

Mass Times 11th - 18th October 2025

Sat 11th 10am *John Neale R.I.P.*

Sat 11th 6pm *Pro Populo*

Sun 12th 9am *Maria & Krzysztof Burczynsky's Ints.*

Sun 12th 11am *Robert Grimont R.I.P. (Lambourn)*

Mon 13th 10am *Irene McDonagh R.I.P.*

Tues 14th to Thurs 16th Inclusive, NO MASS

Fri 17th 10am

Sat 18th 10am

Sat 18th 6pm *Pro Populo*

Confessions: Saturdays 10:30—11am or by appointment.



In your prayers, please remember all who have died recently especially Jinnie Brown, John Neale, Chris Openshaw, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time - Margery Hanson, Paul Burgoyne, Sheila Wild, Joe Scanlon, Nora Hines, James Dorrian, Leresa Antonio, Ellen Skehan, Bridget Kent, Michael Cox, Elizabeth Westall, Lily Barclay, Anthony Keenan, Alice Ashby, Margaret Williams, Robert Coyle, Mary Dorrian. Also pray for all who are sick, in hospital or housebound especially Meriel Afia, June Toley, Richard and Pat Taylor, Monique Regan, Cathy Longworth, Nancy Walsh, Mary and Desmond McNichol, Richard Heron, Jessica Buist, Ann Cole, Maureen Hendricks, Margaret Joyce, Sue Maher, Gloria Allen, Pam Morgan 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 :

CDP 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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Living In Wholeness

You must have met people who blame God when bad things happen. Do those same people give credit to God when good things happen? Today's gospel reading is a lesson on living in gratitude and wholeness. Jesus cures ten lepers and nine of them hurry off without a word of thanks. Presumably they can't wait to get back to their families and loved ones. They can't wait to get back to where they left off. They can't wait to get back to 'normality'. To the nine lepers Jesus must have seemed nothing more than a biblical paramedic.

How often do we fall into the same trap? We pray to God to help us through some crisis, but when the crisis blows over, do we remember to thank God or do we heave sigh of relief and carry on as 'normal'?

The one leper who returned to thank Jesus recognised that his life would never be 'normal' again. Something extraordinary had happened; his life had been touched by God. The nine lepers who returned to normality knew they had been made well, but the one who returned to thank Jesus recognised that not only had he been made well he had been made whole. The leper who returned was not about to forget what God had done for him. The leper who returned was bubbling over with gratitude.

We all have reasons to bubble over with gratitude to God. The key to living in wholeness is to appreciate when God lifts us from 'normality' and 'ordinariness'.

Pope Leo's Prayer intention for October - For collaboration between different religious traditions Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

Join us for refreshments in the hall after 9am Mass on Sundays.



Repository Christmas Cards and Gifts - if you would like to order crib figures and or stables, please have a look at the Christmas brochure in the repository cupboard leaving your name and product details on the form provided so Maria Walker can place the order.

Training Day for Readers - Saturday 1st November at 11:30am
This training is for those who are already on the rota as well as for new volunteers.

Training Day for Ministers of Holy Communion - Saturday 15th November at 11:30am. Training for new volunteers as well as for those already on the rota.

Little People - needed for a young refugee family—a pram/pushchair and also, use of a baby car seat to bring the baby home from hospital.
Currently looking for boys clothes, age 14 years. If you can help, donations can be left in the food bank box in the porch. Thank you.



Prayer Group -next meeting is on Monday 13th October at 2:30pm in St. John Vianney Hall. All are welcome.

Parish Library - please feel free to borrow any books from our small collection on the bottom shelf of the bookcase in the porch. If you have any good religious books that you would like to share, just leave them on the shelf.

**Holy Hour of Prayer
and Eucharistic Adoration
St. John Vianney
Wednesday Evening 7– 8pm**

**Scripture Study
An in-depth look at the weekend's Readings
Tuesdays 7-7:30pm.
On Zoom using same link as for Mass.**

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) -

If you know of anyone who needs support, if you have friends or relatives who would like a visit, you can make contact through the parish office .

Donations to SVP can be made to this account: Sort Code 60-60-04 ac no. 48001074 or on the card machine. Thank you for your support.



Very Last Call for applications for First Holy Communion - if your child is going to be 7 years old by June next year and you would like to enrol them in the First Holy Communion programme which will begin on 10th November, please speak to Fr. David after Mass. Thank you to those who have already signed up.

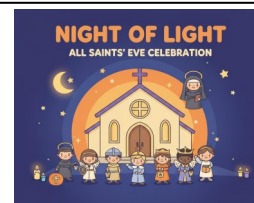
The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary

The liturgical Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. It was instituted in 1573 by Pope Pius V to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in gratitude for the protection that she gives the Church in answer to the praying of the Rosary by the faithful. This year we pray the Rosary especially for world peace. *"The Rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight and to keep oneself from sin. Let not even one day pass without saying it, no matter how burdened you may be with many cares and labours."* (Pope Pius XI.)



Dates For Your Diary

Night of Light - Friday 31st October 5pm for a celebration of All Saints - An evening of activities, food and fun for children aged 5+. Booking details to follow. Volunteer helpers much appreciated! Please speak to Tom or Rachel Cobb or book using the QR code on the poster in the porch.



Quiz and Puddings Night Friday 14th November at 7pm.

Offers of puddings and raffle prizes greatly appreciated.
Entry and Raffle tickets will be on sale prior to the evening.
Proceeds will go to SVP. See poster in the porch.

Office Hours: Tuesday 11am to 1:30pm, Thursday and Friday 11am to 2:30pm.
Please email any items for the newsletter 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 ministry: Barbara Jarrett 07427181090
Ann Strickland is the contact for Lambourn
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Baptisms and other Sacraments—Firstly, speak to Fr. David after Mass on any Sunday email wantage@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Other Priests in the area :

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