

St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Totton

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Our Lady of the Assumption &
St Edward the Confessor Church, Lyndhurst
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Second Sunday Advent		Third Sunday Advent	
Year B Psalter week 2		Year B Psalter week 3	
Sat 9th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	6.00pm	Sat 16th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	6.00pm
		Bernard Morgan RIP	
Sun 10th Dec. Mass Our Lady's	9.00am	Sun 17th Dec. Mass Our Lady's	9.00am
Sun 10th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's 10.30am		Sun 17th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's 10.30am	
Lynsey Keggins (Health)		Work of Poitiers Care Food Bank	
Mon 11th Dec. NO MASS		Mon 18th Dec. NO MASS	
Tue 12th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30am	Tue 19th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30am
Our Lady of Guadalupe			
Wed 13th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30am	Wed 20th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30am
St Lucy			
Thu 14th Nov. Mass Our Lady's	L0.00am	Thu 21st Nov. Mass Our Lady's	10.00am
St John of the Cross			
Adoration & Rosary at 5pm		Adoration & Rosary at 5pm	
Mass St. Theresa's	6.00pm	Mass St. Theresa's	6.00pm
Fri. 15th Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30am	Fri. 22nd Dec. Mass St. Theresa's	9.30am

Please pray for Clara Nolan, Max Durham, Marie Duffy, Deacon Anthony Cairns, Malcolm Davies, Peter Szymanski, and Chris Phelan and all those in nursing homes or hospital and other Parish Family members who are ill or in need of our prayer.

Thursday Holy Hour St Theresa's, Totton, every Thursday at 5.00pm, the Blessed Sacrament is exposed and adored. Holy Rosary prayed and Benediction, concluding with Mass at 6.00pm.

CONFESSIONS There is confession every Saturday at St Theresa's Church, Totton, from 5.20pm until 5.50pm.

Totton parish - building fund collection next week

**Christmas Cards** are now at the back of St Theresa's. Totton.

<u>Parish Penitential Service.</u> There will be a Parish Penitential Service on Monday 18th December at 6pm at St Theresa's, Totton

<u>Counters required</u> Are you able to spare a couple of hours to join the counting rota? The more people we have the less burden on others, so if you are interested, please let Fr. Henry know? Thank you

## Prayer to be said after Holy Communion

- O Sacrament most holy, O Sacrament divine! All praise and all thanksgiving Be every moment thine.
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## St Theresa's Christmas Bazaar - THANK YOU

A very big thank you to everyone who organised and participated in the Christmas Bazaar this weekend. Thank you also to all those who donated prizes and items for the various stalls, helped on the day and for everyone who supported the event. The most important thing is that we participated as family of God. The total of money raised was £1450.

Advent 2023 "My Day-by-Day" booklets for adults and children with the daily readings for Advent to help you prepare for the Christmas season. They are only £1 each!!

<u>The 100 club</u> provides valuable funds for the Church, so why not join, and let us increase the numbers contributing, you may even be one of the lucky winners. Direct Debit forms are available at the back of Church. Thank you to Lynda and Peter for all their work in organising and all for those who support this work.

Poitiers Care Food Bank. We will be offering a Mass for the work of Poitiers care and there will be tea and coffee in the hall afterwards where we will be pleased to receive food donations. The need to reach out to the needy is growing every day particularly at this time of year. Edna will also be providing a "birthday cake" to celebrate her birthday!!!!

Stella Maris Seafarers Christmas Chocolate Appeal 2023 Can you help us give Christmas chocolates to Seafarers this December? What do you want for Christmas? Whatever it is, it is highly likely it will have come to this country by sea. Did you know there will be about 400,000 Seafarers working over Christmas, separated from their families and friends? Theirs is a tough, relentless life, long hours, boring, noisy, temperature extremes, dangerous and exhausting. Stella Maris meets and supports seafarers around the world. We want to show them that they are not forgotten this Christmas, so we are planning to collect hundreds of chocolate Christmas presents for seafarers visiting our Southern Region ports in the days before Christmas. We need to prepare now. Can you help us by donating chocolate gifts? Your gift may be the only present a seafarer receives this Christmas.

<u>Churches Together</u>. The Salvation Army will be in the Precinct (Totton) on Friday December 15th at 7pm to encourage us all to raise our voices for some traditional Carol Singing. The Parish would like to acknowledge the very generous donation of £2000 from Churches Together, Totton.

**1st Holy Communion & Confirmation 2024**. Please can you let Fr. Henry know as soon as possible if you wish for your children to be enrolled on the programmes for 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation.

This Sunday 10th December is the 2nd Sunday of Advent Year B. Scott Hahn reflects: Our God is coming. The time of exile—the long separation of humankind from God due to sin—is about to end. This is the good news proclaimed in today's liturgy. Isaiah in today's First Reading promises Israel's future release and return from captivity and exile. But as today's Gospel shows, Israel's historic deliverance was meant to herald an even greater saving act by God—the coming of Jesus to set Israel and all nations free from bondage to sin, to gather them up and carry them back to God.