

# PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE, WESTBOURNE

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**FOREIGN MISSION APPEAL:** Will take place **TODAY** when we welcome Br John Deeney who will be telling us about the work his Order do abroad. There will be a second collection.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Ken, David, Adolfo, and two others being blessed and sent forth to the Rite of Election at the Cathedral this Saturday. Please pray for them and their families.

**RCIA;** Please could all requesting admission into full communion with the Church please attend the RCIA session this Wednesday at 6.00pm in the Parish Hall.

**ASH WEDNESDAY:** A Holy day of Obligation and day of abstinence and prayer. This Wednesday. Mass with imposition of ashes will be offered at Oli at 11.00am and 7.00pm and at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital at 6pm .

**MERCY IN ACTION:** The season of Lent inevitably takes on a special significance in this Year of Mercy, which Pope Francis has described as 'a revolution in tenderness'. So how can we be revolutionaries of tenderness this Lent? The 14 corporal and spiritual acts of mercy are an outpouring of merciful love that we can give abundantly to our neighbour. After Mass on Ash Wednesday, 'bookmarks' will be given out; on them will be printed one of these acts of mercy to reflect on and then to act upon; drawing our hearts closer to others and to Christ, who is Mercy himself.

**SOLEMN EVENING PRAYER AND BENEDICTION:** For start of Lent next Sunday at 4pm, OLI Church. All welcome.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** During lent, Stations of the Cross will be recited every Tuesday at 11.30am at OLI Church.

**SUNDAY MISSALS:** Two kinds available: a full three year perpetual version at £15 and a 2016 version for £5. Great value. Each contain all the readings and prayers for Sunday Mass.

**FILM CLUB:** Sincere apologies to those expecting *A Man for all Seasons* last month. It was entirely Fr Bill's fault who misplaced his DVD. However, the film will now be shown on Tuesday 9th February at 2pm and 7pm.

**FOOD BANK:** At a time when both the weather and financial climate are at a very low ebb, and nearly a million people throughout this country are being forced into having to apply to food banks for support, both for themselves and their families, please continue to do all that you can to help keep our own food bank topped up. Don't forget that the basic staples are: **breakfast cereal, dried pasta, orange juice (carton), soup (tinned or dry), tea bags. Also tinned meat, tuna, baked beans, vegetables, fruit,**

**rice pudding and tomatoes (all tinned).** Please make sure that all are in date. Many thanks.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** 15th and 29th February 2016, all at 2.00pm. All volunteers are welcome.

**PARISH CHRISTMAS DRAW:** There are a number of raffle prizes still unclaimed. Please check the results sheet on the notice board and claim the prize for you or your friend as soon as possible.

## PASTORAL AREA AND BEYOND

**24 HOURS OF ADORATION:** Pope Francis has asked that March 4th-5th be set aside as a special period of prayer for mercy. Bishop Philip has asked that we do this on a Pastoral Area basis. Ours will take place at Sacred Heart, beginning with Mass at 12.15pm on 4th and finishing with Mass at 12.15pm on 5th. In between, there will be continual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, a penitential service with opportunities for Confession, and a Nightfever-style time. Each parish will be taking turns providing watchers. OLI has been allocated 1.00pm-3.00pm on 4th. If you can be part of the watch team, please sign up using the sheet in the porch indicating which 20 minute slot you will be attending. Thanks

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Prayer of the Church: Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time  
Cycle of Prayer: Victims of Human Trafficking

TODAY 7th FEB	FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C	9.00AM 11.00AM	People of the Parish Christopher Bannaster
Mon 8th	St Jerome Emiliani	<i>No service</i>	
Tues 9th	Feria	11.00am	Mr Rodrigus
Wed 10th	<b>ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	11.00am 7.00pm	Mrs Rodrigus People of the Parish
Thurs 11th	<b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	11.00am	Maxine & Andrew
Fri 12th	<b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	11.00am	Winnie Fisher
Sat 13th	<b>AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</b>	<i>No service</i>	
SUNDAY 14th FEB	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C	9.00AM 11.00AM	Serene Low Cheryle Keogh

### PRAYER CORNER

**THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Rosemary Baker, Win Sheridan, Christopher Browne, Felicity Whitehead, Naiada Blunden, Margaret Barkway, John Leebody Christopher Fordham-Hall, Louise Borber, Ian Dolman, Alan Franklin Barnes, Patricia Dewar, Joan Guyomars, Lorretta Domanska, James Richards, Patricia Plumb, Ann Hogg, Dorothy Matthews and Regina Brady.

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** All mentioned in our Book of Remembrance.  
**REQUESTS:** in our visitor's book.

## PARISH CALENDAR

### FEBRUARY

Sun	7	11.00am 9 & 11am	First Holy Communion - <i>Induction of Candidates</i> Mission Appeal	OLI Church OLI Church
Tues	9	2 & 7pm	Film Club	OLI Hall
Wed	10	11.00am 6.00pm 7.00pm	Mass with Distribution of Ashes RCIA Mass with Distribution of Ashes	OLI Church OLI Hall OLI Church
Sat	13	10.15am 11.00am	First Holy Communion Session Rite of Election	OLI Hall Cathedral
Sun	14	9 & 11am 4.00pm	CAFOD Lenten Appeal Holy Hour for the start of Lent	OLI Church OLI Church
Wed	17	6.00pm	RCIA	Libertine
Thurs	18	4.00pm	Parish Pastoral Council	OLI Hall
Sat	20	10.15am	First Holy Communion Session	OLI Hall
Wed	24	1.15pm 4.00pm 6.00pm	Penitential Service Clergy/Heads School Cluster meeting RCIA	St Walb Sch Boscombe Libertine

*Welcome to all our visitors today.*

*Dedicated bays for wheelchair and buggy users at the front and back.*

*Please remember: mobile phones off.*

*Just moved in? Please give us your details.*

*If you need any assistance, please ask one of our welcome team, who will be happy to help.*

*Church Cleaning alternate Mondays at 2:30pm.*

*SVP Society meets alternate Weds 11:30am in the Hall.*

*Rosary in church Wednesdays 10.15am*

*Benediction and Confessions: Fridays 11:30am.*

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**We are part of Bournemouth Pastoral Area.**

**WHAT NEXT FOR THE FAMILY?** Please join Bishop Peter Doyle and Fr Daniel O'Leary as they give their thoughts on the recent synod. **Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> of February** between 0930 and 1500 at St Peter's Church Jewry Street, Winchester, SO23 8RY. For further information please contact Robin Correa on 07825 392925 or email [robin@stpeterswinchester.org.uk](mailto:robin@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

### DIOCESAN INFO

**DIOCESAN DIRECTORIES:** Giving listings of all parishes, schools, religious, and groups in the diocese available now. Only £5.00.

### SCHOOLS NEWS

**ST THOMAS GARNET'S CATHOLIC INDEPENDENT SCHOOL:** Open week for prospective parents - Open evening - Thursday 25th February 5pm to 8.30pm. Open morning - Saturday 12th March 9am to 12.30pm. Teacher for Year 6 required for April 2016. For further details please email: [finance@stthomasgarnets.co.uk](mailto:finance@stthomasgarnets.co.uk) or write to The Headteacher - Mr Craig Lickley including letter of application and CV. Closing date: 15th February 2016.

### SVP

**SVP TEA:** The next SVP afternoon tea will be on **16th February 2016**, from **2.00pm to 4.00pm**. Please come and join us everyone welcome.

**SUDAN APPEAL:** Thank you to all who supported Sudan appeal, we have been able to send £712.62. All the money goes straight to them. Many thanks SVP.

### CAFOD NEWS

**LENT FAST DAY - FRIDAY 19TH FEBRUARY:** This Lent Fast Day, we have the opportunity to come together as a Catholic community to ensure girls living in the world's poorest countries are free to change their lives by getting an education.

CAFOD is working with local expert organisations around the world to bring water to family homes, so girls who used to spend hours collecting it every day, now have time for school, study and to play with their friends. Fast Days are our opportunity to support that vital work. Collect your Fast Day envelope from church next weekend and remember to fast on Lent Fast Day. And there is good news: The UK government has promised to match every pound and penny you give this Lent! Please give as much as you can (in the CAFOD collection on **21st February**), so that more girls around the world are able to live free from the burden of the long walk for water. CAFOD will process your information and may contact you about our work. For details, visit [cafod.org.uk/privacy](http://cafod.org.uk/privacy)

**LENTEN LUNCHESES:** Are you ready to respond to Pope Francis' call to help the poor during this Year of Mercy? If so please come to our Friday CAFOD Lenten Lunches at 12 noon in our lovely church hall at Our Lady Immaculate, Westbourne. All proceeds will go towards CAFOD's water programmes and will be doubled through UK Match Funding. Come on your own or bring a friend.

### SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER

**PILGRIMAGE TO MEDJUGORJE 2016:** In the forthcoming Year of Mercy, why not consider a pilgrimage to Medjugorje, also known as the confessional of the world? Judy Pellatt is leading a group from **18th - 25th May**. Contact Judy at [pellattj@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pellattj@hotmail.co.uk) or 07760 396851.

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