

# PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE, WESTBOURNE

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**WELCOME:** And thank you to Fr Bernadine who will be offering Masses for us today.

**HOLY HOUR IN ADVENT: For vocations.** During the past 6 months, we, of all parishes, have experienced how much the world is in need of vocations to the priesthood. So, as we mark the beginning of the holy season of Advent, some time to pray for the hearts of those our Lord has chosen to serve and guide his church. Come any time between **4-5pm today**. Stay for 5 minutes or as long as you like. All welcome.

**THANK YOU:** To all those who came to Mass and our coffee morning on #RedWednesday, dressed in red to support persecuted Christians throughout the world. Thousands of people joined us around the country: Westminster Cathedral lit up its iconic facade red, as did the Houses of Parliament and the London Eye! We continue to keep those who struggle for their freedom of faith in our prayers. For photos of the day here at Our Lady Immaculate, go to our website: catholicwestbourne.org

**MASS FOR THE DEAD AND THE BEREAVED: Weds 30th November, 11.00am.** On the last day of November, this Wednesday, Mass will be offered up for those whose names were written down at the back of the church on All Souls Day. The Visitor's Book, which contains names of loved ones who have died, or who are bereaved, will also be



## PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCHESES

### PARISH PRE-CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Saturday 17 December  
1.00pm  
Miramar Hotel.

Sign up sheet & menu available.

Please tick your 3 choices.  
£22.75 per person

### TRADITIONAL LUNCH ON CHRISTMAS DAY AT OLI

Fed up peeling sprouts on Christmas Day? Would you like to spend Christmas Day with us?

We will be offering full traditional fayre with trimmings in our lovely parish hall. Minimum charge £18. 12.30 for 1.00pm start. Maximum No. of people - 40. Sign-up sheet in the foyer. Bring own wine.

placed on the Sanctuary that day. *May God hold them all in the palm of his hand.*

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Are you in year 3 or above? Would you like to receive Holy Communion next year? The preparation will begin in February and will take place most Saturday mornings until June. You will need to get your parent(s) to complete an application form for you. They are available at the back of the church.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** To Thomas Gitsham, who was baptised yesterday.

**FOOD BANK:** Now that the weather is getting colder again, don't forget to do all that you can to help keep our own food bank box topped up, as demand

is sure to increase over the winter months. The basic staple requirements are as previously advertised and indicated on the box: thanks.

**LUNCH ON CHRISTMAS DAY AT OLI:** Volunteers needed to help with Christmas Day Lunch, either in the run up or on the day. Meeting for volunteers is **Thursday 1st December 6pm** in the Church hall. Please contact Pam O'Neill on 07766834356 if you have any questions.

**CRAFT SALE: by the Sisterhood of St. Elizabeth, Belarus, after 11am Mass on Wednesday, 7th December.** A selection of beautiful ceramics, artefacts and icons - of which our own Our Lady of Perpetual Succour is one! - will be on sale. All contributions will go towards an orphanage and a psychiatric hospital for children in Belarus. Please

### LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Cycle of Prayer: Openness to the Word of God

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>	Leonard Fawkes
<b>27TH NOV</b>	<b>- YEAR A</b>	<b>11.00AM</b>	People of the Parish
Mon 28th	of the 1st Week of Advent	<i>No service</i>	
Tues 29th	of the 1st Week of Advent	11.00am	Bernard McBrearty
Wed 30th	St Andrew	11.00am	The Dead and the Bereaved
Thurs 1st	of the 1st Week of Advent	11.00am	Communion Service
Fri 2nd	of the 1st Week of Advent	11.00am	Gediminas Kraujalis
Sat 3rd	St Francis Xavier	<i>No service</i>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>	People of the Parish
<b>4TH DEC</b>	<b>ADVENT - YEAR A</b>	<b>11.00AM</b>	Thomas Bonaventure Quinn

### PRAYER CORNER

**THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** John Grady, John & Dee McGuire, Rosemary Baker, Win Sheridan, Christopher Browne, Felicity Whitehead, Naiada Blunden, Margaret Barkway, John Leebody, Christopher Fordham-Hall, Louise Borber, Ian Dolman, Alan Franklin Barnes, Joan Guyomarsh, James Richards, Patricia Plumb and Dorothy Matthews.

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:** All mentioned in our Book of Remembrance.

**REQUESTS:** in our visitor's book.

## PARISH CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER

Sun	27	9&11am 4.00pm	Fr Bernadine to offer Masses Holy Hour in Advent	OLI Church OLI Church
Mon	28	2.00pm	Bridge Club Church Cleaning	OLI Hall OLI Church
Wed	30	11.00am 2.00pm	Mass for the Dead and the Bereaved German Club	OLI Church OLI Hall

### DECEMBER

Thurs	1	2.00pm 6.00pm	Craft Club Volunteer meeting for OLI Christmas Day Lunch	OLI Hall OLI Hall
Sun	4	9.00am 11.00am	Fr Andrzej to offer Mass Fr Brian Copus to offer Mass	OLI Church OLI Church
Mon	5	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall
Wed	7	11.30am 2.00pm	Craft Sale by the Sisterhood of St Elizabeth, Belarus German Club	OLI Hall OLI Hall

come along and support the Sisters of St Elizabeth and hear about the remarkable work they do within and beyond their community. We keep them all in our prayers.

**THE FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION: Thursday December 8th** is our parish Feast Day. Please join us for a special Mass at **6pm** to pray together and celebrate the life of our parish community.

*followed by:-*

**FEAST DAY CELEBRATION:** After Mass on **Thursday 8th December** we will be having a shared supper in the hall. There is a **sign up sheet** in the lobby to indicate if you are bringing a plate of savoury or sweet finger food to share. We look forward to celebrating our special Feast Day together at Our Lady Immaculate.

**FILM CLUB:** There will be no Film Club in the month of December.

**ST. PAUL'S MISSALS 2017:** Are now available in the church lobby. Price: £5. If you are a reader at church, and would like one in order to prepare your reading in advance, copies are free.

**ST PATRICK'S MISSION DIARIES 2017:** Still some available, £3.50 each. All proceeds to the Society.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** No collection today or next week.

**SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN:** A reminder that children must be accompanied by their parents at all times whilst in the church or in the hall.

**SAFEGUARDING:** All parish volunteers are required to attend refresher training courses every three years. If you think you are due, there is a programme of combined Child Protection and Vulnerable Adult Protection Awareness refresher training on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2017 from**

**10.30 am to 1.00 pm at St Joseph's Parish Centre, Christchurch.** For more information, please email Soraya Ciccarone at the Diocese: [soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) .

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Will be on November 28th at 2pm. All volunteers welcome.

## PASTORAL AREA AND BEYOND

**ADVENT PENITENTIAL SERVICE:** On **Friday, 16th December, 7.00pm** at **Corpus Christi parish church**, there will be an Advent Penitential Service with a number of priests available for confession.

**WALKING PILGRIMAGE:** Fr. Tom Grufferty is organising a walking pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi from 28th September - 6th October. Cost £1, 195. For more information contact Fr. Tom at [tomgrufferty1@gmail.com](mailto:tomgrufferty1@gmail.com)

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**YOU SHALL GO TO THE BALL:** 25 places have been booked to see the pantomime, Cinderella. Join us on **Thursday 15th December at 2.30pm** at the **Pavilion Theatre Bournemouth**. £16.50 per person (including a free ice cream!). Payment should be made to either John Slater or Suzanne Quinn.

## SVP

**AFTERNOON TEA:** The next date is **Tuesday 13th December at 2pm.**

*If you have anything of interest that you would like included in the newsletter, please email us at: [oliadmin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:oliadmin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)*

*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 2:00pm.*

*SVP Society meets Weds, once a month 11:30am in the Hall.*

*Rosary in church Wednesdays 10.15am*

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

*Tea and Coffee Downstairs after both Sunday Masses.*

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