

January Saints

17 January St Anthony of Egypt, Abbot

The outstanding father of all monks, St Anthony was born in Egypt about 250. After the death of his parents, he gave away all his worldly goods and went into the desert to live a life of penance. Many joined him and 'the Desert Fathers', who were hermits, living alone but in a loose-knot community of homes, gave us much spiritual treasure in their thoughts and sayings. St Anthony worked for the Church, supporting those suffering during the persecution of Diocletian, and St Athanasius in his struggle against the Arians (who denied the full divinity of Christ).

18-25 January Christian Unity Octave

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity began in 1908 as the **Octave of Christian Unity**, and focused on prayer for church unity. The dates of the week were proposed by the Anglican religious, Fr Paul Wattson cofounder of the Graymoor Franciscan Friars. He conceived of the week beginning on the Feast of the Confession of Peter, the Protestant variant of the ancient Feast of the Chair of St Peter, on 18 January, and concluding with the Conversion of St Paul on 25 January.. The Octave was supported by Pope Pius X and, in the reign of Pope Benedict XV, its observance was encouraged throughout the Catholic world.

19 January St Wulstan, Religious, Bishop

St Wulstan (or Wulfstan) was Bishop of Worcester from 1062 to 1095. He was the last bishop appointed before the Norman Conquest and, following the Norman invasion, the only English-born bishop after 1075. Before becoming bishop he had served as prior and treasurer of Worcester. He was a social reformer, strongly opposing the slave trade, and as bishop being principally interested in the pastoral care of his diocese. As well as founding the Greta Malvern Priory, he undertook many large building projects, rebuilding Worcester Cathedral, Hereford Cathedral, Tewkesbury Abbey, and other local churches. He was buried in Worcester Cathedral.



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	<i>Sundays Year B Weekdays Year 2: Psalter Week 2</i>
Sunday 14 th January	SECOND SUNDAY OF THE YEAR <i>[green]</i> Confessions: 8.45am St Mary's Mass: 9.30am St Mary's, East Hendred <i>Day of Prayer for Peace</i> Mass: 11.15am St Patrick's, East Ilsley <i>Pro populo</i>
Monday 15 th January	<i>Of Week 1</i> <i>[green]</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's <i>FM Bertha Ida Northcote 1951</i>
Tuesday 16 th January	<i>Of Week 1</i> <i>[green]</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's <i>FM Charles Eyston 1917</i>
Wednesday 17 th January	St Anthony of Egypt, Abbot <i>[white]</i> Adoration: 11.45am St Mary's Mass: 12.15pm St Mary's <i>FM Col. S.V Daughlish 1925</i>
Thursday 18 th January	<i>Of Week 1</i> <i>[green]</i> Mass: 9.15am St Mary's <i>Christian Unity Octave</i>
Friday 19 th January	<i>St Wulstan, Religious</i> <i>[white]</i> Mass: 8.30am Hendred House <i>Holy Souls</i> <i>Adoration: 3pm Hendred House</i>
Saturday 20 th January	<i>Our Lady St Mary on Saturday</i> <i>[white]</i> <i>No Mass: Mass at English Martyrs, Didcot</i>
	<i>Sundays Year B Weekdays Year 2: Psalter Week 1</i>
Sunday 21 st January	THIRD SUNDAY OF THE YEAR <i>[green]</i> Confessions: 8.45am St Mary's Mass: 9.30am St Mary's, East Hendred <i>RIP Sheila Shepherd</i> Mass: 11.15am St Patrick's, East Ilsley <i>Pro populo</i>
	Confessions: As advertised or by appointment www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

THIS WEEK AND LOOKING AHEAD

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

Saturday (20th January 2018), at Our Lady and St Edmund's Parish centre. Creating a Safe Environment Training 10am–12.30pm. Safe Guarding Refresher Training* – 1.30-4pm. A Refresher Training is for volunteers who haven't attended a SG training session since 2015 or before. If interested, please email soraya@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

ALPHA COURSE

The Alpha Course is starting again at St. Edmund's Catholic Church, Abingdon on **Sunday (21st January)**, between 6pm and 8.30pm. The course is fantastic for both those curious about the Christian faith, and those who have been Catholics for many years and want to develop their relationship with the Lord. It covers subjects such as "why did Jesus die for us", "who is the Holy Spirit", "how do I read the bible". Why not come and see for the first week - you will receive a warm welcome! Please ring Clare 01235 847804

ECUMENICAL GATHERING

VERON'S BARN – OPPOSITE THE WHEATSHEAF – EAST HENDRED on **Thursday 1st February** 7.15 pm for 7.30pm. An opportunity to share time reflecting some thoughts from the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity with fellow Christians from other denominations. A warm welcome in a friendly and informal atmosphere in a beautiful setting. Please let me know if you would like to come for seating and light refreshment purposes. Everyone very welcome. Please sign up on the Notice in the porch or contact me. Jo Noble jonoble.fhh@gmail.com or 01235 8332231

BABYSITTER NEEDED

Ima and Svetlana von Wenden, of East Ilsley, are looking for an occasional babysitter/nanny for their four boys, mainly on Saturday afternoons. Good rates of pay, especially for a professional nanny with references. Help with accommodation or transport possible. Anyone interested, please contact Fr Andrew who would give further details and facilitate contact.

ADORE – ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL

You are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day of spiritual refreshment, focussing on Renewal and Mission on **Saturday 27 January** at Alton School, Alton GU34 2NG. For more information and directions, see poster in church.

PARISH COLLECTION

Last Sunday's collection raised a total of £998.27 of which 88% was Gift Aided.

FORTHCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

Mill Hill Appeal: 11th February; Clergy Assistance Fund: 11th March



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NEWSLETTER | Please send all notices for next week's Newsletter to Maria at hendred@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk by **Wednesday 10 am**

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

BAPTISM AND WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

Those whose anniversaries fall at this time.



THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

Sr Catherine, Mary Wallace, Brenda Paddon, Alfie Bartlam, Jadvyga Adasko, Angus Clark and Ann McCarthy. Names remain for four weeks.

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Those who have died recently especially *Kathleen Doyle* and those with anniversaries at this time: *Catherine Massey, Louis McCoy, Roger Tomlin, Winifred Day, Thomas McDonagh, Fr Sean Murphy, Edmond Joseph Mockler, Tamsie Tonnor, Veronica Lineham and Edwin Harper.*

HOLY FATHER'S INTENTION - *Evangelization: Religious Minorities in Asia*

That Christians, and other religious minorities in Asian countries, may be able to practise their faith in full freedom.

PREACHED RETREATS AT BOARS HILL

Each of these weekends begins with a meal at 6.30 pm on Friday evening and ends on Sunday after lunch. (Please note the days of the week may be different please check the programme). There will be at least four talks and the opportunity to join the resident Carmelite Community for Eucharist and Prayer. During the retreat, there will also be time for personal prayer, reflection, reading and rest. Please see retreat dates and programme at www.carmeliteprioryoxford.com

OXFORD AUNTS CARE

Established for 50 years, Oxford Aunts provides fully managed care for those in need of assistance within a 65 mile radius of the city. Our fully managed, live-in-care packages are designed to give you care, security and peace of mind - from a couple of weeks to ongoing. For more information please call 01865 791017 or visit www.oxfordaunts.co.uk

PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK SHRINE

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, **14th March 2018**, celebrating the feast of St. Patrick. £599 per person sharing. Price includes flights with 15kg checked in bag, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. For more information please see poster in church.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need a few more volunteers for midweek tasks in church. Please see if you could help. The bins can be very heavy! Other jobs include emptying bins, keeping the votive candle stands fully stocked, sorting leaflets, watering flowers, attending to the candles. Small jobs but our volunteer base is too narrow at present. Please have a word with Fr Andrew.