

# SACRED HEART OF JESUS & ST. PETER THE APOSTLE

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*Wishing  
all our  
parishioners  
and their  
loved ones  
a very Happy  
Christmas and  
New Year*



 **FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND**  
GIVING HOPE TO VULNERABLE CHRISTIANS

Bishop Philip is encouraging parishes this Christmas to donate crib offerings to the Friends of the Holy Land. Every penny will help the poorest Christian families, especially in and around Bethlehem, the West Bank, Gaza and Israel, with education, employment, health and housing costs and initiatives. FHL is non-political and ecumenical. Please keep our brothers and sisters in the Holy Land in your prayers at this time.



**21/22 December 2019**

## **FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Mass Book: Year A, Volume 1, Page 90

**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.

**Psalm Response:** Let the Lord enter! He is the king of glory.

**Gospel Acclamation:** 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'. Alleluia!

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

**25 December 2019**

## **THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD**

Mass Book: Year A, Volume 1, Page 103

**Entrance Antiphon:** A child is born for us, and a son is given to us; his sceptre of power rests upon his shoulder, and his name will be called Messenger of great counsel.

**Psalm Response:** All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! A hallowed day has dawned upon us. Come, you nations, worship the Lord, for today a great light has shone down upon the earth. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

**28/29 December 2019**

## **THE HOLY FAMILY**

Mass Book: Year A, Volume 1, Page 106

**Entrance Antiphon:** The shepherds went in haste, and found Mary and Joseph and the Infant lying in a manger.

**Psalm Response:** O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts; let the message of Christ find a home with you. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Our God has appeared on the earth, and lived among us.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS THIS CHRISTMASTIDE:**

John O'Neill, Maria Carmen Martin, Thomas Andrew (TJ), Geoffrey Tompkins, Anne Littlefield, Damien Haughan, Betty Groves, Carole Higton, Matthew, Marion Greeham, Elizabeth Evelyn, Teresa Richardson, Ron Littlefield, Mary Ling, Margaret Bush, Boris Mayfield, Stephen Condon, Nicola O'Neill, Mary Harrington, Dave Hill, Amrutha Anthony, John DeBattista, Dr. Peter McErlean, Michael Lowe, Sabine Khan, Mary Daly, Conor Mills, Ian Cuthbert & Geoff Readman.

For the housebound, lonely, homeless, bereaved, those in nursing homes, hospital and the Rowans Hospice.



### **CHRISTMAS COLLECTION**

Collections taken at the Christmas Masses are used to pay an annual wage to your priest. This is given freely to both support them and give them the financial freedom to help others throughout the year. Please give generously with love, respect and faith during the celebrations on Christmas Eve and Christmas day.

### **Prayer for December:**

Loving Father, bless our families. Give us the grace and patience we need to demonstrate your love to all we meet: family, friends, neighbours, co-workers, classmates, even strangers, during this season of hope and profound love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**4/5 January 2020**

## **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

Mass Book: Year A, Volume 1, Page 114

**Entrance Antiphon:** Arise Jerusalem, and look to the East and see your children gathered from the rising to the setting of the sun.

**Psalm Response:** All nations shall fall prostrate before you, O Lord.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! We saw his star as it rose and have come to do the Lord homage. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** The brightness of God illuminated the holy city Jerusalem, and the nations will walk by its light.

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 21 Dec	5-6pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> Vigil: FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Dec'd members of Lodrick Fam.
SUNDAY 22 Dec	10.30am 6.30pm	FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Con Haughan RIP Holy Souls
Monday 23 Dec		NO MASS	
Christmas Eve	4pm 8pm Midnight	Children's Mass with crib making and blessing Mass (preceded by carols @ 7.45pm) Mass (preceded by carols and readings @ 11.20pm)	Peter & Shirley Harrington RIP John Bailey RIP Geoff Readman's Wellbeing
Christmas Day	8.30am 10.30am	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD	Evelyn Family Intention Patrick & Grace Holland RIP
Thursday 26 Dec		NO MASS	
Friday 27 Dec	10am	ST JOHN, Apostle, Evangelist, feast	Margaret & John Beauvoisin RIP (FM)
Saturday 28 Dec	6.15pm	Vigil: THE HOLY FAMILY	Favours Received
Sunday 29 Dec	10.30am 6.30pm	THE HOLY FAMILY	Adelaide & Tony Debattista RIP People of the Parish
Monday 30 Dec		NO MASS	
Tuesday 31 Dec		NO MASS	
Weds 1 Jan 2020	12noon	MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD, solemnity	People of the Parish
Thursday 2 Jan		NO MASS	
Friday 3 Jan		NO MASS	
Saturday 4 Jan	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	Margaret O'Halloran RIP
Sunday 5 Jan	10.30am 6.30pm	THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	Sister Maria's Intention People of the Parish
Monday 6 Jan	12noon	Liturgy of the Day [Monday of Christmastide after Epiphany]	Dec'd members of Lodrick Family
Tuesday 7 Jan	9.30-9.50am 10am	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Liturgy of the Day [Tuesday of Christmastide after Epiphany]	Sister Martin's Intention
Wednesday 8 Jan	9.30-9.50am 10am	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Liturgy of the Day [Wednesday of Christmastide after Epiphany]	Fr. Jeremy's Intention
Thursday 9 Jan	9.30-9.50am 10am	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Liturgy of the Day [Thursday of Christmastide after Epiphany]	Joe & Kathleen Savage's Intention
Friday 10 Jan	9.30-9.50am 10am	<i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Liturgy of the Day [Friday of Christmastide after Epiphany]	Conor Mills
Saturday 11 Jan	5.30pm 6.15pm	<i>Confessions</i> THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD	Sister Anne Josephine's Intention

## Notices & Information...



**WE WELCOME AND ARE GRATEFUL TO CANON GERARD** for his generous help in covering the 6.30pm Mass Sunday 22 December so that Fr. Jeremy is able to attend the Denmead Carol Service this year.

**A CHRISTMAS GIFT.** In recognition of the Church's celebration of the Year of the Word Bishop Philip is making a gift of St. Luke's Gospel to all parishioners across the diocese. This also comes with a copy of the diocesan prayer. Please make sure you pick up your FREE copy.

**VOCATIONS.** "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 Fr. John Cooke, [vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) or call 01329 318869.

**CHRISTMAS NEWS FROM ST. PETER'S SCHOOL.** Generous families at St. Peter's donated tons and tons of tins during Advent. The can collection was also boosted by a brilliant retiring collection from the school Carol Service which raised £176 to go towards buying items for a Christmas Caring Cans tree. Pictured is the tree in all its splendour, carefully constructed with mathematical and engineering precision. On Friday 13 December our pupils were joined by Councillor Wade, former Mayor of Havant, and his wife Mrs Wade, where we 'presented' to Councillor Wade the Food Bank donations. He spoke to the whole school about the difference their generosity will make to those families in need and the homeless of Havant and Waterlooville this Christmas. Thank you to all parishioners for their support and prayers over this past year. Happy Christmas from all at St. Peter's.  
*Richard Cunningham, Headteacher.*

**LAST MONDAY'S CAROL CONCERT.** Another successful and enjoyable candle-lit Carol Concert on Monday evening with the Blendworth Brass Band giving the event a real 'Christmassy' atmosphere and numbers attending were up again and probably over 400 now as the church looked pretty full. It must be one of the most popular in the area as many visitors were in the congregation; and who knows, it could lead them to become future Catholics. Evangelisation takes many forms! The new 'Concert Choir' conducted by Vicky Muwanga sang a selection of carols and Connor accompanied them on the piano creating a delightful new dimension to the concert. Our thanks to them both. £550 was raised towards our two Christmas charities (up by £50 on 2018) and the hamper raffle raised £100 for church funds. Lots of mince pies scoffed afterwards and the mulled wine flowed freely to make the whole evening a fitting start to the celebration of Our Lord's birthday. My thanks to all the committee and the helpers who washed up afterwards!  
*Geoff Hartridge, Chair of the parish Social Committee.*

**IMPORTANT! PARKING FOR CHRISTMAS SERVICES.** Again we expect record numbers of worshippers for all services especially on Christmas Eve. To avoid accidents and conflict with fellow worshippers and local residents could attenders please note the following arrangements:

- Please seriously consider car sharing where possible.
- Please do not park on the St. Peter's Way Estate.
- If you are coming along to the 4pm Christmas Eve Children's Mass and you are able to walk, please try parking in any of the car parks in Waterlooville centre or please consider car sharing. This Mass is very popular and the car park is likely to get very congested.
- If you have to leave quickly you are likely to be delayed in the church car park. The Baptist Church car park is available for our use for the 8pm and midnight services and will offer quicker departure. Otherwise, please use the nearest town car parks or legal and considerate street parking on London Road feeders.

**THE PRESBYTERY OFFICE** is now closed until Tuesday 7 January 2020. If you require a priest, in an emergency, and are unable to get in touch with Fr. Jeremy, contact details of our pastoral area clergy can be heard on the presbytery's answer phone.

**THE REFUGEE PROJECT.** Many, many thanks for the donations of household items received so far. At a later date we will require net curtains, someone with a large van and people to help prepare the house. In the meantime, please pick up the latest handout from the narthex. To donate items or funds please contact either Clare at [clare.burke24@hotmail.com](mailto:clare.burke24@hotmail.com) or Philip via [philiphaylar@hotmail.com](mailto:philiphaylar@hotmail.com)

**THE TUESDAY CLUB** is open to everyone on the first and third Tuesday of every month, at 2pm in the parish centre. You can expect a warm welcome plus fun, friendship, card games, scrabble etc. along with a cup of tea or coffee & cake. For more information please contact Trish on 07947 611699.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS.** Returns after the Christmas break on Wednesday 15 January.

**PARISH PRAYER GROUP MEETING.** Monday 6 January in church @ 2pm. All invited to an hour of quiet prayer and meditation led by a member of the group. Further information from Margaret Day 023 9263 2533 or Tom Wilkinson (023 9259 4268).

**YOUTH ALPHA.** Returns after the Christmas break on Friday 10 January @ 7pm at St. Michael and All Angels, Leigh Park.

**WHITE FLOWER APPEAL 2020.** The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal on 11/12 January. On 21 October 2019 the most extreme abortion regime in Europe was imposed on the people of Northern Ireland by the government of Westminster. Abortion will now be permitted for any reason up until at least 24 weeks, and even beyond that. The abortion lobby now wants to introduce this in England and Wales. There will be a second collection at all Masses to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers from this new attack.