



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

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The Epiphany of the Lord –Psalter week 2. Year A

Sat. 4 th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa's	6.00.pm.
The Epiphany of the Lord	
Sun. 5 th Jan. Mass. Our Lady's	9.00.am.
The Epiphany of the Lord	
Sun. 5 th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa's	10.30.am.
Mon. 6 th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Tue. 7 th Jan. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Wed. 8 th Jan. Mass. St Theresa's	9.30.am.
Thu. 9 th Jan. Mass. Our Lady's	10.00am.
Fri. 10 th Jan. No Mass.	

**Collection next week for
The Society for the protection of Unborn Children**

The Baptism of the Lord –Psalter week 1. Year A

Sat. 11 th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa's	6.00.pm.
The Baptism of the Lord	
Sun. 12 th Jan. Mass. Our Lady's	9.00.am.
The Baptism of the Lord	
Sun. 12 th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa's	10.30.am.
Mon. 13 th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Tue. 14 th Jan. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30.am.
Wed. 15 th Jan. Mass. St Theresa's	9.30.am.
Thu. 16 th Jan. Mass. Our Lady's	10.00am.
Fri. 17 th Jan. No Mass.	

**Collection this week for
The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children**

+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, Daphne Hine and Mary Taylor. For all those in nursing homes or hospital and other Parish Family members who are ill or need our prayers.

Pope Francis' Intentions Jan 2020

Promotion of World Peace

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions, and all people of goodwill may promote peace and justice in the world.

Pope's Tweets: May Mary, Mother of the Prince of Peace and Mother of all the peoples of the earth, accompany and sustain us at every step of our journey of reconciliation.

THE SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN

The White Flower Appeal Jan 12th, 2020

SPUC works throughout the UK to protect unborn babies and their mothers, from abortion and its devastating consequences. Since 1967 nearly 9 million unborn babies have lost their lives under the Abortion Act. And now, as we enter 2020, we are facing the greatest danger to unborn children in over 50 years. Your support really does save lives. Together we can build a society that truly values God's gift of Life. Please take and sign a postcard today. There will be a second collection for this noble apostolate, God Bless you for your donation.

God's Blessing upon you all for the New Year 2020

Many thanks to Our Lord and Saviour for enabling us to celebrate His Birthday in our Parish with so much joy. Also, thanks to all who helped with the preparations for the Christmas celebrations, those who cleaned and decorated the Church so beautifully. Thanks to the Special Ministers of the Eucharist, the Readers collectors and altar servers, flower arrangers and church cleaners for their diligent support throughout the year. Thank you to everyone in the parish for your prayers and commitment, your love of God and your support. A special thank you to those whose faith, good works and service is known only to God. On a personal note, I wish to thank you all for your generous gifts to me in the Christmas offering, your personal gifts and cards. I ask God our loving Father, the Baby Jesus and God the Holy Spirit to bless and reward all of you abundantly. May you continue to have a wonderful celebration of God's presence in your lives through this Christmas season and happiness in the New Year.

Epiphany (The Bishops conference of England and Wales have brought it forward for us to celebrate it today). Epiphany is celebrated 12 days after Christmas on 6th January (or January 19th for some Orthodox Church who have Christmas on 7th January) and is the time when Christians remember the Three Kings (Wise Men) who visited Jesus.

Epiphany is also when some Churches remember when Jesus was Baptised, when he was about 30, and started to teach people about God. Epiphany means 'revelation' and both the visit of the Three Kings and his Baptism are important times when Jesus was 'revealed' to be very important.

Some Churches celebrate, use Epiphany to celebrate and remember both the visit of the Three Kings and Jesus's Baptism!

According to the Gospel of Matthew, the three wise men - named Melchior, Caspar and Balthazar - followed the star of Bethlehem across the desert to meet the baby Jesus, offering gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The gifts were symbolic of the importance of Jesus' birth, the gold representing his royal standing; frankincense his divine birth; and myrrh his mortality.

The Year of God's Word – from Bishop Philip Egan

The Year of God's Word has begun. Over the next twelve months, I'd like to encourage everyone in our Diocese to deepen their understanding, knowledge and love of the Bible, especially of the Gospels. St. Jerome, the great biblical scholar, once said that every line of the Scriptures points ultimately to Jesus Christ, such that *ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ*.

Thank you to our Greeters

Our thanks to all those who so cheerfully welcome us every week as we come into Church, giving out hymn books, newsletters and their smiles so freely of their time and service. Thank you

Food Bank thank you for your continued and loyal support of our Foodbanks. The recipients are very appreciative of your generosity.

Our Seminarian to keep in your prayers this month:

Anthony Fyk:

Anthony is in his 4th year of Formation at the Venerable English College, Rome. He has recently received candidacy this past December and will be preparing for the Diaconate in July 2020.

Anthony has asked that during January we prayer: "For the faithful of the Diocese of Portsmouth, for the seminarians of the Diocese, and for many good and holy vocations to the priesthood". To find out more about vocations contact Fr. John Cooke at: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

Lourdes 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.*

Further details can also be obtained from our Diocesan Pilgrimage Co-ordinator, Sue by either calling her on 07780 221686 or emailing her at lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Those who would like to volunteer as a youth pilgrim should also contact Sue for further details, the cost for a Youth pilgrim is £545pp, and rooms will be shared with three others.