



**St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church. Totton
Our Lady of the Assumption & St. Edward the
Confessor Church. Lyndhurst**

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23rd Sunday Ordinary Time –Psalter week 3.

Sat. 7th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 6.00.pm.
Sun. 8th Sept. Mass. Our Lady’s 9.00.am.
Sun. 8th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 10.30.am.
Maureen Houghton RIP
Mon. 9th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
St Peter Claver
Tue. 10th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
Wed. 11th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
Thu. 12th Sept. Mass. Our Lady’s 10.00am.
The Most Holy Name of Mary
Fri. 13th Sept. **No Service**

**Optional collection this weekend
Catholic Education Service**

Next weekend Obligatory Collection Home Missions

24th Sunday Ordinary Time –Psalter week 4.

Sat. 14th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 6.00.pm.
Sun. 15th Sept. Mass. Our Lady’s 9.00.am.
Sun. 15th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 10.30.am.
Mon. 16th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
Ss Cornelius & Cyprian
Tue. 17th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
St Hildegard of Bingen & St Robert Bellamine
Wed. 18th Sept. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
Thu. 19th Sept. Mass. Our Lady’s 10.00am.
St Januarius & St Theodore of Canterbury
Fri. 20th Sept. **No Service**

Obligatory Collection Home Missions

+Please pray for the following members of our community who are ill or housebound: Bella Calder, Claire Sorrell, Tony Wright, John Tobin, Christopher Brown, Peggy Crooke, Greg Borkowski, Jay Dosanjh, John Vidal, Clara Nolan, Nula Roseninge, Eve Barry. For all those in nursing homes or hospital and other Parish Family members who are ill or need our prayers.

1st Holy Communion

The 1st Holy Communion programme will be starting in November, please see Fr. Gerry, Rev Stephen Short or contact the office on Thursday 9-1 for a form with the names of those children who are now of the age and ready for preparation for First Holy communion.

100 Club Draw The winners of the August were:

Clare Dickinson
Theresa Hounsome
Sr. Kathryn Summerfield

The draw took place at the meeting of Mothers Prayers. Thank you for your support

Pope Francis’ Intentions Sept 2019

The Protection of the Oceans

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans

Pope’s Tweets I invite you, each within your own heart, to pray for our brothers and sisters who have lost their lives or who are suffering because of the hurricane in the Bahamas.

I invite you all to join me in prayer, that God, the Father of all, may consolidate fraternal reconciliation throughout Africa, which is the only hope for solid and lasting peace. The pursuit of lasting peace is a mission that involves everyone. It calls for strenuous, constant and unceasing effort, because peace is like a delicate flower trying to blossom on the stony ground of violence

VOCATIONS Our Seminarian to keep in your prayers this month is Paul Nwune (Paul spent a few weeks here in Totton before returning to his studies this week). Paul is entering his fifth year of formation at St. John's, Womersley, following a pastoral placement year at Christ the King and St. Coleman, Bitterne, Southampton. I have just finished my one-year extended parish placement. It was a wonderful experience for me to be in the parish. Working in parish enabled me to consolidate all that I have been learning in the seminary. I experienced parish life in depth, living & working in collaboration with the parish priest and the parishioners. One of the things that struck me so much was what people go through in order to practice their Catholic faith. All these experiences I have gained while working with the people in the parish, have left me pondering on what kind of priest I want to be. Paul asks that this month, 'Please keep in your prayers all people who find it difficult to practise their Catholic faith due to various challenges of life they find themselves in, that God will be for them the source of strength, hope and courage to persevere in all their trials and come out victorious'.

To find out more about vocations visit

www.portsmouthvocations.org.uk. Why not sign up for the Monthly Prayer Vocations Newsletter? See Copy on the noticeboard.

Don't forget the Extraordinary Mission Month! Don't forget that next month, October, is the Extraordinary Month of Mission (EMM) that Pope Francis has called. To celebrate the 100th anniversary of Pope Benedict XV's Apostolic Letter *Maximum Illud*, Pope Francis announced the Extraordinary Missionary Month and chose as its theme: 'Baptized and Sent: The Church of Christ on a Mission in the World'. Awakening the awareness of the *missio ad gentes*, and reinvigorating the responsibility of proclaiming the Gospel with new enthusiasm, are themes that combine the pastoral concern of Pope Benedict XV in *Maximum Illud* with the missionary vitality expressed by Pope Francis in the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*: "Missionary action is the paradigm of every work of the Church" (EG 15). This EMM will be a very special time for us in the Diocese of Portsmouth as well as an opportunity to pray for the mission of the Church around the world. At the end of this month of September, I intend to send you a Pastoral Letter on this theme. There will be a special World Mission Sunday Mass on **Sunday 20th October 2019** at 2 pm in the Cathedral. Fr. Innaiah Maddineni is the main contact on all of this and Missio Director for our Diocese. You can contact him for further information, ideas and suggestions on 023 9237 6151 or by email: imaddineni@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

'St Theresa's Church cleaning - can you help?

If you are free on a Thursday for an hour or so from 9:30am please consider coming along and lending a hand. Your support will be much appreciated. Church cleaning takes place every fortnight. New helpers are much needed, men as well as women!'

40 days for life

Please sign up for 1hour/wk. of 6-wks 40daysforlife vigil at BPAS Abortion centre, Royal South Hants Hospital, Brintons Terrace SO14 0YG .(If you are unable to commit each week, whatever you can will be appreciated) ring/text 07535937865, email 40daysforlifesouthampton@gmail.com launch event: Tuesday, 17th September (8 days before the vigil starts) 7pm Holy Family Church, Redbridge Hill, Millbrook SO16 4PL. See updates 40daysforlife.com/local-campaigns/Southampton.

29th September - World Day of Migrants and Refugees

On 29th September this year, Pope Francis will celebrate the 105th World Day of Migrants and Refugees with a Mass in St Peter's Square, Rome. The Church has been celebrating the World Day of Migrants and Refugees since 1914. It is an occasion to express concern for many different vulnerable people on the move, to pray for the challenges and to increase awareness about the opportunities that migration offers. For 2019, Pope Francis has chosen the theme *It is not just about migrants* to show up our blind-spots and make sure no one remains excluded from society, whether a long-time resident or someone newly arrived. Indeed, the Day is about all of us, our fears, our humanity, our shared desire to build a better world. The celebration, organised by the Italian Bishops' Conference, also seeks to express gratitude to Pope Francis himself, whose voice has often been raised in favour of the poor and suffering, of the marginalized and excluded, of all those residing in existential peripheries, among whom we can definitely find migrants and refugees. The Migrants and Refugees Section of the Pontifical Council for Integral Human Development asks us on 29th September to keep this Day of Prayer special. The Holy Father has released a Message for the Day. They have also provided a suite of resources we can download and use in various ways either for ourselves or in our parishes and schools.

Please remember especially in your prayers that day the impressive **Friends Without Borders** project, those who help and those whom they serve, which is run here in Portsmouth at All Saints Anglican Church and which I have visited to show solidarity and to lend support.