

PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE, WESTBOURNE

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WELCOME: And many thanks to Fr. Andrew Moore, who will be offering Masses for us today.



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD: Today. On the Feast of the Epiphany, as we recall Jesus' manifestation to humanity in the face of a Child, may we sense the Magi at our side, as wise companions on the way. Their example helps us to lift our gaze towards the star and to follow the great desires of our heart. We must press on towards Bethlehem, where, in the simplicity of a dwelling on the outskirts, beside a mother and father full of love and of faith, there shines forth the Sun from on high, the King of the universe. By the example of the Magi, with our little lights, may we seek the Light and keep the faith. May it be so. (*Pope Francis*)

CHILDREN'S EPIPHANY PARTY: Today at 3pm. Come and join us for a fun packed afternoon of crown-making, star biscuit decorating, camel racing and much more...

SVP AFTERNOON TEA: This Tuesday 10th January at 2pm. Why not bring a friend or neighbour along? All welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS' MEETING: There will be a meeting on **Saturday 21st January at 10.15 am** in the church hall, for all parents whose child has been enrolled for the First Holy Communion programme 2017.

It is important to attend as we will be looking at the outline of the course and giving out the timetable. It is also an opportunity for any queries about the programme to be discussed.

SECOND COLLECTION: There will be no second collection today or next week.

MISSALS: Two kinds are available: a full three year perpetual version at £15 and a 2017 version for £5. Each contain all the readings and prayers for Sunday Mass.

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

CHURCH CLEANING: January dates are 9th and 23rd at 2pm. All volunteers welcome.

SOCIAL EVENTS

QUIZ FISH AND CHIP NIGHT: Thursday 19th January at 7pm. £10 per person, payable in advance please, to the parish office post box, in the hall. Sign-up sheet now available.

BRIDGE CLUB: Will resume tomorrow, **Monday 9th January at 2pm.**

GERMAN CLUB: Will re-start this **Wednesday 11th January at 2pm.**

CRAFT CLUB: Will re-start this **Thursday 12th January at 2pm.**

SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER

DAY OF REFLECTION AND PRAYER: That They May All Be One celebrates the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity (January 18th - 25th) at **Corpus Christi in the Memorial Room on Saturday 21st January, 10.30am—4.15pm.** Please see poster for more details.

GROWING CLOSER TO JESUS WITH DON BOSCO: Retreat, Saturday 21st January, 10:00am - 4:30pm (Reflection, Adoration, Confession and Mass) hosted by The Association of Mary Help of Christians. Held at St Thomas More RC, BH6 5QG. Led by Delegate Fr Hugh Preston SDB (Salesian of Don Bosco). All invited. Contact Romy Rosario Powles at 07906581619.'

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA: 2017 celebrates the centenary of Our Lady's apparitions at Fatima. St Joseph's and Our Lady of Fatima, Poole, are organising a pilgrimage of 5 days from **Sat 10th to Weds 14th June** (taking in the anniversary of the second apparition on 13th June). Flights would be from Heathrow to Lisbon. The cost is £629 (travel insurance £25; single room supplement £108). Even if you might just be interested, please speak to Oonagh 01202 748166 or email her at poole-olf@prcdtr.org.uk

LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Cycle of Prayer: Expectant Mothers

SUNDAY	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	9.00AM	11.00AM	People of the Parish
8TH JAN				Siva Sathyendran
Mon	9th	The Baptism of the Lord	No service	
Tues	10th	Feria	11.00am	Holy Souls
Wed	11th	Feria	11.00am	No Special Intention
Thurs	12th	Feria	11.00am	Communion Service
Fri	13th	Feria	11.00am	No Special Intention
Sat	14th	Our Lady on Saturday	No service	
SUNDAY	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00AM	11.00AM	People of the Parish
15TH JAN				Eileen & Gerry Gambos

PRAYER CORNER

THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Mary Bell, 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, 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	8	9&11am 3.00pm	Fr Andrew Moore to offer Masses Children's Epiphany Party	OLI Church OLI Hall
Mon	9	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall
Tues	10	2.00pm	SVP Afternoon Tea	OLI Hall
Wed	11	2.00pm	German Club	OLI Hall
Thurs	12	2.00pm	Craft Club	OLI Hall
Sun	15	9.00am 11.00am	Priest to be confirmed Fr. Brian Copus to offer Mass	OLI Church OLI Church
Mon	16	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall
Weds	18	2.00pm	German Club	OLI Hall
Thurs	19	2.00pm	Craft Club	OLI Hall
		7.00pm	Quiz Fish and Chips Night	OLI Hall
Sat	21	10.15am	First Holy Communion 2017 Parents' Meeting	OLI Hall
Sun	22	9 & 11am	Fr Andrew Moore to offer Masses	OLI Church

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

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.

CAFOD

CAFOD Portsmouth Supporters' Meeting – Saturday 4 February: Join us at our next CAFOD Portsmouth Supporters' Meeting on **Saturday 4 February from 10am-1.30pm** at St. Bede's Catholic Primary School, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX. There will be a special talk on our livelihoods work in Zambia (our Lenten focus) by Mark Chamberlain and a chance to hear an update on all our exciting campaigns from Dan Hale. Please book a place in advance via 01252 329385 or portsmouth@cafod.org.uk. Thank you.

YEMEN CRISIS: CAFOD is a member of the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) – a coalition of leading aid agencies which has launched an appeal to respond to the humanitarian crisis in Yemen. The civil war between the Houthi ethnic group and supporters of Yemen's government is now into its second year. The UN estimates that the conflict has killed more than 10,000 people, with 6,000 people killed this year alone. The resulting humanitarian crisis is significant. More than 7 million in Yemen do not know where their next meal will come from. If you would like to support this appeal, you can donate online at cafod.org.uk or send a donation to CAFOD. Please keep the people of Yemen in your prayers.

PASTORAL AREA AND BEYOND

WEBINAR: Webinar is an online meeting to which anyone can participate through the internet. Starting on **Wednesday 11th January**, the Formation for Mission Team will be offering a weekly webinar

to unlock the Gospel for the following Sunday. This webinar is free and it is open to everyone in the Diocese. For more information go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation/webinar/

ARE YOU SEEKING ACCOMMODATION? christianflatshare.org is a website that seeks to bring together those offering accommodation and those who are seeking accommodation. There is no fee for the service and the options are very flexible.

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.

SCHOOLS NEWS

STARTING SCHOOL AT ST WALBURGA'S: If you have a child who was born between 1st September 2012 and 31st August 2013, he or she is due to start school in September 2017. If you would like to apply to St Walburga's, please contact the school office (01202 528811), or call in. You will be provided with all the necessary forms, which you will need to complete and return to the school, together with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate. You will also need to complete a Primary Preference Form online at www.bournemouth.gov.uk by the **15th January 2017 at the latest**. If you would like to visit the school, please contact the school office.

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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