



ST MONICA

Saint Monica (c. 332 – 387) was an early African Christian saint and the mother of St. Augustine of Hippo. She is remembered and honored in the Catholic and Orthodox Churches, albeit on different feast days, for her outstanding Christian virtues, particularly the suffering caused by her husband's adultery, and her prayerful life dedicated to the reformation of her son, who wrote extensively of her pious acts and life with her in his Confessions. Popular Christian legends recall Saint Monica weeping every night for her son Augustine.

St. Swithun & St. Thomas More

A Parish in the North East Hampshire Pastoral Area of the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth

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TWO WEEK LITURGY SCHEDULE

Sun 22nd 21st Sunday of the Year
6pm (Sat) Leo Willig RIP
8.45am(STM) People of the Parish
10.45am In Thanksgiving to Eileen & John Weale

Wed 25th Feria
9.30am Sue Douet 80th Birthday
10-12pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thu 26th Feria
9.30am Julia & Colin Kibbler
70th Wed Anniversary

Fri 27th St Monica
9.30am Mass

Sun 29th 22nd Sunday of the Year
6pm (Sat) Andy O'Neil RIP
8.45am(STM) People of the Parish
10.45am Anne Hills RIP

Wed 1st Feria
9.30am Sue Douet GE
10-12pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thu 2nd Feria
9.30am Mass

Fri 3rd St. George the great
9.30am Mass

Sun 5th 23rd Sunday of the Year
6pm (Sat) Agnes Link RIP
8.45am(STM) Jacqueline Bouvy RIP
10.45am People of the Parish

LET US PRAY

We grieve today with those who grieve over Afghanistan, the people who call it home indeed, the people exiled or suddenly having to leave, and the men and women from other countries who have made sacrifices in recent years in the cause of that country's future. We remember with renewed sadness the loss of lives of military personnel during the years of this country's involvement in Afghanistan, conscious of the questions that must today be troubling the minds of those in our community who were bereaved, those who were wounded on operations, and those who were forever changed by experiences suffered there. We pray for peace, dignity, freedom and confidence for the men, women and children of Afghanistan; for courage, vision and generosity within the international community responding to such need; and for tranquility of mind amongst our own Service community and its wider family. AMEN.

Confessions
Saturdays-St Swithun
5.30pm-5.50pm

THE TRUTH WILL SET YOU FREE

YEAR OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 2021-2022

THE CHURCH TEACHES US THAT:

"The Eucharist is the source and the summit of the Christian life...For in the blessed Eucharist is contained the whole spiritual good of the Church, namely Christ himself...The Eucharist is also the culmination both of God's action, sanctifying the world in Christ and, of the worship men offer to Christ... In brief, the Eucharist is the sum and summary of our faith..." (CCC1324-5).

And: " Because Christ himself is present in the sacrament of the altar, he is to be honoured with the worship of adoration. "To visit the Blessed Sacrament is . . . a proof of gratitude, an expression of love, and a duty of adoration toward Christ our Lord" (CCC14-18).

ADORATION

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has resumed once more on Wednesdays after Mass from 10am to 12noon at St Swithun's Church. Adoration is a sign of devotion to and worship of Jesus Christ, who is believed to be present Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity, under the appearance of the consecrated host that is, sacramental bread. Come along and spend time with Jesus and pray for your needs or the needs of others.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT

The prayer group in Camberley are running a course to parishes in our area in September. There will be an explanation session on Zoom on September 7th with an introductory talk and a chance to ask questions, so please make a note in your diary and give it a go. You will not regret it! Further information is available from Chris Tevlin, Ann Prior, or Clare and Phil Owens on 01252.665974.



ST PETER'S CHURCH COFFEE SHOP

Due to continued success, St Peters Church are looking for more volunteers to join the friendly team at Café 46. If anyone is interested please contact Jen, Jackie or Malinda for more information. 01252 912766

INVITATION TO ALDERSHOT

On **Saturday 28th August** you are invited to a meeting of the [Association for Latin Liturgy](#).



The Association for Latin Liturgy invites all members of the diocese and beyond to their 2021 open meeting which is being held in our diocese at St Joseph's Church, Queens Road, Aldershot GU11 3JB on **Saturday 28th August**. The programme for the day is:

10.30 Arrival and Welcome followed by Chant rehearsal for the Mass

12.00 Solemn Latin Mass (Ordinary Form) with Mass Propers from the *Graduale Parvum* for the Memorial of St Augustine and the Ordinary of the Mass sung to *Missa Cum Iubilo*

13.00 Lunch (**Advance booking required by 14th August**- see [here](#) for details.)

14.00 Talk by Monsignor Bruce Harbert, former Executive Director of ICEL

16.00 Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

16.30 Tea and depart

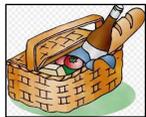
BAR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The centre is now taking bookings for weekend events. We are now very short of volunteers to work behind the bar and would welcome any new volunteers. Training will be giving, including use of the till, if you feel you are unable to serve behind the bar, but will be able to assist by washing glasses please contact the parish office.



PICNIC 5th September

At St Swithun's, after Sunday Mass. A chance to get together to catch up. This will be an outside event, unless it rains. Please join us. (*bring your own food*)



FR THOM PASSING THROUGH

I was very pleased the other day to meet Fr. Thom Amungwa. He has been on a short visit to the UK from Cameroon and besides seeing me, also came to see Fr. Elijah here at the

Cathedral. Fr. Thom, a priest of the Archdiocese of Bamenda, was one-time parish priest of Bordon and Grayshott and is currently the parish priest of St. Thomas Aquinas parish in Batibo, about 27 miles west of Bamenda on the Trans-African Highway towards the border with Nigeria. He told me he has nine churches to look after. The local political situation is unsettled, so let us pray for him and his parishioners, and for a solution to the current problems in Cameroon. Meanwhile, our prayers and best wishes! *Bishop Philip*



UPDATE

The Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth is very disappointed that one of the Family of Mary Immaculate and St Francis in Gosport has publicly expressed a personal view about the Covid vaccination programme that is contrary to the official position of the Catholic Church and the Diocese. The matter is being taken very seriously and an investigation is in progress. The Pope has encouraged the take up of the vaccination programme. The Vatican's doctrinal office issued a note last December reinforcing this position saying it is "morally acceptable" for Catholics to take vaccines against the coronavirus. While the Vatican note does not recommend that vaccination against the coronavirus be made mandatory it does say "the morality of vaccination depends not only on the duty to protect one's own health, but also on the duty to pursue the common good." In this Diocese, Bishop Philip Egan has reinforced that position through publications to the diocese over past months. We would encourage all our parishioners to benefit from the protection afforded by the vaccine.



OFFICE

The office is OPEN to the public, from Tuesday to Friday 10am to 12noon. Please feel free to pop in. Please refrain to come into the office if you feel unwell. It is at your discretion, if you wish to wear a mask. Or you can call the parish office 01252872732 or the mobile 07831307063. For emergencies come to the presbytery door to see Father.



YOUR OFFERTORY MONEY

Your Offering to the Parish is very important to us, and we thank everyone who has carried supporting the parish during these difficult times. we ask you to consider setting up a Standing Order, or do an online Bank Transfer. **PRCDTR YATELEY ST SWITHUN**
Account: 00892220, sort code 30-93-04
PRCDTR HARTLEY WINTNEY STM
Account: 01785711, sort code 30-93-04
Please put your surname 'offertory' in the transaction reference text so we can identify the purpose of the donation.



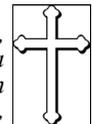
PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Anne Condon, Margaret Phipps, Rose O'Halloran, Peggy Fennel, Jean Warner, John Harris, Bob Fernandez, Eileen Quinn, Una Taylor, and all those suffering from Covid,



FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Henry Gardiner, Bernard Manley, Bertina Gouveia, Mary Edgar, Veronika Howard, Kathleen Aston, Leigh Buckingham, Alan Ship, Liam Meaney, Dermot Devereux, Margaret Brennan, Philip Graham, Leonard Driscoll, George Ladd, Joseph Holhut, Elizabeth O'Brien, James Smith, Ivan Tippell, Sharon Niall, Amelia Hancock, Andrew O' Neill, Margaret Farrell, Martyn Smith, Pat Ecclefield, Sylvia Dakin, Sylvia Taylor



May their souls and the souls of all the Faithful Departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

FIRST COLLECTION:

08/08: SS: £85.60; STM: £77
15/08: SS:£66.45; STM: £28

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

12/09: Home Missions

COLLECTION FOR CHURCH LIGHTS:

To date: £1861.70

Many thanks for all your contributions