



St. Swithun & St. Thomas More



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WEEKLY NEWS
Palm Sunday & Easter Sunday
& 2nd Sunday of Easter
(Year A) 29th March
5th & 12th April 2026

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Sun 29th PALM SUNDAY

6pm (Sat)
8.45am (STM) People of the Parish
10.45am



Tues 31st of Holy Week
11am
Chrism Mass Portsmouth
(No evening Mass at SS)

Wed 1st of Holy Week
9.30am
Anne Morgan GE

EASTER TRIDIUM

Thu 2nd Maundy Thursday
8pm (SS) Mass of the Lord's Supper
9pm - 11pm Watching at Altar of Repose



Fri 3rd Good Friday
3pm (SS) Liturgy of the Lord's Passion



Sat 4th Easter Vigil Mass
8pm (SS)



HE HAS RISEN! ALLELUIA!

Sun 5th **Easter Sunday**
8.45am (STM) People of the Parish
10.45am (SS)



HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE

Tues 7th within octave of Easter
7pm

Wed 8th within octave of Easter
9.30am
Anne Morgan GE

Thu 9th within octave of Easter
9.30am

Fri 10th within octave of Easter
9.30am

Sun 12th 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER
6pm (Sat) Betty & Billy O'Callaghan RIP
8.45am (STM) People of the Parish
10.45am

Tues 14th of the 2nd Week of Easter
7pm

Wed 15th of the 2nd Week of Easter
9.30am
10-11am Mothers Prayers
10-12pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Thu 16th of the 2nd Week of Easter
9.30am

Fri 17th of the 2nd Week of Easter
9.30am

THE LORD HAS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!

On the first day of the week, Mary of Magdala came to the tomb early in the morning, while it was still dark, and saw the stone removed from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and told them, "They have taken the Lord from the tomb, and we don't know where they put him." So Peter and the other disciple went out and came to the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple ran faster than Peter and arrived at the tomb first; he bent down and saw the burial cloths there, but did not go in. When Simon Peter arrived after him, he went into the tomb and saw the burial cloths there, and the cloth that had covered his head, not with the burial cloths but rolled up in a separate place. Then the other disciple also went in, the one who had arrived at the tomb first, and he saw and believed. For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead.

LECTIO DIVINA

Every Wednesday, 7pm, St Swithun's Parish Centre, Yateley.

COFFEE MORNINGS

Coffee after 10.45am Mass at St Swithun's. Everyone welcome, please join us.



UCM MEETING

Tuesday 14th April, 2pm in the parish centre. All welcome. (St Swithun's)



MASS INTENTIONS

If you want a Mass intentions, see Carole to book them or fill in a mass envelope from the porch and post via the office letter box.

PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday marks Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem days before his crucifixion, fulfilling prophecy by riding a humble donkey rather than a war horse. Crowds welcomed him by waving palm branches, laying cloaks on the ground, and shouting "Hosanna" (Save us), recognizing him as a king and deliverer.

CHRISM MASS

31st March, there will be a Chrism Mass at 11am in St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth. Everyone is invited to join.

The Mass is the special Liturgy in Holy Week during which the Bishop blesses the three Holy Oils for use in the Sacraments: the Oil of the Blessing of the Sick, the Oil of Catechumens and the Oil of Chrism. The blessing of the Holy Oils is one of the most ancient ceremonies of the Church and it is always celebrated in the Cathedral with the priests, deacons, religious and lay people of the diocese. During the Mass, all the priests make a renewal of their commitment to priestly service, *'manifesting their communion with the Bishop'* (Roman Missal). "It is always a wonderful manifestation of the Church in our Diocese of Portsmouth and an opportunity to thank God for our Catholic faith," says Bishop Philip. "I would like to invite you all to join us for this great celebration."



CAFOD

Thank you for your generous support this Family Fast Day – your kindness is helping families like Shorai's in Zimbabwe and Rejoice's in South Sudan grow food, even in the face of drought and floods. You have shown what it means to love your neighbour this Lent – fasting, praying and giving so families can put food on the table. Find out how your donations are helping to build a better world at cafod.org.uk/thankyou

PS It's not too late to donate – pick up a CAFOD envelope in church or visit cafod.org.uk/envelope

Confessions St Swithun

Saturdays 5.30pm-5.50pm

St Swithun Church

Confession allows us to hold ourselves accountable for these sins and seek true forgiveness. The soul needs confession to cleanse itself, allowing us to repair our relationship with Christ. Confession grants us sacramental grace, helping to repair the bonds we break with God when we sin.



KSC EASTER HOLY WEEK

Posters are available this Sunday for you to take home and display in your window to remind people what the coming week is all about; Christ's sacrifice. Feel free to take one.

VOTIVE CANDLES

Due to the increase in candle prices, we would like to ask a donation of 40 pence per candle when you light one from the side candle stands. Thank you.

OFFICE

The parish office will be closed from Mon 6th April to Fri 10th April. Please speak with Father if you have any queries.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers are needed as well as bar staff. Please consider helping out if you can. **Training will be given.** Speak with Father or Carole.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Thankyou for continuing to financially support the vital work in our parish. Scan the QR code below to easily make a donation.

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Or click this link to our Parish website.

<https://donate.stswithunsyateley.org.uk/>



YOUR OFFERTORY MONEY

Your Offering to the Parish is very important to us, and we thank everyone who are supporting the parish. We ask you to consider setting up a Standing Order, or do an online Bank Transfer.

CDP YATELEY ST SWITHUN

Account: 00892220, sort code 30-93-04

CDP 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.

If you are a UK taxpayer please consider joining our Gift Aid Scheme. Forms are available in the porch or the Parish Office.

ST THOMAS MORE NEW WEBSITE

The St Thomas More website has been moved to the same internet server as St Swithuns. Its new address is "stm.stswithunsyateley.org.uk"

Please use this new address in future; do not attempt to use the old address any more as it will not work.

ST. SWITHUN'S 100 CLUB

Names of winners are displayed in the porch. If you would like to become a member contact the parish. Office.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Please pray for all the sick in our parish May the Lord heal them all with his love.

FIRST COLLECTION:

08/03: SS: £126.50 STM=£96.10

15/03: SS=;£155.40 STM=£60

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Clergy assistance funds raised:

£119.60 (SS); £44.30 (STM)

Many thanks for all your contributions