



Christmas Time

Sunday Masses

Sat 6.00pm St Joseph's
Sun 9.15 am St Andrew's
 11.00am St Andrew's

Weekday Masses this week

Tuesday 6.00am St Joseph's
Friday 11.30am St Joseph's
 (First Friday).



25th-27th December 2009

Father George: As many of you are aware, Father George was taken ill last Sunday. He has responded well to treatment for a nasty infection and is now resting at home. We wish him well and we thank the priests who are helping out during his absence.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE WILL BE NO MASS at St Andrew's Church 10am on **TUESDAY** or 6pm at St Joseph's Church on **THURSDAY** this week. There will be Word with Communion liturgies at these times.

Congratulations to Patrick Coughlin and Hayley Morris who are to be married in St Joseph's Church on Monday 28th December. We wish them a long, healthy and happy life together.

Christmas Offerings. The offerings given at all the Christmas Masses are traditionally a gift to the priest. Please be generous. Our priests are not highly paid and the Christmas and Easter offerings form a large part of their yearly income. Envelopes for your gift are available in the churches so, if you are going to be away at Christmas, you can put this special offering into the collection at any Mass. Gift Aid donors please use one of your green envelopes

Christmas Fair. Despite the cold, slippery morning the Christmas Fair was a good parish social event. £450 was made on the draw and this will be given to the Leonard Cheshire Home off Botley Road in Romsey. The profit from the Fair itself currently stands at approximately £700 which will go to parish funds. Thanks to Anne Hooper, the organizer, and to all who helped at, donated to and attended the event. A financial report of the Fair and list of prize winners is on the church notice boards and there are copies in the churches if you wish to take one.

Lost touch with church? Looking to return? Take a leaflet from the KIT poster as you leave church, or ring Sheila 01794 518071 or Julie 023 8073 4522

Walk off all the extra food by coming along to the New Years Day walk. Leave from Canada Common car park at 11am on Friday 1st January. No stiles but it will probably be muddy. We'll finish at a pub for food and / or drink. All are welcome to come

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Feast of the Holy Family *1 Sam 1:20-22.24-28 1 John 3:1-2.21-24 Luke 2:41-52*
 (P.40 in Parish Mass Book) **We are all God's children**

The Octave of Christmas Sunday 27th Dec to Saturday 2nd January 2010

Please pray for family, friends and parishioners who cannot join us at Mass this Christmas and for all our priests who work so hard in God's service.

Mass Intentions: Sat 26th 6pm, Donal Fitzgerald (anniversary); Sun 27th 9.15am, Felicity Blishen; Sun 27th 11am, Robert Twigg (anniversary); Sat 2nd Jan Charlotte Taggart R.I.P..

Anniversaries: John Rees (1993); Edward Caws (1961); Grace Guard (1994); Patrick Pearce (2001); Robert Twigg (2002); Winifred Bradley (2004); Ethel Gill (1960); Cornelius O'Connors (1971); Dennis Clancey(1983); Malachy Ward (2006); Beatrice Lightfoot (1990); William Walsh (1991); Rosalie Webb (2002); Bernadette Charlton (2005); Sr Marie Agnes (2005); Barbara Nairn (2008); William Kennedy (1981); Dorothy Poultney (2000); Antoinette Ackrill (1980); Beryl Cotton (1986); Harry Roydon (1999); Catherine Gay (2001); Marcel Moll (2008). **R.I.P.**

SCRIPTURE EACH DAY		EVENTS AND MEETINGS
Feast of the Holy Innocents <i>1 John 1:5-2:2</i> <i>Matthew 2:13-18</i>	Mon	
Feast of St Thomas of Canterbury <i>2 Timothy</i> <i>Matthew 16:24-27</i>	Tues	Mass: 6pm St Joseph's Word with Communion Liturgy 10am St Andrew's Meditation, 2.15pm, contact Pat on 01794 512006
A great light has shone down upon the earth <i>1 John 2:12-17</i> <i>Luke 2:36-40</i>	Wed	
The Word was made flesh <i>1 John 2:18-21</i> <i>John 1:1-18</i>	Thur	Word with Communion Liturgy 6pm St Joseph's
Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God <i>Numbers 6:22-27</i> <i>Luke 2:16-21</i>	Fri	Mass: 11.30am St Joseph's Church
Memorial of St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen <i>Ephesians 4:1-7.11-13</i> <i>Matthew 23:8-12</i>	Sat	Mass: 6pm St Joseph's Church

For Sunday 27th December:
Response to the Psalm: They are happy who dwell in your house, O Lord.
Gospel acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! May the peace of Christ reign in your hearts; let the message of Christ find a home with you. Alleluia!
Communion Antiphon: Our God has appeared on earth and lived among men.

Weekend 2nd / 3rd January 2010

Preparing for 2/3 January 2010	Cleaning: St A's: John H. St J's: D Mukuka	Flowers at St A's: Christmas flowers	Flowers at St J's: Christmas flowers
	Ministers of Communion	Readers	Welcomers
St Joseph's 6pm	R Peacock, P Coughlan	P Muddiman, David Kenyon	Tricia Ho, Julie Hinckley
St Andrew's 9.15am	Malcolm & Teresa Rayment	Ivan Taylor	Maureen Nel
St Andrew's 11am	Sheila Keefe	India & Gus Reynolds	Jo Haikney, K Thompson

HELPING HANDS -- Don't feel alone during a crisis -- RING ANGELA on 01794 340403 -- **HELPING HANDS**
 Collections last weekend: for the parish: Gift Aid £484 non Gift Aid £246. Thank you.
 Items for newsletters to be submitted by 10am on Thursdays please.



