

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

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29th Sunday Ordinary Time – Psalter week 1. 30th Sunday Ordinary Time –Psalter week 2. Sat. 19th Oct. Mass. St. Theresa's 6.00.pm. Sat. 26th Oct. Mass. St. Theresa's 6.00.pm. Sun. 20th Oct. Mass. Our Lady's Sun. 27th Oct. Mass. Our Lady's 9.00.am. 9.00.am. Sun. 20th Oct. Mass. St. Theresa's Sun. 27th Oct. Mass. St. Theresa's 10.30.am. 10.30.am. Mon. 28th Oct. Communion Service St. Theresa's 9.30.am. Mon. 21st Oct. Communion Service St. Theresa's 9.30.am. Ss Simon & Jude Tue. 22nd Oct. **No Service**. Tue. 29th Oct. **No Service**. Wed. 23rd Oct. Communion Service St. Theresa's 9.30.am. Wed. 30th Oct. Communion Service St. Theresa's 9.30.am. St John of Capestrano Thu. 24th Oct. Communion Service. Our Lady's 10.00am. Thu. 31st Oct. Communion Service. Our Lady's 10.00am. **St Anthony Claret** Fri. **2**5th Oct. **No Service** Fri. 1st Nov Mass. Our Lady's 10.00am All Saints Holyday of Obligation Fri. 1st Nov Mass. St. Theresa's 7.00pm **Obligatory collection Foreign Missions** Next weekend **Obligatory collection for Bamenda**

+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 Rosenvinge, 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 Deacon Stephen Short for an enrolment form with the names of those children who are now of the age and ready for preparation for First Holy communion. **Fr. Gerry your priest is away for the month of October 2019.**

Fr Gerry will be on holiday in October

If you need a priest in an emergency, while Fr. Gerry is away, please contact Deacon Stephen Short on 07777 600050

Pope Francis' Intentions Oct 2019 A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the Church. **Pope's Tweets** Today we ask for the grace to allow ourselves to be amazed by God's surprises, to not hinder His creativity, but to encourage hearts to encounter the Lord. Let us work together so that every person can have access to adequate food, according to the will of God.

November visit to Lyndhurst Cemetery and Blessing

of the graves: You are invited you to visit to Lyndhurst cemetery on Sunday, 3rd November. We shall meet in the cemetery chapel at 2.30 p.m. for a short service, remembering our loved ones who have died and especially those buried at Bolton's Bench. We will follow this by a prayerful visit and blessing of the graves.

Coffee Moring St Theresa's

The Monday coffee mornings have resumed on Monday at 10.00am, all are welcome.

<u>VOCATIONS</u> Our Seminarian to keep in your prayers this month: James Lewis

James is in his 4th year of Formation at Allen Hall Seminary, Chelsea. He writes: "Last year, I completed an extended pastoral placement at St. Peters and the Parish in Winchester under the guidance of Fr. Mark Hogan. This gave me the experience of seeing 'firsthand' for one whole year the living reality of priesthood; not how I imagined, or thought it would be in an abstract sort of way, but what it was really like, living in a presbytery and working closely with the priests and the people in the Parish. This was an invaluable year for me. As the year progressed and I threw myself into Parish life, I was able to question, pray and discern more fully; is this way of life what God is calling me to? Could I serve as a priest for the Church in the service of others? Do my gifts and talents from the Lord lend themselves to this way of life? Could I ultimately find happiness and fulfilment and peace living out this vocation? I think, through the grace of God, I could. 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.

Invitation to a special Mass this Sunday Don't forget that this month is the Extraordinary Month of Mission (EMM) that Pope Francis has called. Please remember to offer the Rosary each day throughout this Extraordinary Mission Month for the Church's mission both at home and abroad. I invite you to join me for a special World Mission Sunday Mass on Sunday 20th October at 2.00pm in the Cathedral.

Extra Ordinary Month of Mission. The Holy Father Pope Francis has declared October 2019 as an Extra Ordinary Month of Mission (EMM) to commemorate Pope Benedict XV's apostolic letter Maximum illud issued on 30th November 1919. This has the aim of "fostering an increased awareness of the Missio ad Gentes and taking up again, with renewed fervour, the missionary transformation of the church's life and pastoral activity, and to help their communities grow in missionary and evangelising zeal." As an act of solidarity with whole Church, I would like to invite you to celebrate Mission Sunday Mass at St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth on Mission Sunday, 20th October 2019 at 2pm. **MSP APPEAL:** There will be Mission Awareness and Appeal on 16/17th November 2019 by Fr Mark Odion, MSP, for the Missionary Society of St Paul. Your prayerful support and generous giving is for the training of Seminarians for the Missionary Priesthood. Fr Gerry Onyejuluwa, MSP, your parish priest is a member of the Missionary Society of St. Paul. May God reward your continued support and prayers for the Missionary Society of Saint Paul.

Diocesan Pastoral Council 2019 Over the last 25 years, Mass-practice in our Diocese has declined by almost 50%. In many of our parishes now only about one in ten practice. In 2016, we conducted a study of this. It included a survey called "My Story Shared," the results of which have just been published in the book I recommended previously (edited by Stephen Bullivant et al: Why Catholics Leave, What They Miss and How They Might Return (New York, Paulist: 2019 [ISBN 978-0-8091-5409-8]). One of my chief hopes as Bishop and Shepherd is that we will all try much more intentionally and effectively to reach out to the notpracticing in order to try and bring as many of these souls as we can into, or 'back into', a deeper union with Our Lord in the Sacraments and the life of His Church. I am therefore inviting members of the diocese to join me to pray about and reflect on this issue. I wish to listen to people from across the Diocese so that we can formulate a response to this situation. We also need an opportunity to listen to good ideas and practice on the ground. Consequently, the topic of the Diocesan Pastoral Council this year is "Reaching Out to Catholics Who No Longer Regularly Practice their Faith". The council will take place in Winchester on Saturday 26th October, beginning with Mass at 9am and ending at 1pm. As a key part of the gathering, I am inviting 30 participants from deanery, pastoral area and parish evangelisation strategy teams to join me. These spaces are on a first come, first serve basis, with no more than one person per parish, recommended by their parish priest. If you are a member of an evangelisation strategy team (or parish council focused on evangelisation) please speak to your parish priest to receive the link or, for more details, contact:

evangelisationadmin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

One World Week - 20th-27th October Climate Changes everything now is the time to act! We are aware that human activity is changing the climate of our planet and damaging the natural systems which sustain populations: plants, animals and humans. One World Week 2019 is 20-27 October and includes UN Day on 24th October. Register on the website www.oneworldweek.org for the OWW e-Newsletter for updates on events and new resources.