



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

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7th Sunday in Ordinary Time –Psalter week 3. Year A

Sat. 22nd Feb. Mass. St. Theresa's 6.00.pm.
Susan Watts RIP
Sun. 23rd Feb. Mass. Our Lady's 9.00.am.
Anthony John Cook RIP
Sun. 23rd Feb. Mass. St. Theresa's 10.30.am.
Christopher Cornish RIP
Mon. 24th Feb. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am.
Zuzanna Jelikho (For a quick recovery)
Tue. 25th Feb. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30.am.
Susan Vanni RIP
Wed. 26th Feb. Mass. Our Lady's 10.00.am.
Ash Wednesday
Wed. 26th Feb. Mass. St. Theresa's 7.00pm.
Clifford Nwanokwara RIP
Thu. 27th Feb. Mass. Our Lady's 10.00am.
Tony McCormack (Thanksgiving)
Fri. 28th Feb. No Mass.

1st Sunday of Lent –Psalter week 1. Year A

Sat. 29th Feb. Mass. St. Theresa's 6.00.pm.
Sun. 1st Mar. Mass. Our Lady's 9.00.am.
Louis Sharpe RIP
Sun. 1st Mar. Mass. St. Theresa's 10.30.am.
Mon. 2nd Mar. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am.
Tue. 3rd Mar. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30.am.
Wed. 4th Mar. Mass. Our Lady's 9.30.am.
Thu. 5th Mar. Mass. Our Lady's 10.00am.
Fri. 6th Mar. No Mass.
Lenten Fast Day

Optional collection next weekend for CAFOD

+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 Croke, 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 Feb 2020

Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.

Pope's Tweets: The option for the poor and the abandoned motivates us to liberate them from material poverty and to defend their rights, but also to invite them to friendship with the Lord, who loves them and has given them immense dignity.

ASH WEDNESDAY

LENT BEGINS on 26th February, Ash Wednesday. Masses at 10am at Our Lady Lyndhurst and 7.00 pm at St Theresa's. Ashes will be distributed at both Masses. It is a day of fasting and abstinence.

Churches Together Lyndhurst.

The World Day of Prayer is on the Friday 6th of March at 7.30pm at the Baptist Church. Marie Smith is organising our participation. Please see Marie with offers of help.

CAFOD Lent family fast day Friday 6th March This Lent CAFOD's family fast day is an opportunity to reach out to some of the poorest, most marginalised of our sisters and brothers. Please consider eating a simple meal and put what you save in the CAFOD collection envelope. Through CAFOD's global Church family your support can help those living in poverty overseas so many thanks for your donation.

Diocesan Day of Reparation for the Sins of Sexual Abuse

I'd like to invite the whole Diocese to join me at the Cathedral on the First Sunday of Lent, 1st March 2020 from 8am, for a Day of Prayer and Reparation for the sins of sexual abuse by members of the Church - Bishop Philip.

Our Seminarian to keep in your prayers this month:

Ambrose Chou: Near the end of my second year at university I was walking past the local university Church I decided to pop in; a decision I would soon realise was a turning point in my life. There happened to be Adoration on and as I was kneeling in front of the Blessed Sacrament and praying (for the first time in ages), I felt an overwhelming sense of utter love. It was as though someone was lifting me up and embracing me, the real me with all my brokenness. I looked around because it felt like someone was giving me a hug. But no one was there, just a lady kneeling at the front. I suddenly realised it was God, and that I was loved by many people. But it was not like any other love I had felt before, it was a pure love. God's love. Near the end of university, I decided to apply for the priesthood, where I went to a discernment weekend, and a few weeks later I was accepted and went to Spain for a propaedeutic year... but I still don't speak very much Spanish!

Now I am at St Mary's Seminary, Oscott in my second year and preparing to receive the ministry of Lectorate near the end of March. I ask you to join me this month in my prayer intention - for all those who are discerning their vocation."

To find out more about vocations contact Fr. John Cooke at: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

The Rite of Election

The Rite of Election, which normally takes place on the Saturday after Ash Wednesday, takes place this year in the Cathedral on Saturday 29th February at 1100h – and I want to invite you to come and join us for it! The *Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion*, to give it its full title, is the liturgy in which those adults who are preparing for Baptism this Easter, and those who are being received into full communion with the Catholic Church, are presented to the Bishop for the Church's blessing. For the 'catechumens' (those under catechesis for Baptism) especially, this Rite is important: it's the moment in their formation when they are formally 'elected' or chosen by the Bishop, on the testimony of their godparents and others, to become members of the Church. Their names are inscribed in the Book of the Elect to signify that they have heard the Lord calling them by name and that they wish to respond publicly to His call.

A prayer for victims of Coronavirus

O God, our loving Father and Creator, we humbly ask you to receive into your arms the soul of all those who have died in China and elsewhere from the coronavirus. In your great mercy, grant consolation to the families of the departed and hope and strength to the doctors, nurses and medical staff caring for those suffering illness and diseases of every kind. Through the intercession of Our Lady, Health of the Sick, give prudence and wisdom to those in authority, insight and discovery to those seeking a cure, serenity and patience to the anxious, and health, safety and protection to us all. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hygiene guidelines

Ensure everyone maintains good hygiene especially at Mass and parish gatherings. The best way of protecting us from spread is for everyone to use universal good hygiene, which will effectively disrupt the spread of the virus. We should be doing this all the time for 'flu but don't.

Ask anyone with cold or flu symptoms to refrain from taking Holy Communion from the Chalice and receive the Host on the hand only. (We should be doing this anyway, every 'flu season.)

Ensure Ministers of the Eucharist sanitise their hands before and after distributing Communion. (We should be doing this anyway as a matter of course.) This can be done by washing hands discreetly before proceeding to the sanctuary - or using good quality hand gel discreetly.

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. Our pilgrimage will end on Sunday 19th July after we have taken part in the International Mass and enjoyed a final lunch together. 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.