

Saint Thomas More Roman Catholic Church

Iford Parish ✠ Bournemouth Ordinariate Group ✠ Bournemouth Kerala Community

Weekly Newsletter

CALENDAR

Start Time	Main Event	Description and Mass Intentions (MI)	Details and Accompanying Events
Sat 17/12 18:00	**Sunday-Vigil-Mass**	**4th Sunday of Advent**	**With Confessions from 17:30**
Sun 18/12 09:30	**Sunday-Mass**	**4th Sunday of Advent** **MI: Margaret Lanham (RIP)**	**Followed by refreshments**
11:15	**Ordinariate-Use-Mass**	**4th Sunday of Advent**	**Followed by Caféchesis**
Tue 20/12 09:30	Weekday-Mass	Feria	
Wed 21/12 10:30	Ordinariate-Use-Mass	21 December	Followed by refreshments
Thu 22/12 09:30	Weekday-Mass	Feria	Followed by flower arranging
Fri 23/12 09:30	Weekday-Mass	Saint John of Kęty, Priest	Followed by Church cleaning N.B. We have no cleaning rota (yet); more help needed. Would you spare an hour?
Sat 24/12 18:00	**Holyday-Vigil-Mass**	**Christmas Eve Family Mass** **MI: Sheila Collins (RIP)**	**Carols from 18:00; Mass from 18:30**
22:00	**Ordinariate-Use-Mass**	**Solemn Christ's Mass**	
Sun 25/12 09:30	**Sunday-Mass**	**Christmas Day Solemnity**	
Mon 26/12 10:30	Weekday-Mass	Saint Stephen, the first Martyr, Feast MI: St Stephen's Guild servers	Followed by refreshments
Tue 27th - Fri 30th	NO EVENTS	CHURCH CLOSED UNTIL SAT VIGIL	
Sat 31/12 18:00	**Sunday-Vigil-Mass**	**Mary, Mother of God Solemnity**	**With Confessions from 17:30**
Sun 01/01 09:30	**Sunday-Mass**	**Mary, Mother of God Solemnity**	
Sun 01/01 11:15	**Ordinariate-Use-Mass**	**Mary, Mother of God Solemnity**	
Sun 01/01 16:30	**Syro-Malabar-Mass**	**Second Sunday of Nativity / The Most Holy Name of Jesus (Circumcision)**	

COLLECTIONS & FREE TABLE DISTRIBUTIONS

Last weekend:	Standing Orders	Envelopes	Loose Cash	Total:	
	£197.54	£79.05	£90.10	**£366.69**	**Thank you!**

Copies of two Cards are available on the Free Table: Parish Christmastide Services and **Pastoral Area Alpha Course**. Please take as many as you can give to people you'd like to invite to either event, or perhaps both together. It's called the New Evangelisation.

Counting and Refreshments Rotas (2017) ready for collection from the grey trays beside the Free Table.

Copies of Apostolic Message from Pope Francis and Pastoral Message from Bishop Philip to mark end of the Holy Year still available on Free Table. Also available for viewing as PDFs (requires Adobe Reader or equivalent) using these links:
vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20161120_misericordia-et-misera.pdf
portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/bishop/docs/20161208-BoP-Message-Misericordia-et-Misera.pdf

NOTICES

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS DONATIONS would be much appreciated to make the church beautiful for Christmas, or give a red Poinsettia plant, on 23rd December. Contact Sue Vine: 01202 426630 / g.vine@homecall.co.uk.

'CAN WE HANDLE THE OLD TESTAMENT?' 13th-14th January 2017, St Mary's RC Church, 211 Wimborne Rd BH15 2EG. Led by Bible scholar Nicholas King SJ (nicholas-king.co.uk). £5! Contact Deacon Declan on 01202 661869/mcconville@ntlworld.com

CAFOD Portsmouth Supporters' Meeting - Saturday 4 February 2017 Join us at our next CAFOD Portsmouth Supporters' Meeting on Saturday 4 February 2017 from 10am-1.30pm at St Bede's Catholic Primary School, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX. There will be a special talk on our livelihoods work in Zambia (our Lenten focus) by Mark Chamberlain and a chance to hear an update on all our exciting campaigns from Dan Hale. Please book a place in advance via 01252 329385 / portsmouth@cafod.org.uk

PASTORAL AREA ALPHA COURSE, LENT-TO- PENTECOST 2017. Taster Session 21st Feb. Please begin thinking and praying about whom you might invite. Why not come yourself?

ORDINATION JUBILEE MASS FOR FR SHAUN BUDDEN will be celebrated here on Saturday, 1st July 2017 at 1800 hrs Vigil Mass.