



St. Swithun & St. Thomas More



A Parish in the North East Hampshire Pastoral Area of the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth

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WEEKLY NEWS
5th & 6th Sunday of the Year
(Year A)
8th & 15th February 2026

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Sun 8th 5th Sunday of the Year
6pm (Sat)
8.45am(STM) People of the Parish
10.45am Bruno Moore RIP

Tues 10th St Scholastica
7pm

Wed 11th Our Lady of Lourdes
9.30am Sacrament of the sick
10-11am Mothers Prayers Group
10-11am Adoration

Thu 12th Feria
9.30am

Fri 13th Feria
9.30am

Sun 15th 6th Sunday of the Year
6pm (Sat)
8.45am(STM) People of the Parish
10.45am

Tue 17th Feria
7pm

Wed 18th Ash Wednesday
10am SS
12 noon STM
10-11am Mothers Prayers Group
10-11am Adoration

Thu 19th After Ash Wednesday
9.30am

Fri 20th After Ash Wednesday
9.30am
10am Stations of the Cross

COFFEE MORNINGS

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

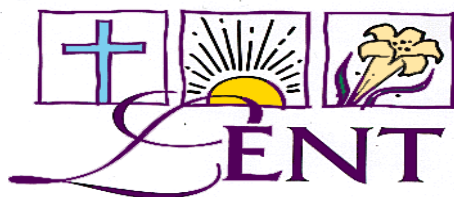


LECTIO DIVINA

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

UCM MEETING

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



Fasting and Almsgiving. What do you intend
doing this year? What about the devotional
commemoration of Christ carrying the
Cross?

Ash Wednesday
Wednesday 18th February,
St Swithun's – 10am
St Thomas More - 12 noon.
With the distribution of ashes.

Stations of the Cross
During Lent Stations of the Cross will be
celebrated on Sundays after Mass at St
Thomas More Church, and Fridays 10am at
St Swithun's Church.

Penitential Service
There will be a Lenten penitential service on
Tuesday 10th March at 7pm, at St
Swithun's Yateley.

LENT RETREAT

Ps 51: 12 "Restore unto me the joy of thy
salvation"
Take some time to pause and reflect in
Lent. Join us on Saturday, 21st February
2026 at St Swithun's Church, Firgrove
Road, Yateley (GU46 6NH) for a morning
Mass, learning, and renewal.

Programme Highlights:

- 9.30 am. – Holy Mass
 - Session 1: Listening to the Holy Spirit
through The Bible
 - Session 2: In His wounds is our salvation
 - 1 pm. – Lunch (Please bring a packed
lunch)
 - 1.30 pm. A practice Q and A session for
readers and special Eucharistic ministers
- No charge to attend – voluntary donations
welcome. All are warmly invited to come
and prepare together for Easter.
To sign up: Please add your name to the list
on the church notice board or via email:
yateley@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
By phone: 01252 872732

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

The Sacrament of the sick will be
celebrated on Wednesday 11th Feb during
morning Mass.

THE LITURGY PROJECT FORMATION DAYS

Talks & Reflections 9am to 1.30 pm
Pastoral Centre, Winchester (Bring lunch)
9th May: Ministers of Holy Communion
17th October: Day for readers
RSVP to: liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

ADORE

spiritual mini-retreat 28th February

10.00-1.00 on Zoom:
"JESUS – NO GREATER LOVE." What is
our relationship with Jesus, the source of
eternal love? Mini retreat morning Including
Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer
for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring
talk from guest speaker **Charles Whitehead**
KSG, celebrated international renewal
leader, speaker and author. Register in
advance at:
bit.ly/ADOREFEB2026 More information
at www.altonrenewal.com

CRAFT-GAMES & NATTER CLUB

Join our club, bring your own crafts, games
or just come for a "natter". We will be
meeting on Sat 28th Feb at an EARLIER
TIME OF 10am for 2hrs. Every one
welcome.

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

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.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Friday 6th March, 3pm at St Swithun's. The tea will be served afterwards, all welcome.



PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

Escorted Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 08th March 2026. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight from Heathrow or Luton, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights' in 4* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. Full use of leisure facilities. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock Shrine, Ballintubber Abbey, Fr. Peyton Centre & Kylemore Abbey. Irish music nightly. Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

DECEASED

Sister Veronica Rennie RCE 12th December 1926 – 26th January 2026 Sister Rennie's life almost extended to one hundred years. She was born in Hastings, East Sussex and educated at Farnborough Hill. In November 1947 she became a member of the Religious of Christian Education. Her nursing training was at St John and Elizabeth's hospital in London. She was the School Nurse at Farnborough Hill and carried a number of leadership responsibilities at Lafosse House and in our communities in Ireland. In the 1980s and 90s she helped in the parish and was well known there. She was a prolific letter/card writer and had close contact with a wide circle of past students and parishioners. She always was interested to hear how the parish was getting along and what was happening in the wider world. In the weeks before Christmas many in the parish received Christmas greetings from her. Sister Rennie was a friend to many and was noted for her kindness, compassion, care and generosity of spirit. Her relationship and commitment to God was the focus and source of her life and 79 years as a sister, serving the Lord joyfully and wholeheartedly. May she rest in Peace. Anyone wishing to attend her requiem mass and funeral at 2pm on February 13th at Farnborough Hill please contact the school at SSec@farnborough-hill.org

PRAYER FOR PEACE

Father we look around your fragile world and we see so much unhappiness and sadness. We see the tears of children and adults who have had their love for life taken away by war or violence against them. I ask myself "What can I do?" If only I could wave a magic wand and make peace all over the world. But life's not like that I tell myself. I need to make a difference another way. I know what I'll do I'll start with myself and be kind and loving with family and loved ones. And I'll pray that the peace which Jesus gives us will rest in the hearts of all who cannot find peace. Father as we remember the birth of Jesus, the prince of peace. Give us the strength to live a life of peace and to support all those who work for peace by what we can give.

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.

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.

FIRST COLLECTION:

25/01: SS: £136.10; STM=£45.20
01/02: SS=;£140.20 STM=£59.10

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Cathedral: SS = £56; STM = £35.50
Cafod: 01/03

Many thanks for all your contributions