

Parish of St Peter and the Winchester Martyrs

& THE WINCHESTER MARTYRS Heart of Hampshire parish with worshipping communities in Winchester, Alresford and Stockbridge

24th November 2024

Readings and Antiphons

Entrance Antiphon: Rv 5:12; 1:6 How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

First reading: Daniel 7:13-14

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 92:1-2,5. R. v.1

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed

Second reading: Apocalypse 1:5-8

Mk 11:9,10 Gospel Acclamation: R. Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

R. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 18:33-37

Communion Antiphon: Ps 28:10-11

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

Funerals and Deaths

William Greig RIP—Funeral Service at St Peter's on Mon 25th November at 2pm.

Anthony Felice RIP — Funeral Service at St Peter's on Friday 29th November at 1.45pm. K)

Ken Scott RIP

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

Flocknote Announcement



Christmas seasons, Fr Mark will be sending out daily messages of encouragement, blessing and inspiration. This year we will be journeying together as "Pilgrims of Hope", as we prepare for the Jubilee Year which begins at Christmas. If you've received these messages before, you will automatically receive them again (unless you unsubscribe). Otherwise, please do join us by signing up here -

https://stpeterschurch7.flocknote.co m/pilgrimsofhope

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Prayer Corner

On this National Youth

Sunday, let us pray for all our young people, that they may see themselves as significant and valued, lovingly created by God who knows them and wants to be closer to them.

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A Message from Fr Mark...

Christ the King and a New Season of Renewal

Over the last few weeks, we have been looking at Dangerous prayers...

Prayer puts us in the presence of God.

"It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.'

(Hebrews 10:31)

When we pray, we come into the power and presence of God, the Father Almighty, who created the entire universe and who raised his Son, Jesus, from the dead. We pray dangerous prayers because it honours God's power and might. To move beyond a lukewarm faith, to move from the shallow end of a relationship with God into deeper waters, we need to pray risky prayers from time to time – prayers that feel dangerous.

- Dangerous prayers make specific requests to God. When we pray dangerous prayers, we bring very clear petitions to him.
- Dangerous prayers require us to stretch our faith and trust in God. They take us to places in our relationship with God that we have never been before.
- Dangerous prayers mean you are all in. They are cries from the heart that connect with the deepest desires of our heart.

God takes us seriously. He takes our prayer seriously. He wants to challenge us and change us in prayer. He wants us to see the influence and impact we can have through the power of prayer. He wants us to see prayer as a powerful way in which we cooperate with him to bring his healing and wholeness, his goodness and grace to this broken world.

So, over the course of the last few weeks, we have invited you to pray bold and dangerous prayers. Prayers like

- Heal me
- Send me
- Use me ٠ Provide for me ٠
- Thy will be done

On this Feast of Christ the King, it seems appropriate that we pray a dangerous or bold prayer as a parish. We are praying that God would use us in a new season of renewal. This is not just an event or a one-time thing. Renewal means something much more. Renewal means entering into a season of growth in faith and hope and love and joy.

Renewal means a season in which people who are far from God come back into a relationship with their heavenly Father. Renewal means families who are turned against one another reconcile with one other. They learn to love one another again. Renewal is a season in which the presence of the Holy Spirit becomes palpable.

Christmas Mass Times

We have included **Christmas Mass Times** in this edition of Peterpost. Why not print off copies and stick on your fridge, pass to members of your family, friends and pop through your neighbours letterbox. **Let's not forget 'CHRIST' in Christmas and** celebrate with EVERYONE!



People experience the Holy Spirit in a fresh way so that God's presence is undeniable.

- In renewal, people who have become lukewarm in their faith have their hearts awakened and enflamed to God's goodness.
- In renewal people give of their time to serve others because they know by doing so they serve almighty God.
- In renewal, people are healed of illnesses and injuries by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- Renewal is a time in which crowds of people see the goodness and greatness of God.
- Renewal is a time in which people whose spirits and souls have become numb and dead come back to life. It is a time when people who have given up on life or are just going through the motions awaken to a sense of purpose for their life.

In renewal we draw closer to the person of Jesus Christ. We recognize who Jesus is, what he has done and respond accordingly.

"Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the ruler of the kings of the earth."

(Revelation 1:5) And we remember that Jesus is Christ the King. He is Christ the King. In times of renewal, people live in the reality that it is Jesus who rules rather than the temporary rulers of this world.

John continues:

"He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood; and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever Amen.

(Revelation 1:6)

John gives glory to Jesus for what he has done for us. He loves us and out of that love he has freed us from our sins by his work on the cross.

In renewal, people live in freedom. They live free of guilt, free of worry, free of fear, regret or self-centeredness and selfpreservation because they know Jesus has freed us from sin and all the consequences of sin. They live in freedom as God's sons and daughters.

Renewal awakens people to the person of Jesus Christ – who he is and what he has done for us. This is the mission of the Church and why we do what we do. We bring people to Jesus in hope and joy.

Now is the time for a new renewal. It's time to enter into the new season of blessing and growth and provision and healing and restoration that God has prepared for us as a parish and each of us as individuals. It's time for us to bring a whole level of grace of God's love and mercy and peace and hope and joy and resurrection power into our community and into our world.







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The Terminally III Adults (End of Life) Bill ("Assisted Suicide")

The bill introduced to Parliament by Kim Leadbeater MP to legalise assisted suicide will be voted on by MPs on 29th November. We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a huge effort to lobby MPs to vote against the bill. **Please** urgently contact your MP and ask him/her to vote against the bill. You can contact your MP by visiting www.livesworthliving.org.uk or write to him/her at: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA.

More information available on our Parish website:

https://catholicwinchester.org.uk/lat est-news-2/

Bookshop



A lovely variety of Advent and Christmas items also in stock and available to purchase now. To place an order, please call in, or contact Susan Henry via the Parish Office. Thank you.

Parish Bank Details

If you wish to make a payment/ donation, please use the following details: Parish Bank Account Name:

CDP St Peter & Winchester Martyrs, Sort Code: 30-93-04,

Account Number: 00890996 & Reference details (eg offertory, SVP, etc). You can also use the Contactless machine at the back of St Peter's or visit our website.

Contacts

For a full list of contact details for our Parish, please visit our website: www.catholicwinchester.org.uk or email

hello@stpeterswinchester.org.uk to be directed to the correct person.

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Events & News

NEW Edition of the Lectionary - What it Means for You You may already be aware that the Lectionary (which contains the Scripture readings that we read at Mass, including the Psalm and Gospel Acclamation) is changing, from the 1st Sunday of Advent (30th November/1st December).

The parts of Scripture that we read (i.e. readings from the Old Testament, Acts of the Apostles and letters of Paul) will remain the same, but the translation is changing -which means that the words of the readings will change.

Deacon Martin will be explaining more about what the changes will mean in practice, and he will answer any questions you may have

This session will be online, on Wednesday 27th November, 20:00-21:30. All

parishioners are welcome - but in order to join this session, you need to book to get a link, by emailing Deacon Martin at <u>mmcelroy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk</u>.

Advent Lectio Divina - Discover more about the Gospel in Advent - Deacon

Tony Darlison invites you to join him for a series of **four evening sessions.** 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 of Advent. We hope to help one another listen to God speaking to us through his sacred scripture. Mondays: 25 November, 2 December, 9 December, 16 December from 8:00pm to

9:00 pm in the Pastoral Centre.

If you would like to attend, please contact the Parish Office or Deacon Tony directly by emailing: tdarlison@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Winchester Catholic History Society - The next meeting of the Winchester Catholic History Society will take place on Wednesday 27th November at New Hall Winchester College. Professor Diarmaid MacCulloch will be speaking on Thomas Cromwell post Wolf Hall. Please note this is a Pre Booked Ticket only Event for both Members and Visitors (£7.00). Winchester College need to know who is on site for safeguarding purposes. All enquiries and tickets from <u>win.cath.history@gmail.com.</u>

'A Season of Hope': two retreat opportunities to live the time of Advent and Christmas exploring the gift of our Christian Hope. Make time in an atmosphere of silence, with scripture inputs, to deepen your relationship with God, in beautiful surroundings. Advent Retreat from 29th Nov -1st December (Fri. evening to Sunday Lunchtime) New Year Retreat from 28th Dec- 1st Jan. Organised by the Verbum Dei Community. For more information, please, contact us: verbumdei.iow@gmail.com

Individually Guided Retreat in Daily Life for Advent

In the season of Advent, take a little time out of the rush and complexity of life and make space for your relationship with God. The London Jesuit Centre is running a **1-week** online retreat starting on December 1st at 7pm. Book here https://londonjesuitcentre.churchsuite.com/events/sazebvjf It includes daily prayer and a daily conversation with a spiritual guide.

Father Mark will celebrate a Special Mass for the feast of St Francis Xavier at 6pm on Tuesday **3rd December** at St Peter's Church. All are welcome.

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VOLUNTEERS 'Thank You' Tea Party - Sunday 8th December 2.30-4.30pm Do YOU volunteer in the Parish of St Peter & the Winchester Martyrs? Then please come along to Fr Mark's Thank-you tea party in St Peter's Pastoral Centre on Sunday 8th December at 2.30pm. Everyone who serves in the Parish is invited for tea and cakes, as a small measure of appreciation and recognition for all you do. Please let the Parish Office know if you wish to come.

CWL Charity Soup & Pud Lunch - The next Charity Lunch will be on Friday 13th December (note change of date), in aid of the Salvation Army. Suggested donation £7. All are Welcome.

Advent Retreat with the Sisters of Mary Morning Star - 13th - 15th December at the convent in Lynton, Devon. EX35 6BS. Come and pray with a contemplative community, join us for times of Eucharistic adoration, singing the psalms, study and lectio divina and experience the stunning North Devon coastline. An opportunity for women aged 18 - 35 years to come and experience the joy and the silence of the Blessed Virgin Mary as she awaited the birth of Jesus. To book or for more info contact the Sisters at: <u>srsmarymorningstar@gmail.com</u> Nearest train station: Tiverton Parkway

Fr Mark's Ultimate Guide to Confession - Which sins do I need to confess? Why do I struggle to forgive myself after God has forgiven me? How do I make a good confession as an adult? If these or similar questions are puzzling you, why not **join Fr Mark for a** brief talk and Q&A about the beautiful sacrament of reconciliation, Sun 15th December 4-5pm, Pastoral Centre.

News from St Peter's School

Please find a link to this week's school newsletter for all the latest news... https://www.stpetershants.co.uk/topic/news-and-events_



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<u>New Dip-in Sessions on</u> <u>Accompaniment</u>

The Accompaniment team invites you to join some new standalone dip-in Sessions via Zoom, which began on Monday 4th November. You can come to the last **session on Monday 2nd December from 7 - 8.15pm:** Good Conversations to Accompany Others. God is a God of relationships. We explore how listening conversations that can help others to grow closer to Jesus Christ. Tickets <u>here</u>. You can visit our webpage or email <u>Inahajski@portsmouthdiocese.org.</u> <u>uk</u> for more information.

Winchester Street Pastors

Winchester Street Pastors are Recruiting New School Pastors for Secondary & Primary Schools across Winchester and district

Volunteers are required at Lunchtimes - once or twice a week and will receive relevant online training in

either Feb/Mar or Jun/Jul 25. To find out more about being a School Pastor or supporting us in prayer, contact Mark Hibbert-Hingston, by email: winchester@schoolpastors.org.uk.

Or tel:07740 288654

Peterpost Announcement

The weekly newsletter distribution from the 1st Sunday of Advent will be sent via Churchsuite. If you do not receive the newsletter, please contact us by email:

newsletters@stpeterswinchester.org. uk

Book Review by Deacon Martin McElroy

Looking for additional stimulus to your prayer life? Deacon Martin has written a review of a lovely little book that you can buy from our parish bookshop, which could help. Our Father: A Biblical Meditation on the Lord's Prayer, by Sr. Claire Waddilove OSB walks you through the Our Father, line by line. Deacon Martin recommends you buy a copy for yourself, and another copy for someone you love ove - see why he thinks so, in the attached document. <u>Book-Review-Link</u>

Read Easy Winchester

Read Easy Winchester is a charity run by volunteers and affiliated to Read Easy UK. We teach adults over the age of 18 to read and improve their literacy skills. You may have seen a recent documentary in which TV presenter Jay Blades describes the positive impact Read Easy has had on his life. We would like to offer your parishioners, and the people you work with in Winchester and the surrounding district, the opportunity Please contact <u>Pat@readeasy.org.uk</u> for more information.

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Christmas with Southern Voices Bringing their ruby anniversary season to a close on 21st December in the Chapel of St Cross, Winchester at 7.30pm, SOUTHERN VOICES look forward to celebrating in style with their traditional, festive feast of Christmas carols. To make it really special, this year they are thrilled to welcome former royal harpist <u>Alis Huws</u> who had the honour of playing at the Coronation. She will accompany them in Benjamin Britten's iconic A Ceremony of Carols. This will be a real treat and the perfect way to round off a superb year of music-making for the choir. Booking is essential and tickets are now on sale. Tickets: £19 (Age 21 & under, £10) from: <u>southernvoices.co.uk/christmas</u> or telephone 0333 666 3366 (booking fees apply). There will be a retiring collection in aid of the Hampshire & Isle of Wight Wildlife Trust.

CONSULTATION St Anne's Catholic School Admissions Policy. St Anne's Catholic School are consulting on their admission arrangements for 2026/27 to raise their Published Admission Number (PAN) to 210, from 200. The **consultations will run to 23rd December 2024**. The school welcomes views from any interested parties. Please see the school's website for the consultation and information on response: CONSULTATION: Admissions Policy 2026-2027 | St Anne's Catholic School & Sixth Form College

Save the Date: Baptism Celebratory Mass Invitation. All families who have had their children baptised over the course of the last year in the Parish of St. Peter and the Winchester Martyrs are warmly invited to the annual Thanksgiving Mass. The Mass will be held on Sat 11th January 2025 at 10:30am in St. Peter's Church, Winchester, celebrated by Fr Mark Hogan. A finger buffet will be provided afterwards. If you would like to join us, please email <u>rosanne@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</u> by Sat 4th January, indicating the number of adults and the number of children (over 2) for catering purposes.

Mens' Retreat at Stonyhurst: Men's Spiritual Exercises, 31 March – 5 April 2025— A 5-day version of the Ignatian Exercises offered specifically for men (whether lay or ordained), this retreat will be preached by the Benedictine Monks of St Joseph's Abbey, France. Founded in 1988, this community has retained its charism of a specific apostolate to men and of engaging them through a shortened version of the Ignatian Exercises. One-to-one direction will be offered alongside the talks. Priests are welcome to attend and concelebrate or celebrate their own Mass. For more information and to book: https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/mens-spiritual-exercises/

Pilgrimage to Lisieux (Fri 23rd - Mon 26th May 2025)

The pilgrimage to Lisieux, France will be led by Fr Raffaele Cossa & Fr Mario Toma. We will visit the place where St Therese lived and the surrounding area.

Cost: approx £500 per person depending on numbers. There will be a meeting to present the itinerary and answer any questions on Saturday 23rd November at 2.30pm in St Edward church, Chandlers Ford. The Pilgrimage is organised with Tangney Tours. Further details & booking form St Swithun Wells Parish Office 023 80273882 or Clare Barkaway at Tangney Tours 01732 886666

St Stephen's Travelling Nativity

This Advent, Mary and Joseph are travelling with the little donkey to Bethlehem. On their way they are hoping to find a different inn to stay at every night. Could they come to stay at your house?

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The Travelling Nativity will come to you for a night and then you are expected to pass them on to the next family. This is a lovely opportunity to explore the Advent story with your family and even meet other families to have a cup of tea/glass of wine, and pray together during Advent (although we know that people are busy so a get together is not always possible).

Please let me know if you would like any further information or to participate and I will add your family to the rota. If you would like to be added please send your name, email address, home address and a contact number by the 25 November. Your details will be shared with others participating in the travelling nativity, let us know if you have any concerns.

You can contact me via the Parish Office. Thank you. Lidia Otero

Parish Prayerline

Parish Prayerline Our team of intercessors are here 24/7 and would like more to pray for! Please email your prayer requests to: <u>prayers@stpeterswinchester.org.uk</u>

Laudato Si' Corner

2024 is almost certain to be the world's warmest on record, and COP 29 which ends on the 22nd November, has heard concerns about how poorer countries must be helped to combat climate change, and the necessity for significant investment by all nations to act speedily to ensure safety for all humanity. This year's weather patterns have been impacted by powerful hurricanes, floods and wild fires in many countries - and by higher temperatures impacting on the Arctic region. As we know, however, the evident need to address these changes by addressing our lifestyles is not supported by all the countries of the world. Let us pray then that we value our God given world and all within it and that we address our own environmental impact, making choices that will be for the good of all humanity. Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.



Mass Timetable	23rd November to 30th November 2024		ovember 2024
SATURDAY – November 23rd – St Clement I, Pope, Martyr, optional	9:00AM	Mass at St Peter's	James Heward RIP
memorial Or: St Columbanus, Religious, optional memorial	9.30AM - 10.30AM	Confessions at St Peter's	
	4:30PM - 5:00PM	Confessions at St Peter's	
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe - Vigil	5:30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Deceased Members of the Burrell & O'Donoghue Families.
SUNDAY – November 24th – OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE, solemnity	8:00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Mary Touhey RIP
	9:00AM	Mass at St Thomas More's	People of the Parish
	9:15AM	Family Mass at St Stephen's	In Memory of Des Le Grys RIP
	10:30AM	Family Mass at St Peter's	Hannah & Jerzy Piekarski & Brian Shergold RIP
	11:00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	Peace in the World
	5:30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Sr Teresa Croston
MONDAY – November 25th – St Catherine of Alexandria, Virgin, Martyr, optional memorial	8:00AM - 9:00AM	Morning Prayer followed by Adoration at St Peter's	
	12:15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Catalina Supan RIP and Intentions o Avelina Bonus
	2:00PM	Funeral Service at St Peter's for William Greig RIP	
TUESDAY – November 26th – Feria	8:00AM- 9.00AM	Morning Prayer followed by Adoration at St Peter's	
	10:00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	The Soul of Julia Cave
	12:15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Michaela Waterfield RIP
WEDNESDAY – November 27th – Feria	8:00AM - 9:00AM	Morning Prayer followed by Adoration at St Peter's	
	12:15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Intentions of the Neil Family
THURSDAY – November 28th – Feria	8:00AM - 9:00AM	Morning Prayer followed by Adoration at St Peter's	
	10:00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Chris McVann
FRIDAY – November 29th – Feria	8:00AM - 9:00AM	Morning Prayer followed by Adoration at St Peter's	
	10:00AM	Mass at St Gregory's	
	12:15PM	Mass at St Peter's	Shelagh O'Donoghue RIP
	1:45PM		er's for Dr Anthony Felice RIP
SATURDAY – November 30th – ST ANDREW, Apostle, feast	9:00AM	Mass at St Peter's	Deceased relatives of the Kurian Families.
	9:30AM - 10:30AM	Confessions at St Peter's	
	4:30PM- 5:00PM	Confessions at St Peter's	
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT - Vigil	5:30PM	Mass at St Peter's	Holy Souls

Confessions every Saturday 9.30am till 10.30am and 4.30pm-5.00pm at St Peter's Church.

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

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MASS TIMETABLE	CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES		
MONDAY - December 16th	7:00PM	Reconciliation Service at St Peter's	
FRIDAY - December 20th	10:30AM	Blue Christmas Service at St Peter's	
	ТВС	Night of Lights at St Peter's	
TUESDAY - December 24th CHRISTMAS EVE	3:00PM	Children's Mass at St Peter's	
	5:30PM	Family Mass at St Peter's	
	5:30PM	Vigil Mass at St Stephen's	
	8:00PM	Carols and Readings, 8:30PM Midnight Mass at St Gregory's	
	10:30PM	Midnight Mass with Carols and Readings at St Peter's	
WEDNESDAY – December 25th CHRISTMAS DAY	8:00AM	Christmas Day Dawn Mass at St Peter's	
	9:00AM	Christmas Day Mass at St Thomas More's, Stockbridge	
	9:15AM	Christmas Day Dawn Mass at St Stephen's	
	10:30AM	Christmas Day Mass at St Peter's	
	11:00AM	Christmas Day Mass at St Gregory's, Alresford	
THURSDAY - December 26th Feast of St Stephen	10:00AM	Mass at St Stephen's	

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