



Diocese of Winchester

Parish of North Stoneham and Bassett

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Dear Friends,

Bassett Avenue roadworks and closure

Many of you will be aware that major roadworks are planned for Bassett Avenue between the Chilworth roundabout and Winchester Road, beginning in the evening of the **11th February 2018** and expected to last seven weeks.

The work is planned in two phases.

The first phase is expected to take four weeks and during this time, Bassett Avenue will be **closed to all inbound traffic 24 hours a day for the duration of the works.**

The second phase is planned to start from Monday 12th March, is expected to take three weeks and will involve the **full overnight closure of Bassett Avenue between 8pm and 6am.** Access to Bassett Avenue at this time will be restricted to residents whose properties have no alternative access routes. These residents will be issued with access permits.

There will obviously be increased traffic on all alternative routes so please do allow extra time for your journeys during these road works.

With regards to access to St Michael and All Angels church car park, I have received the following specific advice from the council:

During Phase One (four weeks) it will be possible for vehicles to access the car park by turning right from the outbound lanes of Bassett Avenue and crossing the closed carriageway.

However, during Phase Two (three weeks of overnight closure beginning 12th March) **there will be no vehicle access to or from the car park after 8pm and before 6am.** However, the inbound lanes of Bassett Avenue are due to be re-opened during the day at this point. This means car park access is still possible for Sunday worship and day time activities, but for any evening activities, you may need to park in surrounding streets and walk to the church.

There is more information on the Southampton City Council website via www.bit.ly/sotonrdworks, and you can contact the council on actionline@southampton.gov.uk if you have any other concerns, or feel free to speak to me, the churchwardens or the parish office.

Do pray for all those affected by the works, for calm in traffic queues and for those whose job it is to provide us all with a safe transport network.

Revd Sheena Williams
Priest in Charge