.I.P & John Patrick Tree , Sunday 28th January 10.30am Mass at Totton St. Theresa , Monday 29th January Mass at Totton 9.30am, Tuesday 30th January NO SERVICE, Wednesday 31st January Mass at Totton 9.30am, John Ingles R.I.P, Thursday 1st February Mass at 10am Lyndhurst, Friday 2nd February NO SERVICE, Funeral Service for Margaret at 2pm , Lyndhurst.

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 04.02.2018

Saturday 3rd Feb 6pm Mass at Totton St. Theresa

Sunday 4th Feb 9am Mass at Lyndhurst Lyndhurst

Sunday 4th Feb 10.30am Mass at Totton St. Theresa

For All Sacraments (Baptisms, Reconciliation, Confirmation, Weddings, First Holy Communion, Visit to the Sick & Anointing of the Sick): If you want your child to be baptised, want to make confession, and ready to be confirmed ,if you

are planning to get married or you need a visit – Parishioners of Totton and Lyndhurst , Please talk to Father Innaiah ONLY after Masses or Call on **023 80862270**. Or write E-mail: totton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. Please help me to get to know you and your spiritual needs. Please speak to father before or after mass or make a visit, ring or e-mail.

Hospital: What if I am taken into hospital as an emergency? Remember to let your relatives know your wishes concerning visits from a chaplain if you are taken into hospital unexpectedly. They can then notify the Chaplaincy Department if that happens. Tell the nursing staff on the ward know that you are Catholic and would like a visit from the chaplain. Please also let Fr. Innaiah know you are in hospital. Tel: 023 8086 2270. E-mail: totton@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Please pray for the following members: Please pray for Bella Calder, Claire Sorrell, Tony Wright, Jean Taplan. John Tobin. Linda Hayes and other Parish Family members.

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE LATEST NEWS! The Diocese of Portsmouth now issues a weekly e-news. Go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and add your email address to receive these updates.

Margaret Vernon R.I.P: Margaret`s funeral will be on Friday 2nd February at 2,00pm in Our Lady of the Assumption & St Edward the Confessor church followed by an interment in Lyndhurst cemetery at 3.15 pm.

John Patrick Tree R.I.P: John`s funeral will be on Friday 16th February at 11.00 am in Our Lady of the Assumption & St Edward the Confessor church followed by an interment in Lyndhurst cemetery at 12.00 Noon

Science -or - Religion? Symposium: Next year, we are planning a big diocesan Symposium to be held in Winchester called "Science – or - Religion?" I have invited two key speakers: Professor Brian Cox, professor of physics from the University of Manchester and BBC broadcaster, and Dr Andrew Pinsent from the Oxford University Ian Ramsey Centre for Science and Religion. In addition there will be optional workshops for participants to join in. The symposium will take place on Sat 3rd Nov 2018, 10am to 4pm. The Symposium will end with a panel responding to questions from the audience. More details soon but for now, please mark the date in your diary!. Bishop Philip

Parish Renewal Program: We have initiated the process of renewal spiritually and renewal to our buildings in 2013. We had Our Bishop`s Visit in June 2013, May 2015 visit of Relics of St. Theresa`s Parents , Called and Gifted Program...ANCHOR ANF ECHOS programs etc .I am hoping to undertake few jobs inside and outside Church and Hall. If you have any ideas please let me know.

Church Hall Renovation Program: Please let me know if you have any ideas regarding the proposed Renovation or Refurbishment of Church and Hall. Lighting, Heating, seating, carpet etc....

Youth Group: During Lent 2018, Sr.Vernica will help Youth Group and Parishioners on Fri evenings. Please watch this space as we will have more details. Youth group on a Lenten Project on the Friday's of Lent starting 23rd February until 23rd March .Sr.Veronica will speak at Masses on 27th & 28th January .

100 Club: December 100 Club winners were: 1. Mrs P Crook, 2. Mrs B Burch, 3. Mr P Henderson. The draw too place at the recent SVP meeting. The 4th quarter parish cheque for £500 was received . Thank you for your continued support.

The dates for Anchoring you in Happiness (Reconciliation) : 21st Feb, 28th Feb, 7th March, 14th March, 21st March, 28th March , starting at 7.30pm till 9.00pm . Basically we shall be examining the Moral life and the Sacrament of Reconciliation through the story of the Prodigal Son . **Below is an outline of how the programme runs.**

Sessions	Professing the Faith	Celebrating Confession	Living the Faith	
	The Human Person		The Prodigal Son	
1	Created	Names of the Sacrament	Natural Law	21 st Feb
2	Adopted	Examination of conscience 1	Human Freedom	28 th Feb
3	Lost	Examination of conscience 2	Effects of Sin	7 th March
4	Saved	Act of Contrition	Conscience	14 th March
5	Called	Penance	Virtues	21 st March
6	Blessed	Absolution	4 Last Things	28 th March

ALMA REDEMPTORIS MATER: *Mother of Christ, hear thou thy people's cry; star of the deep, and portal of the sky. Mother of him who thee from nothing made, sinking we strive, and call to thee for aid. O by that joy which Gabriel brought to thee, thou Virgin first and last, let us thy mercy see.*

YOUNG CATHOLICS aged 16 to 24: The **Catenian Association**, which is very active in this Diocese and city, offers Bursaries to young Catholics within this age range for projects associated with their Christian faith; within this Diocese £30,000 has recently been so offered. Projects include assisting with the disabled young people's Easter pilgrimage to Lourdes, and other initiatives to help those in need, at home and abroad. If you are contemplating a summer holiday project, or taking a gap year, do not hesitate to approach them if you have some faith-based initiative in mind. Go to www.thecatenians.com/bursary/ and you will find more information and details of how to apply.

THOUGHTS FOR THE WEEK: The Pope has set the cat among the pigeons by his apparently 'spontaneous' gesture during his recent trip to Chile of marrying two of the plane's cabin crew, at 36,000 feet between Santiago and Iquique. The couple had been 'living together' for some time and have two children. They said they were going to marriage in church, but the church was destroyed by an earthquake. This is getting slightly surreal. And I can't see it happening on Ryanair. "What!" splutter the Canon lawyers. "What about marriage preparation? The necessary paperwork? The registration of the marriage? The permission of the relevant parish priest?" (though one wonders whether parish boundaries extend 36,000 feet into the sky, and in any case the minister of the Sacrament, along with everybody else, was moving at some 600 miles per hour). As often happens with these dramatic gestures, the truth is slightly more mundane.

The couple had asked well in advance, they had received marriage instruction; the papers were complete, etc. But it could open the floodgates to impetuous priests doing all sorts of things on the spur of the moment and saying they were only imitating the Pope. Already one conservative priest blogger has said he will be in the drinks aisle at his local Waitrose every Wednesday evening to marry anybody who turns upAt least the couple didn't want Mendelssohn's Wedding March Have you been observing 'Dry January'? I jolly well hope not. I have been enjoying myself in the extended Christmas season and among other things have been working my way – with the help of others, I hasten to add – through your kind Nativity donations of food and drink. Dry January is a desperate remedy to Out-of-Control December. In particular the endless round of boozy office parties from the very beginning of that month. But the Church needs none of this.

We have Advent, our time of restrained preparation. It has always been the wisdom of the Church that a feast is preceded by a fast; the Orthodox take this much more seriously than we do, and would put us to shame. As in the Western Church we have broken this cycle, fasts have more or less disappeared, while feasts are reduced to saying the *Gloria* at Mass. This does not make sense. At Christmas Midnight Mass, the priest at San Rocco church in Turin announced that they were omitting the Creed, "because I don't believe it". After gasps from the faithful, he added: "As if anyone understands it! After many years I realise it's something I can't accept". And so instead they all sang a number from the film "Brother Sun, Sister Moon". Hearing of this, the priest of the Marian shrine of Altavilla Milicia near Palermo in Sicily positively erupted.

In a homily he told the faithful that if at Mass they ever heard something that was against the Catholic faith – even if it was from a Bishop – they should stand up and declare: "**This is not allowed!**" "It is time to stand up when you hear things that are against our Creed. Thought by Fr.David Sillince