



# The Catholic Church in Gosport

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## **9<sup>th</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2010 – THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

Sunday readings: Year 3 (C); Weekdays: Year II; Prayer of the Church: Week 1

### **CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST FOR SUNDAY**

<b>SATURDAY 9<sup>th</sup></b>	6.00pm	St. Columba's	Jim Atkins & Arthur Jenneson (Health)
<b>SUNDAY 10<sup>th</sup></b>	9.15am	St. Joseph's	Archie & Annie McCormick RIP
	11.00am	St. Mary's	Bridget Sheppard RIP

**Sacrament of Reconciliation at St Mary's on Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Jan 12 – 1pm.**

### **WEEKDAY CELEBRATIONS OF THE EUCHARIST 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup> JAN**

<u>Day</u>	<u>Liturgy</u>	<u>Intention</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Church</u>
Mon	of the day		No service	
Tue	of the day	Bill Cliffe RIP	10am	St Mary's
Wed	of the day	Rosary Victims of abortion	6.30pm 7pm	St Mary's St Mary's
Thu	of the day	Thanksgiving for Michael & Johnny	10am	St Columba's
Fri	of the day		No service	

### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**This Sunday there will be a second collection after all Masses on behalf of the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children.**

**The Children's Liturgy at St Mary's will resume on Sun 17<sup>th</sup> January.**

**The parish offerings last weekend amounted to £1109.03p inc gift-aid. Thank you.**

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: SUN 28<sup>th</sup> MARCH - GALA EVENING AT THE KINGS THEATRE, SOUTHSEA ON BEHALF OF RETURN TO ROMANCE.**

## PARISH NOTICES

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE UNWELL:** All sick parishioners are prayed for at Mass. However, to include a person in this bulletin please contact Doug in the Parish Office.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEPARTED:** please pray for those who have died recently and all who are being remembered at this time: *see the names on the front sheet.*

**PRAYER BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** At St Mary's on **Tue 12<sup>th</sup> Jan** after 10am Mass until 11.30am. The duty Eucharistic Minister will be Norman Haskell. The following week the duty Minister will be Pat Miles. At St Columba's on **Thu 14<sup>th</sup> Jan** after 10am Mass until 12 noon. Also at St Mary's on **Sat 16<sup>th</sup> Jan** from 10am – 1pm. Duty Supervisors will be: Bill Allen & Liam Morrissey 10 -11am; Christine Dawson & Chris Beevers 11am – 12pm; Bernadette Foster & Ella Arendse 12 – 1pm.

**BIBLE PRAYER GROUP:** will meet in the Upper Room of St Mary's Hall on **Fri 15<sup>th</sup> Jan** at 11am. Telephone Sylvia Haskell on 023 92 601416. All are welcome.

**HALF-DAY OF PRAYER:** for the Solent Pastoral Area at St Philip Howard Church, Fareham on **Sat 30<sup>th</sup> Jan**, beginning with Mass at 9.30am. After Mass there will be an opportunity to explore various ways of praying, along with several brief talks. A simple lunch will be provided for which there will be no charge. All are welcome.

**'CONTACT THE ELDERLY':** Our parish recently hosted an afternoon Christmas tea on behalf of a charity which supports local, vulnerable, elderly people. Stella Astbury, the Area Organiser for 'Contact the Elderly', would like to thank Fr Peter and the Parish for hosting the event, the helpers, and in particular our young helpers, Amber & Ellen Cameron, Emily Rogers, Megan Fox, and Antoinette Merryfield *'who looked after everyone in a gentle and polite manner and were a credit to you'*. Well done to everyone.

**PARISH BOOK CLUB:** Next meeting at Sylvia & Norman's home, 14 Alvara Rd, Alverstoke on **Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Jan** at 7.30pm. We will review 'Every Man for Himself' by Beryl Bainbridge. Our book for February will be 'The Photograph' by Penelope Lively. Everyone welcome to come along. Telephone Norman on 023 92 601416.

**THANK YOU:** Emmi Cliffe and family would like to thank everybody for their cards and Mass offerings following Bill's passing. The collection for Cafod in memory of Bill raised £248.91 and this money will be used to purchase several bicycles for use in the developing world; a fitting memorial to Bill who had a great fondness for cycling.