

MASS TIMES feasts/intentions		19 th - 26 th November
StL: St Laurence, Station Rd, Petersfield / StA: St Agnes, Plantation Rd, Liss		
19 th November	The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	
Sunday	9.00am StA <i>Deidre Blower RIP</i>	Prov 31:10-13.19-20.30-31 1Thes 5:1-6 Matthew 25:14-30
Children's Liturgy	10.45am StL	
	6.00pm StL <i>For the Parish</i>	
PSALM: O blessed are those who fear the Lord. GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Even if you have to die, says the Lord, keep faithful, and I will give you the crown of life.		
Tues & Weds No Mass		
Thursday	11.30am StL <i>Private intention (Tecla)</i>	
Friday	11.30am StL St Andrew Dung-Lac	
Saturday	10.00am StL	
26 th November	Our Lord Jesus Christ - King of the Universe	
Sunday	9.00am StA <i>For the Parish</i>	Ezek 34:11-12,15-17 1Cor 15:20-26,28 Mt 25:31-46
	10.45am StL <i>Marion Fraser RIP</i>	
	6.00pm StL	
Sacrament of Penance at 9.45am Saturday (before Mass) and on request Also at 8.45am Sunday (before Mass at StA) Divine Office 1 - Prayer of the Church before Mass at St Laurence Rosary after Mass on Thurs & Eucharistic Adoration after Mass on Fri (30 minutes)		

Music for 10.45am Mass: New Celtic Mass.

Your Prayers are requested for all those in our community who are sick.

Coffee – after 10.45am Mass at St Laurence every Sunday - Everyone is invited.

Please Pray for all the faithful departed and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

The Parish Office is open Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.15am - 1.15pm. Please send in any items for the newsletter or the notice board to the office by Thursday morning.

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The information in this newsletter can be accessed on the parish and other websites

SAINT LAURENCE PARISH - PETERSFIELD

BURITON, SHEET, STEEP, LISS, RAKE, HAWKLEY, EMPSHOT GRN, FROXFIELD, MONKWOOD,
PRIVETT, WEST MEON, EAST MEON, LANGRISH, STROUD, WARNFORD, COLEMORE, LANGLEY



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St Agnes Church, Plantation Road
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The Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 19th November 2017

Confirmation 2018

Confirmation for our Pastoral Area will be celebrated in St John's Cathedral on 23rd June at 11am. The Sacrament of Confirmation completes the journey of Christian Initiation which began at Baptism. The Bishop will extend his hands over those to be confirmed and pray for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit; he will anoint each person and say "Be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit." Parishioners, 13 yrs or older, are

welcome to take part in the preparation which begins on 10th January in St Laurence's Hall 4:30-5:30 pm and continues weekly until 25th April, excluding school holidays. The catechists will be Cynthia Lindup and Cathy Collins. Please complete an enrolment card available at the church desk. Any adult who wishes to celebrate Confirmation, please speak to Fr Hollins.

Youth Group - The parish is setting up a new Youth Group, which will focus on social action. Members can be Years 7 - 12 at school. Each month we will have breakfast and actions, from 9.30-10.30, normally on the first Sunday of each month. First session will be 3rd December, no need to book in advance, just join us if you can! If you have any questions, please ask Regi or Helena.

Christmas Choir Practice - Meeting once a week for an hour, no experience necessary. Everyone welcome. More details next week.

PACT Christmas Cards are delivered to all households in Petersfield and each church takes a share of the streets. Our cards are at the church desk in St Laurence; please consider delivering a set. Many thanks. *Fr PH*

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RETIRING COLLECTION TODAY IS FOR THE PARISH COVENANT WITH THE POOR

November 2017

Tues 21 st	3.45pm	Tuesday Club in the Hall (Catholic teaching for children)
Thur 23 rd	7.30pm	Housegroup - Contact Justine Jenner: 01730 893642
Tues 28 th	7.30pm	Advent Talks in the Hall 1/4 Introduction St Mark's Gospel

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1 st Dec	7.00pm	Eucharistic Adoration
3 rd Dec	7.00pm	Justice & Peace Group Meeting in St Laurence Hall
3 rd Dec	9.30am	Youth Group in St Laurence Hall
6 th Dec	2.00pm	Knitting Circle in St Laurence Hall
6 th Dec	7.30pm	Bordon/Petersfield Pastoral Area Committee meeting
21 st Dec	7.00pm	Carols in the Square - (Petersfield Area Churches Together)
23 rd June	11.00am	Confirmation in St John's Cathedral

Advent Talks begin on 28th November in St Laurence Hall. The focus for the liturgy next year is St Mark's Gospel. I propose to offer an introduction to the Gospel with an emphasis on St Peter as witness to the life and teaching of Jesus. *FrPH*

APF Mission Today – Autumn 2017 - available at the church desk for all Red Box holders and anyone interested. Collectors will be arranging to empty your Red Box before Christmas. We welcome more Red Box holders to support the missions and Collectors who visit box holders annually to count the cash and reseal their box – PLEASE volunteer by contacting the Parish office or Paul Nickell (01730 231599).

Charity Card Shop – Now open at Lloyds Forecourt. Monday to Friday 9.30 to 4.30 and to 3.30 on Saturdays. All the usual charities and Christmas goods, please visit the new premises for your cards etc and support some of the many charities.

The Passage, to ending homelessness, have written to thank us for our donation of £1533.60 (second collections). They are grateful for our continued support, especially at this time of year.

Finance

Thank you for your generosity towards the work of the Church in this area.

Collections for last Sunday

1st Collection for the Parish: £348.16 + £600 (average weekly standing orders).

2nd Collection for Parish Covenant with the Poor: £169.09

The 2nd Collection for next Sunday is for the Parish Covenant with the Poor.

Travel and other expenses incurred whilst serving the Parish may be reimbursed. Please inform the Parish office beforehand.

Housegroup will meet on Thursday 23rd November, 7.30pm-9pm. We are a small group that meets in each other's houses to study the Bible, pray together and encourage one another. If you are interested in attending such a group but cannot make this particular one then please feel free to contact me. For location/details contact Justine Jenner: jenner36@btinternet.com or 07884 202459

St Agnes Relic – recently Kathleen Atkinson handed me a very small purse and inside the purse a mounted relic (bone) of St Agnes. It was accompanied by a document of authentication and a letter of explanation. "My Aunt, Sister Agnes Hempenstall was a Sister of Mercy. Born in Ireland she entered the Motherhouse in London in 1916 taking final vows in 1923. She graduated as a teacher of mathematics and taught at St Catherine's, Twickenham, until her death in 1987." At some stage she was presented with the relic of St Agnes and Kathleen is concerned that it be held in a worthy place: given to our parish. *FrPH*

PACT Christmas Day Lunch - MIDAS qualified driver required to pick up and drop back guests; and a clean up crew, from 3:30pm for an hour. Contact Katie: pactchristmaslunch@gmail.com

Remembrance Day - Photographs and report of the parade and service on PACT web site www.pact.org.uk/remembrance-day2017.asp

Liss Foodbank is asking for donations of tinned tomatoes, ravioli, jam, sugar, puddings, hot chocolate and coffee, and would like to thank everyone for their continued support.

Bishop Philip invites young adults to join him at St John's Cathedral on the 26th November for 6pm Mass, followed by a social with food, and talks - "Being a Catholic Student" and "Discipleship on Campus". Ages 16+ £7 For further information speak to the parish office, or to register contact your University Catholic Chaplaincy, or youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Faith Comment - See 15th Nov copy of Petersfield Post or www.pact.org.uk under Christian Comment for Jane de Halpert's Faith Comment.

November is the Month of Holy Souls There is a book at the back of St Laurence church in which to write the names of those who have died who you wish to be remembered at Mass during November.

A New Secretary is needed for Petersfield Area Churches Together (PACT) from 1st January. The task is to take minutes at 6 committee meetings per year and support organisational aspect of PACT. Please contact chair@pact.org.uk as soon as possible.

Justice and Peace Group - On Sunday 10th December, 4 - 4.45 pm there will be a short Taize style prayer service with music, reflections and silence. This is being organised by the Justice and Peace group and the focus will be on the plight of the Rohingya refugees in Myanmar and Bangladesh.