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Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes				
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B				
	Time	Place	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention
Sat Nov 16	6:00pm	St F	MASS	
Sun Nov 17	09:00 am	OLOL		Olive Cunane RIP
	11:00 am	St F		The Deceased Members of the Connolly & O'Brien Families
Mon Nov 18				
Tues Nov 19	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	St F	Adoration & Reconciliation	
	7:00 pm		MASS	
	7:30 pm			
Wed Nov 20	9:30 am - 10:00 am	OLOL	Adoration & Reconciliation	Vincent Cunane RIP
	10:00 am - 10:30		MASS	
Thurs Nov 21	9:30 am - 10:00 am	St F	MASS	
	10:00 am - 10:30		Adoration & Reconciliation	
			The Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary	
Fri Nov 22				
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE -YEAR B				
Sat Nov 23	6:00 pm	St F	MASSSES	Desmond Mangham RIP
Sun Nov 24	09:00 am	OLOL		John & Constance King RIP
	11:00am	St F		

Popes Intention November

For anyone who has lost a child
 We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.

Please help us to continue God's work by supporting us financially Lloyds Bank 30 93 04 a/c number 00882993 CDP Newbury St Francis de Sales Ref: St Francis de Sales/Your name

The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm Parish Administrator Yvonne Eaton

If your child needs to leave the church during Mass, they **MUST** be accompanied by an adult.

Mark 13:24-32

Our gospel reading today is taken from the final chapter of the story of the ministry of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. In chapter 14 the story of the Passion will begin. In this chapter, Jesus looks to the future and talks about the things that are to come and about the end of time. He has encouraged his disciples to face wars, disasters and persecutions. There will be a 'time of distress' to be endured by all.

Jesus' words become much more dramatic as he talks about cosmic events. He used the language customary at the time to speak of the end of the world. The climax will be the coming of 'the Son of Man'. Jesus takes this concept from the Book of Daniel and applies it to himself. On his glorious return his followers will be gathered from all corners of the earth.

People have questioned and speculated about the end of the world, and about the time of its happening. Having spoken of the signs that will precede it, Jesus gives a warning: no-one but the Father knows the time of the end. It is useless to speculate about all this, but, as the gospels repeatedly urge us, we are to live in readiness for the end of our lives. The final message of Jesus' teaching in Mark's gospel is that we should 'Stay awake!' We are called to live in imitation of the Son of Man, who came to serve and to give his life as a ransom for us. Fr Adrian Graffy

If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office

Please pray for Geoffrey Keegan, Lily Brooke, Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Chris Dykes, Emma, Joe Emery, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Elizabeth Sage, Arthur Mitchell, Malcolm Higgins, Sofia Joseph, Corbert Joseph, Gillian Spencer, Jim Polland, Krzysz Zablocki, Margaret McGuire, Sandy Hebden, Sean Early & Tony Lavers who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.

Wednesday 7.30pm: Adult Formation Talks in St Joseph's Hall - All are welcome.

Sunday 17th November. **First Holy Communion Preparation** Lesson 3 following the 11.00 Mass

Monday 18th November. **Confirmation** - Session 2 7.30 - 9.00pm in Hall

Friday 22nd November **Youth Group** - Lantern Workshop. 6.00 - 8.00pm

Is God calling you to become Catholic? People who are interested in exploring the Catholic Faith as well as adult Catholics seeking Confirmation are invited to speak with our priests or contact the parish office. or email <fjcon@btinternet.com> We will be running a further RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) starting next September to which you would be most welcome to join.

New Lectionary: 19th November 7- 8pm online. Two on-line sessions about the new lectionary to be introduced in Advent. Each, led by Fr Anthony Fyk, and explains the lectionary, its revisions and what they mean, plus Questions and Answers. liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. 19th November: <https://bit.ly/3YmxGwd>

*A bill has been introduced to Parliament by Kim Leadbeater MP to legalise **assisted suicide**. This will be voted on by MPs on **29th November**. We know that assisted suicide laws in other jurisdictions have had devastating consequences for the poor, disabled and marginalised. This is the biggest threat to the vulnerable in a decade, and we need a **huge effort to lobby MPs to vote against the bill**. Please urgently contact your MP and ask him/her to vote against the bill. You can contact your MP by visiting www.livesworthliving.org.uk or write to him/her at: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA*

J&P Christmas Fayre - Sat 23rd / Sun 24th November

The J&P team are pleased to confirm that the Christmas Fayre will be running after Mass on Saturday 23rd & Sunday 24th November. Donations of chocolates, bottles and small good as new children's toys are requested - please place items in the box provided in the Church Hall. A Christmas cake stall selling festive cakes & food gifts will also be run on the Saturday & Sunday - please bring items on the day with the ingredients listed. If any Church Groups would like to have a stall to please contact stfrancisjpgroup@gmail.com

Pastoral Area Advent Retreat on Saturday 30th November at OLOL at 10.00 am. Led by Fr. Francis Preston SDB assisted by two Salesian Brothers from Vietnam and Croatia and concluding with Mass at 4.00pm. Bring your own lunch, **ALL** are welcome.