



## Sacred Heart Parish, Bordon

On Friday we will gather together to conclude the season of Christmastide – the season where we allow ourselves to become ‘oriented’ on the Lord in the Manger.

We have been unpacking the **divine identity** of the Christ-Child these past 40 days: God in our flesh.

On Friday I will greet those present with these words which sum-up for us the true meaning of Christmastide as a season in the Church's year:

Dear brothers and sisters, forty days have passed since we celebrated the joyful feast of the Nativity of the Lord. Today is the blessed day when Jesus was presented in the Temple by Mary and Joseph. Outwardly he was fulfilling the Law, but in reality he was coming to meet his believing people. Prompted by the Holy Spirit, Simeon and Anna came to the Temple. Enlightened by the same Spirit, they recognized the Lord and confessed him with exultation. So let us also, gathered together by the Holy Spirit, proceed to the house of God to encounter Christ.

FROM  
**Community**  
TO  
**Communion**

Parish Mission Statement:

“We are here to make Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament better known, loved, honoured, worshiped and adored. All of our efforts in this parish will be geared towards helping every individual to discover the Lord waiting for them to approach Him in the tabernacle”.





**Closer to Christ Campaign**  
Diocese of Portsmouth

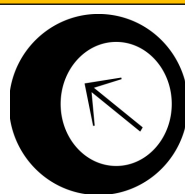
## Final phase.....

You will soon receive a pledge form and some further information about the fundraising campaign to help you to decide how you might be able to support this diocesan initiative.

Please complete the pledge form and return it to Father John.

**Thank you!**

## PARISH GIVING



### Standing Order

Making your weekly offering via **Standing Order** is the best way to give, if possible. It means we know how much will come into the parish each week / month and it also means that if you happen to be away, the parish will still receive your support. The Bank details you need to set up a Standing Order are:

**Account Name:**

**CDP BORDON AND GRAYSHOTT**

**Sort Code: 30-93-04**

**Account Number: 01755138**

## GIFT AID

Anyone who pays income tax on pensions, wages etc can complete a **Gift Aid form** and increase whatever they offer to the parish by 25% at no extra cost to them (**the taxman donates it to the parish from what you have already paid him!**)

### Please return your palms

As you know, the Ashes we receive on Ash Wednesday are made from burning the palm branches blessed last year on Passion (Palm) Sunday. Please bring your palms back this week or next weekend.

### Parish Plan 2024

Please do take a look at our parish plan for 2024 which includes maintenance projects, evangelisation and outreach projects and also fundraising projects! Please do be involved if you have any time to spare!

### Parish Pilgrimage to Fatima

There will be a meeting after Mass on Sunday to talk through some of the finer details.

### Learning to play the drum!

The first session for drummers will be on Thursday **1st February at 7pm**. Please do let me know if you're interested in coming along!



## ASH WEDNESDAY HOLY MASS TIMES:

**Tuesday (VIGIL) 13th Feb 7pm**  
**Wednesday 14th 10:00am**



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# Lent is different .....

## **On Ash Wednesday we will hear in the First Reading:**

"Sound the trumpet in Zion! Order a fast, proclaim a solemn assembly, call the people together, summon the community, assemble the elders, gather the children, even the infants at the breast.

Let the bridegroom leave his bedroom and the bride her alcove.

***Between vestibule and altar let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, lament. Let them say: 'Spare your people, Lord'.***

And this sets the scene for the next 40 days and 40 nights of Lent.....

So, during Lent the priests pause between the vestibule and the altar and lament 'Kyrie eleison!' Lord have mercy. Instead of standing, we all kneel and examine our conscience and we call upon the mercy of God.

There will be no 'Gloria' no 'alleluia'; no flowers in the church and the liturgical colour is violet reminding us that Lent is a time of penance, sacrifice and self-denial.

We pray and fast in the weeks of Lent and the usual parish activities will take place to support you in all your efforts and to offer ideas for things you might do during Lent:

**Mon:** 10am Mass followed by Bible studies.

**Tues:** Confessions at 6pm followed by Stations of the Cross at 6:30pm and then Holy Mass at 7pm. Adult formation will take place after Mass until 8:30pm.








**Wed:** early morning Mass at 0730am.

**Fri:** Adoration and Confessions at 11am, Stations at 11:30am and Holy Mass at Midday followed by a Lenten soup lunch.

**Sat:** Adoration and Confessions at 5pm followed by Holy Mass at 6pm.



# Sacramental Preparation in the Parish


						
<b>Baptism preparation:</b> The next Preparation course begins in the New Year.	<b>Confession:</b> Available 30mins before every Mass and: <b>5pm Sat 6pm Tues 11am Fri</b>	<b>First Confession and Holy Communion:</b> <b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 10am</b>	<b>Confirmation class:</b> <b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 11:15am</b>	<b>Marriage Preparation:</b> It takes approx. 1 year to prepare for Marriage. Catholics must be Confirmed before Marriage.	<b>Holy Orders:</b> If you have ever considered a Vocation to the Priesthood / Deaconate, please speak to Fr John.	<b>Last Rites:</b> If there is ever the danger of death, please contact Fr John immediately.



**Confession Times:**  
**30mins before every Mass &**  
 5pm on Saturdays  
 6pm on Tuesday  
 11.00am on Fridays  
 Or by appointment



**Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:**  
 Tuesday 6pm  
 Friday 11.00am  
 Saturday 5pm  
 Benediction: 5:45pm on Saturdays



**Devotions:**  
 Holy Rosary: Wed after Mass  
 Fri 11:30am  
 First Friday: Every first Friday



**Family Catechesis:**  
 Learn about our faith as a family.... Every two weeks at 10am on Saturday mornings



**EVERY TUESDAY**

# Adult Formation

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Tuesday evenings are given over to Adult formation.

The homily during Mass is in an extended form (looking more closely at the previous Sunday's Gospel) and then after Mass there is a formation session aimed at exploring the fundamental elements of our Catholic faith.

Opposite is an overview of the topics that we will be covering.

**EVERYONE** is welcome to attend as much or as little as they like.

The session after Mass begins at 7:45pm and ends at 8:30pm.

Even if you cannot make a weekly commitment, come along when you can!

## October

- ~~What is God?~~
- ~~What is Man?~~
- ~~Original Sin: The separation between God and Man~~
- ~~Covenants between God and Man~~
- ~~Jesus Christ – True God and True Man~~

## November

- ~~The Immaculate Conception~~
- ~~Two types of Grace~~
- ~~The Saints~~
- ~~Purgatory~~

## December

- ~~Advent: What is it?~~
- ~~The Eucharistic Prayer~~
- ~~Transubstantiation~~

## January

- ~~The Sacraments~~
- ~~The Epiphany and Christmastide~~
- The presentation of the Lord
- Jesus' Public Ministry

## February

- The Church
- Membership and Precepts
- Lent: what is it?
- Repentance and Penance

## March

- The Sacrament of Confession
- Virtues and Vices
- The 10 Commandments and an examination of conscience
- The Sacred Triduum – Easter and Eastertide

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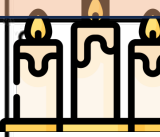





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# FEBRUARY 2024

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
28	29	30 NO MASSES OR OTHER PARISH ACTIVITIES	31 NO MASSES OR OTHER PARISH ACTIVITIES	1 	2 Candlemas (The Presentation of the Lord)	3
4 Confirmation Session	5 Bible Study	6 Formation	7 0730am Mass	8 	9 	10 First Holy Communion session
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18 Confirmation Session	19 Bible Study	20 Formation	21 0730am Mass	22	23 	24 First Holy Communion session
25	26 Bible Study	27 Formation	28 0730am Mass	29	1 	2

## Lenten Resolutions to help us grow in our faith:

**Mondays:** Scripture Studies  
**Tuesdays:** Adult Formation  
**Wednesdays:** Early Morning Mass 0730am  
**Fridays:** Parish 'Lenten Fast' Soup

## Adoration:

Tues 6pm, Fri 11am, Sat 5pm

## Confession:

Tues 6pm, Fri 11am Sat 5pm or 30mins before each Mass.

## Stations of the Cross:

Tues 6:30pm and Fri 11:30am

# Passiontide: (HOLY WEEK)

23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Passion / Palm Sunday (VIGIL)	6:00pm
24 <sup>th</sup> March	Passion / Palm Sunday	10:00am
26 <sup>th</sup> March	Chrism Mass (CATHEDRAL)	11:00am

**TRIDUUM:** One liturgy across three days. What we begin on Thursday doesn't end until Saturday Night.....

28 <sup>th</sup> March	Maundy Thursday	7:30pm
29 <sup>th</sup> March	GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS	11:00am
	SOLEMN LITURGY	3:00pm
30 <sup>th</sup> March	EASTER VIGIL	8:30pm
31 <sup>st</sup> March	EASTER SUNDAY	10:00am



## Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> Jan

Joyful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time within the Season of Christmastide

Adoration: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Confessions: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Holy Mass: 6:00pm Cecilia Brennan RIP [N]

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Jan

Glorious Mysteries

Dedicated to the Resurrection

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time within the Season of Christmastide

Holy Mass: 10:00am Subagini De Silva RIP

## Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Jan

Joyful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Holy Souls

4<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time within the Season of Christmastide

Holy Mass: 10:00am Marianna Buolxiszewsko RIP [N]

## Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> Jan

Sorrowful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Holy Angels

4<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time within the Season of Christmastide

Adoration: 6:00pm – 6:45pm

Confessions: 6:00pm – 6:45pm

Holy Mass: 7:00pm NO MASS

Adult Formation Session 7:45-8:30pm

## Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> Jan

Glorious Mysteries

Dedicated to Saint Joseph

4<sup>th</sup> Week in Ordinary Time within the Season of Christmastide

Holy Mass: 07.30am NO MASS

## Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb

Candlemas: The Presentation of the Lord

Sorrowful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Holy Cross

Adoration: 11:00am – 11:45am

Confessions: 11:00am – 11:45am

Holy Mass: 12 noon In thanksgiving to God

## Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> Feb

Joyful Mysteries

Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Adoration: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Confessions: 5:00pm – 5:45pm

Holy Mass: 6:00pm Needs Family and Friends RIP [N]

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