

PETERPOST

Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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27th November 2022

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR A

Happy New Year – a Year of the Holy Spirit

Fr Mark writes:

Today, the First Sunday of Advent, marks the beginning of our Church's New Year. In our parish, we are beginning our Year of the Holy Spirit. My desire during this forthcoming Year is that all of us, across the whole parish, through experiencing the Holy Spirit, will become more aware of the presence of the Holy Spirit in our midst and that we will grow in the gifts and charisms of the Holy Spirit.

We will be providing opportunities for people to experience Holy Spirit focused prayer times more frequently as well as enabling the parish to grow in its knowledge and awareness of the person of the Holy Spirit, including the spiritual gifts (not least the sanctifying (Confirmation) gifts of the Holy Spirit found in Isaiah 11: 1-2).

During Advent, we will begin using our prayer to the Holy Spirit. Fr Xavier, the Abbott of Quarr, will "kick off" our Year this Thursday 1st Dec with a session in the Pastoral Centre (please do come and join us from 7:30-9pm (coffee and tea from 7pm)). Between now and Christmas, Fr Mark will also offer a couple of online sessions and there will be the opportunity to sign up for the daily emails (more details to follow asap).

Lift up your eyes...and see what God has in store for us

The chickens and the eagle

A farmer found an eagle's egg and put it in a nest of a barnyard hen. The eaglet hatched and grew up with his new family of chickens. Thinking he was a chicken, the little eagle did what barnyard chicks did. He clucked like a chicken, scratched the earth like a chicken, and thrashed his wings like a chicken. He didn't even know he could fly. Years passed by and the eagle grew very old.

One day he saw a magnificent bird soaring through the cloudless sky. It glided gracefully, with scarcely a beat of its powerful golden wings. The old eagle looked up to the sky in awe. "Who's that" he asked. "That's the eagle, king of the birds", said his chicken friend. "He belongs to the sky. We belong to the earth — we're chickens". So the eagle lived and died like a chicken, for that's what he thought he was.

Just imagine...just imagine what would have happened if that eagle had lifted up his eyes sooner in life...just imagine if he'd seen the eagle soaring above and been inspired to fly like him...just imagine if he'd ignored the voice of his farmyard neighbour and been able to see who he really was...

Lift up your eyes.

This Advent, I would very much like each and every one of us to lift up our eyes...I'd love us to lift up our eyes from some of those worries and anxieties and troubles that drag us down... I would like to ask you, with me, to lift up your eyes to heaven, so that we can see more clearly who God is and more clearly who we are... I want us to lift up our eyes this very Advent, not putting it off, not delaying, but now before the time is too late...

When we lift up our eyes, perhaps we can begin to see who we really are. When we lift up our eyes, perhaps we can see the true vision towards which God is calling us. When we lift up our eyes, perhaps we can begin "to desire what God promises, so that, amid the uncertainties of this world, our hearts may be fixed on that place where true gladness is found".

Advent is also a wonderful time for lifting up our eyes. It's a "Kairos" time, a decisive moment, when we are urged to "wake up", to "stay awake", to "stand ready" and to "run forth to meet our Christ". Now is the time...

In our first reading this Sunday, God, through the prophet Isaiah, is offering us a compelling vision. It is a picture of the future which can produce a deep desire in us for it is a future that we all want, deep down.

Firstly, it's a vision for **all** people. Mount Zion, the holy mountain in Jerusalem where Solomon's temple stood, is not a particularly high hill but, nonetheless, in this vision it will be a towering mountain dominating the whole country. People from every nation and peoples will come to Jerusalem on pilgrimage to draw salvation from it.

All the nations will stream to it,

peoples without number will come to it...

So, it's not a vision just for good people, or holy people, or for people from certain countries but for everyone. It's for black and white, red and blue, young and old, rich and poor. We're all included. We all belong. There's space for everyone in God and on God's mountain.

Secondly, the vision that God shares through Isaiah is also one of **peace**, a peace for which we all long. Isaiah uses powerful imagery:

"they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, their spears into sickles."

As one commentator puts it, you can't make war if you've converted your tanks into chicken houses and your aircraft carriers into skateboard parks.

Let us lift up our eyes this Advent so that we can see the vision God is offering us. Not because it will directly change the current circumstances. Outwardly nothing changes in the present moment. What it does do, however, is to bring hope, which as Cardinal Raniero Cantalamessa reminds us, *changes everything even when nothing has changed.*

Hope changes what happens within us, it enables us to look up and take steps forward, it changes our outlook on life.

Holy Spirit – bringer of Peace

Peace is one of the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit that St. Paul lists in his letter to the Galatians. As we begin this year of the Holy Spirit in our parish, maybe it's the first fruit that we can pray for. Peace is an inner strength drawn from the confidence that God is still in charge, that he has the whole world in his hands. Peace begins to enter into our hearts, our lives and our world when we lift up our eyes, looking for Christ and allowing him to reign in our hearts.

Welcome..... If this is your first time reading the newsletter, then you are particularly welcome. Please get in touch - we'd love to tell you about everything that's going on here and invite you to join us. Just to start you off, elsewhere in the newsletter you will find our services and other activities. Look at our website <https://www.catholicwinchester.org.uk/>, or our [Facebook page](#) or email office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk. We are part of the [RC Diocese of Portsmouth](#) If you are interested in learning more about the Catholic Church, or becoming a Catholic, visit our [Journey in Faith webpage](#).

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT – Year A 27th November 2022

Entrance Antiphon:

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God.
In you, I have trusted;
let me not be put to shame.
Nor let my enemies exult over me;
and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First reading: Isaiah 2:1-5

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 121:1-2, 4-5, 6-9. R. Cf.v.1

I rejoiced when I heard them say:
'Let us go to God's house.'

Second reading: Romans 13:11-14

Gospel Acclamation:

R. Alleluia, alleluia!
Let us see, O Lord, your mercy,
and give us your saving help.
R. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Communion Antiphon:

The Lord will bestow his bounty,
And our earth shall yield its increase.

Funeral Notices:

John Kurton RIP - **1.45pm on Tuesday 29th November** at Test Valley Crematorium
Simon Cuming RIP – **10.15am on Wednesday 30th November** at Alresford for the committal, followed by a Service of Thanksgiving at 2pm in Chesil House, Winchester
Alan Elderfield RIP – **10.30am on Monday 5th December** at Chesil House, Winchester
Avriel Beatrice Winders RIP – **1.15pm on Friday 9th December** at Basingstoke Crematorium
Please pray for their family and friends at this difficult time. May God grant them eternal rest.



Mass, confession and prayer time changes

Please note the following changes to this week's timetable:

Wednesday 30th November – No Mass at St Peter's.

**Saturday 3rd December -- No 9am Mass at St Peter's.
Mass at 10am at Winchester Cathedral. Confessions will be at 11am to 12noon.**

Welcome and thank you to Fr Peter Codd who will be celebrating Mass at St Peter's at 8am and 10.30am and thank you to Fr Anthony who will be hearing confessions and celebrating the 5.30pm Saturday Vigil Mass.

You are warmly invited to the
Night Of Light
Friday 16th December
any time from 5pm to 8pm
St Peter's Catholic Church,
Jewry Street, Winchester

Please pop in and light a candle and enjoy a moment of stillness, peace and reflection

St. Peter's Night of Light

2022 is a beautiful way to enter a space of peace and calm away from the hustle and bustle of Christmas preparations. Anyone is most welcome in our Church. Everyone is invited to pop into the church to light a candle, say a prayer, or just sit in quiet contemplation in the tranquillity and stillness of the candlelight.

All are welcome to this special night.

Year of the Holy Spirit

Several different ministry groups in the parish including some children were asked to pray about the Year of the Holy Spirit and to think about what might be included in the parish prayer for the year, and then to submit anything that came to mind as they prayed, be it a word, a phrase, a scripture or indeed a short prayer. Contributions were collated and prayed on, and an initial prayer was written. This was then further edited by a small team to create the final prayer:

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Come like a mighty wind!
Come breathe new life in all areas of our lives.
Come strengthen us in Your love and guide us into truth.
Come fill our hearts, our homes, our parish.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Confirm within us the Father's love and draw us ever closer to Jesus.
Purify our hearts and help us discern that which is true, good, and holy.
Fix our eyes on heavenly things and give us a new thirst for You.
Transform us and burn away all that keeps us from following You.

Come, Holy Spirit, come!

Stir up in us a joyful faith and awaken in us the graces of our baptism.
Give us eyes of mercy and compassion and help us recognise those in need.
Raise us up and equip us to be courageous witnesses to the Gospel.
Bless us and send us out as channels of God's love, hope and healing.
Amen.

And may God enlighten the eyes of your mind so that you can see
(cf. Eph 1:18)

what hope His call holds for you...



PRAYER CORNER: Each week, this section will contain an intercession that I hope every parishioner will pray for during the coming week. In this way, we will all pray to the Lord for the parish's mission, because "if the Lord does not build... in vain do the builders labour" (Ps

127:1) Fr. Mark

This Week's Intention: Let us pray for all those attending the Alpha Spirit Day, that their hearts will be open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, as we also give thanks for all blessings received there.



PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the souls of those who have died recently:

- John Kurton RIP
- John Ponsonby RIP
- Simon Cuming RIP
- Alan Elderfield RIP
- Avriel Winders RIP

Fr Xavier Perrin (Abbot of Quarr Abbey): The Spirit of God

On **Thursday 1st December**, we are delighted to be welcoming Fr Xavier to Winchester. He will speak to us about the Spirit of God, particularly in relation to the Church as a Community and the Mission of the Church. This will be a wonderful opportunity to come together and begin our "Year of the Holy Spirit". Please do come and join us in the Pastoral Centre from 7:30-9pm (coffee and tea from 7pm)



Sunday 4th December will be Father Tom's last Sunday in the Parish

As mentioned in earlier newsletters, Father Tom will be moving from Alresford to Maidenhead at the beginning of December. He will be celebrating Mass for the last time at St Thomas More, Stockbridge (at 9am) and at St Gregory's, Alresford (at 11am) on Sunday 4th December. Please join us if you'd like to bid him "Farewell" and thank him for all he has done for us over the time he has spent in our Parish.

Bishop Philip Egan invites you to join him for the annual **Closer to Christ** Mass of Thanksgiving on **2nd December** at 12.15pm. Details are as follows:

Location: St John's Cathedral, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth, PO1 3HG.

The Mass will be preceded by an audience with some of our seminarians (beginning at 11.15am in the Parish Centre).

Light refreshments will also be made available in the Parish Centre, following the Mass.

To join us at this celebration please RSVP by 25th November to closertochristcampaign@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 02392 007595.

Thank you for your support and please pray for the continued success of the **Closer to Christ** Campaign.

Calling Young Readers

How beautifully the young readers read last Sunday! – If you have children who have made their First Holy Communion and would like the opportunity to read at the Family Masses at 10.30am at St Peter's, please send your name and contact number to Kate via Office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk.



Covenant with the Poor appeal 3-4 December

Next weekend the Covenant with the Poor team will be appealing for support for 'Classrooms for a school in Bolivia'. A link to the appeal leaflet will be on the parish website front page in the CWP section. Please support generously as ever!

Lost Property - Have you lost a Prayer Book entitled "Prayers of an Irish Mother". If so, it has been handed into the Parish Office. Please contact Annette on 01962 852804 or 07825 392925 to arrange collection. Thank you.

FESTIVE SOUP & PUD LUNCH in aid of Winchester Salvation Army (Change of Date)

The CWL will be having their next Charity Lunch on **Friday 9th December (please note change of date!)**, from 12.00noon to 1.30pm, in the Pastoral Centre. All are very welcome to come and join in this festive occasion. Price £5 cash or card.



Vocations - First Sunday of Advent

"The Lord is our righteousness." Are you being called to bring the word of God as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? To explore further, contact Cn. John Cooke on vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

A Message of Thanks from CAFOD

Your support over this past year has been life-changing and very much appreciated. Thank you for praying, campaigning, donating or volunteering to support people and communities in their struggles against poverty. An example is in South Sudan; communities who take in displaced people fleeing violence or natural disasters. The arrivals are given food and some are given land. They erect temporary structures as shelter and some start farming. Nyanguet, who fled with her five children after her village was attacked, says, "The community host us well. My children and I feel safe now." Thank you for helping to support people and communities like this throughout the world. Have a joyful Advent and a happy Christmas.

BOOKSHOP We sell missals, prayerbooks, Bibles, catechisms, encyclicals, rosaries, crucifixes, gifts for 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation, and cards for all occasions. Also Booklets about the Holy Spirit, Advnt Calendars, Christmas Cards and Diaries. Open after weekend Masses and Monday to Friday, during Office hours. Many Thanks for your support. Susan Henry

An invitation to read together Hopkins's "The Wreck of the Deutschland" - Wednesday 7th December, 18:00

Every year, on 7th December, since I first came across the poem as an 18 year old, I have read (aloud) Gerard Manley Hopkins's wonderful poem "The Wreck of the Deutschland" with family and friends. (As you may know, the events in the poem take place on December 7th, the eve of the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception.)

So, I'll be reading the poem again this year, and you're welcome to join me - at 6pm on Wednesday 7th December. We will be gathering together "virtually" (via Zoom, or Teams or Google Meet), because this makes it easier for more people to take part. You can even extend the invitation to friends and family outside Winchester.

The reading should only take around 15 minutes, but we can spend as long as you want talking about the poem!

I'd be delighted if anyone wants to share the reading of the poem - it would be good to have at least 2 or 3 voices.

If you'd like to join me, please let me know as soon as possible, via email (mmcelroy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk), so that I can give you a link to the virtual meeting, and also to help you access a copy of the poem.

Deacon Martin

Winchester Catholic History Society.

On Wednesday 7 December we are very pleased to welcome the Rev'd Canon Dr Judith Maltby of Corpus Christi College, Oxford and Professor Diarmaid MacCulloch of Campion Hall, Oxford. Dr Maltby will be speaking on 'Hearing the Word, The Bible, The Prayer Book & Public Worship from Cranmer to 1660'. As we are at Winchester College this is a prebooked ticket only event. Members no charge, Visitors £5.

For tickets please email win.cath.history@gmail.com

PILGRIMAGE to LOURDES 2023. ACROSS, (the Jumbulance Group who specialise in taking people who find travel difficult any other way) are planning a Pilgrimage to Lourdes from the Winchester/Southampton area, on 13th to 22nd July 2023.

For more information, either as a VIP or as a Helper, contact Marianne, the Group Leader on mwanstall@btinternet.com, or Hilary, via the Parish Office.

Advent Retreat with the Sisters of Mary Morning Star – The Advent Retreat is for young women and will be held at the convent in **Lynton, Devon from 16th-18th December 2022**. It is an opportunity to prepare for and await Our Lord's birth through the beautiful and rich Advent liturgy, the silence, adoration, and lectio divina at the heart of monastic life. There will also be a time of study together looking at how St Thomas Aquinas helps us enter into the mystery of the Incarnation.

Places are limited so booking is essential.

For more information please contact the sisters at srsmarymorningstar@gmail.com

Laudato Si Corner

COP27

Bishop John Arnold, environmental lead for the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales, said at the start of COP27:

"It is our Christian duty to protect our planet. We have been blessed with stewardship of the earth, but that means we must take responsibility to ensure we protect the planet for future generations. It is on us then to do whatever we can to care for our world and not to rob resources from future generations – to fail to do so damages our relationship with God".

What did the conference agreed to do?

- There has been agreement that a new Loss and Damage Fund should be set up to finance the rebuilding of vulnerable countries. How this will be done still has to be agreed.
- The limit of 1.5C in global warming has been re-affirmed though this will mean greenhouse gas emissions must decline by 45% by 2030 to achieve this aim
- A 5 year programme to promote climate technology solutions in developing countries has been launched.

But there is still so much that will need to be done – especially by the developed nations of the world, including our own. We must keep raising awareness of the responsibility we all have to protect God's world and its people. Through prayer, campaigning and personal action **we can be stewards of the earth and we can make a difference.**

God you made our Mother Earth, who cries out with sorrow. You call us to change our ways. We pray you give us the commitment and strength to do so.

Adore mini-retreat for spiritual renewal at Alton:

26th November from 10 -1pm. Mass, Adoration, Prophecy, Praise, Prayer; Talk by Fr Anthony Meredith.

[Full details here.](#)

Escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland

on 15th March 2023. £699.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full board. All entertainment and excursions included. Day trips to Westport, Ballintubber Abbey, Croagh Patrick, Fr. Peyton Centre & National Museum. Special St. Patrick's Day Celebrations. Single supplement: £150.00.

Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

Fusion Choir Concert - Kick off the festive season with an uplifting Christmas concert by the Fusion Choir - Winchester and Eastleigh - at St Paul's Church on Saturday 3 December. Led by parishioner and award-winning choir leader Marie O'Brien, you can expect a fun and joyful performance by this well-known community choir. All proceeds from this event will go to local advice charity Citizens Advice Winchester District. Tickets cost £10 each. Buy them online www.ticketsource.co.uk/fusion-choir



Drama at the Winchester Christmas Market

You are all invited to a creative retelling of the nativity story told with humour and insight into the meaning of Christ's coming. Philip Glassborow, he of the Winchester Passion, has written a thirty-minute drama to be performed at the Cathedral Christmas Market. The drama brings the wonder and mystery of the nativity into the colour and bustle of the Christmas market.

The performances are:

- Sunday 4 Dec at 1500 + with a call to evensong and 1800**
- Friday 9 Dec at 1800, Saturday 10 Dec at 1530 and 1800,**
- Sunday 11 Dec at 1500 and 1730.**

Come and enjoy, bring friends, come and join in the audience singing of carols at any of these performances (words will be on screens).

The production team are: Philip Glassborow, Clare Carson, Emily Pacey, Allegra Mutanda, Isobel Tutt Leppard, Chris Thompson and Howard Mellor.

Blessings to you all,

Howard

Revd Dr Howard Mellor
Chair, CTiW
01962 809438 hmellor49@gmail.com

Embrace the Chill with TakeNOTE chamber choir

TakeNOTE is a small choir that draws singers from across Hampshire to perform a mixed programme of gospel, classical and popular songs sung acapella. And carols at Christmas, of course!

The choir's Christmas concert this year is a fundraiser for Winchester Basics Bank and Romsey foodbank and is at the historic Milner Hall in Winchester on Friday, 9 December.

The concert this year is called **Embrace the Chill**. Not that we're predicting a cold snap, you understand. But the price we must pay for enjoying the wonderful acoustics of centuries old church buildings is that it can get a little parky. So wrap up warm! 'Embrace the chill' also happens to be in the lyrics of one of the choir's new songs. Their programme includes tunes across the centuries from the UK, Europe and North America. Their oldest piece, an Italian hymn, is 600 years old, the youngest by a Canadian composer from 2016. Choir arrangements of hits from the 40s, 50s and 60s and some funny Christmas parodies round off the programme. We hope you enjoy!

The box office is now open. Tickets are £10. An interval glass of something is included in the price! Here's a link to the box office <https://EmbraceTheChill.eventbrite.co.uk>.

Ticket revenues (after expenses) and a retiring collection will benefit the two local charities that support individuals and families in these difficult times.

Mass Intention Requests Please email requests to office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk or you can contact the **Reception Desk** in the Pastoral Centre. This will ensure that they are actioned as soon as possible.





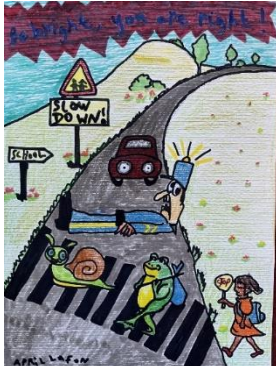
Dear Parents

Be Bright, You are Right! – Road Safety Week

Be Bright Day is a road safety awareness day being held on Friday 25th November and everyone at St Peter's School is encouraged to wear something bright with their uniform on this day.

Poster Competition

In preparation for the day, the children have produced eye catching safety posters and Mr Mahony, our Chair of Governors, is currently judging all of the entries. We will be informing everyone of the winners in the next couple of days.



If you have pre-school children and like the sound of St Peter's School then why not contact us to find out about the application process? Telephone 01962 852820 or email admin@st-peters.hants.sch.uk.

Best wishes
Louise Buxton (Miss)
Headteacher

Job vacancies at St Peter's Catholic Primary School - After School Club Assistant

Hours of work/type of contract: 3.30-6.00pm, term time only. Casual work arrangement, paid on a sessional basis

Pay: £38.84 per session **Start date:** ASAP

We are looking to appoint Assistants to join our friendly team of After School Club staff, providing high quality care and supervision of our children after school hours. For more details, please visit the school website: <http://www.stpetershants.co.uk/vacancies>



Vacancy for a Secretarial Assistant at the United Church Winchester.

The United Church Winchester is an ecumenical church formed in 1974. We meet in a Grade II listed building in Jewry Street which was refurbished in 1989-1991 to include a hall, meeting rooms and a coffee bar. Many groups use the building for meetings, rehearsals, concerts, meals, health clinics and fitness activities. More information about the Church can be found on the website www.ucw.org.uk.

The Secretarial Assistant will be responsible for providing secretarial support for Minister and Church Council including production of the weekly Spotlight news sheet, updating external notice boards and dealing with incoming calls/emails.

The hours will total 10 per week and it is anticipated this will be made up of 1 day of 5 hours (normally Friday) with the other 5 hours to be agreed.

Salary will be £481 per month (equivalent to £11.1 per hour) with statutory holiday and pension benefits.

Closing date for applications is 01.01.2023

Interviews will be held 09.01.2023 to 13.01.2023

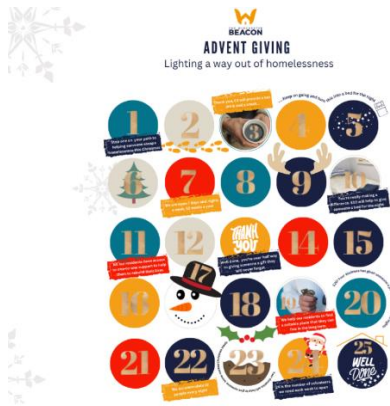
For an application pack including a full job specification email office@ucw.org.uk



Winchester Churches Nightshelter Christmas Cards and Advent Giving

The Winchester Beacon is excited to share our 2022 Christmas card, created and kindly donated by local artist [Jonathan Chapman](#). The beautiful card features a snowy Jewry Street and is available to order now via our website for delivery or collection, £5 for a pack of 10. <https://wcns.org.uk/news/christmas-card-2022/>

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Advent Giving

Give an unforgettable gift this Christmas and take part in our Advent Giving campaign. Join together with friends, family or colleagues and try to put aside £1, or what you can manage, each day of advent. By Christmas Day you will have raised enough to help give someone the gift of shelter and support this Christmas

Download the Advent Giving Calendar here: <https://wcns.org.uk/news/make-advent-count>



Imelda Simons has ordered a dozen **red cyclamen** to decorate St. Gregory's. They are home grown and cost £4 each. If anyone would like to buy one in memory of someone, they can speak to her after the 11 o'clock mass or ring her on 07762 902143.

Mass Timetable	26 th November – 3 rd December 2022		
Date	Mass Times & Intentions		
SATURDAY – November 26 th Our Lady on Saturday FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Vigil	9.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Thanksgiving for Hospital staff Winchester
	5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	F. Wilson RIP
SUNDAY – November 27 th FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT	8.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of William Meader
	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	Eoin Mcdonald RIP
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	People of Ukraine
	10.30 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Intentions of Celia Middleditch
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	People of the Parish
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Bradley Renolds RIP
MONDAY – November 28 th	12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Wilfred Lorance Perera RIP
TUESDAY – November 29 th	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
	12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Mary Keating
WEDNESDAY – November 30 th ST ANDREW, Apostle, feast.			
THURSDAY – December 1 st	10.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Richard Spencer & concelebrating local priests
FRIDAY – December 2 nd St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
	12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Sean Caine RIP
SATURDAY – December 3 rd St Francis Xavier, Priest, memorial SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Vigil	10.00AM	Mass at Winchester Cathedral	Deceased Members of Szymanski Family
	5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	All Souls in Purgatory

Confessions every Saturday 9.30am till 10.30am and 4.30pm-5.00pm at St Peter's Church – booking not required. **Confession will be at 11am - 12noon (instead of 9.30am – 10.30am) on 3rd December.**

Morning Prayer (livestream and open to public), 8.00am at St Peter's followed by Adoration till 9.00am

To participate online or see the recorded services for Morning Prayer & Adoration, go to our [YouTube channel](#)

ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER) FROM ST PETER'S ARE LIVESTREAMED.

Useful Contacts

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Outreach Ministry Lead: Mike Elks (mike@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

Volunteer Director of Communications: Moira Redmond (moirar@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)

To get in touch with them, and for other general matters, please contact the Parish Office: 01962 852804 office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk .

PeterCares: petercares@stpeterswinchester.org.uk Prayerline: prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

Newsletter (deadline for items Wednesday evening): newsletters@stpeterswinchester.org.uk Newsletter list: hello@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

St. Peter's School Office: 01962 852820 admin@st-peters.hants.sch.uk

St. Thomas More's Stockbridge: please email stm@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

Part Time Parish Admin Support at St Joseph's Parish, Newbury, RG14 1JP,

A vacancy has arisen for a Parish Admin Support member to work for 9 hours per week to provide assistance to the Parish Priest, facilitation of the parish mission and activity working in conjunction with others who contribute as volunteers.

Hours of work: Part time post: 9 hours per week initially (subject to increase in time). Days and times to be agreed. **Salary:** up to £13 per hour.

Experience and Qualifications required for role:

- An experienced administrator with excellent secretarial, interpersonal, time management and prioritisation skills.
- Computer literate, skilled in word-processing and data management as well as excellent internet and all-round office skills.
- Excellent communication skills, written and verbal, to promote effective interaction between clergy, area administrators and parishioners as well as managing the day-to-day management of the Parish Hall.
- Knowledge of parish and diocesan organisation structure (desirable).
- Understanding of Data Protection legislation.

Personal Attributes:

- Self-motivated with the ability to work without supervision: taking initiative and using judgement; able to work under pressure, cope with change and deal with conflicting demands and differing personalities.
- Diplomatic, discreet with a sympathetic nature able to maintain high degree of confidentiality and trust.
- Sympathetic to the Ministry and Mission of the Catholic Church.

Closing date for applications: Friday 2nd December 2022. **Interview date:** To be confirmed

Application forms and Job Description are available from: recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk