



The Catholic Parishes of:

The Sacred Heart and St Theresa of Lisieux – Ringwood

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27 December 2009 – The Holy Family - Year C

	Fordingbridge	Ringwood	Ashurst
Sunday 27 December	9.00am - Mass Father Danny	11.00am – Mass Father Danny	9.00am – Mass Father Ronnie
Monday 28 December The Holy Innocents		12 noon – Mass	5.30pm – Mass
Tuesday 29 December St Thomas of Canterbury	12 noon - Mass		5.30pm – Mass
Wednesday 30 December		12 noon - Mass	5.30pm – Mass
Thursday 31 December	12 noon - Mass		
Friday 01 January Mary Mother of God		12 noon – Mass	
Saturday 02 January SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen	6.00pm - Vigil Mass Father Des		

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: O BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD
AND WALK IN HIS WAYS!**

Please pray for the sick of our Parish and for their carers. Johanna and Arthur Jackson, Alice Milmer, Annette Sands, John McGeachy, Ron Tague. Jean Ward, Joan Ward, Robert Hope, Dennis So, Michael Goh (K.L), Johnny Chang (Singapore) Nicky Ings, Chris Riley, Marie Bergmann, Nell Lonnergan, Mary Carlow, Sarah Andrews, Linda Andrews, Courtney Andrews, Pat Baker, May Rogers, Thomas Bernard, Gus Kiamtia, Margaret Scotchmer and anybody else in the parish who is experiencing health problems.

Following Betty's decision to retire as an organist, Frances has agreed to play two Saturday Masses and two Sunday Masses each month. Thank you to Frances and Harriet for all your playing. However, this leaves a gap in our Church Music. If there is anybody in the parish – young or old – who play any instruments at all Father Des urges you to get in touch with him to discuss a way forward, music has become such an integral part of our services. Thank you

Portsmouth is available in the porch – please take one home – they are free!

Un- Needed Christmas Presents: Once again this year we will be having our highly successful collection of unwanted Christmas Presents. It's so easy - instead of sticking them in the back of the cupboard, never to be seen again, so please just give them to us and we will use them to raise funds for Good Causes throughout the year. Please mark your donations clearly so that we may keep them separate from the Poitiers food donations.

Thank You

St Peters school Mass in Southbourne chapel “There is a regular **fortnightly** Mass on **Thursdays at 1pm**. The next one is on **10th Dec** and then on the **14th January 2010**. All Welcome. There is also a regular 8am Mass every Friday which everyone would be welcome to attend.” *Maggie Belcher, St Peter's School Chaplain.*

CAFOD SUPPORTERS DAY - Saturday 9th January, St Bede's Parish Hall, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX, 10.30am-3.30pm (Stations of the Cross at 3.30pm). An opportunity for all CAFOD supporters across the Diocese to get together and hear about upcoming plans to celebrate the 50th anniversary of Lent Fast Day, and be led by our Spirituality Team reflecting on and praying in solidarity. Refreshments provided - please bring your own lunch. To book a place contact the CAFOD Portsmouth Office: portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or 01252 329385

The CAFOD Group. The next meeting will be at Fordingbridge Parish Rooms at 7pm on January 14th. (The meetings alternate between Ringwood and Fordingbridge) If you are interested in helping the work of CAFOD in the developing world, please come along. For more **information** contact Helen Eales, Betty Baxter, Ginny Westwood, Jane Saunders or any of the members of the CAFOD Group.

Jo Kennedy Wall (Ringwood parish) has donated a painting of “Mother and Baby” to be raffled in aid of Poitiers Project. The picture will be in the porch this weekend to be viewed and the raffle will take place at the Parish Party on 09 January. If you are able to sell raffle tickets after Mass your help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

From Father Ron Hishon – Chaplain of Bournemouth Hospital

JANUARY 2010

Later, in January I shall be away for two weeks – going to Bamenda Cameroon to tour the projects Portsmouth Diocese supports in that Diocese in West Africa. I leave on Sunday 10th and return Saturday 23rd January 2010.

I am pleased to say that from 10pm Monday 11 Jan till Noon Sunday 17 Jan and then from 10pm Monday 18 Jan till noon Sunday 24 Jan., Fr Shaun Budden at St. Thomas More Church, 42 Exton Road Iford, has agreed to stand in for me: His contact details are:
Landline: 01202 485588 Mobile: 07754 634998 e-mail shaun.budden@googlemail.com

Crib Collection during Christmastide for Christian communities in the Holy Land

Collection for week ending 20 December 2009

Gift Aid £190 Cash £ 151.02 Standing Orders £106
Christmas Flowers £142.99

Thank You

Traidcraft Orders:

Ringwood orders produced £36.31 profit and Fordingbridge orders produced £35.02. The total of £71.33 was sent off to CAFOD. Thank you to the people who organised it and to all who used the catalogues to order goods.

Mobile Phones:

Did you, or someone you know, get a new mobile phone for Christmas? Think about donating your old one for CAFOD recycling. Special envelopes will be in the porch soon for you to take one and post off your mobile by Freepost. Thank you.

The newsletter is printed each week on the Parish Website – www.fordrc.org.uk

Have you been away and missed newsletters?

The last few weeks' newsletters are readily available to read and catch up on in the blue folder marked Newsletter. It is always on display in the porch. Should you wish to have the newsletter by email please let me have the address and I will add you to the list.

Any items for the newsletter should be sent to Anne Hammond at Hammond.44@talktalk.net or leave a message on 01425 654838 (deadline Wednesday 9.00pm) – thank you

WISHING EVERYBODY A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR



Blessed is the season
which engages the whole world
in a conspiracy of love!