



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

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2nd Sunday of Advent - Psalter week 2. Year A

Sat. 7 th Dec. Mass. St. Theresa's	6.00.pm.
Deceased members of Declan Bennington's family	
Sun. 8 th Dec. Mass. Our Lady's	9.00.am.
Albert Odion RIP	
Sun. 8 th Dec. Mass. St. Theresa's	10.30.am.
Tom Toomer RIP	
Mon. 9 th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Deceased members of Declan Bennington's family	
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Tue. 10 th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Wed. 11 th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
St John Damasus 1	
Thu. 12 th Dec. Mass. Our Lady's	10.00am.
Our Lady of Guadalupe	
Fri. 13 th Dec. No Mass.	

3rd Sunday of Advent – Gaudete Psalter week 3. Year A

Sat. 14 th Dec. Mass. St. Theresa's	6.00.pm.
Sun. 15 th Dec. Mass. Our Lady's	9.00.am.
Sun. 15 th Dec. Mass. St. Theresa's	10.30.am.
Mon. 16 th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Tue. 17 th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Wed. 18 th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Thu. 19 th Dec. Mass. Our Lady's	10.00am.
Fri. 20 th Dec. No Mass.	

+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, Eve Barry, Ray & Mary Templeman, Chris Phelan, and Mary Taylor. For all those in nursing homes or hospital and other Parish Family members who are ill or need our prayers.

Confirmation Have you received the Sacrament of Confirmation (14 years & above)? If not, please contact Fr Gerry as soon as possible. Thank you.

St Theresa's Parish Christmas Bazaar

Heartfelt thanks to you all for your support for our Christmas Bazaar. Special thanks to the organising committee Theresa, Edna, Briony, also those who helped by manning the stalls serving the refreshments, yourselves for donating items to sell and for attending the day. Thank you all.

Pope Francis' Intentions Dec 2019

The Future of the Very Young

That every country take the measures necessary to prioritise the future of the very young, especially those who are suffering.

Pope's Tweets: Let us pray for all the pastors of the Church, that they might guide the flock entrusted to them with the same firmness and tenderness of the Good Shepherd.

Mission Appeal for Missionary Society of St Paul

St Theresa's contributed £412.99, Our Lady, Lyndhurst contributed £198.30. The Missionary Society of St Paul is sincerely grateful to parishioners for their continued prayerful and financial support and remembers them in their prayers and Masses.

FOOD BANK: Please keep up your food bank support, as demand is sure to increase over the winter. Your food donations are greatly appreciated by those who receive them.

Preparing for Christmas - Reconciliation

As you prepare for the busy times ahead, don't forget to prepare **yourself!** Advent is a good time to take a few moments to reflect, so why not also find time to go to confession?

Jingling Bells

"Recently we delivered our NINTH carload of clothing to 2Saints for distribution to the needy and homeless. JINGLING BELLS is where it all started. Please come and join us to sing carols and have tea on at St Edmund's City Centre Catholic Church, The Avenue Southampton on Sunday 15 December 2019, 1500-1630h. Free event. Just bring a plate to share for our yummy tea in the hall afterwards. Donations of clothing are welcome (leave in foyer at rear of St Edmund's church). We look forward to seeing you. special welcome to angels and shepherds!"

VOCATIONS Our Seminarian to keep in your prayers this month

David Bateman who is in his third year at Oscott Seminary, Birmingham. He is a parishioner of the Cathedral Parish in Portsmouth. David says this about his vocation. "I have thought about the sacred Priesthood since the age of 9, and on what seems like a long journey I am now in my third year of formation. I became a Catholic at the age 17. I didn't go to university, instead after college I joined my brother and became a builder. I did this for 5 years until I met with the Bishop and we both decided that it was time to stop thinking about Priesthood and do something about it. I left my Job, family and friends to join seminary. I am extremely happy with where I am now, and I am proud to be a seminarian for the diocese of Portsmouth. To find out more about vocations visit. Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? To explore further, contact Fr. John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

Readers Days, Saturdays, 7th & 14th March 2020 at The Priory, Sway.

If you wish to attend you need to register as soon as possible, please take a leaflet at the back of Church for details.

To mark the Year of the Word the diocese of Portsmouth are launching Readers' training workshops which are available for parishes to book. The training offered, consists in two workshops of *three hours each*, each run on a separate day, for all church readers and aspiring readers.

St Dominic's Priory, Shirley Holms Road, Lymington, SO41 8NH

Workshop 1: 7th March, 10 am to 1 pm

Workshop 2: 14th March, 10 am to 1 pm

For more information or to book please contact the office.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2020

I am inviting you to join me on our Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. I will be leading the Pilgrimage supported by Fr PJ Smith and Youth Pilgrims aged 14-35 from throughout our Diocese. Our pilgrimage will begin on Wednesday 15th July with an early morning flight from Bournemouth Airport direct to Tarbes, with a short transfer to Lourdes enabling us to arrive in time for lunch. Throughout our pilgrimage you will be ably supported by our young people, who will push wheelchairs, provide steadying arms as needed, lead music at our liturgies, support the delivery of catechesis, and above all extend the hand of friendship and hospitality to each of us. We will all stay in the Hotel La Solitude where we will be able to enjoy air-conditioned rooms at a location that is very close to the Shrine. Our pilgrimage will end on Sunday 19th July after we have taken part in the International Mass and enjoyed a final lunch together. *Please note the cost of the pilgrimage is £695pp/sharing, and all pilgrims need to be able to stay in a hotel room without support, as no personal care can be offered.* See notice at back of Church for more details.

Next Monday - the Immaculate Conception

Next Monday, 9th December we celebrated the transferred solemnity (from 8th this year due to the Second Sunday of Advent) of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - joint principal patron of our diocese.

Did you know that Mary actually did know her child would save the world? In fact, she was saved around forty-seven years before Jesus died. Fr. Mike Schmitz simplifies the complex theology behind the Immaculate Conception in a video. Using a clever analogy or two, he demonstrates how Scripture alludes to the fact that Mary was immaculately conceived, and he explains why this solemnity is so important to the Church.

1st Holy Communion There will be a meeting for children and parents on Sunday 15th December in the Parish Hall at 11.30am. Please make every effort to attend.

Christmas Mass Times 2019

Tuesday 24th December.

Our Lady's. Carols at: 6.30.pm.

Holy Mass: 7.00.pm

St Theresa's. Carols at: 8.30.pm.

Holy Mass 9.00.pm

Christmas Day. Wednesday 25th December.

25th December. Mass. Our Lady's 9.00.am

25th December. Mass. St Theresa's 10.30.am

