

PETERPOST

Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

Alresford • Stockbridge • Winchester

18th December 2022

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR A

Lift Up Your Eyes and Welcome the One He has promised us

Fr Mark writes:

*Aspiciens a longe,
ecce video Dei potentiam venientem:
et nebulum totam terram regentem.
Ite obviam ei et dicite
nuncio nobis sit u es ipse
qui regaturus es in populo Israel?*

*I look from afar:
And behold, I see God coming in power,
And a cloud covering the whole earth.
Go out to meet him and say:
Tell us, are you the One that is to come
Who is to reign over your people Israel?*

(2nd Responsory for Office of Readings, Sunday Advent Week 1)

We enter now into the last week of Advent, almost able to “see” Christmas ahead of us. There is a shift in our readings and prayers too. We have been “looking from afar” for the One who has been promised us through the Old Testament prophecies, and now we begin to get ready to go out and welcome him.

Let’s have a brief glance at the prayers and readings for the weekend...

Entrance antiphon

*Drop down dew from above, you heavens,
and let the clouds rain down the Just One;
let the earth be opened and bring forth a Saviour.*

What a beautiful and powerful image – Jesus being “rained down” upon us from the heavens! Can we lift up our eyes to recognise him and to be ready to welcome him like the rains in a dry, weary land..?

First Reading

“The maiden is with child and will soon give birth to a son, whom she will call ‘Immanuel’, a name which means ‘God-is-with-us’”.

As we sing, “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”, can we sing it sincerely, from the depth of our hearts, truly welcoming him as he comes to ransom us from our sins and prejudices, as he did for captive Israel?

Psalm

Let the Lord enter! He is the King of glory.

As we lift up our eyes and see the Lord, will we let Him enter? Is He welcome as Lord of our hearts, our lives, our homes, our parish? Will we let Him take His place as King of glory?

Gospel – Creator Spirit

Mary, betrothed to Joseph, was “found to be with child” through the Holy Spirit.

God had taken flesh in the womb of Mary and was truly with his people. This was made possible by the working of the Holy Spirit, the Creator Spirit, as we profess in the Creed: *by the Holy Spirit [He] was incarnate of the Virgin Mary.*

St. Paul speaks of “a letter from Christ delivered by us, written not with ink but with the Spirit of the living God, not on tablets of stone but on tablets of human hearts” (2 Cor 3:3). The Holy Spirit wrote this marvellous letter- the letter that is Christ, and is above all in Mary’s heart. The famous saying, also by Augustine, that “Mary conceived Christ first in her heart and then in her body” (“*prius concepit mente quam corpore*”) means that the Holy Spirit worked in Mary’s heart, illuminating it and inflaming it with Christ even before filling her womb with Christ.

St. Bonaventure, writes,

When she gave her consent to him, the Holy Spirit came upon her like a divine fire inflaming her soul and sanctifying her flesh in perfect purity. But the power of the Most High overshadowed her (Luke 1:35) so that she could endure such a fire. . . . Oh, if you could feel in some way the quality and intensity of that fire sent from heaven, the refreshing coolness that accompanied it, the consolation it imparted; if you could realize the great exaltation of the Virgin Mother, the ennobling of the human race, the condescension of the divine majesty, . . . then I am sure you would sing in sweet tones with the Blessed Virgin that sacred hymn: My soul magnifies the Lord.

Mary was the model of a soul who is “aglow with the Spirit” (Rom 12:11). The Annunciation was her Pentecost. All this was possible because, so to speak, she “lifted up her eyes” to the Angelic messenger and made welcome the One who had been promised to us.

Bishop Philip – Pastoral Letter

This weekend we will be reading at all our Masses a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Philip. He has a gift for us by way of a prayer book, *Lord I am not worthy*, as well as a reminder of the “six holy habits” he spoke of in the last letter. Finally, he will also officially announce something I’ve been speaking about recently...be sure to listen out for what he has to say.

Angelus

The Collect, or “Opening Prayer” this weekend will be familiar to those of us who pray the *Angelus*. Maybe that prayer is a good way to end this thought, inviting you to pray from the depth of your being that God will pour his grace into your heart this week.

*Pour forth, we beseech you, O Lord,
your grace into our hearts,
that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ your Son
was made known by the message of an Angel,
may by his Passion and Cross
be brought to the glory of his Resurrection.
Through the same Christ, Our Lord.
Amen.*

INVITATION FROM Fr MARK TO BE PART OF CHRISTMAS - MASS AND SERVICE TIMES

If you receive the newsletter by email, or have the printable version delivered, you should have received the list of all Christmas Mass times, and there is a timetable at the end of the newsletter. There are also flyers in the back of all churches listing them, so you can take one home and attach it to your fridge... You can also find the times at the top of the [homepage of the website](#), or by [clicking on this link](#). All services from St Peter’s will be livestreamed ([click here](#) to take part in any service) and this year there is no need to book!

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Advent Reconciliation Service (St. Peter's, Winchester, 7pm, Mon 19th Dec) Fr Mark says: I encourage you to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation this Monday evening, 19th Dec, 7pm. We will have a short, prayerful service, followed by the opportunity for individual confession and absolution. I am asking you to come because I believe there is a great joy to be found in this personal encounter with Jesus through the sacrament. I want you to leave feeling lighter, with a spring in your step, ready for Christmas. And it doesn't cost a penny! (Note: no confessions on Sat 24th).

Blue Christmas Service (St. Peter's, Winchester, 11am, Weds 21st Dec) For many people, there are split emotions as Christmas approaches. Some of us feel keenly the pain of loss, bereavement, separation, hurt or regrets. Others feel anxious or isolated, at a time of material difficulty for many. And many feel alienated by the manifest materialism and secularisation of the season, in a world where so many lack the basics of food, shelter, peace and justice. As a result, many of us find Christmas a difficult time to celebrate and worry that we have to bury our feelings to make everyone else happy. Blue Christmas is a service to enable us to recognise these more painful parts of our lives and of our world, not to cheer each other up, or wallow in pity, but to offer God the whole of who we are. Do come and make use of this space and pray with us for healing and wholeness.

Christmas Masses

Children's Nativity Mass (St. Peter's, Winchester, 3pm, Sat 24th Dec) This is our first Mass of Christmas and is pitched particularly at our young children (pre-school and Key Stage 1) and their families. It will include traditional carols suitable for children and people of all ages.

Family Christmas Vigil Masses (St. Stephen's, Winchester, and St. Peter's, Winchester, 5:30pm, Sat 24th Dec)

These Masses (one in St. Stephen's and the other at the same time in St. Peter's) tend to be our busiest of the Christmas Festivities, so please do come along in plenty of time. The readings and homily are pitched at our slightly older children (Key Stage 2 and upwards) and their families, but everyone is welcome. Lots of familiar carols to join in with too and a great way to begin celebrating the birth of Jesus.

Christmas Night Mass at St Gregory's (Carols and Readings 8pm, Mass 8:30pm, Sat 24th Dec) The community of St. Gregory's, Alresford invite you to join them for this beautiful Mass. We begin with carols and readings at 8:30pm, followed immediately by Mass, using the prayers and readings of "Midnight Mass".

Christmas Night Mass with Carols and Readings (St. Peter's, Winchester, 10:30pm, Sat 24th Dec) Come and join us for this traditional Christmas Mass. We begin with carols and readings at 10:30pm, followed immediately by Mass, using the prayers and readings of "Midnight Mass", with all the beauty and solemnity you would expect. We aim to finish about midnight.

Christmas Dawn Mass (St. Peter's, Winchester, 8am, Sun 25th Dec) For those who are early risers, a simple yet beautiful and dignified way to begin Christmas Day. Much "lighter" in terms of the quantity of music sung and much "deeper" in terms of the opportunity for silent prayer and participation. Using the prayers and readings of "Christmas Mass at Dawn".

Christmas Day Mass (St. Thomas More's, Stockbridge, 9am, Sun 25th Dec) The community of St. Thomas More's, Stockbridge invite you to join them for their celebration of Christmas Mass. Using the prayers and readings of "Christmas Mass during the Day".

Christmas Day Mass (St. Stephen's, Winchester, 9:15am, Sun 25th Dec) The community of St. Stephen's, Winchester invite you to join them for their celebration of Christmas Mass. Using the prayers and readings of "Christmas Mass during the Day".

Christmas Day Mass (St. Peter's, Winchester, 10:30am, Sun 25th Dec) The final Christmas Mass of the day in St. Peter's. Using the prayers and readings of "Christmas Mass during the Day".

Christmas Day Mass (St. Gregory's, Alresford, 11am, Sun 25th Dec)

The community of St. Gregory's, Alresford invite you to join them for their celebration of Christmas Mass. Using the prayers and readings of "Christmas Mass during the Day".

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](#).

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 18th December 2022

Entrance Antiphon:

Drop down dew from above, you heavens,
and let the clouds rain down the Just One;
let the earth be opened
and bring forth a Saviour.

First reading: Isaiah 7:10-14

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 23:1-6. R.Cf.vv.7, 10

Let the Lord enter!
He is the king of glory.

Second reading: Romans 1:1-7

Gospel Acclamation:

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son
and they will call him Emmanuel,
a name which means 'God-is-with-us'.

R. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew 1:18-24

Communion Antiphon:

Behold, a Virgin shall conceive
and bear a son;
and his name will be called Emmanuel.

Mass, confession and prayer time changes

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

Monday 19th December – Reconciliation Service at St Peter's at 7.00pm.

Wednesday 21st December – No Mass at St Peter's. Blue Christmas at St Peter's at 11.00am.

Friday 23rd December – No Morning Prayer at St Peter's.

Saturday 24th December – No 9.00am Mass at St Peter's and No Confessions. Early Family Mass at St Peter's at 3pm (see Christmas Mass Times for all Masses over Christmas).

Parish Reconciliation Service - Message from Fr Mark: I encourage you to celebrate the sacrament of reconciliation this Monday evening, 19th Dec, 7pm. We will have a short, prayerful service, followed by the opportunity for individual confession and absolution. I am asking you to come because I believe there is a great joy to be found in this personal encounter with Jesus through the sacrament. I want you to leave feeling lighter, with a spring in your step, ready for Christmas. And it doesn't cost a penny!

Advent Online Sessions with Fr Mark Fr Mark will be hosting the second of 2 online sessions in Advent. This will be at 7:30pm on Sun 18th December and will look at a short film (20 mins) called "The Shepherd", which we will watch together and then have a chance to discuss in small groups before ending in prayer. It will be hosted on Zoom and the link is: [The Shepherd](#).

Calling All Altar Servers – if you would like to serve at one of our Christmas Masses (24th or 25th Dec) please fill in the sign-up form in the sacristy (St. Peter's and St. Stephen's) this weekend. There is an **Altar Servers' meeting on Thurs 22nd Dec** in St. Peter's (10:30am-midday, all are welcome). All servers are also invited to celebrate the Feast of their Patron, St. Stephen, with Mass in St. Stephen's Church at 10am on Mon 26th Dec. At this Mass we will be thanking God for our wonderful Altar Servers, praying for them, and celebrating as some are enrolled into the Guild of St. Stephen or receive an "upgraded cincture". There will probably also be cake.

Daily and Weekly Messages during Advent and Christmas Fr Mark will continue this weekend with his daily and weekly messages for Advent and Christmas. You will automatically be signed up if you were part of the group last Advent (please say if you haven't received anything already), but if you're new and would like to join please go to <https://stpeterschurch7.flocknote.com/advent22daily> to sign up for daily messages or <https://stpeterschurch7.flocknote.com/advent22weekly> for weekly ones

Vocations - Fourth Sunday of Advent

"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord directed him." Are you prayerfully vigilant about discovering your vocation in Christ? Might He be inviting you to the priesthood or consecrated life? To explore further, contact Cn. John Cooke on vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869

Clergy Christmas Collection Fr Mark is very grateful for all your Christmas gifts and for the Christmas collection which forms a large part of his annual salary. However, he's also aware that there is no assistant priest requiring support this year and that many of you will be struggling more than usual with the cost of living. He asks therefore, that if you wish to donate to the Clergy Christmas Collection, you do please give less than you usually would this Christmas. With every blessing for a wonderful Christmas. You can donate via contactless or cash/cheque in the Christmas collection, but if you choose to donate via the website, please use the following link and reference "Christmas" against your donation: [Donate](#).

ST. STEPHEN'S - CHRISTMAS

Traditionally we remember our deceased loved ones by bringing a seasonal plant to church at St Stephen's. This year we would like white flowering plants e.g. Hyacinths, cyclamens, 'potmums.' or any plant of your choice, standing in a waterproof container to make watering easier. Please bring to Mass this Sunday, 18th December, or on Friday 23rd December, not later than 10:30 am.



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 that our Christmas celebrations are both uplifting and spirit-filled, may they offer hope and bring joy to everyone who comes to honour the birth of Christ.



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

Matthew Leeming RIP

Tom McKinley RIP

Mary Talbot RIP

Funeral Notices:

Mary Talbot RIP – **Friday 6th January 2023 at 12 noon**, at St Gregory's.

Please pray for her family and friends at this difficult time. May God grant them eternal rest.



CWL SOUP AND PUD LUNCH in aid of Winchester Trinity Centre.

The CWL will be having their next Charity Lunch on Friday 6th January, food will be served from 12.00noon to 1.30pm, in the Pastoral Centre. All are very welcome to come and enjoy a home cooked Lunch, cost £5

ADORE CHRISTMAS WORSHIP ONLINE. ADORE Online Christmas Worship **Saturday 17 December 11.00-12.00** "*O come, let us ADORE Him.*" In a one-hour programme of seasonal Scripture readings, prayers, carols and other worship songs, we remind ourselves that GOD IS WITH US to support us in every aspect of our lives. (NB No Mass this month) No need to register, just log in to Zoom by going to bit.ly/ADOREDEC2022 and using the passcode 171602.

ARE YOU ILL, WORRIED OR SEARCHING? Experienced, trained Catholics will pray with you on the phone for healing or encouragement. Ring 07579 824523 Mon-Fri 10am to 4pm. More details at altonrenewal.com/prayer_request

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

what hope His call holds for you... (cf. Eph 1:18)



PETERPOST - There will be a Christmas Peterpost out next week. It will be a double issue, taking in the weekend of the 31st/1st as well. Back to normal on weekend of 6th of Jan. Please make sure you get any announcements to us by Tuesday morning. Thank you.

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.

Mass Intention Requests Please email requests to office@stpeterswinchester.org.uk or you can contact the **Reception Desk** in the Pastoral Centre on 01962 852804.

You are invited to...



What is it?

Fun, faith and fellowship with crafts, refreshments, activities and liturgy based on a Biblical theme

When?

Mondays 1:30 - 3pm from Jan 9th 2023

Where?

Pastoral Centre Hall, St Peter's, Jewry Street

Who is it for?

No age limit! Everyone welcome

Who to contact?

Louisa: messychurch@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

or call the Parish Office: 01962 852804



Laudato Si Corner

During Advent we are focused on the coming of the Christ child and the importance of the Holy family. This season reinforces the importance of all our human family too, with current world problems casting a shadow over what should be a joyous time.

One of those problems is the failure of world governments to reduce carbon emissions at COP27. This means that global temperatures may continue to rise – and with that rise there will be more damaging climate events.

In Laudato Si, the Pope called climate change “one of the principal challenges facing humanity in our day” and the urgency of this issue was the focus of discussion at the National Bishops Conference recently where Dr Carmody Grey said that COP 27’s failure to reduce carbon emission means that we are facing a rise in global temperatures of 2.7degrees centigrade. To find out more, view this video

<https://www.economist.com/films/2021/10/30/this-is-what-3degc-of-global-warming-looks-like>

Did you know that each Christmas we produce 30% more waste than we do in the rest of the year. How can we reduce the impact of our Christmas celebrations on the environment?

See <https://highspeedtraining.co.uk/hub/reduce-christmas-waste/> for lots of helpful information and ideas to make your Christmas more joyful and less damaging to our environment.

Lord of light, We rejoice, celebrate and reflect on your birth. Help us to be beacons of light, to be discerning this Christmas.

Amen

NHS COVID and Flu Vaccinations (for those who are eligible) are available at:

Carroll Centre, Somers Close, Stanmore. Winchester. SO23 4EJ from 9am to 2pm on Tuesdays 10th January, 7th February and 28th March 2023

and at:

Winnall Community Centre, Garbett Road, Winchester SO23 0NY from 1pm to 5.30pm on Tuesdays 3rd, 31st January and 28th February 2023.

Just come along. No need to book.

Epiphany Party at St Stephen's - Sunday 8th January 2023 in the hall after 9:15am Mass.

Christmas party dress (optional). All children to be accompanied by an adult. Please bring a contribution to the snack table.

Volunteers for the craft and snack tables needed.



Crosskeys the new edition of our regular Parish magazine, Crosskeys, is out now. If you receive the newsletter by email you will be sent a copy in a PDF, there will be copies at the back of church for those who are not online, and you can find it on our [website here](#). Find out about the Year of the Holy Spirit, the Parish Pilgrimage to the Holy Land, the Queen's funeral, and much more!

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.

NHS Hampshire and Isle of Wight

Tuesdays 09:00 - 14:00
6 December, 10 January, 7 February, 28 March
Carroll Centre, Somers Close, Winchester SO22 4EJ

Healthy Hearts
Reduce the risk of developing a Cardiovascular Disease with healthier lifestyles signposting and
FREE blood pressure testing!

Covid Vaccinations
Do you still need your 1st or 2nd dose?
Or are you eligible for a booster?
Find out if you are eligible at www.gov.uk
Come along, **no need to book!**

Flu Vaccinations
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www.nhs.uk

Signposting Services
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St Peter's Church 'Warm Hub' - Pastoral Centre, Winchester:

Every Wednesday from 10am -12noon - offering light breakfast (cereals/toast, jam), tea, coffee & cake. This is a safe, friendly environment for those seeking warm sanctuary, refreshments, companionship and support with sign posting to key social/community services.

We kindly ask our ministries and parishioners to assist us in the following:

- **Prayers** - "Let us pray for those effected by the cost-of-living crisis and financial hardship. May our Warm Hub provide safety, sanctuary, and much needed support during these difficult times".

- **Pastoral Support** - Winchester community of churches and other organisations have a comprehensive itinerary of Warm Hub events throughout the week - please see list at the back of all churches and in the Pastoral Centre.

Donations and volunteers are always appreciated!

- **Practical Support** – For those who may be experiencing financial hardship or know someone who might be, our parish has received awareness training provided by the Winchester Citizens Advice Bureau team about where to find support on the CAB website. If you would like to find out more, please contact

Michaela@stpeterswinchester.org.uk or phone 01962 852804.

Alternatively, very helpful information is available on the Winchester City Council 'Cost of Living Advice' page, see <https://www.winchester.gov.uk/cost-of-living>; and on the Citizens Advice Bureau website, see <http://www.citizensadvicewinchester.org.uk>



Dear Parents

Nativity Service



Last week we were led in celebrating Advent and the nativity by our Reception and Years 1 & 2. They acted out the story of Jesus' birth, read aloud and sang beautifully. Thank you staff team for all your hard work. It really began the season for many of us.



First of December, can't wait to see
What's waiting behind the door, just for me.
Today it's a snowman with hat, scarf and gloves.
The excitement has started
it's the season of love.

Written by Nola M. in class 2JW

We currently have vacancies for a Higher Level Teaching Assistant and an After School Club Assistant. For further details and an application form please see the Vacancies page on our website: <https://www.stpetershants.co.uk/vacancies/>

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

Vacancy for a part time Parish Administrator to support all pastoral work in the **Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes and St Swithun's**,
Waverley Road, PORTSMOUTH

Hours of work: Part time 16 hours per week – Tuesday to Friday 9 am to 1 pm. Salary: £12 per hour.

Experience and Qualifications required for role:

- First class organisational skills including the ability to prioritise work, balance conflicting priorities, monitor progress and exercise judgement about chasing progress as necessary.
- Advanced proficiency in use of Microsoft Office including Word, Excel, Powerpoint and Publisher.
- Understanding of Data Protection legislation.
- Excellent interpersonal skills and the confidence to deal with people at every level.
- Excellent communication skills both written and verbal.
- Able to effectively manage a high- volume workload.

Personal Attributes:

- Ability to work effectively as part of a team.
- Excellent support skills.
- Understanding of and commitment to equality of opportunity and good working relationships.
- Able to work on own initiative, organising and prioritising own workload to set deadlines.
- An ability to maintain high degree of confidentiality and trust.
- Good time keeping.
- Positive and flexible approach to work.

Closing date for applications: 12 noon on Friday 13th January 2023.

For Job Description and details of how to apply please contact: recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Mass Timetable	17 th December 2022 – 24 th December 2022		
Date	Mass Times & Intentions		
SATURDAY – December 17 th FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Vigil	9.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Matthew Leeming RIP
	5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Deceased Members of the Hill Family
SUNDAY – December 18 th FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	8.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Alfred Wild RIP
	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	Intentions of Annette and Ian Mansie
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	Martin Rex Gilligan RIP
	10.30 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Intentions of Fikile Mlotshwa's Family
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	People of the Parish
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Mary Keating
MONDAY – December 19 th	12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Carlos Boromeu Fernandes RIP
TUESDAY – December 20 th	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	Clare McKenna RIP
	12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Bernard & Cherry Twomey RIP
WEDNESDAY – December 21 st			
THURSDAY – December 22 nd	10.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Souls of Albert Edward Nott & Susanne Marie Nott
FRIDAY – December 23 rd	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	Laurie Bradley RIP and other family members.
	12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Mary Lucy King
SATURDAY – December 24 th THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD - Vigil	3.00PM	Mass at St Peter's	Christina & William Browne RIP
	5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Austin Emery RIP
	5.30PM	Mass at St Stephen's	Amelia Stone RIP
	8.30PM	Mass at St Gregory's	Intentions of the Neil Family
	10.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of William Meader
SUNDAY – DECEMBER 25 th THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD	8.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Recovery of James Murphy
	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	
	10.30 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Rosie O'Connor RIP
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	

Confessions every Saturday 9.30am till 10.30am and 4.30pm-5.00pm at St Peter's Church – booking not required. **No Confessions on Saturday 24th December.** Morning Prayer (livestream and open to public), 8.00am at St Peter's followed by Adoration till 9.00am. **No Morning Prayer on Friday 23rd December.** 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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Housekeeper: Sarah Culhane (sculhane@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)
Finance and Property Manager: Annette Parr (annette@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)
Facilities and Resources Manager: Sean Reidy (sean@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)
Parish Administration Manager: Michaela Waterfield (michaela@stpeterswinchester.org.uk)
Sacristan: Laurie Howe Caretaker: Richard Phiri
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