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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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Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Psalter week 4	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Psalter week 1
Sat 27th Jan. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm	Sat 3rd Feb. Mass St. Theresa's 6.00pm
Sun 28th Jan. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am	Sun 4th Feb. Mass Our Lady's 9.00am
Sun 28th Jan. Mass St. Theresa's 10.30am	Sun 4th Feb. Mass St. Theresa's 10.30am
Mon 29th Jan. No Mass	Mon 5th Feb. No Mass
Tue 30th Jan. Mass Theresa's 9.30am	Tue 6th Feb. Mass Theresa's 9.30am St Paul Miki & Companions
Wed 31st Jan. Mass Theresa's 9.30am St John Bosco	Wed 7th Feb. Mass Theresa's 9.30am St John Bosco
Thu 1st Feb. Mass Our Lady's 10.00am	Thu 8th Feb. Mass Our Lady's 10.00am St Jerome Emiliani
Fri. 2nd Feb. Mass St. Theresa's 9.30am The Presentation of the Lord	Fri. 9th Feb. 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.

Please note that there will be no Adoration and Benediction until 29th Feb as Fr Henry will be on training sessions for these Thursday evenings.

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

Lepra - there will be an appeal this weekend 27th/28th Jan for World Leprosy Day to support the work of Lepra.

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 28th January is the Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time – Scott Hahn reflects - The King's Authority - Last week, Jesus announced the kingdom of God is at hand. This week, in mighty words and deeds, He exercises His dominion—asserting royal authority over the ruler of this world, Satan. Notice that today's events take place on the sabbath. The sabbath was to be an everlasting sign—both of God's covenant love for His creation (see Exodus 20:8–11; 31:12–17), and His deliverance of his covenant people, Israel, from slavery (see Deuteronomy 6:12–15).

Ten-Year Mission Plan – the Next Steps. I want to thank everyone, clergy, and laity, for all the hard work being done in your Pastoral Areas and in individual parishes to bring to life the mission plan You Will Be My Witnesses. I have asked every area for a first draft of their Pastoral Area plan by 26th March. It needs to cover the three main themes of (1) deepening faith; (2) mission and service; and (3) parish structures. At their meeting last November, Co-ordinating Pastors received a workbook with helpful prompts about what needs to be considered. It led to a good discussion. I look forward to the submissions in March in order to see how things are going. In the summer, I will be visiting each pastoral area to meet with the team of clergy and laity in order to hear directly where things are up to and also to offer support. Bishop Philip.

Rite of Election on Saturday 17th February 2024 at 11 am you are invited to join us for The Rite of Election and Call to Continuing Conversion, here in St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. We are pleased to share with you information about this year's Rite of Election for catechumens preparing to be initiated as Christians in the Roman Catholic Church and Call to Continuing Conversion for candidates – baptised Christians who are to be received into the full Communion of the Roman Catholic Church. At the Rite of Election, the Bishop, in the name of the whole Church, summons the catechumens to the Easter sacraments. In the same liturgy, he acknowledges the desire of those already baptised to be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation, and to share in the Eucharist.

Counters required – URGENTLY. 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.

CAFOD meetings You are warmly invited to come to a CAFOD meeting to find about the difference that your donations make. On Saturday 3rd February at St Philip Howard Church Hall, Bishopsfield road Fareham PO14 1ND. A simple lunch will be provided at both meetings so please book your place so that we have an idea of numbers by emailing Jo on jlewry@cafod.org.uk or phone 07710 094447

Lent 2024 Booklets – Ash Wednesday is on 14th February and marks the beginning of Lent and we have booklets for adults and children with daily readings for reflection. They are only £1 each, so why not use these booklets to help you prepare for the Easter Season. The children's booklets also have some useful exercises.