

PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE, WESTBOURNE

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WELCOME: And many thanks to Fr Kevin Fox who will be offering 9am Mass for us, and to Fr Brian Copus who will be saying 11am Mass today.

A DAY OF PRAYER FOR VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING on **February 8th**, the feast day of St. Josephine Bakhita, who was herself a former slave. Mass that day will ask her intercession for those who are victims of present-day human trafficking. There will be a coffee morning afterwards and a talk given by Julie Shanley of The Medaille Trust about the plight of the thousands of people who are being trafficked into the UK each year. For more information visit medaille-trust.org.uk

EQUIPE NOTRE DAME, TEAMS: is a worldwide lay movement within the Catholic Church, which offers mutual support and a way of living for Christian married couples in today's world. Teams aim to help couples grow in their love of Christ and each other. Each month a Team of 4 or 5 couples meet for a shared simple meal followed by time for prayer, reflection, discussion and spiritual growth. If you are interested in finding out about Teams in your pastoral area please contact Southern Regional Couple, Bernard and Susan Kelly on 07957265380 or e-mail us at southern@teamsgb.org.uk visit www.teamsgb.org.uk or catch up on Facebook.

WORKING PARTY: This Tuesday 31st January at 12 noon. We would like to

have a tidy-up and inventory of the kitchen and store room. If you are able to assist, do please come along and help. Tea/coffee and nibbles will be provided.

LENTEN LUNCHESES: We are hoping to provide Friday Lent Soup lunches again this year but we really need volunteers to make soup or serve on the day. If you can help please speak to Pam at 9am Mass or Susan at 11am Mass or please see sign-up sheet on the notice board in the porch.

THANK YOU: to all who supported our quiz night and fish & chip supper. We raised a total of £161 which will be donated to Macmillan, Cancer Support.

DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH DIRECTORIES 2017 are now available from the office. Price: £6. Directories include information and contact details about all departments of the diocese, including schools.

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.

GERMAN CLUB: Has been suspended until further notice.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be no second collection today. Next week for Racial Justice.

CHURCH CLEANING: Dates include 6th and 20th February; 6th and 20th March at 2pm. All volunteers welcome.

PASTORAL AREA AND BEYOND

CATHOLIC PARLIAMENTARY AND PUBLIC POLICY INTERNSHIPS 2017-18: The Catholic Church in England and Wales is looking to recruit up to nine Catholic graduates to work for 11 months in Parliamentary, Media and Communications, and Social Action posts beginning in September 2017 - July 2018. The closing date for applications is **Friday, 10th February 2017**. For more information www.faithinpolitics.org.uk

ALPHA TASTER SESSION: Tuesday, 21st February at St. Joseph's Parish Centre, Christchurch BH23 1EH. Free. The Alpha Course is open to all: whether you are regular churchgoers, occasional visitors, atheists or just curious. In fact, the Alpha course is for anyone who's curious. The short films explore the basics of the Christian faith and encourage conversation in a friendly, welcoming open and informal environment. No question is out of bounds and you are free to discuss as much or as little as you wish. Further information: Richard at www.alphavonstour@gmail.com

LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Cycle of Prayer: Sufferers from leprosy

SUNDAY 29TH JAN	FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00AM	Simon Philipps
		11.00AM	People of the Parish
Mon 30th	Feria		<i>No service</i>
Tues 31st	St. John Bosco	11.00am	<i>Communion Service</i>
Wed 1st	Feria	11.00am	Holy Souls
Thurs 2nd	The Presentation of the Lord	11.00am	No Special Intention
Fri 3rd	St. Blaise	11.00am	Kathy Chandeler
Sat 4th	Our Lady on Saturday		<i>No service</i>
SUNDAY 5TH FEB	FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00AM	People of the Parish
		11.00AM	Colin and Joy Spinks

PRAYER CORNER

THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Joy Chiari, 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 Guyomars, 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

JANUARY

Sun	29	9.00am	Fr Kevin Fox to offer Mass	OLI Church
		11.00am	Fr Brian Copus to offer Mass	OLI Church
Mon	30	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall
Tues	31	Noon	Tidy-up of kitchen and store room	OLI Hall

FEBRUARY

Thurs	2	2.00pm	Craft Club	OLI Hall
Sun	5	9&11am	Fr Shaun Budden to offer Masses	OLI Church
Mon	6	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall
Wed	8	11.30am	Talk on behalf of Medaille Trust, refreshments included	OLI Hall
Thurs	9	2.00pm	Craft Club	OLI Hall
Sun	12	9&11am	Fr Tony Pennicott to offer Masses	OLI Church

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Fr. David Hutton, who has been diagnosed with terminal cancer. He is one of the priests who are planning to begin an oratory-in-formation at Sacred Heart Church, Bournemouth. This means that the expected start of the Oratory will be delayed. We ask God to comfort and strengthen him through His peace.

LATIN MASS IN JANUARY: The Franciscan Friars of Gosport will next offer their sung Tridentine Mass at Sacred Heart church on **Monday 30th January at 7.15 pm.**

5 MOST DANGEROUS PLACES TO BE A CHRISTIAN: For the sixteenth consecutive year, North Korea is ranked as the most oppressive place in the world for Christians. Somalia is next, followed by Afghanistan, Pakistan and Sudan. For more information, see the notice board in the church hall. Please keep all persecuted Christians in your prayers.

DIOCESAN INFO

INVITATION FROM BISHOP PHILIP TO ALL ENGAGED COUPLES: If you are getting married sometime soon, either in a church in our diocese or elsewhere, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Valentine's Day breakfast on **Saturday 11th February at 9.15am** in the Cathedral Discovery Centre, Portsmouth. He will also bless each couple and their engagement ring. For more information and booking, pick up a form at the back of the church or call Kirsten on 023 9282 0894.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES WITH BISHOP PHILIP: 18th-25th August 2017. For more information, please contact Fr. John Cooke or Mrs. Clare Ryan on 01489 572797 or email parkgate@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

WEBINAR: Webinar is an online meeting to which anyone can participate through the internet. The Formation for Mission Team are offering a weekly webinar to unlock the Gospel for the following Sunday. The course is free and it is open to everyone in the Diocese. For more information go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation/webinar/

YOUTH NEWS

CALLED AND GIFTED: Many parishes and pastoral areas have already benefited from 'Called and Gifted' including our own. The process is now being offered to young people. The event will be launched in Southampton University on **Saturday 4th Feb 10.30am- 7.00pm.** For further information please go to 'Called and Gifted Young Adults' on Facebook or see the poster on our notice board.

FLAME 2017: Saturday 11th March. Flame 2017 is the largest national catholic youth event of the year, taking place in the SSE Wembley Arena on **Saturday 11 March 2017.** Please contact Will Hince on whince@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to book tickets and for further information.

SVP

AFTERNOON TEA: Please join us for tea, coffee and cakes on **Tuesday 14th February at 2pm.**

SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE, IRELAND: 13th-18th March 2017. Price £599. For further information please contact Patricia at Knock Pilgrimages. Tel: 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

PRAYERS FOR BAMENDA: Archbishop Cornelius has asked us to continue to pray for his diocese and for the people of Bamenda, that the recent unrest there may not persist or escalate. Bishop Philip has asked us to pray the Memorare for their intentions. You will find copies in the lobby.

If you have anything of interest that you would like included in the newsletter, please email us at: 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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