



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

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

Sat. 11th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa’s 6.00.pm.
Susan Vanni RIP The Baptism of the Lord
Sun. 12th Jan. Mass. Our Lady’s 9.00.am.
Philip Trant RIP The Baptism of the Lord
Sun. 12th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa’s 10.30.am.
Michel Smylt (for a quick recovery)
Mon. 13th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
St Hilary
Tue. 14th Jan. Mass St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
Wed. 15th Jan. Mass. St Theresa’s 9.30.am.
Thu. 16th Jan. Mass. Our Lady’s 10.00am.
Fri. 17th Jan. No Mass.

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

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time –Psalter week 2. Year A

Sat. 18th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa’s 6.00.pm.
Sun. 19th Jan. Mass. Our Lady’s 9.00.am.
Sun. 19th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa’s 10.30.am.
Mon. 20th Jan. Mass. St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
Ss Fabian & Sebastian
Tue. 21st Jan. Mass St. Theresa’s 9.30.am.
St Agnes
Wed. 22nd Jan. Mass. St Theresa’s 9.30.am.
St Vincent
Thu. 23rd Jan. Mass. Our Lady’s 10.00am.
Fri. 24th Jan. No Mass.

**Day of Prayer for Peace
Week of prayer for Christian Unity**

+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, Miss Fahim, Alaric Rosman 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: Worship means bringing our lives to the Lord and allowing Him enter into them. It means letting His consolation come down to earth, and letting ourselves be pervaded by His tender love.

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.

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

Saturday 15th February 2020 - Engaged Couples event

Bishop Philip would like to make contact with any engaged couples in your parish whom you know, and who are under instruction preparing for marriage in church in 2020 – either in your own church, in another parish or abroad. He would like to invite them to a special Engaged Couples Breakfast and blessing here at the Cathedral on Saturday 15th February 2020. All welcome - as long as they are engaged. Please see notice board for further details.

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

A new Archbishop for Bamenda

With great excitement and joy, we received the news on 30th December that the Holy Father has appointed a new archbishop to our sister diocese, the Archdiocese of Bamenda, Cameroon, in succession to Archbishop Cornelius. The new archbishop is to be Bishop Andrew Nkea Fuanya who until now has been the Bishop of Mamfe. Our admiration and gratitude to Archbishop Cornelius for his long and generous service of the Lord and His Church over all those years. We pray for his good health and a happy retirement. Let us also pray these next weeks for Archbishop-elect Andrew as he prepares to take up the reins.

The Missionary Society of St Paul invites parishioners to MSP Day.

The Missionary Society of St Paul UK Region cordially invites the clergy and parishioners at St Theresa’s Church, Totton and Our Lady, Lyndhurst to join them and all the MSP friends in their annual celebration of the Missionary Society of St Paul Day taking place on Friday 24th January 2020 beginning with Mass at 6.30pm prompt at St George’s Cathedral Westminster Bridge Road London, SE1 7HY, followed by reception at Amigo Hall. All are warmly welcome! Fr. Gerry Onyejuluwa, MSP your parish priest is a member of the Missionary Society of St. Paul.

The Baptism of the Lord

The feast of the Baptism of the Lord marks the beginning of the fulfilment of Jesus’ vocation. Further, the celebration of Jesus’ baptism also invites all of us, His disciples, to remember our baptism and our vocation to follow Jesus, the light of the nations. Through our baptism we share in the prophetic and divine ministry of Christ. The Baptism of the Lord commemorates an important event in the life of Jesus. It is a day that reminds us of who we are called to be in relationship with God. Let’s start with Jesus. When Jesus enters the waters of the Jordan, he is for the readers of the Gospel and the community of his time, the son of a carpenter. He was thirty and lived at home (Lk 3:23). Upon coming out of the waters of the Jordan, Jesus - in his own eyes and in ours - is different. In baptism, Jesus’ relationship with God is clearly articulated and accepted. The voice of God proclaims Jesus as God’s Son with whom God is well-pleased. Don’t we all long to hear God say: “You are my beloved child, with whom I am well pleased?” In fact, the dream of knowing that we please God is one of the deepest human desires. But how do we do that? How do we please God? The gospel recounting Jesus’ baptism gives us a place to start. Pleasing God involves the acceptance of his love and of our baptismal call. We were claimed by God in the waters of baptism as God’s beloved children. Each of us has been given a call to live a life that will be pleasing to God and fill us with a deep and abiding joy. And there are different calls for different people. Some are called to married life; to commit themselves to God and to one another. Married people promise to be living examples of love for the world, especially through the blessing of children and family. Some are called to the single life and witness to God’s love present in every walk of life. Others are called to religious life as sisters, brothers, monks and nuns. Still others are called to service as deacons and priests. Let us pray that people will live their lives as God calls them. In particular, let us ask God to open the hearts of many men and women so they may hear the happiness to which they are called through service to the Church as its vowed religious, deacons and priests. Let us pray that each of us, in our full response to God’s call, may, like Jesus, hear God say: “You are my beloved, with whom I am well pleased!”

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. Further details to follow.