

# PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE, WESTBOURNE

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

**ALL SAINTS DAY: Wednesday 1st November. Holy Day of Obligation.** Mass times are 11am and 7pm.

**ALL SOULS DAY: Thursday 2nd November. 11am Mass.** After Mass, the church will remain open for anyone who would like to come and light a candle in remembrance of loved ones who have passed away. There will also be an opportunity to add their names to a list for inclusion at a Mass offered for the dead and the bereaved, on **Wednesday 29th November at 11am.**

**BLESSING OF THE GRAVES: Sunday November 5th.** Please gather either in front of the chapel at Wimborne Road Cemetery at **2.30pm** or in front of the chapel at the North Cemetery Crematorium, also at **2.30pm**, where Fr. Bernardine or Deacon Barry will begin the blessing of graves. They will be there, whatever the weather!

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** If you would like a loved one added to our Book of Remembrance, please complete a slip available in the entrance.

**MASS INTENTION:** If you would like to have a Mass offered for someone, please speak to Suzanne or Sara.

**BAMENDA SUNDAY: 5th November.** Every year, we have a special collection to support projects in our twinned diocese of Bamenda. This year, donations have paid for the building of a Pastoral Centre which provides essential training for catechists who carry the faith to the remotest parts of the Archdiocese. This is just one of the ways your contributions bear fruit. It has been a particularly challenging year for the English-speaking areas of Cameroon which have been in dispute with the predominantly French-speaking government. The Anglophone region has experienced violent flare-ups as the central government has repressed dissent over perceived marginalisation and discrimination. The last school year was lost as the schools were closed, and with weekly protests restricting market trading, people have struggled to support themselves. The special collection next weekend is a chance to show solidarity with our brothers and sisters in this troubled region. *We keep the people of Bamenda in our prayers.*

**PROCESSIONAL CROSS:** Our grateful thanks to the Bournemouth Oratorian Community who have lent us a processional cross while we continue to source one for our parish. Such crosses have a long history: in the year 597, the Gregorian Mission of St. Augustine of Canterbury to England carried one before them 'like a standard', according to St Bede the Venerable.

**CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES 2018 :** Confirmation classes will be starting in December at The Annunciation, Charminster. If you are interested, please call Karen on 01202 513369 or [charmister@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:charmister@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

**BROTHER LIONEL RIP:** We have received the sad news that Brother Lionel died peacefully in Sirumalar Children's Village, South India. He was the founder and patron of Reaching the Unreached, a charity that helps the poorest in rural villages in South India. As a De La Salle brother, he had strong links with St. Peter's School, which was run by the community for many years. He died on October 5th. For two days, over 100,000 people filed passed his open coffin—a great testament to a man who had given over 60 years to the poor. *May he rest in peace.*

**FIRE WARDEN VOLUNTEERS:** A sign-up sheet is now available if you would be willing to volunteer as a Fire Warden. Full training given. Please could you ensure that you fill in a 'contact details' slip and post into the office post box. We will need to be able to get in touch with you regarding the training. *Thank you.*

**FR. BILL'S CHANGE OF ADDRESS:** Fr Bill has moved to: 1 Grange Road, Alresford, Hampshire. SO24 9HD. Any post should now be sent there rather than St. John's Convent.

**CHURCH CLEANING: 2pm** on 30th October. *New volunteers always welcome.*

**SPECIAL COLLECTION:** No second collection today. Next week for Bamenda.

**ANNUAL MASS COUNT:** For national statistics will take place each Sunday in October.

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Cycle of Prayer: Pontifical Mission Societies

<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>30TH SUNDAY IN</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>	People of the Parish
<b>29TH OCT</b>	<b>ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>11.00AM</b>	Patricia Bonelli RIP
Mon	30th Feria	<i>No service</i>	
Tues	31st Feria	11.00am	Maureen Lock RIP
<b>WEDS</b>	<b>1ST ALL SAINTS</b>	<b>11.00AM</b>	Alice Smith RIP
		<b>7.00 PM</b>	No Special Intention
<b>Thurs</b>	<b>2nd All Souls</b>	<b>11.00am</b>	The Faithful Departed
Fri	3rd Feria	11.00am	No Special Intention
Sat	4th St Charles Borromeo	<i>No service</i>	
<b>SUNDAY</b>	<b>31ST SUNDAY IN</b>	<b>9.00AM</b>	Fred Judge RIP
<b>5TH NOV</b>	<b>ORDINARY TIME</b>	<b>11.00AM</b>	No Special Intention

## PRAYER CORNER

**THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Patricia Plumb, Joan Guyomارش, John & Dee McGuire, Christopher Browne, Joy Chiari, Win Sheridan, Jeanette McKay, Mary Bell, Christopher Fordham-Hall, Felicity Whitehead, Rosemary Baker, Ian Dolman, Naiada Blunden, Margaret Barkway, Louise Borber, Dorothy Matthews, Mary Devlin and Maria Pugliana.

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

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

## PARISH CALENDAR

### OCTOBER

Mon	23	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall
Thurs	26	2.00pm	Craft Club	OLI Hall
Mon	30	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall

### NOVEMBER

Wed	1	11am & 7pm	All Saints Day	OLI Church
Thurs	2	10am – 4pm	Church open for All Souls Day	OLI Church
		2.00pm	Craft Club	OLI Hall
Sun	5	2.30pm	Blessings of Graves - Fr Bernardine	Wimborne Rd Cemetery
		2.30pm	Blessings of Graves - Deacon Barry	North Cemetery

## SOCIAL EVENTS

**SAVE THE DATE:** for the pre-Christmas lunch at the Miramar on **Saturday, 16th December**. Further details to follow.

**CHRISTMAS PANTOMIME:** Tickets now available from John Slater for Jack and the Beanstalk, at the Pavilion Theatre, Bournemouth on **Tuesday 12th December, 2.30pm**. Cost £17.50 which includes a free ice-cream! Sign-up sheet now available on the notice board. Money can be left in the office post box.

## DIOCESAN INFO

**REFUGEE RESPONSE DAY:** Friday 10th November 1– 4pm. St Edward the Confessor RC Church. Chandler's Ford, Hants. SO53 2DU. Please join us to find out more about, and maybe become involved in, the local response to refugees. Speakers: Jesuit Refugee Service and Rural Refugee Network. If you would like to attend, email [maidenhead@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:maidenhead@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

## YOUTH NEWS

**COME AND CELEBRATE YOUTH SUNDAY WITH BISHOP PHILIP:** "I would like to invite young adults from around Portsmouth Diocese to join me at St John's Cathedral on **Sunday 26th November: the Feast of Christ the King**. It is also National Youth Sunday. I will be celebrating the **6pm Mass**, after which there will be a social with food, and talks from inspiring guest speakers in the Cathedral Discovery Centre. Isaac Withers from the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales; Former President of Birmingham University Cathsoc will speak on *Being a Catholic Student* and The Fellowship of Catholic University Students (FOCUS) will speak on *Discipleship on Campus*. This is a fantastic opportunity for young adults to network, connect to events locally and further afield, and communicate the things that they want to see happening in the Diocese." If you would like to register a place, please email [youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) Cost is £7.00 and includes food and drink. Open to ages 16+ See poster for more details.

## PASTORAL AREA AND BEYOND

**CATHOLIC LEGACY WEEK: 5-11 November.** Bishop Philip writes: "Relatively few people think about continuing their lifetime support through

gifts in their Will. Yet legacies are a very valuable and lasting way to be involved in the Church's ministry and mission, helping to meet the needs of future generations." If you would like to know more, please visit [yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk](http://yourcatholiclegacy.org.uk) or call 020 7095 5370. Leaflets are available at the back of the church.

**ROMERO—HEARTBEAT OF EL SALVADOR:** The ministry of Blessed Archbishop Romero is an inspiration of how to live out the Gospel in very challenging times. You are invited to come and share his story in the moving play, *Romero—Heartbeat of El Salvador*, produced by Rise Theatre Company in association with the Archbishop Romero Trust, on **Saturday 18th November, 7.30pm at St. John's Cathedral, Portsmouth.**

## SCHOOLS NEWS

**SCHOOL FORMS:** All admissions forms requiring the priest's signature should be handed in to either Suzanne or Sara who will then pass them on to Fr. Bernardine. He has requested that you also include a covering letter with your contact details, your regularity to Sunday Mass, how long you have been a member of the parish and any involvement in parish life. Forms for St. Peter's and St. Walburga's will be delivered to the school by Fr. Bernardine. For all other schools, please also include a stamped addressed envelope. *Thank you.*

## SPRITUALITY AND PRAYER

**ONLINE SUNDAY BIBLE REFLECTIONS by Dr. Scott Hahn:** Offering a reflection on the readings of the coming Sunday. Visit [stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/Sunday-bible-reflections/](http://stpaulcenter.com/studies-tools/Sunday-bible-reflections/)

**TRINITY PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND, UKRAINE AND LITHUANIA: 17th September - 28th September 2018.** Fr. Marcus Drabik invites you to join Our Lady and St. Swithun's Parish Pilgrimage during 100th Anniversary of the Independence of Poland. This may be your last chance to see these places in such a way before Brexit kicks in. Deadline for completing the Registration form is 20th December 2017. Further details can be found at [stswithuns.org.uk/trinity\\_pilgrimage](http://stswithuns.org.uk/trinity_pilgrimage)

**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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