

PETERPOST

Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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4th December 2022

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT – YEAR A

Lift Up Your Eyes – and change direction as He challenges us

Fr Mark writes:

I like walking. Sometimes it's a short walk, just round the block, to clear my head. Sometimes it's a long trek, along the Camino de Santiago or from Florence to Rome, for example, for hundreds of miles. Sometimes I'll happily trot off by myself. Sometimes, I'll go off with a friend or a small group or a whole great gaggle of people.

Mostly, I'm fairly attentive to the route I'm taking. I'll have my Ordnance Survey app and I'll be following someone's directions assiduously, or looking for waymarkers or clues. There are, however, times when I "get into the zone", lost in my own thoughts or in deep conversation and will carry on walking, sometimes for miles, without checking I'm on the right path. Then, something will bring me out of my trance and I'll lift up my eyes and begin to doubt that I'm still on track.

The OS app, with its handy red arrow, can be quite a lifesaver then. But there have been times, before the app existed or when I've forgotten to download the right section of the map and I have no signal, when I've had to resort to other means. That's when I need to look around to seek out familiar and helpful landmarks – harder to do in a forest than in the open, or in a valley than from a hilltop. It's time to lift up my eyes, spot a radio mast or a church steeple, and then, if necessary, change to direction and begin to move to where I need to be...

I find that in life too, I need to pause and lift up my eyes from time to time, just to check my bearings and see if I need a little course correction. Am I spending too little time in prayer..? Am I placing my trust in God sufficiently? Am I eating too many chocolates?! Knowing where I want to go (on the path that makes me more Christlike), I can then recognise whether or not my choices are leading me in that direction and ask for forgiveness and guidance from God on which direction to take and what steps to take next...

Maybe some of you would also benefit this Advent from a little pause and a lifting up of the eyes in order to see if you're heading in the right direction or need to change a little. Maybe some of you have been wandering down a path that is leading you away from God's love and consolation. Maybe you've been keeping your head down, buried in worries or fears or just overwhelmed with busy-ness... Maybe some of you are just beginning to realise that you're feeling a little lost and aren't sure where to go next... Change Direction!

John the Baptist appears dramatically in our Gospel this Sunday, urging people to change direction before it's too late. There, in the middle of this wasteland, you suddenly hear this voice, crying out,

"Repent! Change direction! You're going the wrong way!"

As you get closer, with the voice increasing in volume and persistence, you get your first glimpse of this peculiar and austere figure, with his rough and ready appearance and his "interesting" diet. You find you are not alone, though. "Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole area round the Jordan" had come out to him. What are they looking for..? What are you looking for..?

His message is clear and simple: "Repent – for the kingdom of heaven has come near!"

It's an invitation (or more of a command) to change direction and to change direction fast – in order to be ready for "the kingdom of heaven".

John the Baptist was considered a prophet. The "people" held him to be a prophet (c.f. Matthew 14:5; Mark 11:32), his father, filled with the Holy Spirit, says he will be called a "prophet of God the Most High" (Luke 1:76) and Jesus himself declares John to be such. A prophet is not so much one who foretells as one who tells forth. In other words, the prophet's role isn't primarily to predict the future but to speak God's word plainly to people. John the Baptist certainly didn't mince his words, as we have seen in the passage above from Josephus and as we hear in our Gospel passage this weekend when he calls the Pharisees and Sadducees "offspring of snakes" and accuses them of failing to produce "good fruit". John the Baptist is not afraid to call for social justice and to speak out against sin.

Furthermore, the hand of the Lord was upon him. The account of John's miraculous conception, to the elderly Zechariah and Elizabeth, and birth are told in Luke 1. Here we discover that John leapt in his mother's womb when Jesus approached in the womb of Jesus and that his mother, Elizabeth, was filled with the Holy Spirit (Luke 1:41-42). Just before his father, Zechariah, is himself filled with the Holy Spirit and prophesied the Benedictus (Luke 1:67-79), we read that the neighbours asked,

"What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him. (Luke 1:66)

Moreover, John often points towards Jesus in icons depicting him. He is bearing witness to him. In this Sunday's Gospel, John points us towards Jesus very clearly:

"I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." (Matthew 3:11-12)

"He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire".

At the beginning of this Year of the Holy Spirit, maybe we can pause briefly to try and understand what is meant by this image of "the Holy Spirit and fire". Maybe we can ask the Holy Spirit to light our way and to warm our hearts, and to purify our hearts of all that is not holy, all that is not of God, setting us on fire with the Love of God.

Farewell, Fr Tom

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Fr Tom on behalf of us all as he moves "up north" to Maidenhead! Fr Tom has been assistant priest here in the parish and then for the last two years has continued to serve us in retirement. Many of us were able to enjoy the celebrations for Fr Tom's 50th anniversary shortly before the pandemic. Much of what Fr Tom does is "behind the scenes" and I know many of you will miss him just "turning up" for a chat or a prayer, to see how you are and offer pastoral support. Please do keep him in your prayers as he makes this transition.

Feel free to join the community in St. Gregory's, Alresford at 11am this Sunday 4th Dec for Fr Tom's last Mass with us and for a chance to chat with him and fellow parishioners afterwards. If you were unable to make that, we would be very happy to pass on any cards or gifts you wished to offer.

Fr Tom, we will miss you. Thank you for everything.



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](#).

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT - 4th December 2022

Antiphon:

O people of Sion, behold,

the Lord will come to save the nations, see the salvation of God. and the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard

the joy of your heart.

First reading: Isaiah 11:1-10

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 71:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17. R. Cf.v.7

In his days justice shall flourish and behold the joy which comes to you from God. and peace till the moon fails.

Second reading: Romans 15:4-9

Gospel Acclamation: Entrance

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight, and all mankind shall

the glory of his voice heard

R. Alleluia! in

Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Communion Antiphon:

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights,

Covenant with the Poor appeal this weekend

Today the Covenant with the Poor team will be appealing at all masses for support for 'Classrooms for a school in Bolivia'. Please support generously as ever, by donating using the blue envelopes or by bank transfer to the parish bank account with the reference **CWP**. A link to the appeal leaflet with full details is on the parish website front page in the CWP section.

If you receive Peterpost via email we have also sent you the leaflet as an attachment.

Funeral Notices:

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

Hugh & Noeline Ormerod RIP - **Thursday 15th December 2022** in St Peter's during **10am Mass**.

Marthe Vitoria RIP – **Private family service** will be held at St Peter's, **on Tuesday 13th December 2022 at 1:45pm**.

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:

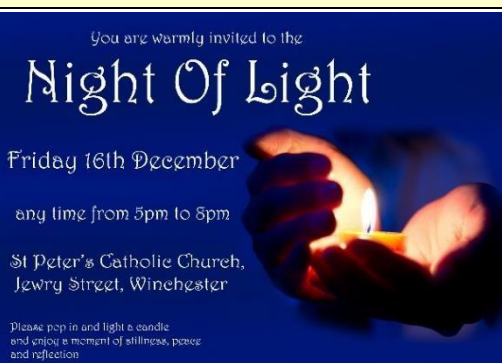
Saturday 3rd December – No 9am Mass at St Peter's. **Mass is at 10am in the Lady Chapel at Winchester Cathedral. Morning Confession will be from 11am to 12noon.**

Tuesday 6th December – Mass at St Peter's will be at 8am (not 12.15pm) and followed by Morning Prayer.

Wednesday 7th December – No Mass or Morning Prayer at St Peter's.

Friday 9th December – Mass at St Peter's will be at 10am (not 12.15pm)

Saturday 10th December – Morning Confession will be extended from 9.30am to 12.30pm.



St. Peter's Night of Light

2022 (on Friday 16th

December) 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.

BLUE CHRISTMAS

Wednesday 21st December, 11:00AM at St Peter's Church

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.

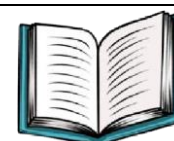
As a result, many of us find Christmas a difficult time to celebrate, and worry that we have to bury our feelings to make everyone else happy.

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.

Message from Fr Mark: This is to let you know the good news that Fr John Chadwick will be moving into Peterhouse on 27th December and staying with us for a few months. He does have other commitments, mainly during the week but also sometimes at weekend. However, while he's here, he will be available for weekend Masses and other limited, occasional pastoral duties. I am very sure you will make him welcome.

Calling Young Readers

How beautifully the young readers read the Sunday before last! – 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.



Daily and Weekly Messages during Advent and Christmas

Fr Mark will begin 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 by Monday evening), 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

Advent Online Sessions with Fr Mark

Fr Mark will be hosting 2 online sessions in Advent. They will be at 7:30pm on Sun 11th and Sun 18th December. The first will look at some of the characters in the Nativity Story and how they are filled with the Holy Spirit. It will be a mixture of input, small group discussion and prayer. The second will look at a short film (20 mins) called "The Shepherd", which we will watch together and then have chance to discuss in small groups before ending in prayer. They will be hosted on Zoom and the links are: [Holy Spirit in the Nativity](#) and [The Shepherd](#).

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)



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: As we begin our Year of the Holy Spirit, let us pray that we may experience change, renewal and empowerment to share the gospel with everyone, bringing people to Christ in hope and joy



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

Alan Elderfield RIP

Avriel Winders RIP

Hugh & Noeline Ormerod RIP

Marthe Vitoria RIP

James Heward RIP

Matthew Leeming RIP

Join The Mountbatten Hospice next Sunday (11 December) to Light up a Life.

All are welcome to our hospice building in West End to remember and celebrate loved ones who won't be with us this Christmas.

🕒 Join us at 4 pm to listen to hand-picked readings and music and sing carols together.

🕯️ Our remembrance tree will be lit, and we will light candles in honour of all those we hold dear.

☕ Winter warming refreshments will be served after the service until 6pm.

🏠 This is an open-air event; we will have a marquee for guests but please make sure to wrap up warmly. If you wish to attend, please let us know, as space at the hospice is limited, and we want to ensure all guests are comfortable. [Click here to reserve your space at the service.](#)

🚗 Parking is available on-site from 3 pm at the Tom Rudd Centre, Moorgreen Hospital, Botley Road, Southampton SO30 3JB. The service will begin at 4 pm. Please arrive at least 15 minutes before to collect a candle.

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.

'Hearing the Word, The Bible, The Prayer Book & Public Worship from Cranmer to 1660'

Our next meeting, on **Wednesday 7 December**, is at **Winchester College** and we are pleased to welcome the Rev'd Canon Dr Judith Maltby of Corpus Christi College Oxford and Professor Diarmaid MacCulloch of Campion Hall Oxford.

THIS A PRE BOOKED TICKET ONLY EVENT. **ALL TICKETS HAVE NOW BEEN RESERVED AND, UNFORTUNATELY, THERE ARE NO MORE AVAILABLE.**

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.



Get in the Christmas Mood!

Come along (and sing-along) to Christmas Carols and Fabulous Songs, performed by our wonderful Fusion Choir, on Friday 9th December, 3-3.45pm in the Pastoral Centre at St Peter's. Come early for a mince pie and a cup of tea. See you there!

Birthday Thank You from Fr Mark

Fr Mark would very much like to thank everyone who kindly and generously helped him to mark his recent advance in years! He is very grateful for all the kind messages, prayers and charitable gifts received. He is also feeling very blessed and very humbled.

Carol Service at St Peter's Church, Stockbridge

The Reverend Philip Bowden invites you to join him and the congregation at St Peter's Church, Stockbridge for a Carol Service at 6pm on Friday 16th December. Bishop Peter Doyle will assist in leading the service and will preach a homily.

Vocations - Second Sunday of Advent Are you called to be "A herald's voice in the desert" preparing the way of the Lord in the hearts of His people? To explore further, contact Cn. John Cooke at: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318 869.

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 srsmorningstar@gmail.com

SVP Christmas Cards. St Peters SVP group will be selling SVP Christmas cards after the next few Sunday masses at St Peter's at the back of church.



Laudato Si Corner

The Bishops' Conference urges all Catholics to refresh their weekly observance of **Friday Abstinence** by refraining from eating meat on that day. In this way we dedicate to God the pressing need for us all to live more simply. A recent [study at Cambridge University](#) published research suggesting that this penitential act has a considerable impact on lessening carbon emissions by 55,000 tonnes each year.

The Bishops' Conference also recommends the **LiveSimply Award** which our parish holds.

Thousands of **CAFOD** supporters called for governments to set up a Loss and Damage Fund, whilst the Holy See intervened to back calls for this Fund for countries most vulnerable to the climate crisis. The Fund was agreed at **COP27!**

Here is some information from **British Gas** on how to save Energy.....

https://www.britishgas.co.uk/energy/energy-saving/energy-savingtips.html?cid=mem_MyBGNovEM_IBM10449-02_Thu_20221117_24140

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.

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.



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 in a thirtyminute drama to be performed at the Cathedral 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). Blessings to you all,

Howard



Revd Dr Howard Mellor

Chair, CTiW

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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**. 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! The programme includes tunes across the centuries from the UK, Europe and North America and 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 the link: <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.



Vacancy for a Secretarial Assistant at the United Church Winchester.

The United Church Winchester is an ecumenical church formed in 1974. 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 and 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



Dear Parents

Advent

God of hope, we cling to you, for you renew the face of the earth.

Through the gift of your Son, our Lord Jesus, we follow you on the path of dawn.

Enlightened by your love and wisdom, help us to lead each other and all creatures back to your open arms. Amen.

Rachel McCarthy/CAFOD

And so we begin our Advent journey ... with hope in our hearts.



We are collecting toiletries and treats for the seafarers' charity donations to the Stella Maris Christmas Tree Appeal is **Friday 9th December**. Thank you very much for all donations received so far.

– The Stella Maris. The deadline for

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!" Matthew 3:1-12

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

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>

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'

Mass Timetable	3 rd December 2022 – 10 th December 2022
Date	Mass Times & Intentions

SATURDAY – December 3rd 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
SUNDAY – December 4th SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	8.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Jim Heward RIP
	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	People of the Parish
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	Intentions of Camilla Mash
	10.30 AM	Mass at St Peter's	John Graham Morris RIP
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	People of Ukraine
MONDAY – December 5th Ss Birinus & Hedda, Bishops	12.15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Catherine Doyle RIP & Patrick Doyle RIP
TUESDAY – December 6th St Nicholas, Bishop	8.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Holy Souls in Purgatory
	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
WEDNESDAY – December 7th ST Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church			
THURSDAY – December 8th THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	10.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Richard Wheble
FRIDAY – December 9th	10.00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	Soul of Mary Julia Wheble
	10.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	David Morgan RIP
SATURDAY – December 10th St Swithun Wells, Martyr THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Vigil	9.00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Frederick Yard
	5.30PM	Mass at St Peter's	K B Anne RIP

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 and there will be extended Confession from 9.30am – 12.30pm on 10th December.**

Morning Prayer (livestream and open to public), 8.00am at St Peter's followed by Adoration till 9.00am **No Morning Prayer on Wednesday 7th 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.

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