



St. Swithun & St. Thomas More

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WEEKLY NEWS
18th & 19th Sunday
of the Year
2nd & 9th August 2026
(Year A)

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Sun 2nd

18th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

6pm (Sat)
8.45am (STM)
10.45am
1pm

Deacon David Morgan RIP
People of the Parish
Baptism Sean Bagley

Sun 9th

19th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

6pm (Sat)
8.45am (STM)
10.45am

Ulahannan Koodathinal RIP
People of the Parish
Anne Whiddecombe RIP

Tues 11th
7pm

Feria

Wed 12th
9.30am

St Clare
Mothers Prayer Group
Private intention
Mothers Prayers
Adoration

10-11am
10-12pm

Thu 13th
9.30am

Feria

Fri 14th
9.30am

St Maximilian Maria Kolbe

Tues 4th
7pm

St John Vianney

Wed 5th
9.30am
10-11am
10-12noon

Feria
Mothers Prayers
Adoration

Thu 6th
9.30am

Transfiguration of the Lord

Fri 7th
9.30am

Feria

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



Message from Pope Leo

*Last weekend was:
World Day for Grandparents
May this inspire everyone,
especially the young, to
revive the beautiful tradition of visiting
grandparents, elderly family members, and
those who have no one to visit them. Through
your presence, bring them the Pope's closeness
and affection, making real the Lord's promise:
"But I will never forget you."*



*In a world that values speed and constant
connection, every person still longs for
genuine care, kind words, and loving presence.
The Church recognises the challenges many
older people face, including loneliness,
separation from family, and being overlooked
by society. To all our elderly brothers and
sisters: thank you for your faith, your witness,
and your prayers.*

*May you always know that God never forgets
you and that you are deeply loved.*

**For those who travel during this summer,
please be safe.**

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"At the heart of everything is the mystery of the Incarnation, the Word who became flesh and dwelt among us. The flesh of the Son, poor and vulnerable, evokes the flesh of so many brothers and sisters stripped of their dignity and reduced to silence. Through the Lord's closeness, the gift of peace enters into the world in a paradoxical way. It does so through the power to become children of God, and is awakened when we allow ourselves to be moved by the tears of the little ones, the fragility of the elderly, the silence of victims and the struggle of those who fight against the evil they do not wish to commit." (Pope Leo: Magnifica Humanitas, 231)

LECTIO DIVINA

Will resume in September.

COFFEE MORNINGS

Will resume in September.

UCM

Will resume in September

BAPTISM

Sunday 2nd Aug, infant Sean Michael Bagley will be baptised in St. Swithun's, at 1pm.
We welcome him into the family of the Church.

CRAFT & NATTER CLUB

Saturday 8th August, 10.30am to 12.30pm.
Join us and bring a friend! We meet in our parish centre.



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The programme will commence on Sunday 6th September after the 10.45am Mass with a meeting for parents and children in St Swithun's Church. Please see the parish secretary to register your child.



DIOCESAN CATCHIST DAY

Sat 10 Oct 9:30am–1:30pm at St Bede's, Basingstoke. Are you involved in passing on the faith in your parish? Join catechists from across the Diocese for a morning of prayer, inspiration, and practical formation as we reflect on our shared mission to form missionary disciples. Inspired by Jesus' words, "Go therefore and make disciples..." (Matthew 28:19), we will explore how catechists can lead others to Christ, hand on the living faith of the Church, accompany people in conversion, and help build vibrant missionary parishes. Whether you are an experienced catechist or new to the ministry, you are warmly invited to attend. To register your interest please email Meghan, Formation for Mission Team Leader at: ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:

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

FAITHFUL DEPARTED

May God grant them rest and peace, and bring comfort to those who remember them.

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. SWITHUN'S 100 CLUB

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

FIRST COLLECTION:

SS:
19/07=£160.70
29/07=£124.40

STM:
19/07=£61
26/07=£59.10

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

Apostleship of the sea raised: SS=£104.60;STM=£51.10

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