

Thursday 8th December is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception of Our Lady. Holy Mass at 6.30pm.

Advent Confession on Saturday 10th December at 10.00am at our church. Please spare some time for prayer and reflection, this Advent. Start planning now to keep a sense of true perspective during this holy season. All are welcome.

Pastoral News:

Vacancy - Please visit the jobs page on the Diocesan website, which lists vacancies. For full details and how to apply please contact: recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk



CAFOD World Gifts: Give a gift of hope this Christmas : In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy

CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/> or pick up a catalogue in church. We have included a QR code that can be scanned, which takes you

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Facebook: @PortsmouthRC LinkedIn: Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
 Twitter: @PortsmouthRC The Diocese website: <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/>

Catholic Chaplaincy in Royal Berkshire Hospital Contact duty priest: 0118 3227105.

On admission, all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic & wish to receive Communion or see a priest. All arrangements in RBH are "Patient Led".
 Fr. Daniel Agber will now coordinate the Hospital Chaplaincy. On call Hospital Chaplains are the priests from the FSSP (07445106330) Fr. Seth Phipps and Fr. Matthew Goddard

Reading Catholic Churches

Christ the King, Whitley	Fr. Daniel Agber	0118 931 4469
St. John Bosco, Woodley	Fr. Leo Odomeja	0118 969 3423
St. James	Fr Chris Heaps	0118 957 4171
English Martyrs, Tilehurst	Fr. Gaston Forbah	0118 957 2149
St. Joseph, Tilehurst	Fr Peter Glas	0118 942 8632
St. William of York	Fr. Mathew Goddard / Fr. Seth Phipps	0118 966 5284
Our Lady & St. Anne, Caversham	Fr Joe McLoughlin	0118 947 1787

Emergency numbers for a Priest –

Please call your own priest first

to the world gifts website. World Gifts such as "super soup kitchens", "trees for life", or "water for a family" will help transform lives in a world filled with challenges.

Community Support

Woodley food bank :List of items needed are:- Toilet paper, Kitchen rolls, Cooking oil, Tinned meats, Tea bags, Sugar, Coffee, Puddings. (sweet), Tinned stewing steak, Tinned chicken in sauce, Long life milk. Please check the expiry dates on your donations. Items for the food bank can be left in the Advent room.

Resources

Day by Day - Advent edition is in the Advent Room £1.00/book: Please leave money in the box next to the books in the Advent room.

Offertory Collection 14th November 2022

Envelopes	£ 20.00
Loose Cash	£281.78
Contactless payment	£ 79.00
Standing Orders	£606.15

Thank you all for your kind donations.

Our Lady of Peace & BI Dominic Barberi

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Parish office opening hours Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 11.00am-2.00pm.

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year C 20th November 2022

Next week is the first Sunday of Advent and the start of Liturgical Year A


Psalm Response:
I rejoiced when I heard them say: "Let us go to God's house".

Christ is the King of the Universe

We belong to the vision of the world presented to us by Christ. In this vision, we find our home. He makes us rooted in the Father and yet remain in the world. He brings stability and integrity to our hearts. He heals the deep wounds of our souls. In Him all the bleeding areas of every corner of our bodies are given new light, new purpose, and new mission. His divinity and humanity speaks to us, embraces us and covers us. His divinity and humanity comes through our being and transforms us. He is our fortress and our yeast - He molds us and make us rise. He is the King of the Universe and everything is submitted to Him.

As we belong to the Christ's vision of life, astoundingly we are given the 'identity card' of Heaven. We treasure it as something extraordinary and we fight to prevent the image of Christ the King in our hearts (*look at John 18:36*). We are His and we are hungry to listen to His voice. It is amazing that the kingdom of God has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it. (*Mt 11:12*). Who are they? They are those who understand that the 'identity card' needs activating. There are those who are rescued by the Holy Blood of Christ. There are those who remember that we need others to receive the citizenship of Christ's Kingdom. They are those who remember that their time might be shorter than others. Generally speaking, all of us need to see that life is too short to create conflicts. Life is too short to focus on moments when we are hurt or unnoticed, humiliated or forgotten. Our life is too short to complicate somebody else's life. It is limited to approximately just 30,000 days before eternity.-

Fr Stan

Date & Dedication	Time	Mass Intentions etc
Sun 20th November 2022 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe	8.00am 8.30am 10.30am 11.00 am 5.00pm	Rosary Luke Alexander thanksgiving Rosary Patrick Mooney RIP For Parishioners
Mon 21st Nov The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	6.00pm 6.30pm in Latin	Rosary Miles Webber RIP
Tues 22nd Nov St Cecilia	8.00am	Victoria & Marian Elias RIP
Wed 23rd Nov St Clement	8.00am 4.15pm	Emily & Marian John RIP Rosary
Thur 24th Nov St Andrew Dung-Lac	No Mass	
Friday 25th Nov St Catherine of Alexandria	11.00am 6.00pm 6.30pm	Adoration from 11.00am to 6.00pm Rosary Anshil Rajan RIP
Sat 26th Nov	No Mass	
Sun 27th November 2022 First Sunday of Advent 	8.00am 8.30am 10.30am 11.00 am 5.00pm	Rosary Thyveetil family intention Rosary Claire Eddleston thanksgiving For Parishioners

Now Accepting Contactless Donations

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before Sunday & Weekday Masses. On Fridays and Holy Days of Obligation 5.30pm-6.30pm or by private appointment with Fr Stan.

Anniversaries: Please keep in your prayers

20th Nov: Peter Tilton (1991); Gladys Arnold (2001); Armando Massi (2019)
22nd Nov: Martha Franks (1998); Margaret Sellers (1998);
23rd Nov: Maureen Chapman (2000); George Bentley (2003);
24th Nov: Muriel Bowman-Smith (1976); Pauline Thackram (2001);
25th Nov: Donald Wignall (1996); 26th Nov: Anthony Lesner (1999); Mary James (2009);

We keep in our prayers our parishioners who are sick and housebound. We pray for God's mercy and healing for the sick and for health and strength for all who care for them.

If you would like to add a name to this list, or if you have any queries, please contact Rachel at

Visitors to the Parish are reminded that photography/video recording is not permitted at any time during mass services unless authorised by the Parish. Photography of children and young people is prohibited.

Parish News

Brid Dumin RIP - We are really sad to inform that Brid Dumin died on Sunday 14th November 2022. She was part of a lot of ministry in our parish since the early years of our church. We pray for the repose of the soul of Brid and keep the whole family in our prayers. Funeral service at St William of York church on Wednesday 23rd November at 10.00am.

Parish Christmas / Pre-Advent Party: Saturday 26th November at 5.00pm in the Parish Hall - a great opportunity to socialise with each other and get to know the parish family better. Tickets are available after Mass - £5 each (free entry for children of school age). Please bring a plate to share. Soft drinks & nibbles will be provided. Other drinks available from the Club bar.

Christmas Cards: The Parish Christmas cards are on sale in Advent Room. £2.00 for pack of ten cards or £5 for pack of 30.

Bishop Philip's 10 year plan "You will be my Witness". You can access the document via the Portsmouth diocese website. [You-Will-be-My-Witnesses SHORT Website.pdf \(portsmouthdiocese.org.uk\)](https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/You-Will-be-My-Witnesses-SHORT-Website.pdf). Thanks to all who came for the Parish meeting on 12th October 2022. Please hand in your feedback form to either Fr Stan or the Parish Office by 30th November. We need to hand our final feedback to the diocese by mid December 2022. The feedback form had the following questions -

Questions for Reflection

1. Reflecting on the information we have shared; are there any priorities you feel we have missed from our Ten-Year Mission Plan?
2. What else beyond what is set out in the plan, do we need to do to realise this plan as a Diocese, as parishes, as individuals?
3. Is there anything further we should take into account when considering the shape of parish groupings?

Introduction to Men's Formation group continues on Thursday 1st December - 19:00 - 20:30 in Blessed Dominic Barberi room. We invite all men who desire to develop their spiritual growth.

Tea & Coffee after 8.30am Mass on Sunday: Please join us in the Dominic Barberi room after 8.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome. Also, there will be continental pastries every 3rd Sunday and fresh toast on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Baptism: If you wish to celebrate the baptism (of a child) here, please contact Father Stan.

The Parish Bereavement Support Group can be contacted via the Parish Office.

Events in Advent

"Retreat for Youth "Advent Crusaders : From 26th November for 4 weeks every Saturday at 10.00am for 1 hour for youths aged 11-25 are invited to join us at Our Lady of Peace, Earley RG6 7DA in Dominic Barberi Hall. Short course/retreat reconnecting the Youth to Christ celebrating the feast of the Nativity - God becoming Man.

Poem Competition All Children and Youth are encouraged to enter the Christmas Poem competition. The topic could be anything relating to Christmas, such as the star or the stable. Entries need to be in by Sat 10th Dec - please send to church office, ideally by email

The Angelus will be said before all Advent Masses.

Wednesday morning at 6.30am: We will celebrate the Rorate Mass every Wednesday morning in Advent from 30th November at 6.30am. Rorate is a candlelit Mass in the dark so please bring lantern.

Saturday 3rd December: 1st Saturday of every month at 10am- (Dedication to our Lady) Adoration, Rosary, Reconciliation followed by Holy Mass

Sunday 4th December: We welcome Fr Aldo Tapparo from Oxford who will celebrate all 3 Sunday Masses.

Monday 5th & Tuesday 6th December: There will be no weekday Mass on Monday 5th December & Tuesday 6th December as Fr Stan will be away on a retreat.