



**St. Theresa of the Child Jesus Church. Totton  
Our Lady of the Assumption & St. Edward the  
Confessor Church. Lyndhurst**

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**Second Sunday of Advent Psalter week 2.**

Retiring collection Christmas Flowers.

Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> December. Mass, St Theresa's 9.30. am

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 6.00.pm

Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. Our Lady's 9.00.am

Stephen Marshall. (RIP)

Sun. 9<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 10.30.am.

Mon. 10<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am

Tue. 11<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am.

Wed. 12<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am

Thu. 13<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. Our Lady's 10.00 am.

Fri. 14<sup>th</sup> December. No Service.

**Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete) Psalter week 3.**

Sat. 15<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 6.00.pm

Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. Our Lady's 9.00.am

Sun. 16<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 10.30.am.

Edward Jarvis (RIP)

Mon. 17<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am

Tue. 18<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am.

Wed. 19<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. St. Theresa's 9.30.am

Penitential service St Theresa's. 7.00pm

Thu. 20<sup>th</sup> December. Mass. Our Lady's 10.00 am.

Fri. 21<sup>th</sup> December. No Service.

**+Please pray for the following members of our community who are ill or housebound:** Bella Calder, Claire Sorrell, Tony Wright, John Tobin, Christopher Brown, Peggy Crooke, Greg Borkowski, Jay Dosanjh, John Vidal, Clara Nolan. For all those in nursing homes or hospital and other Parish Family members who are ill or need our prayers.

**St. THERESA'S PARISH BAZAAR!**

Heartfelt thanks to you all for your support for our Christmas Bazaar. It was a successful day and a report will be available next week. Special thanks to the organising committee Theresa, Edna, Briony, also those who helped by manning the stalls serving the refreshments, yourselves for donating items to sell and for attending the day  
Thank you all.

**Christmas cards** are now on sale from the repository. 2019 diaries are available too, contains the Order of the Mass.

**Parish Secretary:**

Please give a warm welcome to Steve Bowler when you meet him. Steve has taken the role of parish secretary for St. Theresa's and Our Lady. Steve will be in the parish office on Thursday mornings. (9.00am to 1.00pm) Please let your items for the bulletin reach parish office on Wednesday not later than 10.00am on Thursday.

Fr. Gerry's Day Off is on Fridays!

**Christmas Flowers:**

The retiring Collection today will be for the Christmas flowers to enhance the beauty of our churches over the Christmas period.,

### St. Vincent De Paul Christmas Party:

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm - 4.30 pm**

SVP members invites you to a Christmas party at St Theresa's hall. An entertainer is booked, and a special Christmas guest has been invited? Food and music all afternoon. Please place your name on the list in the church porch, if you need transport. Please add your contact details to the list and a member of the SVP will contact you to make the arrangements.

### Lyndhurst Churches together Carol Service:

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> December, round the care homes meeting at Harwood House 3.00pm. Cranleigh Paddock for 4.00pm. and Rufus Court for 5.00pm.

### NEXT WEEKEND CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

with the Dominican Sisters of St Joseph, St Dominic's Priory, Shirley Holms Road, Lymington, SO41 8NH, Tel. 015 9068 1874 3pm Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> December, followed by tea & mince pies.

### Advent Wreath:

Today we light the second candle of Peace. Advent is when the Church enters into a short but magical season that prepares us for the Coming of Christ. And directs the mind and heart to await Christ's second coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period of Hope, Peace, Love and Joy and of devout and joyful expectation.

Advent is a busy period, not least with writing Christmas cards! The challenge is to find time for prayer and reflection. I pray that you will be successful in finding time in order to keep a sense of true perspective during this holy season and thus be able to find from the Lord much joy and happiness.

### Advent Penitential Service with Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Theresa's

Wednesday, 19<sup>th</sup> December 7.00pm till 8.00pm: There will be a short Penitential Service, Adoration of Blessed Sacrament with Confessions. I have requested the gracious presence of another priest to help me with confessions. It will be a great way of celebrating Advent and prepare for the birth of Our Lord.

**FOOD BANK:** Please keep up your food bank support, as demand is sure to increase over the

winter. Your food donation are greatly appreciated by those who receive them.

### Mass times for The Nativity of the Lord:

#### Our Lady Lyndhurst

Monday, 24<sup>th</sup> December. First Mass of Christmas. Carols at 6.30pm. Holy Mass 7.00 pm.

#### Christmas Day

Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> December. Mass 9.00am.

#### St. Theresa's Totton

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> December First Mass of Christmas Carols at 8.30 pm Holy Mass 9.00pm

#### Christmas Day

Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> December Holy Mass at 10.30am

**'PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE':** Sadly, this free diocesan magazine which many of you used to take and enjoy has ceased to exist. Its budget was approved in July, but almost immediately was subjected to a 26% cut, which made continued publication impossible, and closure was indeed announced at the end of July. Diocese events and publications are now available on diocese's web site on e-news

Jay Kettle-Williams, the Southsea-based editor, has been snapped up by 'Catholic South West', a monthly tabloid of the Plymouth Diocese,

### Apostleship of the Sea - Stella Maris - at Christmas.

The Apostleship of the Sea (AoS), each year, seeks your kind donations of woolly hats and ever-popular Toblerone chocolate, as well as other personal items to support the many seafarers who work on the high seas. Financial donations are also welcomed.

**Live Simply so that others may simply live:** In this season of Advent, we look forward to celebrating the birth of Jesus in the company of our loved ones on Christmas Day. It is a time of gift giving and receiving that marks our care and love for each other. This year why not mark your care and love for our brothers and sisters in the poorest parts of the world by contributing to CAFOD's work to transform their lives through safe water, better nutrition and access to education. You will find CAFOD World Gifts leaflets in our churches or go to [www.worldgifts.cafod.org.uk](http://www.worldgifts.cafod.org.uk) and order online.

### Nativity Scenes:

Kevin Stratford estate agent in Lyndhurst has given Our Lady's use of his empty shop window over the Christmas period. To place in the window a variety of differing styles of Nativity cribs some from different parts of the world. If you are passing the shop window? Take a look.