

St Patrick's (Woolston, SO19 9BD) & Annunciation (Netley, SO31 5AF) Parishes

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For the Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time through to the First Sunday of Lent

FOUR WEEK NEWSLETTER: Friday 14th February 2025 to Friday 14th March 2025

SUNDAY MASSES

6pm Saturday Vigil Mass St Patrick's - Woolston

9am Sunday Mass Annunciation Church - Netley

11am Sunday Mass St Patrick's - Woolston
(Children's Mass 2nd March & 6th April)

CONFESSION TIMES

Saturday 5pm -5.40pm in St Patrick's – Woolston

By appointment in Netley via the Parish Office

SECOND COLLECTIONS

CAFOD – Family Fast Day Collection

WEEKEND OF 15th/16th March

CAFOD FAST DAY Friday 14th March

This Lent, your donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day appeal will help communities suffering the impacts of war, poverty and climate change to find solutions and hope. Use the CAFOD envelope in church, donate online at cafod.org.uk/envelope or call us on 0303 303 3030. You can also text CAFODLENT to 70085 to donate £10. If donating via online banking into the parish bank account use the ref: **CAFOD**.

CLERGY ASSISTANCE FUND

WEEKEND OF 29th/30th March

This collection goes towards helping clergy who are vulnerable and in need, particularly our retired clergy or those who suffer with ill health or need care. If donating via online banking into the parish bank account use the ref: **CAF**

Happy Birthday Fr Ross

We wish Fr Ross a very happy birthday on the 23rd February. God bless you always and thank you for all that you do for our two parishes and for St Patrick's School and at St George College.

WEEK DAY LITURGY SCHEDULE

Week beginning 17th February

Monday Rosary at 1.30pm St Patrick's

Tuesday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

Wednesday 12 noon St Patrick's Church, Woolston

Requiem Mass of Juliana Burley

Thursday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

Week beginning 24th February

Monday Rosary at 1.30pm St Patrick's

Tuesday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

Wednesday 9.30am St Patrick's Church, Woolston
with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11am

Thursday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

Week beginning 3rd March

Monday Rosary at 1.30pm St Patrick's

Friday Stations of the Cross 1.30pm St Patrick's Church

Shrove Tuesday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

ASH WEDNESDAY

9.30am St Patrick's Church, Woolston

7pm Annunciation Church, Netley

Thursday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

Week beginning 10th March

Monday Rosary 1.30pm St Patrick's Church

Friday Stations of the Cross 1.30pm St Patrick's Church

Tuesday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

Wednesday 9.30am St Patrick's Church, Woolston
with adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 11am

Thursday 9.30am Annunciation Church, Netley

Week beginning 17th March

Monday Rosary 1.30pm St Patrick's Church

Friday Stations of the Cross 1.30pm St Patrick's Church

Wednesday 9.30am **Liturgy of the Word** with Holy Communion led by Deacon Peter at St Patrick's Church with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 11am

Thursday 9.30am **Liturgy of the Word** with Holy Communion led by Deacon Peter at The Annunciation Church, Netley.

LENT 2025

Lent will soon be upon us with Ash Wednesday falling on the 5th of March this year.

OLD PALM CROSSES PLEASE

From this weekend collection buckets labelled PALM CROSSES will be placed in the entrance areas of our two churches for you to return your old Palm Crosses from last year for burning. It is the ancient custom of the Church that on Shrove Tuesday the Palm Crosses are burnt by the parish priest and the ash produced is then put on your foreheads during the Ash Wednesday liturgy.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES

9.30am St Patrick's, Woolston

7pm Annunciation Church, Netley

PARISH DEVOTIONS DURING LENT

Rosary

Monday's at 1.30pm in St Patrick's Church

Stations of the Cross

Friday's at 1.30pm in St Patrick's Church

TIMES FOR CONFESSION

Saturday 5pm – 5.40pm at St Patrick's

Tuesday 10am -10.30am at Annunciation Church

(If no Tuesday Mass then after the Thursday morning Mass)

JOINT PARISHES LENT GROUP 2025

HOPE IN HARD PLACES

A six week course on Thursdays – 7.30pm in

St Patrick's Hall, Woolston

Starting on the 6th March

This course has been compiled by Embrace the Middle East, who since 1854 have partnered with some of the oldest Christian Communities in the world. Each week we will have a weekly Bible passage, questions for reflection, prayers and stories from the Middle East that show the ongoing work of God in this deeply troubled part of the world. Hopefully you will find encouragement and strength in stories that span over 3000 years of history - showing us that, no matter how dark the times we live in are, God remains with us. There is a book to accompany the course which costs £5.00. If you can please let us know in advance if you plan to attend this course by emailing the parish office or by speaking to Fr Ross or Chris or Heather Bick, so that we can be sure to have the correct number of books.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER LITURGIES

Details in the next newsletter.



St Patrick's School

We are now approaching the Spring Half Term holiday and it has been a very busy half term with all sorts of activities and liturgies taking place.

Our School liturgies continue with a Celebration of the Word for the whole school on a Tuesday afternoon led by Mrs. Hales and Fr Ross. Last week we celebrated St Blaise on Tuesday and Fr Ross blessed the throats of everyone in school including some of the parents and grandparents throats on the school playground as school finished for the day.

On the Wednesday 29th January we had a whole school Mass celebrating Candlemas in the school hall which was also open for parishioners and parents to attend. This was a lovely celebration and Fr Ross was assisted by Noah C who is one of our new Altar servers at St Patrick's and who is also a pupil at the school.

The lovely Dominican Sisters from Sway continue to come in on a Wednesday afternoon to run the JCLUB aka Jesus Club, which is a very popular after school club which is catechetical in nature but fun at the same time. Thank you to our two Benefactors who fund the entire cost of the JCLUB.

The Bishop of Portsmouth also visited the school recently to do a so called 'Pastoral Visitation' to the school. He asked that ahead of his visit for the children to learn some Latin hymns and Latin responses for a time of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction in the School Hall. After the period of Eucharistic Adoration and Benediction had taken place the Bishop then toured the school. In the afternoon of the same day the Bishop of Portsmouth visited Spring Hill Primary School to do exactly the same. At least our pupils now know how to chant some Latin hymns and make responses in Latin for Adoration and Benediction. Fr Ross was unable to be in school the morning of the Bishop's visitation as he was saying Mass in Netley followed by an external audit of our parish accounts.

We also have our Children's Mass once a month on a Sunday morning at St Patrick's Church, the main lead is taken by Mrs Hales, Mr Travers and children from St Patrick's School.

**We pray that all the staff and pupils of
St Patrick's School & St George College
have a very relaxed half-term holiday this
coming week.**



Fr Ross continues to go up to St George College on a Friday to do the rounds and to make sure all our former St Patrick's pupils are behaving themselves, which thankfully they are on the whole.

I am also pleased to say that the St George Picnic Bench which our two parishes donated to the College in response to their appeal for help in funding picnic benches has now arrived and is in use. The Chair of Governors has invited parishioners, should they wish, to come into the college and have a photo taken by the bench with some of the students who are also parishioners of our two parishes. Please let me know if you would like to come into St George's to see the bench and we can sort something out.

The inscription on the bench, which I came up with reads: *'This bench was donated by the Parishioners of St Patrick's Church - Woolston and the Annunciation Church - Netley. Learn well, pray often, enjoy school and be good!'*

**Friends of St George Catholic College
Are Hosting a Fundraising Event
Prize Bingo!
Thursday 20th March 2025
18.30 to 21.00**

Tickets Available in advance via Bank Transfer to
Friends of St George,
Sort Code: 04-14-50 Account Number: 55263644
Please put your surname as Reference

Adults £6.00
Children £4.00

Raffle Tickets will also be available on the night to win a selection of prizes including Wine & Chocolate.



Ella Loveday is being baptised on Saturday 15th February in St Patrick's Church at 12 noon, the daughter of Karl & Sara Loveday.

Bianca Falkinder is being baptised on Saturday 22nd February in St Patrick's Church at 12 noon, the daughter of Thomas & Monika Falkinder.

Please keep Ella and Bianca and their parents in your prayers as we welcome them into our parish family.

First Holy Communion 2024/25

The programme resumed with a Retreat Day in the parish hall on Saturday 11th January, which went very well indeed. This was a mixture of fun activities and practical tips on how to prepare to make their first confession, with preparation time and then in the afternoon after a packed lunch all the children made their First Confession/Reconciliation with Fr Ross.

We thank our volunteer Catechists and helpers for giving up their time on a Saturday to assist with this.

After the retreat day we have continued with the classes meeting on a Wednesday evening as usual. Please keep all the children, their parents and the Catechists in your prayers as we continue on our faith journey.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME 2025

We have **24 teenagers** signed up for the confirmation programme, which is a good number to have and we will be running the programme from March 2025 with the Bishop coming to St Patrick's Church, Woolston, to confirm our candidates on **Saturday 14th June 2025 at 11am.** Fr Ross, Deacon Peter & Melinda

DEATH & FUNERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Juliana Burley RIP, who died on Sunday 19th January aged 77. Juliana's funeral service, a requiem Mass will take place at St Patrick's Church, Woolston on Wednesday 19th February followed by burial at St Mary's Extra Cemetery. Please pray for her widower Martin and their children who mourn her passing.

Ted Elmore RIP, who died on Sunday 2nd February. Ted was a lifelong member of St Patrick's Church, Woolston and had just recently moved to be with his daughter in Dorset so that she could keep a better eye on him. May he rest in peace. Amen. (*See note on next page concerning Ted's funeral and transport*)

Olive Allison RIP, who died on Thursday 6th February. Funeral details yet to be confirmed.

Ruth Cunio RIP, who died on Monday 10th February surrounded by her family at Mountbatten Hospice. Please hold Ruth's family in your prayers at this sad and difficult time, especially her husband and three boys. May she rest in peace. Amen

Patrick Keegan RIP, who died recently at home. His funeral service will take place at Southampton Crematorium on Wednesday 26th February at 1pm. Please pray for his wife and children at this sad time.

Regular Social Activities St Patrick's Church, Woolston

WOOLSTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB: every Wednesday 10.15am to 11.30am in St Patrick's Parish Hall, Woolston. This club offers friendship over a cuppa with cake, conversation, games, guest speakers, sing alongs, etc. This event is open to anyone who lives in the local area and is inter-generational and open to whoever wants to come along. If you'd like to find out more, either pop in to check it out, or contact Tricia on 07827 224717 or at tricia@communicareinsouthampton.org.uk

SENIOR SAINTS CHAIR EXERCISE CLASS: every Thursday 10am to 11.15am in St Patrick's Hall, Woolston. This is a **FREE** exercise class open to anyone aged 60 and over in Southampton as is run by the Saints Foundation. These hour long seat exercise sessions improve strength and balance, followed by tea & chat afterwards.

REFRESHMENTS after Mass: every Wednesday in the Parish Hall and once a month after the Sunday Children's Mass at the back of Church.

NATIONAL AUTISTIC SOCIETY: every Tuesday during term time: Fortnightly for older teenagers and adults (7.00 – 9.00pm) and Fortnightly for children and their carers/families (6.00pm – 8.00pm). This group offers social and support groups for those with Asperger syndrome/Autism and related disorders. If you would like to find out more contact Sue on 023 80 432612 or email: nassouthampton@gmail.com

Regular Social Activities Annunciation Church, Netley

SCONES AND SONGS: Tuesday afternoons 2pm-4pm in the Presbytery at Annunciation Church, Netley. If you enjoy classic songs from the 80's & 90's and from the musicals, then join us for a sing-song with tea and scones.

NETLEY LUNCH CLUB: On the last Friday of the month at 12.30pm in Netley Presbytery, £5 per head, please ring Di Olsen to book a place on 02380 452677.

REFRESHMENTS after Mass: every Sunday, Tuesday and Thursday.

Transport to Ted Elmore's Funeral

We will try to organise a mini bus to take people down to Dorset for Ted's funeral. If you are interested in this offer, please let Dave L'Enfant or the parish office know by email with your contact details.

Ted's Funeral will be held at 11am on Monday 10th March 2025 at Our Lady's Catholic Church, Old Mill Lane, Marnhill, Dorset, DT10 1JX, followed by Cremation at Yeovil Crematorium, Bunford Lane, Yeovil, BA20 2EJ at 1.20pm There will be a reception afterwards at Lakeside Kitchen, Manor Farm, Todber, DT10 1JB at 2.30pm with a Buffet Lunch

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Due to GDPR we can no longer print surnames of the sick
Stella C, Dorothy B, John W, Betty L, Fr Shaun,
Marie C, Joan M.



APF/Missio - Red Box

Thank you to all those who handed in their Missio Red Boxes during the month of November. This has now been counted and the amount raised was as follows:

June: £660.07; November: £758.84; **Total: £1419.91**
Thank you for your generosity. We thank Mark Baker and Irene Chapman for all the volunteering they do to support this cause and in doing the administration of the Red Boxes. Our Missio 'Can Do Catholics'

St Patrick's Church Heating

Thank you to those who have kindly donated to the St Patrick's Heating Fund, we have so far raised **£1,900.00**. This has now been mostly now been spent on the heating costs for November, December, January and into February. So I am once again asking for donations to this fund to cover us through to mid-March. If you would like to make a donation to the heating fund to help cover the cost of heating for February through to mid-March, please do so in the usual way by cash in an envelope marked Heating, by cheque with Heating written on the back or via online giving using the details in the Support of the Church section later in the newsletter and use as a reference **HEATING**. If you are a tax payer and wish to gift aid your donation, please use a Gift Aid Envelope. God bless you all, Fr Ross.

In Hospital

If you are in Southampton General Hospital, do also remember there is a hospital chaplaincy team available to visit/bring communion to you. They can be contacted at the hospital on the following number: 023 8120 8517.

Support of the Church

It is very easy these days to give to the church via Online Banking Apps or by a Regular Standing Order. Please do consider this option if you use online banking and no longer use cash. If you pay tax all you need to do is provide us with your full name and current address and we can do the Gift Aid Claims here. The Church needs your regular support more than ever if we are to remain open for the future. To set up a standing order you will need the account details shown below depending on which Church you wish to contribute to and also for what purpose **so the reference is important**. You must put your surname followed by **COLLECTION** (for your weekly collection), for the second collection as stated in the newsletter, or to make a one off donation use **DONATION**, or **MASS** for a Mass intention, or **HEATING** for Heating Fund.

Annunciation Church

Sort Code: **30-93-04**

Account Number: **00882888**

Account Name:

CDP NETLEY ANNUNCIATION

St Patrick's Church

Sort Code: **30-93-04**

Account number: **00888665**

Account Name:

CDP SOUTHAMPTON ST PATRICK

As a reference put your name followed by what it is for as shown above

Making Donations to the Church by Gift Aid Envelope Or by Cheque

If you are making a donation to the Church or for a Second Collection by cash or cheque and you wish this to be **GIFT AIDED** then please use the Gift Aid Envelopes that are now available in both parish churches.

If you are making a donation by cheque to either of our Parishes please make them payable as follows:

CDP SOUTHAMPTON ST PATRICK

or

CDP NETLEY THE ANNUNCIATION

With the reference on the back telling us what it is for and if you wish this donation to be gift aided please place a gift aid envelope as explained above.

JANUARY COLLECTIONS

January 2025 Income Annunciation

Standing Orders	£1113.84
Loose Plate	£305.90
Parish Envelopes	£80.00
Votive Candles	£57.20
TOTAL	£1,556.94

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

SPUC White Flower	£118.70
Cathedral	£198.30
TOTAL	£317.00

January 2025 Income St Patrick's

Standing Orders	£1533.00
Loose Plate	£1663.60
Parish Envelopes	£245.00
Online Giving	£60.00
Votive Candles	£205.20
Heating Donations	£530.00
TOTAL	£4,236.80

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

SPUC White Flower	£87.20
Cathedral	£178.90
Lepra (early donation)	£10.00
TOTAL	£276.10

HALL HIRE INCOME

Shown quarterly

Helping our Local Food Banks

Due to a lack of free space in this newsletter, there is no room to publish the up to date food bank lists as usual, so please see below the internet links which will take you directly through to the up to date lists.

SOUTHAMPTON CITY MISSION

WOOLSTON PARISH

This helps the Big Difference in Woolston

<https://southamptoncitymission.co.uk/get-involved/how-to-donate#Shopping-List>

HOUND BASICS FOOD BANK

NETLEY PARISH

<https://houndbasics.org.uk/donate/wanted.php>

A BIG THANK YOU to all out parish volunteers who take the donations to our local food banks for us. Please leave your donations in the boxes at the back

MASS INTENTIONS

If you wish a Mass said on a specific date in 2025 please give at least three to four months' notice. To

request a Mass intention please contact the Parish Office by telephone, email, post or by putting your intention and mass donation into the Presbytery post box in Woolston. The Diocese of Portsmouth suggests a **donation of £10** for a Mass intention, though please feel free to give according to your circumstances.

There are plenty of free Mass Intentions for Netley Parish in 2025, so keep them coming in!

MASS INTENTIONS WITH SAINTS DAYS

FM = Foundation Mass

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 15th February – St Patrick's

6 pm – Robert & Doreen Nelson RIP (TP)

Sunday 16th February – Annunciation

9.00 am – Sean Doyle RIP (ND)

Sunday 16th February – St Patrick's

11.00 am – Deceased members of the Carroll family (IC)

Tuesday 18th February – Annunciation

9.30 am – George & Elizabeth Hogarty RIP (IC)

Wednesday 19th February – St Patrick's

9.30 am – Ann & Vic Sammit RIP (IC)

Thursday 20th February – Annunciation

9.30 am – Brian Lampart RIP (IC)

SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 22nd February – St Patrick's

6 pm – Priscilla Paddock RIP (J&SP) *2nd Anniv.*

Sunday 23rd February – Annunciation

9.00 am – Carmel Ingram RIP (AB) *B'day Anniv. 24th Feb*

Sunday 23rd February – St Patrick's

11.00 am – Mary & Patrick Culnane RIP

Tuesday 25th February – Annunciation

9.30 am – Carmel Ingram RIP (MH) *B'day Anniv. 24th Feb*

Wednesday 26th February – St Patrick's

9.30 am – Dolores Farmer RIP (IC)

Thursday 27th February – Annunciation

9.30 am – Moira & Angus McDonald RIP (IC)

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 1st March – St Patrick's

6 pm – Priscilla Paddock RIP *2nd Anniv. 22nd Feb* (IC)

Sunday 2nd March – Annunciation

9.00 am – John Ackland RIP (CA)

Sunday 2nd March – St Patrick's

11.00 am – For the wellbeing and intentions of the Beirne family (KB)

Tuesday 4th March – Annunciation

St Casimir, Prince of Poland (Shrove Tuesday)

9.30 am – Dr Martin Finnerty RIP (PMac)

Wednesday 5th March

ASH WEDNESDAY

9.30am – St Patrick's Church - Woolston

Carmel Ingram RIP (MH) *1st Anniv. 6th March*

7pm – Annunciation Church - Netley

For the people of our two parishes

Thursday 6th March – St Patrick's

9.30 am - Carmel Ingram RIP (AB) *1st Anniv. 6th March*

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 8th March – St Patrick's

6 pm – Jack & Anthony Beggs (NC)

Sunday 9th March – Annunciation

9.00 am – Sean Doyle RIP (ND)

Sunday 9th March – St Patrick's

11.00 am – Yvonne Gracias RIP (NG) *3rd Anniv.*

Tuesday 11th March – Annunciation

9.30 am – Jimmy & Sheila Carroll RIP (IC)

Wednesday 12th March – St Patrick's

9.30 am – Wellbeing & Healing of Pat Macauley

Thursday 13th March – Annunciation

9.30 am – Catherine Lenehan RIP (IC)

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 15th March – St Patrick's

6 pm – Mary Dalton RIP (K&JF)

Sunday 16th March – Annunciation

9.00 am – Carmel Ingram RIP (AB)

Sunday 16th March – St Patrick's

11.00 am – Patrick Culnane RIP

SORRY NO WEEK DAY MASSES

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 22nd March – St Patrick's

6 pm – Robert & Doreen Nelson RIP (TP)

Sunday 23rd March – Annunciation

9.00 am – Maria Wrobel RIP (AD)

Sunday 23rd March – St Patrick's

11.00 am – Elizabeth & Michael Ryan RIP (IC)

Tuesday 25th March – Annunciation

Sorry No Mass this Day

Wednesday 26th March – St Patrick's

9.30 am – Audrey Lunt EIP (IC)

Thursday 27th March – Annunciation

The Annunciation of the Lord transferred from Tuesday

9.30 am – Eileen Gibbs RIP (MH)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 29th March – St Patrick's

6 pm – Mary Dalton RIP (PMac)

Sunday 30th March – Annunciation

9.00 am – Abraham RIP (JJ)

Sunday 30th March – St Patrick's

11.00 am – Rev Francis Head RIP **FM**