

Newsletter 13th November 2016



Unlocking the mystery of the Bible You are welcome to join the group at Our Lady's Fleet every Thursday at 8 p.m. until the 1st December.

The Funeral Mass for Esther Shepherd will be celebrated on Wednesday at 11.00 a.m., followed by committal at Park Crematorium at 12.15 p.m.. May she rest in peace.

St Patrick's Catholic Primary School Open Days for parents of children due to start School in September 2017: Thursday 17th November at 7.00 p.m.. Meet the Headteacher, the staff and look around the school.

Proclaiming the Mercy of God - CAFOD Retreat Day on Saturday 3rd December

As this Year of Mercy draws to a close, join CAFOD for a special retreat at St Mary's parish hall, 59 Normandy Street, Alton, Hampshire GU34 1DN from 10am to 4pm where we will explore how each of us can continue to live out Pope Francis' call to be "witnesses of mercy" in our families, communities and in our world. The day will allow you to take time out from everyday life to reflect on your own faith journey, explore the Scriptures and Church teaching and be inspired by stories from CAFOD's campaigning and work overseas. Booking is essential via 01252 329385 or portsmouth@cafod.org.uk

Advent Service ~ There will be an Advent Service here at Our Lady Help of Christians, on Sunday December 11th at 6.00 p.m.. Readings, psalms, carols, prayers and reflection as we prepare to celebrate the birth of our Saviour.

A travelling nativity set is ready to travel round the parish from house to house during Advent, staying in different homes, and finally taking their place in the church crib on Christmas Eve.

Mary and Joseph's journey through the parish reminds us that we need to make room for Jesus in our lives, homes and community.

They travel with a journal for diary entries, photos and pictures about their activities to be slotted in.

What will it be like to make room in our homes for these special guests for a night or two? To stop what we're doing and take time to read with our children the story of Jesus' birth? It will be an opportunity too for families to get to know each other a little better as they receive and then deliver the crib to the next hosts. The last family will bring the crib back to us on Christmas Eve as we begin our celebration of Christmas. Please sign up on the sheets at the back of church.

St. Patrick's School Christmas Fayre will be on Saturday 3rd December, from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m..

Mass times and Services

12th - 21st November

Saturday 12th 6.00 p.m.
Reakes Family

Sunday 13th 9.30 a.m.
Meena Mootoosamy

Monday 14th 9.30 a.m.
Raphael Maloney

Tuesday 15th 10.00 a.m.
Catholic Women's League

Wednesday 16th 11.00 a.m.
Funeral Mass:
Esther Shepherd R.I.P.

Thursday 17th 10.00 a.m.
Bob & Jean Hinchon

Friday 18th 10.00 a.m.
Louise Stratton

Saturday 19th 10.00 a.m.
Gerard Berry

Saturday 19th 10.30- 11.15 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed for silent adoration from 10.30 a.m., concluding with Benediction at 11.15 a.m..

Saturday 19th 6.00 p.m.
Esther Shepherd R.I.P.

Sunday 20th 9.30 a.m.
Alice Flannery R.I.P.

Monday 21st 9.30 a.m.
Sr. Elizabeth

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