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14 March 2010 – 4th Sunday of Lent - Year C

	Fordingbridge	Ringwood	Ashurst
Sunday 14 March	9.00am - Mass Children's Liturgy 3.00pm – Lourdes afternoon – Life of Bernadette - followed by Rosary Sorrowful mysteries	11.00am – Mass	9.00am – Mass
Mon 15 March		10.00am – Mass	5.30pm - Mass
Tues 16 Mar	10.00am – Mass		5.30pm – Mass
Wed 17 March St Patrick's Day		10.00am – Mass Father Shaun Budden 3.00pm – Reconciliation Service with Confession	5.30pm - Mass
Thur 18 March	9.30am – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 10.00am– Mass Father Shaun Budden 7.00pm - Reconciliation Service with Confession		5.30pm - Mass
Fri 19 March St Joseph, Universal Patron of the Church		12 noon – Mass followed by a cake lunch for Cafod (It is a feast)!	5.30pm - Mass
Sat 20 March	6.00pm - Vigil Mass Father Des		

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: TASTE AND SEE THAT THE LORD IS GOOD

Welcome to Father Shaun Budden who is celebrating Mass with us this week and Father John Lee who is assisting with the Reconciliation Services

This weekend there is an obligatory collection for Clergy Assistance Fund.

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, Pat Baker, May Rogers, Thomas Bernard, Gus Kiamtia, Margaret Scotchmer, Nicky Ings and anybody else in the parish who is experiencing health problems or has been made redundant.

Please keep praying each day during Lent for:

Maureen Jean Moir

Dennis Rowland, Sherlyn Swee Leun Rowland, Bethany Rose Rowland and Jocelyn Carmen Rowland.

At the Easter Vigil they will be entering into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church.

Portsmouth People - The February/March issue of the Diocesan magazine is available from the church porch. **Also, The Link** our Pastoral Newsletter is available in the porch. They are both **free** so please take copies home!

Poitiers Project

The Avon Stour Pastoral Area

Next week is Father Des' Ordination Anniversary – (21 March 1992).

Our Outreach project for Lent is for The Poitiers Project – we are having a second collection at all Masses next weekend as our part of the outreach project. If during Lent you have given something up and have felt able to start putting a little aside until then it would be lovely to make a great donation to this special project on this special day.

Envelopes are enclosed with your copy of the Poitiers Newsletter to take home this week and bring back next week with your contributions!

****Food stocks are frighteningly low because the number of people they are helping has grown considerably and more and more agencies are referring emergency situations, as they know they will always do something and do it immediately. Father Des would love to be able to provide the makings of a special Easter meal for each family – what a great idea for us to aim to help with this at our special collection day.**** Many thanks
Anne H

Car Parking – Would parishioners please refrain from parking on the grass adjacent to the church as the ground is very wet and will be damaged.

St Dominic's Priory: Lent reflections and prayer on Monday evenings from 7.15 pm to 9 pm on Mondays 15th March and 22nd March -donation: £2.50

Day of Recollection 18th March (Note change of Date): "The Season of Lent and the Sacrament of Reconciliation" – 10.00am-4.00pm - bring your packed lunch - donation: £6The day will include a couple of talks, opportunity for confession, Holy Mass and prayer.

Women's World Day of Prayer Service

50 ladies from all five denominations in Fordingbridge area attended the Women's World Day of Prayer Service held at our Catholic Church on Friday 5th March. The Service, prepared this year by Christian women of Cameroon was entitled "Let everything that has breath, Praise God". It had a message that spoke powerfully of the wonderful gift that the people of Cameroon have of being able to praise God at all times, in all circumstances, in good times and in bad.

Thank you to all who took part in the presentation: Jenny Norman Walker who led the service, Frances who played the organ so beautifully, and to the three readers who represented our church, Betty Price, Ginny Westwood and Betty Overill.

Thanks too to the ladies who provided us with refreshment after the service, Claire Gray, Erna Ostler and Mary Roffey.

An Offering of £130 will be forwarded to the W.W.D.P. Committee.

Sue Witt, Secretary Fordingbridge & Dist. Branch W.W.D.P.

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Would you like to make up a Group of 10 Pilgrims to the Holy Land for 8 Days, from October 19 - 26, "fairly leisurely" with Maranatha Pilgrimages. Basic price £1050. Please contact **Fr.Clement Marshall** a.s.a.p. Phone 01794 518118.

Celebration of Significant Wedding Anniversaries 12th June Bishop Crispian will be celebrating a special Mass at 11.00am on Saturday 12th June at St Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke for those celebrating their Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond and Diamond plus (i.e. above 60th) wedding anniversaries in 2010. This Mass is not only for Catholics married to Catholics but for all married couples in our diocesan community celebrating one of these anniversaries. Attendance at the Mass is by invitation only. If you are celebrating your Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond or 'Diamond-plus' wedding anniversary this year, and would like to receive an invitation, please contact Katja Babei **kbabei@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk** tel: 01329 835583

Gift Aid envelopes for the new financial year are now available in the porch. This year we expect to receive refunds of over £5000 from your contributions. A £3 weekly contribution brings £156 plus an extra £43.68 to the Parish. £10 a week brings £520 plus an extra £145.60 tax refund. Payment can be made by using envelopes or by setting up a Standing Order through your bank. Any taxpayer who would like to join the scheme is asked to contact Richard Carson on 01425 652440 or any member of the Finance Committee

Irish Night - Next Saturday 20th March Preparations are well under way to make this a really great evening! We will serve you with mulled wine, a fish & chip supper and even Guinness for those who really want to get into the Irish Spirit! We welcome our friends in Fordingbridge, and hope that as many as possible will share in the evening

Tickets are available for this event on sale after each Mass this weekend; they are £5.00 each to cover the cost of the supper - **numbers needed by Monday by Jane Saunders on 01425 480052** for the fish supper. We do hope you will all come along to the Trinity Centre (car access from the Quomp) and enjoy the evening with us. Doors open from 7pm we start at 7.30pm and finish at 10.30pm. Thank You. **Sheila Y**

PS - Just to make matters fully clear: the mulled wine and Guinness are 'on the house' so to speak, further drink is at your own discretion your ticket covers the food, and we hope a bit of 'payment' for the hall. However bring your dancing shoes, purse and wallet, as we will have a splendid 'silent auction' of goodies, run by David and Celia Sourthen.

Collection for week ending 07 March 2010

Gift Aid	£ 207.70	Cash	£ 168.95	Standing Orders	£106.00
SPUC	£ 100.90	Cafod	£ 20.00		

Thank You

Important Safeguarding Notice: Anyone planning to organise an event for children, young people or vulnerable adults **MUST** contact Donna Kerrigan, the Local Safeguarding Representative, **BEFORE** anyone is approached to support such an event. It is likely that any volunteers will need to complete the Diocesan Safeguarding procedures **BEFORE** they begin to undertake the role and this takes some time. This applies to the recruitment of Eucharistic Ministers.

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