

Sunday Mass Times and Intentions

Sat 7th 6 pm Fr Mark Said OP RIP

Sun 8th 10 am George Tempest, Paul Wilson, Pat & Les Wooldridge RIP

Weekday Masses

Celebrated in Maryfield Convent Chapel. Occasionally weekday Mass is celebrated in Sacred Heart, i.e. Holy Day's and Requiem Mass.

Mon 9th 10 am **Morning Prayer with the Eucharist**
The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Tues 10th 10 am **Irene Teeling & Virginia le Duc RIP**
St Leo the Great

Wed 11th 10.00am **Betty Langley's Sisters RIP**
St Martin of Tours

Thurs 12th 10 am **Winifred Henry RIP**
32nd Week of Ordinary Time

Fri 13th 10 am **Deceased Dominican Sisters RIP**
32nd Week of Ordinary Time

Sat 14th 10 am **The Tempest & Cashman Families RIP**
32nd Week of Ordinary Time

Please join us in the hall for a cup of coffee/tea after 10am Mass on Sunday mornings.

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SACRED HEART

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The Widow's Mite

The widow's mite symbolises generosity. A small gesture bursting with meaning grabs the imagination and immortalises itself. Today's Gospel reading (Mark 12:38-44) notes that the widow has two coins. She could give one, keep the other, and still be considered generous. But no! Her generosity is not half measures. Her reverence for God and her respect for the Law and its requirements are total.

The spotlight is on the quality of her giving. We don't know what happens to her afterwards. But somehow we just know she's not going to die of starvation. We can't prove it, of course. But God doesn't respond to generosity with punishment. What kind of a god would that be!

It's the same for us. When we respond generously to life's demands we're not punished for doing so. Here are some more things we can't prove, but which are true nonetheless: the more we give the more we discover we have to give; and, not only are those who receive enriched, so too are those who give.

When I worked in Indonesia as a missionary occasionally I gave money to people in need, or spent it for medical treatment on their behalf. To my surprise, on several occasions I received money out of the blue from home in the form of Mass offerings within weeks of having given help to others. Like the jar of meal and the jug of oil in today's First Reading (! Kings 17:10-16) my small jar was never empty either.

It really does work that way. Try it and see.

*Fr Tom Cahill svd
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Home Mission Sunday—November 15th

There will be a send collection in support of the work of CASE next weekend; whilst this collection is optional the Agency is part-funded by it and relies on diocesan support. CASE also runs the Catholic Enquiry Office, offering free and confidential information about the Catholic Faith to enquirers.

Christmas Fayre

The CAFOD group will hold a Christmas Fayre, following 10 am Mass on Sunday, 22nd November. There will be cakes, CAFOD World Gifts, CAFOD Goods and Vietnamese candles for sale, and of course a tombola, If you would like to make cakes, or you are able to contribute prizes for the tombola, please leave them in the office or bring them along on the day.

Harvest Lunch

There will be a Harvest Lunch in the hall on Sunday, 29th November, tickets available soon. The proceeds of the lunch will go to Melfort Glen, a residential home in Zimbabwe for native Africans, which we have supported for many years. As you are aware the situation in Zimbabwe is critical and the money we send helps to provide for some of the very basic needs of the elderly residents. If you are able to supply raffle prizes for this very worthy cause, please leave them in the office.

Advent Music Day

Please see poster in porch for information about an Advent Music Day being held at English Martyrs Church, Reading on Saturday, 14 November.

World Youth Day Madrid 2011

As a follow on from Angie's talk, if you know of anyone interested in attending this very exciting event please ask them to contact Angie Carroll at carroll.angelica@gmail.com or 07723494006.

Child Protection and Vulnerable Adult Safeguarding Training

Training for Eucharistic Ministers and all members of the Children's Liturgy team, will take place in the hall on Saturday, 23rd January 2010.

Children's Liturgy Team need to attend 10am – 12.30pm – Child Protection
Eucharistic Ministers need to attend 1.30pm – 4pm – Vulnerable Adults

It is extremely important that you attend the course, if you are unable to attend on this day please speak to Trish who will give you details of dates in other areas of the Diocese. Letter explaining reasons for Safeguarding training on table at the back of the church. To book your place call Trish 01256 769983.

Welcome to New Parishioners

We hope you enjoy the services and get to know our fellow parishioners. Please introduce yourself to Fr Danny and any of the welcoming team. If you will be a regular worshipper in our community or for some reason have not recorded your details in our parish records, please let us have your contact details. There are slips on the table at the back of the church.

New Singers for Choir

Are there any people out there who enjoy singing? If so we would love you to join us to help lead the singing at Sunday Mass. Even if you are unable to commit to all Sundays, why not come and help us out for Christmas. If you are interested, please ring Helen Smith, 01256 702885.

WORLD AIDS DAY—CAFOD Portsmouth is holding a special Mass to commemorate World AIDS Day at 10am in St Joseph's, 171a St Michael's Road, South Ham, Basingstoke on 1st December. All are welcome..

Key words and terms in the Mass and liturgy: Priest: a man who is ordained to serve the people of God in the celebration of the Sacraments and in teaching the Faith.

Prayers for the Sick Please pray for all the sick, especially, Sister Celestine, Dominic Canon, Mike Cross, Maddie Moseley and Florence Xavier.

Weekly Rota Saturday 14th -

Reader: **J.Olohan**

Eucharistic Ministers: **V Hickey, M Campbell**

Mass Intention: **Jimmy & May Hamill RIP**

Weekly Rota Sunday 15th -

Readers: **R Saunders, J Sharp**

Eucharistic Ministers: **J Blackburn, J Henderson**

Counters: **P & V Trehern**

Children's Lit: **M Bone, G Byrne**

Coffee: **O'Herlihy Family**

Mass Intention: **William Langley RIP**

November— All Souls

If you would like the prayers of the parish for a loved one during the month of November, please write their name on a piece of paper and place it on the altar or give it to Fr Danny.

Parish Calendar

Sun. 22nd Nov.—**Christmas Fayre**, Cafod Group, following 10am Mass

Sun 29th Nov —**Harvest Lunch** in aid of Melfort Glen

Sat 23rd Jan—**Training— Child Protection & Vulnerable Adults**
