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2/3 November 2024

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Bishop Philip writes... THOU SHALT NOT KILL



This past weekend I issued a new Pastoral Letter. It is about the bill before Parliament to legalise what they call 'assisted dying'. I prefer to call it what it is: assisted suicide, helping someone to kill themselves. I urge you to write to your MP.

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“Thou Shalt not Kill” is an instinctive principle written into every human heart. It grounds the laws that govern every civilised society on earth. It is the teaching of all major religions, and it is fundamental to Christian morality and Catholic social teaching. Yet now, campaigners such as Exit International, want to change this natural law to allow killing in certain circumstances, and they are conducting an intensive campaign in the media, highlighting sad cases and making emotional pitches. Yet if we yield to this and permit killing, we will cross a line from which there is no return. Like using nuclear weapons, once deployed, it’s too late; there’s only escalation.

Let me give you four plain reasons why assisted suicide and euthanasia is wrong:

1. The option of assisted suicide would put intolerable pressure on the most vulnerable, upon the sick, the elderly, the disabled, the dying.
2. To legalise assisted suicide would completely undermine palliative care and the work of care-homes and could spell the end of hospices.
3. Assisted suicide would place an unacceptable and immoral demand on medical staff, expecting them to become accessories to killing.
4. If the legislation is passed, even with the strictest limits for now, the thresholds of eligibility will keep creeping forward to cover ever more categories of persons.

Dear

I am contacting you as a very concerned constituent to ask you to speak and vote in opposition to Kim Leadbeater's assisted suicide Bill.

I am deeply worried about the risks that legalising assisted suicide would bring to vulnerable groups, particularly in light of the significant pressures that already exist on the NHS and a recent Marie Curie report. I am a passionate advocate of assisted living, not assisted dying. It is my firm view that investing in palliative care is a better way to support people suffering at the end of life.

Killing is always wrong, and suicide goes entirely against our natural instincts. To permit legally assisted killing and suicide is to cross a symbolic line. Like using a nuclear weapon, there would be no turning back.

I kindly ask you to consider the following four reasons why any change in the law to facilitate assisted suicide is gravely immoral and a danger to society:

1. The option of assisted suicide puts intolerable pressure on the most vulnerable, upon the sick, the elderly, the disabled, the dying, tempting them to feel they are a burden – and a financial drain – on their family and others. The right to die would inevitably become a duty to die - and in time the right to make another die.

2. To legalise euthanasia and assisted suicide would undermine palliative care – Britain is a world-leader - and the work of care-homes. It could spell the end of care homes as we know them, since it would be cheaper and less trouble to kill someone rather than to care for them. Caring for the dying, looking after them, is true “dignity in dying” - not a lethal injection or a Sarco pod.

3. Assisted suicide places an unacceptable and immoral demand on medical staff, doctors and nurses. It would make them accessories in killing. It would also undermine the trust we would normally have in them. It's easy to imagine a future in which doctors advise patients to seek suicide rather than treatment.

4. Once the legislation is passed, like a line in the sand, it will keep creeping forward, expanding to cover more and more categories of persons. There are no limits. Fixed safeguards are unworkable. No government could guarantee that there will not be 'mission-creep'. In fact, mission-creep is happening in every other jurisdiction where it is legal. In Canada, for instance, 5% of deaths are now by lethal injection. In other words, suicide, free on the NHS, would in time become socially acceptable, normal.

Please reassure me that you will oppose this legislation and instead support wider access to improved palliative care.

Thank you for your consideration and for all you do. I look forward to receiving your response.

Yours sincerely

Guided Adoration, Praise & Worship and Confessions

Saturday (2 November) 5-6pm

An hour of guided Adoration including the Sacrament of Reconciliation. If you have never experienced Adoration before or haven't been to Confession for a while, why don't you make the most of this wonderful opportunity.



November: Month of the Holy Souls

Thank you to Fr. Joe Balaswamy, who will be celebrating our Mass at St. Edmund's for Holy Souls on Saturday 2 November @ 10am.

On Sunday 3 November Fr. Jeremy will bless the graves at Hulbert Road Cemetery @ 2pm and Fr. James will bless the graves at Catherington Cemetery @ 3pm.

Holy Souls Remembrance Cards are available from the narthex from this weekend. Please write on these, the names of the faithful departed who are dear to you. Place the completed cards in the basket provided in the narthex and these will be placed before the altar during November as a sign of Remembrance.

Our Book of Remembrance will be available from Tuesday to view in church during the month of November.



Remembrance Sunday [10 November]

Poppies are available this weekend from the table in the narthex.

All donations to the Royal British Legion.

Poppies are worn as a show of support for the Armed Forces community. The poppy is a well-known and well-established symbol, one that carries a wealth of history and meaning with it. Wearing a poppy is still a very personal choice, reflecting individual experiences and personal memories. It is never compulsory but is greatly appreciated by those who it is intended to support. www.britishlegion.org.uk

Mass on Thursday 7 November

Everyone is invited to join the Sixth Form Mass at Oaklands School Chapel, celebrated by Fr. James, on Thursday 7 November @ 10.20am. If you are a regular at the St. Edmund's Thursday 10am Mass, please consider coming along to Oaklands Chapel this week for Mass. All the school ask is that you sign in at reception (located in the White House) before attending. And to make life easier, parishioner Tessa Most will be on hand to direct you.

All Readers - New Lectionary Translation Coming Soon!

All Catholic Churches in England and Wales are changing to the new translation of the Lectionary – the Book used for all Scripture Readings at Mass.

WHEN? The change will take place from the First Sunday of Advent (1st December 2024).

WHY? To make the text more faithful to the original language and easier to proclaim.

HOW? We are arranging sessions for **new and all existing** Readers to see it and try it out. For convenience, the sessions have been arranged spread over different weekday evenings and at weekends in the coming months to allow all Readers to attend. It is necessary for **all Readers at Sunday Mass** to attend before 1 December. Dates/Times available:

Wednesday 13 November 12:45-1.45pm at Sacred Heart

Wednesday 13 November 7-8pm at St Edmunds

Saturday 16 November 2-3pm at Sacred Heart

Please book one session with the Presbytery office by email office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk or telephone 023 9226 2289 as soon as you can.

You can purchase the new 'Peoples' Sunday/Weekday Missal from the Catholic Truth Society (CTS) online <https://newlectionary.org> or by calling CTS directly on 020 7640 0042.

The Missals will not be available to buy from the parish shop. However, if anyone who doesn't have access to the internet would like a copy of the Sunday or Weekday Missal please contact Sue in the presbytery office. In order to receive a 10% discount and free delivery, we need to order 6+. At the moment I have 3 people down for Missals, which are available now. If anyone would like a copy - £17.96, please call asap – orders are already being shipped out. People's Weekday missals will not be available for delivery until April 2025.

Bamenda Sunday



On Bamenda Sunday this weekend, we celebrate our Diocesan link with the Archdiocese of Bamenda, Cameroon, now in its 50th year. Please pray for a peaceful resolution to the political crisis in Bamenda and for the priests generously sent here from the Archdiocese to serve in the Diocese of Portsmouth:

Fr Gaston Afah Forbah (English Martyrs, Reading and Episcopal Vicar for Evangelisation)

Fr Emmanuel Rinda, (Corpus Christi & St Joseph's, Portsmouth)

Fr Elijah Fru Nde, (Christ the King & St Colman Bitterne and Hedge End & West End)

Fr Anthony Njingo (Immaculate Conception, Portswood)

Fr Benedict Ndikum (Assistant Priest in Winchester)

We remember them and their families in our prayers this Bamenda Sunday.

The second collection this weekend is the main source of annual income for the various joint projects our Bamenda Funds will support. Please be as generous as you can in these very challenging times. ANY contribution of ANY size is most welcome and can make a real difference.

Donations can also be made securely www.bamendaandportsmouth.com/donate.php If you can set up a standing order, this would really help the Bamenda Committee to assess how many project applications we can afford to support. Please download a form from the same Donate page. Many thanks for your support.

Amare Memoriae

We pray for the rest and peace of the souls of Pat Daley, Darren Faulkner, Ann Talman and Patricia Taylor who have died recently. Please remember in your prayers their family and friends at this sad time.

Dates for their funerals at Sacred Heart:

Pat's Funeral Mass will be on Monday 4 November @ 12noon

Darren's Funeral Service will be on Thursday 14 November @ 10am

Patricia's Funeral Mass will be on Wednesday 20 November @ 12noon

Anne's Funeral Mass will be on Wednesday 20 November @ 3pm

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

PAT Testing

Portable Appliance Testing, PAT Testing as is commonly known, is an annual process to check electrical appliances and equipment to make sure they are safe to use. This year's date has been confirmed as **Thursday 7 November**. Anyone who brings in electrical equipment from home to use in church/parish centre, are asked to bring their equipment in for 9am on Thursday 7 November. Thank you.

Liturgical Fortnight

Correct at time of publication. However, it would be advisable if you are thinking of attending a Mass in another parish, other than Sacred Heart and St Edmund's, that you contact the parish beforehand. Contact details for parishes in the Havant Pastoral Area can be found after the grid.

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	VENUE	SACRED HEART MASS INTENTION
Saturday 2 November ALL SOULS	9.30am 10am 5-6pm	Adoration Mass Guided Adoration, Praise & Worship and Confession	St Edmund St Edmund Sacred Heart	
Vigil 31ST SUNDAY IN OT	6.15pm	Mass	Sacred Heart	Peace in our World
Sunday 3 November THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 10.30am 2pm 3pm 4pm 6.30pm	Mass Mass Blessing of Graves Blessing of Graves Mass Mass	St Edmund Sacred Heart Hulbert Rd Cemetery Catherington Cemetery QA Hospital Chapel Sacred Heart	Kevin Galligan, RIP Holy Souls
Monday 4 November <i>St Charles Borromeo,</i> <i>Bishop, memorial</i>	7am 7.30am 10am 12noon 12.30pm	Adoration Mass Mass Funeral Mass Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart St Michael & All Angels Sacred Heart QA Hospital Chapel	Peace in our World Pat Daley, RIP
Tuesday 5 November <i>Feria [31st Week in OT]</i>	9am 10am 6.45-8.15pm 6.30pm 7pm	Mass Mass Rosary Group Adoration Mass	St Colman St Michael & All Angels Sacred Heart St Edmund St Edmund	
Wednesday 6 Nov <i>Feria [31st Week in OT]</i>	10am 10am 11.30am 12noon	Mass Mass Adoration Mass	St Paul St Joseph Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	John Beauvoisin, RIP (FM)
Thursday 7 November <i>Feria [31st Week in OT]</i>	10am 10.20am 12.15pm	Mass Sixth Form Mass Mass	Ss Thomas Oaklands School Chapel St John's Cathedral	Mass for deceased clergy
Friday 8 November <i>Feria [31st Week in OT]</i>	8am 10am 10am 6.30pm	Community Mass Mass Mass Mass	Oaklands School Chapel St Michael & All Angels St Joseph St Colman	
Saturday 9 November THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA, <i>feast</i> Vigil 32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 10am 5.30pm 6.15pm	Adoration Mass Confession Mass	St Edmund St Edmund Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Deceased members of the Kerrigan family
Sunday 10 November THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 'Remembrance Sunday'	9.30am 10.30am 4pm 6.30pm	Mass Mass Mass Mass	St Edmund Sacred Heart QA Hospital Chapel Sacred Heart	For the Fallen Urwin family
Monday 11 November <i>St Martin of Tours,</i> <i>Religious, memorial</i>	7am 7.30am 12.30pm	Adoration Mass Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart QA Hospital Chapel	For all Martins (FM)
Tuesday 12 November <i>St Josaphat, Bishop,</i> <i>Martyr, memorial</i>	6.45-8.15pm 7pm	Rosary Group Mass	Sacred Heart All Saints' Church, Denmead	Holy Souls
Wednesday 13 Nov <i>Feria [32nd Sun OT]</i>	11.30am 12noon	Adoration Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Ian Cuthbert, RIP
Thursday 14 November <i>Feria [32nd Sun OT]</i>	9am 10am	Mass Funeral Service	St Edmund Sacred Heart	Darren Faulkner, RIP
Friday 15 November <i>Feria [32nd Sun OT]</i>	9.30am 10am	Adoration Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Maureen Reynolds, RIP
Saturday 16 November ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON, Bishop, Joint-Principal Patron of the Diocese, <i>solemnity</i> Vigil 33RD SUNDAY IN OT	9.30am 10am 5.30-6pm 6.15pm	Adoration Mass Confession Mass	St Edmund St Edmund Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Peter Craig, RIP
Sunday 17 November THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9.30am 10.30am 4pm 6.30pm	Mass Mass Mass Mass	St Edmund Sacred Heart QA Hospital Chapel Sacred Heart	Mary Bartlitz, RIP Holy Souls

We welcome Fr. John Adikwu who has kindly agreed to celebrate our Saturday evening Mass this weekend, just in case Fr. Jeremy & Fr. James have delays on their journey back from Medjugorje.

Rosary in Havant Pastoral Area

Monday: St. Michael and All Angels, Leigh Park after 10am Daily Mass.

Tuesday: St. Patrick's, Hayling Island at 10am before Daily Mass.

Tuesday: Sacred Heart of Jesus and St Peter the Apostle, Waterlooville, 6.45-8.15pm.

Monday to Wednesday: St. Thomas More's school chapel, Bedhampton, 8:15am.

Tuesday to Thursday: St. Thomas More's school chapel, Bedhampton, 3pm to pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

Third Thursday of every month: St Josephs & St Thomas' at St. Joseph's church, Havant at 3pm.

Havant Pastoral Area

Sacred Heart & St Peter the Apostle



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St Edmund



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Fr. Jeremy Garratt & Fr. James Lewis
Secretary: Yvonne Hands
023 9259 3010
office@stedmundhorndean.org.uk

St Patrick



Manor Road,
Hayling Island
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Fr. Mark Whiting
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haylingisland@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

St Michael & All Angels



437 Dunsbury
Way,
Leigh Park PO9
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Canon Gerard Flynn
Secretary: Ellen McCarthy
023 9248 4323
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St Joseph



134 West St, Havant
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Fr. Joe Gruskiewicz
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Ss Thomas



24 New Brighton Road,
Emsworth
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Fr. Joe Gruskiewicz
Parish Administrator: Vicky McGuigan
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St Colman and St. Paul



St Colman Ave, Cosham PO6 2JJ
Fr. Andrew Wagstaff
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scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

www.portsmouthvocations.org



Our Vocations Promotion Team invite those discerning a call to the Priesthood to join them for their Autumn 'First Friday Seeker Evenings' at Sacred Heart Church, Fareham, on the first Friday of December from 7-9pm. The evening follows a very simple pattern of a meal, a discussion and Eucharistic Adoration. To register and for more information contact vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Baptism into the life of Jesus and the Church

We welcome into the family of the Catholic Church, Adam & Jaden Lal, who will be baptised on Sunday @ 12noon. Please pray for Adam & Jaden, their parents, Godparents and families, that God will bless and guide them through the journey of life.

John McCormack writes...

- Could you help with wrapping Christmas presents for our fantastic Christmas Fair? If you can then please drop John an email with your contact details as soon as you are able: johnmcc-2010@hotmail.co.uk
We are also collecting bottles, full ones please, for the above fair on the 1/12/2024. Please bring them in and drop them off in the narthex or see Nina or John.
- Our monthly meeting for reading the Holy Bible takes place this coming Thursday the 7th of November at 6:45. Come and join us for a comfortable, relaxing journey through The Word.

News from St. Peter's School

St. Peter's School Open Events

'A welcoming school for all families in the Waterlooville area'

Wednesday 6 November 9.30-11am, Monday 11 November 1.15-2.45pm, Wednesday 13 November 6-7.30pm. Applications for Year R September 2025 open in November 2024. Applications for Year 3 September 2025 open now! Please contact the school to meet our Headteacher, Mr. Cunningham, and have a personal tour to see St. Peter's in action 023 9226 2599 adminoffice@stpeterswaterlooville.hants.sch.uk

Team Clean!

Remember that Cleanliness is next to Godliness. Why not join the 'Team Clean' to ensure His house is always clean and tidy. This happens on a Monday morning between 09.00-10.00 hours. Give it a try - the Team are very friendly bunch.



The Tuesday Club

First and third Tuesdays of each month 2-4pm. If you have never attended before but fancy turning up for a cuppa and a chat, just come along. Any questions – please give Trish a call on 07947 611699.

The Union of Catholic Mothers

The ladies meet on the first and third Wednesdays of every month. The next meeting will be on Wednesday 6 November @ 1.30pm in the Parish Centre. Everyone welcome – just pop along!

First Holy Communion Programme 2025

Do you have a baptised child in Year 3 or above who could make their First Holy Communion in 2025? Please email Sue at the presbytery office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk with the following information:

Child's full name, date of birth, home address, parent's mobile number, date & place of Baptism.

Full details of the course will be sent out via email. There will be a registration session on 12 January 2025 and the sessions will follow on after this date. **Closing date for names: Monday 18 November.**

'Knit & Natter'

First Saturday of each month from 4-5pm in the church narthex. Everyone is welcome. Just bring along your wool and knitting needles. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. Why not stay for Guided Adoration and Praise & Worship which will begins at 5pm!



Retreat at Buckfast Abbey

Margaret Whyte writes... Following our very successful and enjoyable retreat at Buckfast Abbey in March of this year, Father Jeremy and Father James invite us to join them at Buckfast again; from 2-6 June 2025. Giving us *three* full days at the Northgate House Hotel Buckfast.

At this early stage, if you would be interested in joining the group; please contact Yvonne Hands at office@stedmundhorndean.org.uk or 023 9259 3010, Margaret Whyte or Trevor Nee both at St. Edmund's, or email margaret@mwhyte.co.uk or trev.pat@ntlworld.com

Further details coming soon!

New Dip-in Sessions on Accompaniment

The Accompaniment team invites you to join some new standalone dip-in Sessions on Accompaniment via Zoom, beginning on Monday 4th November...Three standalone sessions will introduce some key principles of accompaniment. You can come to one or more sessions on Monday evenings from 7-8.15pm:

Monday 4th November: The Lay Mission to Accompany Others An introduction to aiding the growth in faith of another and the power of listening in this. Tickets www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-lay-mission-to-accompany-others-tickets-1005061354567?aff=oddtcreator

Monday 18th November: Know Your Own Journey to Accompany Others Humility in serving others comes through knowing the mercy of God in our own lives. This is a reflective session on our response to God over time and the unique journey of each person. Tickets www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/know-your-own-journey-to-accompany-others-tickets-1005062066697?aff=oddtcreator

Monday 2nd December: Good Conversations to Accompany Others God is a God of relationships. We explore how listening conversations can help others to grow closer to Jesus Christ. Tickets www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/good-conversations-to-accompany-others-tickets-1005062618347?aff=oddtcreator

For more information email Liza Nahajski, Leader, Ananias and Intercession (Pre-Discipleship)

lnahajski@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Please pray for those who need our prayers...

We pray for those who are ill in mind and body. May they find comfort and hope in the tender love of Jesus. We also pray for those who care for them, that they may be blessed with the gifts of gentleness and patience.

Admittance to Hospital?

When a Catholic is admitted to hospital, the family should ensure that the Catholic Chaplaincy is contacted so that appropriate support can be given. It is suggested that the patient have a note to give to hospital staff on admission, notifying staff that they are Catholic and would appreciate the Catholic Chaplaincy service. This could be followed up by a telephone call from the family to the ward to ensure the request is actioned. When a person is due to go into hospital, please also let your parish priest know so that he can administer the Sacrament of the Sick where appropriate.

Christmastime...

The Real Advent Calendar

The Real Advent Calendar is the only one with Fairtrade chocolate, a copy of the Christmas story and which supports charitable projects.

The Real Advent Calendar is the fun way for parents, grandparents and Godparents to share the Christmas story. The new design calendar comes with a free 24-page booklet Christmas story activity book designed to be used every day in Advent, a children's competition worth £300 and behind each of the 25 windows there is a line from the Christmas story with colourful matching picture and festive chocolates made from a quality Fairtrade blend 35% cocoa

Available in the narthex today £4.95 each



Christmas Dinner at St. Joseph's, Havant

Wednesday 4 December @ 12noon. Tickets £10. Please contact juliaat28@hotmail.co.uk or ethel.j.ray@gmail.com or amet4243@gmail.com Closing date for tickets – Sunday 24 November.

Advent Day of Prayer and Reflection

Please see the letter of invitation from Bishop Philip together and poster later on in this newsletter. To register a place www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/advent-day-of-prayer-and-reflection-tickets-1006759704377 This event is designed for all Diocesan and Parish staff and volunteers and is being led by the Diocesan Evangelisation team. Please seek the permission of your Line Manager before registering.

Ukraine

Donate money to the DEC appeals to allow the relief agencies including Caritas to continue their work with refugees as they arrive in neighbouring countries. Visit the Caritas website for more information www.caritasportsmouth.org.uk Please donate cash rather than collect and send donations-in-kind: www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal or www.cafod.org.uk/ukrainecrisis HOMES FOR UKRAINE: Find out more at www.sjog-homesforukraine.uk

Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Amid the devastating conflict in Israel and Gaza, families are losing their homes and people are dying. They need urgent, practical help! A gift today will provide essentials like food, water and blankets to those who need it. Scan the QR code or donate online at www.cafod.org.uk



A Prayer for Israel & Palestine

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East: Jews, Muslims and Christians, Palestinians and Israelis. Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and peace and justice could be experienced by all. Amen.

CAFOD Sudan Crisis Appeal

Please pray and please give. Every gift is needed! Families in Sudan are facing extreme hunger. 25 Million people need urgent help. CAFOD and our Church partners are there, ready to help. £22 Provides essential medicine and hygiene kits. £100 Funds two emergency food packages. More information from www.cafod.org.uk/SudanAppeal or call 0808 5858885 or you can use this QR code →



CAFOD-DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal



The conflict in the Middle East is getting worse and the families affected need our help. Millions are fleeing airstrikes in Lebanon and Gaza. CAFOD and our Church partners are already there, responding. Please pray and please give – every gift is needed. £10 gives displaced families emergency water. £120 gets emergency shelter to three households. Give today at www.cafod.org.uk/give or call 0808 5858885 or scan the QR code.

Mass Intentions

You can email Lisa at the presbytery regarding Mass Offerings and indeed any questions or queries about booking Masses on intentions@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk Suggested donation £10.

Our Newsletter

All news items and forthcoming events to the parish secretary office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk by 2.30pm on Wednesday for inclusion in the next issue. We reserve the right to edit any articles prior to publication due to space. Articles may not be published immediately and may be held in reserve for future use. If you would like to receive a copy via email please contact Sue on the above email.

Sacred Heart Webpage

Our parish webpage can be found at www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/parishes/

Or just scan the QR code →

Scroll down to the bottom of the Homepage you will see our live stream link – for Sunday morning Mass.



Payments to Sacred Heart

If you would like to make a donation to the parish there are several ways to do this:

- *Cheque made payable to 'CDP Waterlooville Sacred Heart'*
- *'Donate with Dona' button on our Webpage*
- *Online payments in church using the Dona machine [by the Sacristy]*
- *BACS: Lloyds bank account 01861043, sort code 309304, CDP Waterlooville Sacred Heart*

Please consider - Gift Aid your donation

As a charity we can get tax relief which allows us to reclaim an extra 25% in tax on every eligible donation made by a UK taxpayer. Claiming Gift Aid on donations made by parishioners means we can claim from the government 25p for every £1 you give, at no extra cost to you! Please consider completing a Gift Aid Declaration form today. There are forms available in the narthex or on request by emailing Yvonne on accounts@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk

If you have any concerns, please have a read of the Top 5 Gift Aid Myths which can be found later on in this newsletter.

Job Vacancies and Volunteering Opportunities

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH

Please follow the link for current vacancies throughout the Diocese:

<https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs>

OAKLANDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM COLLEGE

Full details on all vacancies at Oaklands:

<https://www.oaklandscatholicsschool.org/staff/vacancies/>



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To: All Diocesan Staff, Parish Staff and Volunteers

16th September 2024

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I am delighted to invite you to join me for an Advent day of prayer and reflection on Wednesday 4th December 2024 at St Peter's Church, Pastoral Centre, Winchester. This day is organised by our Evangelisation Vicariate and I am most grateful to them for putting together a great programme for the day.

I encourage all of you who work so tirelessly for our Diocese of Portsmouth to take a day away from the workplace to spend time with each other in prayer and reflection. The day will be led by Sr Hyacinthe, a Dominican Sister and I will celebrate the Mass. Please see the attached poster for more details and to book your place.

I hope that you will take this opportunity for some quiet reflection as well as enjoying the company and support of our colleagues and friends.

With my prayers and best wishes.

In Corde Iesu

Advent Day of Prayer and Reflection



An invitation to all Portsmouth Diocese staff, Parish staff & volunteers to spend a day away from the desk for some prayer, talks and reflections during Advent.

Wednesday 4th December

09:30 - 14:30

***St Peter's Church Pastoral
Centre, Winchester***



Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & St. Peter the Apostle,
356 London Road, Waterlooville PO7 7SR

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Sunday 1st December

Supporting local traders and crafters:

Gift stalls, Bottle Tombola & Grand Draw!

Father Christmas will be here with a free gift for children

Free craft tables

And much more...

The Fair will be available to parishioners straight after the
10.30am Mass

Open to the general public from 1pm



The Sacred Heart of Jesus
& St. Peter the Apostle

Invite you to

A Candlelit Carol Concert

With the Denmead Brass Band

Monday 16th December @ 6.30pm

Readings & Carols followed by Mulled Wine & Mince Pies

Money raised from the evening will go to
church funds and Care & Share

Save the date!

Excelsis

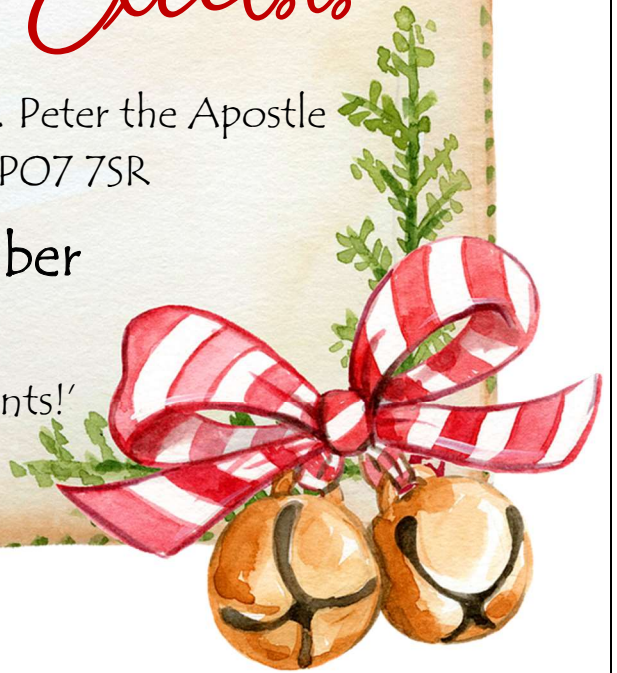
The Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus & St. Peter the Apostle
356 London Road, Waterlooville PO7 7SR

Sunday 8th December

3.30 – 5.15pm

Followed by 'Ravishing Refreshments!'

Tickets: £12 adults/Under 18s free



Contact us...

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Monday 10am-12.30pm,

Tuesday-Thursday 10am-3pm

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Parish Centre

With the departure of our parish centre manager, we will not be accepting any new bookings for the parish centre until further notice. For the time being please contact either Sue or Lisa at the presbytery office, **during office hours only** – days and times are listed above.



You can log on to our free WiFi in the parish centre using the following information:

WiFi name: **SacredHeartGuest**

Wifi password: **LondonRoad**

TOP 5 GIFT AID MYTHS

Don't let the following misconceptions get in the way of signing up to Gift Aid.

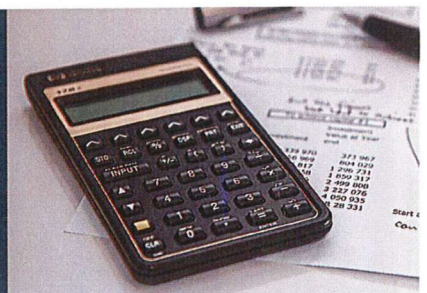


I'M A PENSIONER, GIFT AID DOESN'T APPLY TO ME

If you pay tax on a pension or capital gains taxes on investments then YES you CAN Gift Aid - up to the amount of tax you've paid.

HMRC WILL AUDIT OR REVIEW MY PAST YEARS' RETURNS

Gift Aid filings do not trigger anything in HMRC's database, but are simply to check you're a taxpayer on record. No connection to your past returns, or triggering of an audit will result.



I'M A HIGHER RATE TAXPAYER, I'M NOT ELIGIBLE

Yes you are! If you Gift Aid your donations, the parish can claim an extra 25p for every £1 that you give, and you can reclaim the difference between the basic and higher rate of tax for yourself, when you complete your tax return.

THE GOVERNMENT WILL CHECK MY IMMIGRATION STATUS

No. Gift Aid has nothing to do with immigration and legal status. No information is shared with policing agencies.



MY TAXES WILL GO UP IF I CLAIM GIFT AID

No. Gift Aid is retrospective. It has nothing to do with future taxes; it's about tax you've already paid.

Ask your Parish Priest or Gift Aid organiser for more details or to sign up.



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