



St. Swithun & St. Thomas More



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WEEKLY NEWS
3rd & 4th Sunday of the Year
(Year A)
25th January & 1st February 2026

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Sun 25th 3rd Sunday of the Year
6pm (Sat) Deceased Gill Family RIP
8.45am(STM) People of the Parish
10.45am

Tues 27th Feria
7pm

Wed 28th St Thomas Aquinas
9.30am Jadwiga Kantoch RIP
10-11am Mothers Prayers Group
10-11am Adoration

Thu 29th Feria
9.30am

Fri 30th Feria
9.30am

Sun 1st 4th Sunday of the Year
6pm (Sat)
8.45am(STM) People of the Parish
10.45am

Tue 3rd Feria
7pm

Wed 4th Feria
9.30am
10-11am Mothers Prayers Group
10-11am Adoration

Thu 5th St Agatha
9.30am

Fri 6th St Paul Miki & Companions
9.30am

COFFEE MORNINGS

Coffee after 10.45am Mass at St Swithun's. Everyone welcome, please join us.



LECTIO DIVINA

Every Wednesday, 7pm, St Swithun's Parish Centre, Yateley.

UCM MEETING

03/02: 7.30pm meeting
17/02: AGM 7.30pm
Parish Centre, Yateley. All welcome.



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 6th March, 3pm at St Swithun's. The prayers are prepared by the Christian women from Nigeria. Coffee and tea will be served afterwards, all welcome.



DECEASED

John Marcotti 's mother, Maria Marcotti, passed away on Christmas Eve (only 18 days short of her 101st birthday!), her funeral service will be at Our Lady's in Fleet at 10:00 on Friday 30th January.



UCM LUNCH

Saturday 31st Jan
There will be a Tombola in aid of Step by Step, a charity in Aldershot for the youth homeless. Donations welcome. Donations can be given to Marjorie Killen or Carole in the office.



SECOND COLLECTION

There will be a 2nd Collection this weekend, 25th January, for St John's Cathedral which is the Mother Church of our Diocese of Portsmouth.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mass intentions these days are booked more and more in advance. If you have anniversaries coming up, see Carole to book them in early, so that you are not disappointed.



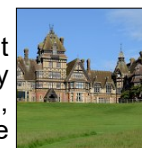
THE COMMUNITY OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Seeks help to purchase a property to accommodate their growing community and further their apostolates of prayer, parish missions, hospitality, chaplaincy and youth work. Any amount, large or small is greatly appreciated and the community assure you of their prayers. Cheques payable to COLW can be sent to House of the Divine Will, Neatherd Moor, Dereham, NR20 4AZ. More information, as well as the option to donate online, can be found at: www.maryshouseappeal.org
E: office@walsinghamcommunity.org
T: 01362 692574



FARNBOROUGH SCHOOL

Open Afternoons, starting at 1.30 pm, on Friday 6 February and Friday 24 April 2026, Everyone is warmly welcome to attend. If you have any families with daughters in Year 4 or above, they might find this page on our



website useful. It lists all the dates they need to be aware of and outlines our Admissions Process in more detail: www.farnborough-hill.org/join-us/admissions/admissions-process

LENT RETREAT

"Lord sends me to preach the Good News"
Take some time to pause and reflect in Lent. Please join us on Saturday, 21st February 2026 at St Swithun's Church, Firgrove Road, Yateley for a morning Mass, learning, and renewal. Every body is welcome to take part in the retreat especially readers and Eucharistic special ministers. The retreat starts with Mass at 9.30 and finishes in the early afternoon.

SUPPORT OUR PARISH

Thankyou for continuing to financially support the vital work in our parish. Scan the QR code below to easily make a donation.



DONATE

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Or click this link to our Parish website.

<https://donate.stswithunsyateley.org.uk/>

CHARITY CONCERT

In aid of Phyllis Tuckwell, Saturday 28th February, doors open at 7pm, concert 7.30pm. At the Church on the Heath, The Key, Elvetham Heath, Fleet. Adult £15, child £6.

Tickets are available from the Phyllis Tuckwell shop in Fleet or: pth.org.uk/news-and-events/events/upcoming-events

ONLINE GIFT CARD FRAUD

Gift card fraud is an increasingly common way of tricking victims into purchasing gift cards and sharing their details, leading to financial loss. Please be aware that there have been scam messages circulating which appear to come from priests or diocesan staff, asking people to buy gift cards or provide financial help urgently. The Diocese and its clergy will never ask for money, gift cards, vouchers, or personal details by email, text message, or social media.

If you receive a message of this kind, do not respond and do not send any money. Please report it to your parish office or to the Diocese communications team so that we can alert others.

FOOD BANK

Thank you for continuously donating items for the food bank. They are in need of adult coats, if you have any spare ones, or old one you wish to donate, please leave them in the porch in a plastic bag. Thank you.



Confessions St Swithun Saturdays 5.30pm-5.50pm St Swithun Church



Confession allows us to hold ourselves accountable for these sins and seek true forgiveness. The soul needs confession to cleanse itself, allowing us to repair our relationship with Christ. Confession grants us sacramental grace, helping to repair the bonds we break with God when we sin.

WORK IN A CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Are you a Catholic currently teaching in a non-Catholic school? Have you considered applying for a post in one of our schools but are unsure how they are different and whether your application would be welcomed? Find out the answers to these questions and any others you may have about working in a Catholic school by attending our online webinar, 'Come to work in our Catholic schools' being held on Tuesday 13th January 2026 at 7pm. The webinar will be led by Catherine Hobbs, Diocesan Director for Education and Robert Dare, Diocesan Schools Support Officer, and will last approximately one hour. Please register your interest in attending by registering on the link below.

staging.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/caso/events-booking/

ST TIMOTHY & ST TITUS

Next Monday, 26th January, is the Memorial of two young disciples of St. Paul, both mentioned in the New Testament and both recipients of Letters from their master: St. Timothy and St. Titus. Timothy came from Lystra and as a young man studied Scripture; after his conversion to Christianity, he became the companion of St. Paul and at times his representative. Paul sent him to visit the Churches in Thessalonica, Corinth and Ephesus. He was the first bishop of Ephesus and in his two Letters, Paul directed him to correct those who were changing the original doctrines. He also asked him to appoint more bishops and deacons. He was said to have been martyred by stoning and beating in 97 AD. Titus was of Gentile origin and became Paul's companion and secretary. He took part in the Council of Jerusalem in 49 AD and was sent by Paul initially to Corinth and then to Crete, where he became its first bishop. In his Letter to Titus, St. Paul instructs him to ordain priests and to govern with firmness.

Let us ask the prayers of SS. Timothy and Titus today for the Church in our land and for the work of evangelisation to which we are all called.

YOUR OFFERTORY MONEY

Your Offering to the Parish is very important to us, and we thank everyone who are supporting the parish. We ask you to consider setting up a Standing Order, or do an online Bank Transfer.

CDP YATELEY ST SWITHUN

Account: 00892220, sort code 30-93-04

CDP HARTLEY WINTNEY STM

Account: 01785711, sort code 30-93-04

Please put your surname 'offertory' in the transaction reference text so we can identify the purpose of the donation.

If you are a UK taxpayer please consider joining our Gift Aid Scheme. Forms are available in the porch or the Parish Office.

ST THOMAS MORE NEW WEBSITE

The St Thomas More website has been moved to the same internet server as St Swithuns. Its new address is "stm.stswithunsyateley.org.uk"

Please use this new address in future; do not attempt to use the old address any more as it will not work.

ST. SWITHUN'S 100 CLUB

Names of winners are displayed in the porch. If you would like to become a member contact the parish. Office.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

Please pray for all the sick in our parish May the Lord heal them all with his love.

FIRST COLLECTION:

11/01: SS: £98.30; STM=£66.60
18/01: SS=;£133.90 STM=£76.20

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

25/01: St John Cathedral, Portsmouth