

PETERPOST

Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

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3rd December 2023

First Sunday of Advent - Year B

First Sunday of Advent - Fill Me With Your Spirit!

Father Mark writes:

Our first reading this weekend is from the Old Testament prophet, Isaiah. Around 600 BC, the Babylonians took the Jews out of the Promised Land and kept them in exile (the Babylonian Captivity) for about 60 years. When Cyrus, the Persian emperor, took over Babylon, he sent the Jews home. This reading is set in that troubled period when Judah was trying to put itself back together again after returning from Exile. Imagine how a contemporary family might feel when they return to a fire-damaged, or hurricane-destroyed, or flood-damaged home.

The reading contains a mix of feelings: guilt, and outrage at God, alternating with praise of God, humility, anguish, and hope. Isaiah expressed the hope of Israel for a powerful manifestation of God in their midst.

"Oh, that You would rend the heavens and come down, with the mountains quaking before You."

The prophet hoped that if God would come into their midst, the people could be faithful to Him. Acknowledging the fact that the people were unfaithful, Isaiah asked for God's forgiveness and acceptance: "You, O Lord, are our Father; we are the clay and You are the potter: we are all the work of Your hands."

In other words, we're not perfect, but we are totally God's to shape. Here Isaiah was not anticipating Jesus' arrival when he asked God "... to rend the heavens and come down ..."! He was simply pleading with the Lord to force those Israelites who had recently returned from the Babylonian Exile to do what was necessary to allow God to be present and active in their lives. Isaiah was praying to the Lord on behalf of the Israelites, "Would that You might meet us doing right, that we were mindful of You in our ways!" He begged the Lord, the Father of the Chosen People, for mercy.

This prayer was answered hundreds of years later when the Son of God became man in the Incarnation. We can imagine the Chosen People, some of them having 'switched off' from any expectation of God's coming, and others getting hungrier and hungrier for God's presence.

How will you spend this Advent..? Distracted by the pretty lights and glitter..? Bored by the 'humbugs..? Consumed by the shopping frenzy..? Stuffed full with food and drink..? Overwhelmed by fear or anxiety..? Or with a burning desire for God to fill you (once more) with His presence? Are you desperately longing for God's Love in your life? For God is still, and always, coming.

I'd like to encourage you to begin this Advent with two very simple but very powerful prayers of the ancient Church,

"Come, Lord Jesus" (maranatha) and "Come, Holy Spirit"

The more you pray them, when you wake up, when you shave or put on your make up, when you walk down the street or wait in the car, the more they will create a hunger and thirst for God within you. These are not polite invitations, "You must come round for a coffee some time" but urgent pleadings from the heart.

"Come, Lord Jesus. Come now, and be with me because I need you, because I can't do this by myself, because I want to share my good news with you, because I love you...Come, Holy Spirit, come now and fill me with your presence".

Michaela Waterfield RIP



This week, indeed many of the last few weeks, have been dominated for me by the physical decline and ultimately the sad death of my dear friend and colleague, Michaela Waterfield. Michaela joined the parish staff in 2021 as our Parish Administration Manager and was soon loved by everyone who knew her - fellow staff members, volunteers, parishioners, people from local organisations and visitors alike. It was impossible not to love her.

I first met Michaela in 2001, very shortly after I was ordained and sent to Southampton. Michaela was both a parishioner and headed up the Reception team at Springhill Catholic Primary School. I spent most of my school visiting time with Year 6 and Year R, and it was Michaela who helped me to enter the slightly surreal world of "streams of consciousness" that Year R proved to be. In some ways it was very different to seminary life; on the other hand...Michaela's parents, Anna and Jim, were both parishioners in St. Joseph's, Basingstoke, and so I would often get updates on how she was doing and see her from time to time.

Those of us who had the privilege of knowing Michaela will each have our own memories and ways of remembering her. Above all in recent months, I have come to appreciate and thank God for her very deep faith, much stronger than mine. She was very much filled with the Spirit.

Please join me in thanking God for her short but beautiful life, in praying for the repose of her soul and in praying for her husband, Simon, her two daughters, for her dear mother, Anna, and for all her family and loved ones. If you are able to join us, you would be very welcome at her **Funeral Mass in St. Edmund's, Southampton on Wednesday 20th December at 11am.**

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace.

ADVENT

The season of Advent and our preparations for Christmas has begun. 'Advent' is a word that means 'coming' and we look for Christ to come again and lead us safely home, rejoicing, into his Father's house. As we draw our Year of the Holy Spirit to a close, Advent is an opportunity to be "Filled with the Spirit", just as so many of those people involved in the events surrounding Jesus' life were filled with the same spirit. To help us prepare well and dispose ourselves to receiving the Holy Spirit, here are a few things we'll be offering as a parish:

Daily Messages

Our daily messages will be back. Those of you who have signed up before will know what to expect – a beautiful image, a short piece of Scripture, a brief reflection and maybe one or two other delights to help you through the day. *If you were signed up for Daily Messages in Lent and Easter, then you will automatically be added to the distribution list (and may unsubscribe if you wish). If you have not signed up before and would like to receive the Messages, please follow this link to submit your name and email address - <https://stpeterschurch7.flocknote.com/FilledwiththeSpi>. Here is a "Word Cloud" from some of the feedback from our Lenten and Easter Messages, in the hope that this encourages you to sign up.* Please come and join us so we can travel together on this journey through Advent and Christmas.



The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

"Do not be afraid of Confession! One who is in line to confess himself feels all these things – even shame – but then, when he finishes confessing, he leaves free, great, beautiful, forgiven...happy. And this is the beauty of Confession...Jesus is there...and He receives you with so much love." (Pope Francis)

There will be many opportunities this Advent to celebrate this beautiful sacrament:

Every Saturday morning (9:30-10:30am)* and every Saturday afternoon (4:30-5pm), St. Peter's.

*Saturday 2nd Dec, 11am - 12 noon; Saturday 9th Dec, extended confessions, 9:30am - 12 noon (extra priests available)

Parish Reconciliation Service – Monday 18th December, 7pm – an opportunity for us to come together as a community and support each other in prayer, beginning with a beautiful and simple service, followed by individual confessions. Extra priests available.

Priests will also be available during the last two weeks of Advent around times of Mass and Morning Prayer. Times to be confirmed.

Wild Goose

Fr Mark will be leading a series of 3 Sunday evenings in the Pastoral Centre on the "Wild Goose" (a Celtic image for the Holy Spirit). Sun 3rd Dec, "God's Love Poured Out"; Sun 10th Dec, "Baptism in the Holy Spirit and Fire"; Sun 17th Dec, "The Spirit Remembers", all 7-9pm. The sessions will include a video followed by a chance to discuss / reflect and a time of led prayer. No need to book – please just turn up.

Experience Lectio Divina

In Advent, we will be running small groups on "Lectio Divina", giving people a chance to learn more about this ancient art of prayer. If you would like to experience *Lectio*, please join Dcn Tony Darlison:

Discovering More about the Gospels in Advent, with the ancient art of Lectio Divina.

A series of four prayer meetings led by Dcn Tony Darlison in which we prepare to welcome into our hearts the holy mystery of God coming down to earth at Christmas, by reflecting prayerfully on the Sunday Gospels for Advent.

In St. Peter's Pastoral Centre, 7:00 to 8:00 on Mondays 27 November, 4 December, 11 December, 18 December

No need to book - please just turn up. If possible, please bring a Jerusalem Bible.



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT (Year B) – 3rd December 2023

Entrance Antiphon:

Cf. Ps 24:1-3

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 63:16-17; 64:1,3-8

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 79:2-3,15-16,18-19. R.v.4

God of hosts, bring us back;

let your face shine on us and we shall be saved.

Second reading:

St Paul to the Corinthians 1:3-9

Gospel Acclamation:

Ps 84:8

R. Alleluia, alleluia!

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy
and give us your saving help.

R. Alleluia!

Gospel: Mark 13:33-37

Communion Antiphon:

Ps 84:13

Accept, we pray O Lord, these offerings we make,
gathered from among your gifts to us,
and may what you grant us to celebrate devoutly here below,
gain for us the prize of eternal redemption.
Through Christ our Lord.

Changes to Masses in the Coming Week.

Saturday morning Mass on Saturday 2nd December is at 10am at Winchester Cathedral.

Saturday morning Confession on Saturday 2nd December will therefore be from 11am until 12 noon.

No Mass at St Gregory's on Tuesday 5th December.

Saturday morning Confession on Saturday 9th December will be extended from 10am until 12.30pm.

Second Collection today is for Covenant with the Poor – Support for destitute asylum seekers.

This weekend, the Covenant with the Poor group will be making an appeal on behalf of Southampton & Winchester Visitors group to help their support of local asylum seekers to adjust to life in the UK.

To find out more about Southampton & Winchester Visitors Group (SWVG) see the website <https://swvg-refugees.org.uk/>

Please give this important project your support—you can donate by bank transfer: Account Name: CDP St Peter & The Winchester Martyrs. Account No: 00890996 Sort Code: 30-93-04 Please reference 'CWP' when making payment.

Please support as generously as ever – thank you!



Message for Parishioners attending Mass at St Peter's.

All parishioners attending Mass at St Peter's are requested to ensure that they do not obstruct access to local properties when parking. There has been at least one occasion last weekend when a parishioner parked across the entrance to Ellingham Close, preventing access for emergency vehicles as well as for those who live there. Please be aware and show consideration to local residents.



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 our parish

community that, as we await the birth of Jesus, our own Advent preparations will help each of us to be filled with the Holy Spirit, drawing us closer to Christ in hope and joy.



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

- Jenifer Cummings RIP
- Barbara Harwood RIP
- Ada Dalton RIP
- Brian Morris RIP
- William Pollock-Gore RIP
- Michael Blakstad RIP
- Michaela Waterfield RIP

Funeral Notices:

Jenifer Cummings RIP – **Funeral in Sutton Coldfield on Thursday 7th December.**
 Ada Dalton RIP – **Funeral Mass at St Peter's Church, Winchester on Monday 11th December at 12.15pm.**
 Brian Morris RIP - **Funeral Service at Chesil House, Winchester, on Thursday 14th December.**
 Barbara Harwood RIP – **Funeral Service at Test Valley Crematorium, Romsey, on Friday 15th December.**
 William Pollock-Gore RIP – **Funeral Service at St Peter's Church, Winchester on Monday 18th December at 10.30am.**
 Michaela Waterfield – **Funeral Service at St Edmunds, Southampton on Wednesday 20th December at 11am**
 Michael Blakstad RIP – **Funeral Service at St Peter's Church, Winchester on Thursday 21st December at 12.45pm.**



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



Christmas plants in memory, at St. Stephens

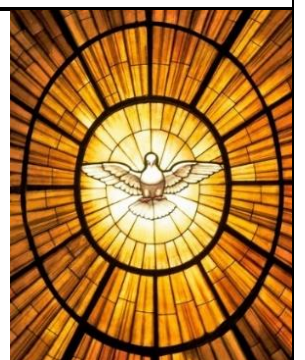
Every year parishioners are invited to bring a potted plant in memory of a deceased loved one, to church at St Stephen's. This year the colour is **red** flowering plants, eg: cyclamen or any plant of your choice, standing in a waterproof container (to make watering easier). These may be brought to Mass at **St Stephen's on Sunday 17th December or the following Saturday 23rd between 10 and 10:30am.** Please attach the name of your loved one to the pot.



Welcome to Naomi Owodunni, who was baptised at St Peter's Church last weekend. May God bless her with His love and grace, today and always.

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN SCRIPTURE - RECORDINGS AND COPIES OF PRESENTATIONS AVAILABLE

Deacon Martin's series on *The Holy Spirit in Scripture* has now finished. However, the recordings of [episode 1](#), [episode 2](#), [episode 3](#), [episode 4](#), [episode 5](#), [episode 6](#) and the [final episode, 7](#), plus copies of the presentations with links to Scripture texts, are available via [our parish YouTube site](#), so you can view them in your own time. (You may need to expand the Description in the grey box under the title on YouTube, to get to the link with the PDF presentation documents). The recordings and presentations can also be found via [our parish website](#) - scroll down the home page until you see the heading "The Holy Spirit in Scripture".



Update from Winchester Prison

Father Jean-Patrice Coulon writes: Hopefully, you will remember that I am the Catholic Chaplain at HMP Winchester, as I resided in the parish for several months while I was waiting for my permanent lodgings in Basingstoke. Thankfully, we have a small number of parishioners who have volunteered to come in on a rota for our Sunday Mass which is held on a Saturday morning. The parishioners speak to the men before and after the Mass, and are available to assist with the Mass, as some of the men have difficulty in reading. The Gospel of the Feast of Christ the King last Sunday reminded us that whenever we visit someone in prison, we are visiting Christ Himself, who identifies Himself with these 'little ones'. If you feel that you might have a calling to visit some very disadvantaged people to offer a message of kindness, compassion, and hope in the Lord Jesus, please feel free to come to the Mass to see for yourself. The way to do this is to contact the Parish Office who can then pass your name on to Carmen and Mike who are co-ordinating the volunteers. Please do remember the prisoners and their families in your prayers, as well as all in our Chaplaincy Team, as we remember that we are all in need of daily conversion to The Lord.

FESTIVE FUN (INCLUDING CAROLS) AT WINCHESTER VILLAGE - SUNDAY 3RD DECEMBER, 4-5:30PM

If you live in or near Winchester Village, please do come along to the Festive Fun event on the Green from 4pm on Sunday 3rd December.

There will be mulled wine (bring your own cup) and mince pies, the Salvation Army Brass Band, community carol singing at 4.30pm and a visit from the Round Table Santa's Sleigh at 5.30pm.

We will be collecting unwrapped children's gifts for the Salvation Army Christmas Present appeal.

Deacon Martin will be giving the blessing at the end of the Carols, around 5pm.



CWL Festive Soup & Pud Lunch at St Peter's in aid of Winchester Salvation Army.

The CWL will be having their next Charity Lunch on **Friday 8th December**, and monies raised will be donated to **Winchester Salvation Army**. It will be a Festive Lunch and will be served between 12noon and 1.30pm. All are very welcome to come and join. Price £5 cash or card

Bookshop Notice.

This weekend the Bookshop in the Pastoral Centre will be open after all Masses at St Peter's; please note: Advent Calendars, Christmas Cards (including CAFOD cards) and Christmas Cribbs will be on sale. Cash or cheque is preferred.

We have a good selection of Advent Calendars, Advent Booklets, Christmas Cards, Diaries and Bible Diaries, Bibles, Missals, Annual Missals, Alpha books, Prayerbooks, Rosaries, general books, crosses, small statues and gifts, as well as cards for all occasions and copies of the new encyclical "Laudate Deum".

Thank you for your support. Susan Henry.



AN INVITATION TO READ TOGETHER HOPKINS'S "THE WRECK OF THE DEUTSCHLAND" - THURSDAY 7TH DECEMBER, 8pm

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 8pm on Thursday 7th December. We will be gathering together "virtually" (via Microsoft Teams), because this makes it easier for more people to take part. You can even extend the invitation to friends and family outside Winchester. You don't need to install any extra software: all you need is a web browser on your computer, or a mobile phone.

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

Children's Advent Morning on Saturday 9th December at St Peter's. There will be a children's Advent morning at St Peter's church on Saturday 9th December. This is aimed at children from year R to year 5 and their parents. It will involve time for prayer, music, crafts and discussion (including something for the parents). The morning starts with Mass at 9am and will finish no later than 1pm, though we hope people will stay for a bring-and-share picnic lunch.

If you would like to come, we would be grateful if you could fill in this [brief form](#).

Silent Weekend Retreat. Theme: 'Be Still My Soul'. Friday 8th - Sunday 10th December 2023.



Organised by Allegra Mutanda. Venue: Sion Catholic Community for Evangelism in Brentwood, Essex. We live hectic lives in a busy and noise-filled society and our spiritual lives can tend to mirror that rush. The call is for us to learn the 'art' of being still and to rest in God amidst everything else. This Advent retreat offers us the opportunity to spend time away with the Lord in quiet prayer and reflection. Includes times of Adoration, spiritual guidance & prayer ministry. We will hold silence from Friday evening after the first talk to Sunday morning just before the last session. For more information or to book, visit <https://sioncommunity.org.uk/adults/> or email allegra@stpeterswinchester.org.uk

Laudato Si Corner

How is CAFOD involved at COP28?

CAFOD is not only taking part in COP28 which started on 30 November in the UAE, they are also working with partner organisations from countries like Sri Lanka who have not attended before, to help them navigate the conference and ensure that their voice can be heard.

This COP has been called the 'faith COP'. There will be significant representation of different faith groups and a huge 'faith pavilion' (which Pope Francis was due to open until he had to withdraw because of his health).

CAFOD's key demands of the UK Government:

- Push for the world to consign fossil fuels to history
- Fund the 'Loss and Damage' fund with grants rather than loans to low-income countries
- Support small scale farmers

What can I do?

CAFOD urged people to send a copy of Laudate Deum to their local MP.

They will be marching to highlight Pope Francis' COP28 message in London on **9 December 2023**.

Details can be found at: <https://cafod.org.uk/news/campaigning-news/cop28-how-you-can-campaign-to-call-for-action-on-the-climate-crisis>



BLUE CHRISTMAS - Thursday 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 short, gentle 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.

Blue Christmas

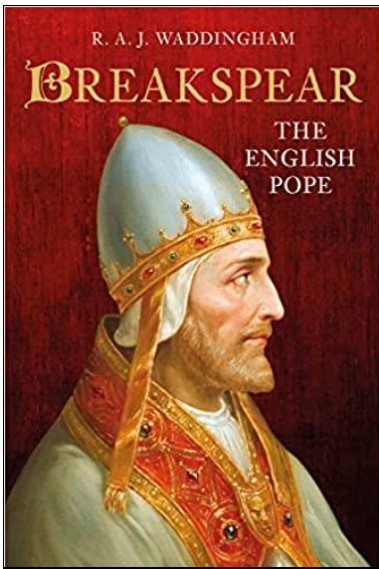
A service of remembrance and hope

This time of year can be a mix of emotions that make it a challenge.

We invite you for a service of reflection, comfort and hope for hurting hearts.

December 21st 11am; St Peter's Church





WINCHESTER CATHOLIC HISTORY SOCIETY The next talk for the Winchester Catholic History Society will be on TUESDAY 12 DECEMBER at 7.15 pm in the Parish Centre. Adrian Waddingham CBE will be speaking on his new book, 'Nicholas Breakspear: The English Pope'

In over 2,000 years of Christianity there has only been one English Pope - Nicholas Breakspear, reigning as Adrian IV. He was born around 1100 near St Albans, Hertfordshire and was elected Pope in 1154. Papal rule then was very much about political power struggles and intrigue. His papacy was dominated by problems with the Holy Roman Emperor Frederick 1 and the Byzantine Emperor Manuel Komnenos. Adrian IV died in September 1159 after a brief rule of just four years. Some say he was poisoned!

Adrian Waddingham's new book tells the exciting story of this unknown man who ascended the throne of St Peter and has been virtually forgotten.

Visitors most welcome £7 on the evening. Enquiries email win.cath.history@gmail.com

Website <https://www.winchestercatholichistorysociety.com>

Volunteers Wanted for Night of Light!

We're excited to announce our Night of Light event on December 21st, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM. We're seeking enthusiastic volunteers to help create a memorable evening. Whether you can contribute a little or a lot of your time, your involvement will make a difference. Please get in touch with Jonathan Stephens by December 8th at jstephens@stpeterswinchester.org.uk to join in. Let's make this night a truly special experience for our community!

ADVENT RETREAT with the Sisters of Mary Morning Star - 8th – 10th December 2023

Experience the Advent liturgy, silence, prayer, and lectio Divina lived in joyful expectation with the Blessed Virgin.

An opportunity for young women aged 18-35 years to come and await the birth of Christ in the heart of a Monastic community at the convent in **Lynton, Devon. EX35 6BS**. Nearest train station: Tiverton Parkway.

To book or for more info contact the Sisters at srsmarymorningstar@gmail.com

Vacancy for an Interim Finance Assistant – St Peter and the Winchester Martyrs Parish, Winchester

Part time: 21 hours per week [which can be structured on a flexible basis] for an expected period of three to six months.

Salary: £25-£30k FTE. Closing date for applications: **Monday 4th December 2023, 12 Noon**.

The parish is currently in the process of reorganising its staff team, which has created an immediate requirement for an experienced and suitably qualified Finance Assistant on a part-time, interim basis to cover the core, routine accounting and related requirements for an expected period of three to six months. The role covers all those tasks related to accurate and timely completion of the parish's Xero accounts each month to trial-balance stage. For a full job description and person specification, plus details of how to apply, please contact:

recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Message from St Peter's School:



Dear Parents

Winchester College Jazz Band

We had the pleasure of welcoming Winchester College Jazz Band to St Peter's last Wednesday. The 15-piece band performed a range of jazz numbers to the whole school. They also demonstrated their instruments and how they work. The baritone saxophone was a favourite - one of the lowest instruments and bigger than many of our KS1 children! The children thoroughly enjoyed listening, dancing and clapping along. One Year 6 child said as they left "This is the best day ever!"



CAFOD World Gifts

Today we welcomed Carole Sawyers from CAFOD. She led an assembly on the World Gifts that CAFOD offer as an alternative to us all just buying more 'stuff'. <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/>

So stuck for Christmas present ideas? It is always lovely to receive a card that lets you know someone has gifted to CAFOD on your behalf as your present from them. CAFOD is the Catholic Fund for Overseas Development. It funds projects including training that helps communities become self-sufficient as they develop.



Winter survival kit
£30.00



Happy queen bee
£4.00



Vegetable garden
£5.00

We will be doing collections after the Nativity and Advent Liturgy in aid of CAFOD. If you would like to donate then please bring cash on the day. Thank you.

We currently have vacancies for a Higher Level Teaching Assistant and a Teaching Assistant in EYFS. Please see our website for further details: <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

IMPORTANT NOTICE

As we enter this really busy period, please may we ask that all items for the newsletter are submitted by **Wednesday** latest.

Submissions for Christmas must arrive no later than **Wednesday 13th December**. We thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Mass Timetable	2nd December 2023 – 9th December 2023		
Date	Mass Times & Intentions		
SATURDAY – December 2nd – Our Lady on Saturday. First Sunday of Advent - Vigil	10.00 AM	Mass at Winchester Cathedral	Closer to Christ Benefactors
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Marthe & Brigitte Vitoria RIP
SUNDAY – December 3rd – FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT.	8.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Brendan Barry RIP
	9.00 AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	
	9.15 AM	Mass at St Stephen's	People of Ukraine
	10.30 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Szymanski Deceased
	11.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	People of the Parish
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Richard Wheble
MONDAY – December 4th – St John Damascene, Priest, Doctor of the Church.	12.15 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Intentions of the Neil Family
TUESDAY – December 5th – Ss Birinus & Hedda, Bishops.		No Mass at St Gregory's	
	12.15 PM	Mass at St Peter's	Souls of the Benefactors
WEDNESDAY – December 6th – St Nicholas, Bishop.	10 00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Frederick Yard
THURSDAY – December 7th – St Ambrose, Bishop, Doctor of the Church.	10.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Michael and Annie Kate Laing.
FRIDAY – December 8th – THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY, Joint-Principal Patron of the Diocese, solemnity.	10.00 AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
	12.15 PM	Mass at St Peter's	(CWL) Michaela Waterfield RIP
SATURDAY – December 9th – St John Diego Cuahtiatootzin. Second Sunday of Advent - Vigil	09.00 AM	Mass at St Peter's	Soul of Mary Julia Wheble
	5.30 PM	Mass at St Peter's	David Morgan RIP
<p>Confessions every Saturday 9.30am till 10.30am and 4.30pm-5.00pm at St Peter's Church – booking not required. Confession on Saturday 2nd December will begin at 11am (following 10am Mass at Winchester Cathedral).</p> <p>Morning Prayer (livestream and open to public), every weekday 8.00am at St Peter's followed by Adoration till 9.00am. <i>To participate in any service online (including Morning Prayer & Adoration) or to see the recorded services, go to our YouTube channel</i></p> <p>ALL SERVICES (INCLUDING MORNING PRAYER) FROM ST PETER'S ARE LIVESTREAMED.</p>			
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