

PARISH OF OUR LADY IMMACULATE, WESTBOURNE

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NEW SOUND SYSTEM: Our present sound system was installed around seven years ago on a very tight budget and has served us well. However, the quality is deteriorating, and we have decided that now is the time to invest in a system to suit all our needs and which is intended to last for around 20 years. The work began on Friday and is expected to take a week to complete. This requires a significant investment of approximately £8,000, which we will need to raise through donations and fundraising. We would therefore be most grateful to anyone who would like to consider making a donation towards our new sound system. Please contact the parish office for further details. Thank you. *Weekday Masses will continue as normal in the church this week.*

PAINTING THE CHURCH: This has been funded with support from the 'Living our Faith Campaign', a scheme set up by Bishop Crispian Hollis to ensure the physical upkeep of our churches for future generations. Painting will begin on **Monday 15th January** and is expected to take around two weeks to complete. During that time there will be no access to the church. Weekday and Sunday Masses will take place in the hall.

WEEKDAY MASS IN THE HALL: Whilst the church is being painted, there will be weekday Masses in the hall from **Tuesday 16th January—Tuesday 30th January, 11.00am.** There will be no Benediction nor Confessions on Fridays during this period.

SUNDAY MASS IN THE HALL: Whilst the church is being painted, Sunday Mass will take place in the hall. This will extend over two Sundays: **Sunday 21st January and Sunday 27th January. 9am & 11am.** However, we advise that there will be **limited access** to the lift for those who cannot use the stairs. It is also important to bear in mind that in the event of a fire, the lift would not be operational. If you are considering going to Mass elsewhere on those particular Sundays, here is a list of times of Masses at our neighbouring parishes:

TIMES OF SUNDAY MASSES
in the surrounding area:

BOURNEMOUTH ORATORY
08.00, 10.30, 16.00
1 Albert Rd. BH1 1BZ

THE ANNUNCIATION:
11.00, 18.30
Charminster Rd. BH8 9RW

CORPUS CHRISTI:
09.30, 11.00, 17.00
17/18 St. James Sq. BH5 2BX

ST JOSEPH & ST WALBURGA:
10.30
2a Archway Rd. BH14 9AZ

OUR LADY OF FATIMA:
08.30
35 Brixey Rd. BH12 3PB

SUNDAY MASS IN CHURCH HALL

Sunday, 21st January. 9.00 & 11.00
Sunday 28th January, 9.00 & 11.00

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, much more....

SVP AFTERNOON TEA: This Tuesday 9th January. 2.00pm. Please join us for tea, coffee and cakes in the hall. *All welcome.*

PRAYER GROUP: Starts this Thursday 11th January 2018. 7.15pm-8.30pm. Everyone is most welcome to join us in the church hall for our first gathering. We have Sr Joana and her guitar to lead us in songs of praise. We have an opportunity to give prayerful thanks for all the good we have seen and experienced in our lives over Christmas-time and to make petitions for all those in need of God's healing grace. We will spend contemplative time on the readings for next Sunday, and see how our hearts and minds are inspired by God's word in our lives. We aim to meet every other week on a Thursday but there is no obligation at all to attend regularly. *Father of Light, draw us near to your love and each other in prayer.*

CRIB OFFERINGS: This year, with the encouragement of Bishop Philip, the parish will be donating crib offerings to Friends of the Holy Land. Every penny will help the poorest Christian families, especially in and around Bethlehem, the West Bank, Gaza and Israel, with education, employment, health and housing costs and initiatives. FHL is non-political and ecumenical. Please keep our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land in your prayers at this time.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Cycle of Prayer: Migrants and Refugees

SUNDAY	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	9.00AM	People of the Parish
7TH JAN		11.00AM	The Wilson and Goggin Families RIP
Mon	8th The Baptism of the Lord	<i>No Service</i>	
Tues	9th Feria	11.00am	Pam Bridgen RIP
Weds	10th Feria	11.00am	Betty Vavasour RIP
Thurs	11th Feria	11.00am	No Special Intention
Fri	12th Feria	11.00am	Maria Lopez
Sat	13th Our Lady on Saturday	<i>No Service</i>	
SUNDAY	SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.00AM	Simon Philipps
14TH JAN		11.00AM	People of the Parish

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, Maria Pugliana, Avril Poole and Margaret Guerrero.

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

REQUESTS: in our visitor's book.

PARISH CALENDAR

JANUARY

Sun	7	3.00pm	Children's Epiphany Party	OLI Hall
Mon	8	2.00pm	Bridge Club	OLI Hall
Tuesday 9th—Friday 12th			Sound System Replacement	OLI Church
Tues	9	2.00pm	SVP Afternoon Tea	OLI Hall
Thurs	11	4.30pm	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	OLI Hall
		7.15pm	Prayer Group	OLI Hall
Mon	15	8.00am	Painting of Church begins	OLI Church
Tues	16	11.00am	Mass in Hall - for the next two weeks	OLI Hall

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

ST. PATRICK'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY 2018 DIARIES: Reduced price now **£2.00**. There are still plenty left. You will find them in the lobby on Sundays and the parish office during the week. All proceeds to the Society.

ST. PAUL'S SUNDAY MISSALS 2018: Price £5.50. If you are a reader at Mass and would like one in order to prepare your reading in advance, copies are free. You will find them in the lobby on Sundays, or the parish office during the week.

NEWSLETTER INSERTS: If you have anything of interest that you would like included in the newsletter, please send us an email at oliadmin@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk **Maximum 80 words.**

SOCIAL EVENTS

ESCOFFIER LUNCHEON: Wednesday 31st January, 12 noon. If you would like to come along, please sign up and tick whether you would like a two-course meal for £9.95 or a three-course meal for £12.50. Sign-up sheet and menu can be found on the notice board. Please leave money in the office post box, clearly labelled, or with John Slater.

BRIDGE CLUB: Bridge Club will re-commence on **Monday 8th January 2018 at 2.00pm**. However, during the painting of the church there will be **no** Bridge Club. (January 15th and 22nd)

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: for social events. Grateful thanks to those who have recently volunteered to join the social committee. We *still* need more hands on deck! Would you like to become involved in organizing hospitality events? If so, please contact the parish office. *Thank you.*

YOUTH NEWS

WORLD YOUTH DAY—PANAMA 2019: Portsmouth Diocese is sending a group of 18-30s to World Youth Day, Panama in **January 2019 (21st-27th)**. Anyone who would like to go should express their interest by emailing youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk no later than **15th January**. The cost is in the region of £1800, and support will be given for seeking sponsorship and fundraising.

CAFOD

NEW YEAR RESOLUTION: CAFOD, are currently looking for volunteers. There are many ways to get involved such as in local schools, in your parish, or raising issues with your MP. To find out more about our work please come to our Lent Fast Day briefing on **27th Jan from 10am to 12pm at Our Lady of Sorrows Ford-Ingbridge**. To book your place, or to find out dates of other venues in the diocese, please call Jo Lewry on 01252 329385 or email portsmouth@cafod.org.uk

SPIRITUALITY AND PRAYER

DAY OF PRAYER AND REFLECTION: Celebrate the New Year with us! Our next day of prayer and reflection is on **Saturday, 20th January** in the **Memorial Room, Corpus Christi**. Led by Fr. Tony Horan SJ, it will focus on *Putting together our image of Jesus*. We will begin with teas and coffees at **10.30 for 11.00am** and aim to finish by **4.15pm**. Please see poster on noticeboard for further details.

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

BISHOP PHILLIP WRITES: A generous donor has provided me with 40,000 copies of Matthew Kelly's best-selling book, **Rediscover Jesus**, for distribution to all the faithful of our Diocese of Portsmouth. I hope you enjoy it. May it help all of us in our efforts at "bringing people closer to Jesus Christ through His Church." Copies are available in the church lobby.

THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION for January

Religious Minorities in Asia
That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.

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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