



The Catholic Parishes of:

The Sacred Heart and St Theresa of Lisieux – Ringwood

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17 January 2010 – 2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time - Year C

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| Sunday 17 January | 9.00am - Mass Father Des | 11.00am – Mass Father Des | 9.00am – Mass Father Danny |
| Mon 18 Jan | | 10am – Service of Word & Holy Communion | |
| Tues 19 Jan St Wulstan | | | |
| Wed 20 Jan St Fabian | | 10am – Mass | |
| Thursday 21 January St Agnes | 9.30am – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 10am - Mass | | |
| Fri 22 Jan St Vincent | | 10am – Mass | |
| Saturday 23 January | 6.00pm - Vigil Mass Father Des | | |

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PROCLAIM THE WONDERS OF THE LORD
AMONG ALL PEOPLES**

Week beginning 18th January - No Mass at St Joseph's during the week.

Monday Father Des - London Trustees meeting of the Medaille Trust

Tuesday - Funeral at St Joseph's

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, Pat Baker, May Rogers, Thomas Bernard, Gus Kiamtia, Margaret Scotchmer and anybody else in the parish who is experiencing health problems.

**“When God takes something from your grasp he is simply opening your hands for something better.”
(Sent in by a parishioner)**

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 this weekend 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.



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!

Benjamin Donnison (Ringwood Parish) **came to Father Des last Sunday** and asked if he could make his First Holy Communion on the feast of Corpus Christi (6th June). If any other children would like to join Benjamin and they are over 8 years of age would they please give their name to Father Des.

Poitiers Update

Thanks to your generosity we were able to show our love to a large number of men, women and children by feeding them over the Christmas period. Our food stocks were quite depleted but are already building up again.

We currently have no beds at all in our warehouse so if anyone is treating themselves to a new one in the January sales, we would be very happy to have your old one.

Jenny C. 01425 656483

POITIER PROJECT

Please continue to remember to add a little extra or two when you are out shopping and help to fill the boxes in the porch. Particularly needed at the moment while the weather is so cold are thick soups, tinned stews, Fray Bentos pies, cereals, porridge oats and pasta. These little 'extras' you shared with those who need the services of the Poitiers Project in Southampton are really needed and are much appreciated. The Missionaries of the Company of Mary are indebted to you. **THANK YOU**

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.

St Thomas Garnet's School incorporating The Garnet Academy Open Day - Thursday 21st January – 9:30 am to 2:30 pm. To celebrate the opening of the new GARNET ACADEMY combined scholarships in education and performing arts are now being offered at Junior School level.

For full details contact 01202 420172 www.thomasgarnets.com Parkwood Road Bournemouth BH5 2BH

Thank You – very much to Beth Dancer who gave up her time and took up the offer from Waterstones Bookshop on late night Christmas shopping in Salisbury to tirelessly gift wrap purchases in aid of the Poitier Project and **made £40 for her efforts!**

Thank you also to Penny Sharp and Waterstones for making this possible

World Youth Day - The next international gathering for World Youth Day (WYD) will be held in Madrid during August 2011. The Diocese is planning to take a group. If you would like to be part of this group, or would like more information about WYD, please come to the information evening on **Tuesday 2nd February, 7:30 pm to 9 pm, in Our Lady Queen of Peace church hall, Douglas Road, Southbourne, BH6 3ER.** To book a place at the information evening, please 'phone Eileen Stephenson on 01329 835583 or email estephenson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Churches Together in Fordingbridge – Week of Prayer for Christian Unity United Service for all at Burgate School on 24 January at 10.30am. All Welcome. See poster in porch.

Christianity Explored is an informal way to investigate Christianity or just brush up on your basics. It explores who Jesus is, why he came and what it means to follow him. You don't need to know anything about the Bible, you won't be asked to read aloud, pray or sing and you can ask any questions you want. This free group will be taking place at Fordingbridge Town Hall starting on Wednesday 10 February at 7pm for a welcome drink followed at 7.30pm by a three-course meal. Phone Roz on 07909 711886 for further details.

Due to the weather, road conditions, and availability, it has been decided to cancel the Christmas party altogether.

However: On Saturday March 20th we will be having a lovely 'Irish Night' with Irish Dancing, music etc. Please keep that night free to join us at the 'Trinity' in Ringwood. More details will follow nearer the time. Please make a note in your diaries.

100 Club News

The winner of the November Draw is Mr David Madgwick and the December Draw is Mrs M Madgwick. Congratulations

Collection for week ending 10 January 2010

Gift Aid £150 Cash £ 70.22 Standing Orders £ 95.00 **Thank You**

Saturday 30 January there is an obligatory collection for Catholic Education Society

TIMES OF WEEKEND MASSES AT OTHER PARISHES IN OUR PASTORAL AREA (Avon Stour)



St. Thomas More, Exton Road, Boscombe East 01202 485588 Saturday 6.00 pm Sunday
9.30am

The Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph's, Purewell, Christchurch 01202 483340
Saturday 6:30 pm Sunday 9:00 am
10:45 am

Holy Redeemer, Kilmington Way, Highcliffe 01425 274838 Sunday 8:00 am, 10:00 am

The Sacred Heart & St Therese of Lisieux, Ringwood 01425473728 Sunday 11:00 am

Our Lady Queen of Peace. Southbourne 01202 424960 Sunday 8.00am, 11.00am, 6.00pm

Hospital Chaplaincy Should any Parishioner be going into hospital and wishes to receive a visit from the Chaplain, please phone Fr Ron Hishon for Bournemouth Hospital on 513380 or 07963617031 – Fr John Lee for Christchurch Hospital on 483340 – Deacon McConville for Poole Hospital on 442167 or 665511 and The Chaplain Salisbury Hospital – 01722 336262

Mass is also celebrated on Sunday evening at St Osmund's Salisbury at 7.15pm

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