



The Catholic Parishes of:

The Sacred Heart and St Theresa of Lisieux – Ringwood

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	Fordingbridge	Ringwood	Ashurst
Sunday 03 January	9.00am - Mass Father Ronnie	11.00am – Mass Father Ronnie	9.00am – Mass Father Kevin
Monday 04 January		10am – Service of Word & Holy Communion	5.30pm – Mass
Tuesday 05 January	10am - Mass		5.30pm – Mass
Wednesday 06 January		10am - Mass	5.30pm – Mass
Thursday 07 January	9.30am – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 10am - Mass		
Friday 08 January		10am – Mass	
Saturday 09 January	6.00pm - Vigil Mass Father Des		

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: ALL NATIONS SHALL FALL PROSTRATE BEFORE YOU, O LORD

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.

Please remember in your prayers those whose Anniversaries occur about this time:

Tom Savage	Jaques Dufreshers	Lucy Drake	Nellie Kennedy
Michael Quirk	Ernest Westlake	Mrs Thomas	Donald Davis
Huw Wilson	Aelred Reed	Sheila Kidd	Kestrel A Byrne
Sybil Quirk	John Hughes	Lech Glowacki	Maureen Ellis
Nellie Quantick	George Guy	Ann Williams	Terence Mitchell
Eric P Alder			

Music, Music, Music! If there is anybody in the parish – young or old – who plays any instruments at all Father Des urges you to get in touch with him to discuss maybe playing at the Sunday celebrations of Mass. Please be generous with your time and talent...we need you!

The ‘Portsmouth People’ 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

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

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.

Jo Kennedy Wall (Ringwood parish) has donated a painting of “Mother and Baby” ...*with a difference!* to be raffled in aid of Poitiers Project. 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.

A note from Sheila Younger:

Next Saturday evening – 9th – our Christmas Party Night.

As usual we are looking for a little help in setting up the tables and chairs. The doors will be opened at 10.30am for this purpose. The venue – Trinity Church where we always go. It is a bring and share, bring your own drink. There will be a glass of mulled wine waiting for you on entrance!

There will be music to dance to, games to play, people to talk to and hopefully an evening enjoyed by all, so please come and join in the community spirit and we look forward to seeing you there!

(I think Father Des will be counting heads! So, don't let yours be missing! You will never hear the last of it. That's between you and me).

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.

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

Thank You

The Missionaries thank you for your generosity over the Christmas period. Your financial gift...all of what was received will be used either to support the work of the Poitiers Project or Father Danny's fund for those he cares for or for Father Des' work amongst families in Albania. Not one penny will be kept by the Missionaries of the Company of Mary.

Crib Collection during Christmastide for Christian communities in the Holy Land

Next Sunday 17 January is a Day of Prayer for Peace



PLEASE, please help... The Dominican Sisters of Saint Joseph at the Dominican Priory in Sway, New Forest need our help. Sister Veronica, who prepared our children for First Holy Communion two years ago belongs to that community. The Sisters have asked if we would be willing to paint some bedrooms for them on the first floor of their convent over the weekends of the 16-17 and 23-24 January 2010. Even if you can only give one day...please sign the list in the back of the porch. It should be fun! Many thanks! Fr Des.



The Epiphany of the Lord

O Emmanuel, leader and desire
of all the nations, you set
captives free, comfort the
lonely; you feed the poor and
the hungry. Come be born in us,
God of Life.

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