



The Catholic Parishes of:

The Sacred Heart and St Theresa of Lisieux – Ringwood

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Our Lady of Sorrows and St Philip Benizi - Fordingbridge

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25 April – FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

	Fordingbridge	Ringwood	Ashurst
Sunday 25 April	9.00am – Easter Mass Children’s Liturgy	11.00am – Mass	9.00am – Mass
Mon 26 April		10.00am – Service of Word & Holy Communion	5.30pm - Mass
Tues 27 April	10.00am - Service of Word & Holy Communion		5.30pm – Mass
Wed 28 April St Louis Grignon de Montfort			5.30pm - Mass
Thur 29 April St Catherine of Sienna	9.30am – Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour 10.00am - Service of Word & Holy Communion		5.30pm - Mass
Fri 30 April St Pius V		10.00am - Service of Word & Holy Communion	5.30pm - Mass
Sat 01 May St Joseph the Worker	6.00pm - Vigil Mass		

Father Des is due to be in Albania next week. If he is unable to get a flight Masses will be as normal during the week.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: WE ARE HIS PEOPLE, THE SHEEP OF HIS FLOCK

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.

First Holy Communion 2010

First Holy Communion will take place within our Parishes on Sunday 13th June 2010 at 9.00am Fordingbridge and 11.00am Ringwood. Parents may choose which Mass they would like to attend.

The dates of the classes are:

Saturday	24 th April: 9am - 11am
Saturday	1 st May: 9am - 11am
Saturday	8 th May: 9am - 11am
Saturday	15 th May: 9am - 11am
Saturday	22 nd May: 9am - 11am
Saturday	29 th May: 9am - 11.00am
Saturday	5 th June: 9am - 11.00am First Confession
Saturday	12 th June: 9.am - 11.00am Rehearsal
Sunday	13 th June: First Holy Communion Day

The classes will be held at Our Lady of Sorrows and Saint Philip Benizi Catholic Church in Fordingbridge down in the parish rooms.

If you would like your child to make First Holy Communion this year they must have celebrated their eighth birthday before the 13th June 2010. **It is expected that the adults responsible for the child will ensure that their child is able to attend all the preparation classes and attend Mass each Sunday.** If this is not possible we suggest you wait until next year.

Please phone Sue on 01489573405: 7.30 – 9.00 Monday to Friday to put your child's name on the list as soon as possible. **Fr Des**

“I would like to say a big thank you to everybody for your prayers offered during my journey through Lent, and I look forward to the future within the Catholic Family Church. During my confirmation my thoughts went out to my fellow Catechumens, whom I met during a visit to Portsmouth Cathedral for the Rite of Election given by Bishop Crispian. My final thanks must go to my sponsor Jo who has been with me all the way, and to Father Des for his guidance and help through my journey. Blessing to you all, **Maureen Moir.**”

Divine Mercy Devotions at St Dominic's Priory – Come and pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, followed by some reflections on the Catholic Faith and Compline – on the following dates at 7:30 pm – 29th April, 28th May, 10th June, 22nd July, 26th August, 23rd September, 21st October and 25th November. Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions on Sunday 11th April, commencing at 2:45pm, with Chaplet, Adoration and opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. St Dominic's Priory, Shirley Holms, Lymington, Hants, SO41 8NH, 01590 681 874, www.dominciansrs.co.uk

Visit to Chiselhurst



A small group of old friends visited Hanka Palusinska in Chiselhurst after her 97th Birthday to wish her well. As you can see Hanka is still going strong.

Poitiers Project

Poitiers Sale Saturday 1st May 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. Downton Cuckoo Fair

Thank you for the many lovely items donated so far. They will be sold on a stall near the Maypole at the Downton Cuckoo Fair next Saturday, 1st May. Look out for the green gazebo – you will find us there. We have many brand new items including toys, hand-made cot quilts, kitchenware, Christmas decorations and much more – well worth a look!

Can you spare an hour of your time to help sell the goods and support this worthwhile charity? Please sign the list in the porch or phone 01425 652440. Everything is already priced.

If you have anything to donate, please place it in the yellow box in the porch before next Friday.

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 **Father Clement Marshall** a.s.a.p. Phone 01794 518118.

Pastoral area newsletter – “The Link” This newsletter aims to link up the six communities in our Pastoral Area. As you will know it is a new venture: for it to succeed it requires input from all Church’s, schools and hospitals in the Avon Stour Pastoral Area. If you can suggest a topic, or send a paragraph, it would be much appreciated. Please send any articles to Sheilahughes448@btinternet.com. The deadline for the next issue, which is due out in June, is 24th May.

The Confraternity of the Rosary (Portsmouth Diocese) has arranged lots of different events, a trip to Arundel to see the Carpet of Flowers at the Corpus Christi Mass on 3rd June; a Pilgrimage to Aylesford, including a day visit to Canterbury and also Faversham to see the Shrine of Saint Jude, from Monday 12th July to Friday 16th July; a day visit to the Isle of Wight, visiting Quarr Abbey. For more details, please telephone Mrs Janet Bischof on 023 92 820744

Logs Were Available! Thanks to those people who gave their donations – still time to do so if not already done!

Holy Spirit Novena 14th - 23rd May at 7.30pm every weekday evening at St Joseph's, Christchurch.
Leaflet with further details available shortly.

Collection for week ending 11 April 2010 & 18 April 2010

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 198	Cash	£196.11	Standing Orders	£117.00
	£ 186		£115.83		£117.00

Thank You

Next Sunday, 25th April, is known as **Good Shepherd Sunday**. It is a World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Consecrated Life. A Special Collection will be taken on Sunday 2nd May for the Clergy Training Fund.

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 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