

Mass Times 10th - 17th September

Sat 10th 10am

Sat 10th 6pm *Maggie Legassick's Ints.*

Sun 11th 9am *Requiem for HM The Queen*

Sun 11th 11am *Ines & Vinny McGiff R.I.P.*

Mon 12th No Mass

Tues 13th 9am *John Conway's Ints.*

Wed 14th 10am *Graham O'Connor R.I.P.*

Wed 14th 12 Noon *Jack Prendergast R.I.P. (F)*

Thu 15th 10am *Tegan Dawson's Ints.*

Fri 16th 10am *Sharon Dawson's Ints.*

Sat 17th 10am *Private Intention*

**Holy Hour of Prayer
and
Eucharistic Adoration
at St. John Vianney**

Wednesday Evenings 7– 8pm



**Confessions:
Saturday 10:30—11am
or by appointment.**

11am Mass on Sundays and 12 noon Mass on Wednesdays are at Sacred Heart Lambourn and are not available on Zoom.

Find us at www.wantagecatholicparish.org and sacredheartlambourn.org



In your prayers, please remember all who have died recently especially Neil Murphy and Bridget May Knight, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time - Aldo Piras, Daniel Reilly, Tina Ann Turner, June Timms, Bridget Boyce, Olafur Smith-Jonsson, Bernard Hale, Henry Little, John Miller, Horace Tuson, Angela Hopper, John O'Flynn Gorman and Mervyn Scott. Also pray for all who are sick, in hospital or housebound especially Fr. Robin Sanders, John Gemmell, Pete Gray, Margaret Joyce, Peter Shaw, Wendy Purslow, Sue Maher, Tom Carney, Gloria Allen and all those suffering at this time. Please contact the office if you would like someone to be added to our sick list .

Collections Thank You

If you would like to continue supporting the Church your weekly/ monthly offering can be made online using this name and account number :

PRCDTR Wantage St John Vianney

Sort Code: 30-93-04 Account Number: 01720016

Please remember that you can always drop your donation into the Presbytery letterbox. Same Account for Wantage and Lambourn.

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Year C 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11th September 2022

Requiem Mass for HM The Queen



Following the sad death of HM The Queen on Thursday, we join with the country in sending our deep and sincere condolences to HM The King and all the royal family at this very sad time.

Sunday's Mass will be offered as a Requiem Mass for the repose of Her Majesty's soul.



Why Should God Care For Me?

It's easy to hear the story of the 'Prodigal Son' from afar. It's easy to disassociate ourselves from the feelings of the younger son and make the same judgments that the older brother reached. The story takes on a totally fresh

significance when you imagine yourself in the prodigal son's shoes.

When we are young everything is clear cut. The difference between right and wrong is obvious and the path through life is uncomplicated. Then life begins to test our principles. Poverty encourages us to make poor choices. Fear of failure encourages us to cheat or lie. Depression causes us to eat and drink too much. Desperation leads us to gamble or steal. Pride prevents us from seeking help. Every poor choice takes us further and further away from God. Like the young man in the story we begin to feel as though we are not worthwhile. The young man does not consider that his father will welcome him back as his son. We must have felt the same way at some time or another. We must all have started to pray and then thought, "Why on earth should God listen, why on earth should he care?"

Imagine the joy of learning that God has never given up on us? Imagine the young man's rush of relief and joy at finding that his father had never given up waiting for him to come home. For God, forgiveness is just a part of a love that never gives up.

The 'Lost Sheep', 'The Lost Coin', 'The Lost Son'. Three stories that remind us that no one is worthless or insignificant in God's eyes. God is continually looking to bring us back to him. Today's parables are about wholeness and inclusion in a society seemingly intent on division and exclusion. Today's parables speak to us about the need to be found and carried. Today's parables are about transcending the human instinct to sit in judgement over others and to feel the joy of God the Father's reconciling love.



Save the dates: Scripture Study on Zoom beginning Tuesday 20th September 7pm
Readers' Course 22nd September at St. John Vianney - 7pm

Pakistan Floods Appeal - You can donate online at any of our aid agencies, CAFOD, Sciaf, Trocaire or Christian Aid.

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) - If you know of anyone in need or anyone who would like a visit from members of the society, please email the parish office or phone 07842271596 Donations to SVP can be made to this account: Sort Code 60-60-04 ac no. 48001074

Second Collection next Sunday is for Home Mission. Evangelisation is an essential work of the Church. At all levels, and through every avenue we can utilize, we are called to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with our neighbours and within our local communities. The Home Mission Office helps the local Church to share the joy of the Gospel. If you would like to give a gift to this collection, you can donate here:

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/home-mission-sunday>

or place your donation in the basket in the Church porch.

Children's Liturgy - beginning this Sunday for children between the ages of 4 and 8. Older children and those preparing for First Holy Communion should remain in Mass.

We are still looking for volunteers to help with Children's Liturgy.

Exaltation of the Holy Cross - Feast Day 14th September

A day on which we remember that death is not the end. Things must have looked pretty bleak to the apostles at Jesus' crucifixion. But with the Resurrection, the seeming failure of Jesus' crucifixion was no longer a failure but a triumph and the Cross immediately became an object of veneration. Death no longer held the same fear.



Bishop Philip's 10th Anniversary Mass

On 29th September at 11am in St. John's Cathedral Portsmouth, there will be a Mass of celebration giving thanks to God for the 10th anniversary of our Bishop. You are most welcome to attend.

Office Hours -Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 11am to 1:30pm. If you have any items you'd like included in the newsletter, please email them to the office by 1:30 pm on Thursday.

Important Contacts.

Hospital / Home visits. Sick Communion,

If you are sick or going into hospital and would like a visit or Holy Communion, call the office on **01235 762374**

Parish Safeguarding Rep Barbara Jarrett is our contact for all adult and child safeguarding issues. Please contact Barbara through the parish office.

Baptisms and other Sacraments—Firstly, speak to Fr.David after Mass on any Sunday
email wantage@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Other Priests in the area :

Mgr Andrew Burnham East Hendred Tel: 01235 835038

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