

PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM

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Sunday 26 November 2023 : Christ the King

This last Sunday before Advent, the Feast of our Lord Jesus Christ King of the Universe completes our month of reflecting on the Kingdom of God. It is a good opportunity to consider Catholic Social Teaching, which is concerned with how we as the Church live out the Kingdom of God in the world. Social action is a context in which we can work together with other Christians and people of good will towards the common good. Yet Catholic Social Teaching is not just a soft alternative to proclaiming the fulness of the Catholic faith; rather, social teaching and action are integral to the fulness of the Catholic faith. Concern for the environment and a preferential option for the poor only make sense in the light of the dignity and freedom of the human person to which the Gospel of Life gives witness. In our social witness and action, we honour Christ the King by upholding the dignity of all His subjects: the inalienable right to life from conception; the image and likeness of God revealed in the marriage of one man and one woman for life; a preferential option for families and children.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 25 November	6pm	St Colman's	Christ the King	James and Margaret Quill RIP
Sunday 26 November	9:30	St Colman's	Christ the King	Valerie O'Donnell's ints
	11am	St Paul's	Christ the King	Pro Populo
Monday 27 November	9am	St Colman's	Feria	Priests, nuns and religious
Tuesday 28 November	6pm	Adoration, Reconciliation and Station Mass at St Joseph's Church in Havant		
Wednesday 29 November	9am	St Colman's	Feria	Con O'Donnell RIP
Thursday 30 November	9am (Latin)	St Colman's	St Andrew the Apostle	Celebrant's intention
Friday 1 December	9am	St Colman's	Feria	V. P. Pappachan RIP
Saturday 2 December	6pm	St Colman's	Advent I	Ann Kenny (F.M.)
Sunday 3 December	9:30	St Colman's	Advent I	V. T. Pappachan
	11am	St Paul's	Advent I	Pro Populo

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

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Advent at St Colman's and St Paul's

- Sunday Adoration: Holy Hour on Sundays in Advent from 5-6pm starting Sunday 3 December, ending with Benediction.
- Monday Adoration: 9:30 am – 5pm ending with Benediction.
- Monday Lectio Divina: pray through the readings for the coming Sunday with Fr Andrew on Monday evening 5pm – 6pm in St Colman's.
- First Friday Holy Hour: starting Friday 1 December 09:30 – 10:30 – adoration, devotions to the Sacred Heart, Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- Advent Cake Sale: after Sunday Mass in St Colman's Hall and St Paul's church foyer; why not stay for tea / coffee?
- Christmas Fayre: in St Colman's Hall Saturday afternoon 16 December with our friends from QA Hospital. Contact Trish Rawlinson or the parish office.

Advent in Havant Pastoral Area

Tuesday Station Masses around the Pastoral Area begin this week at St Joseph's Havant. On Tuesday 5 December we will host the Station Mass at St Colman's from 6pm.

How about a Parish SVP Conference?

Fareham Parish and the Cathedral Parish have local branches of the Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP), putting Catholic Social Teaching into action amidst economic and social poverty. Could we in Cosham and Paulsgrove begin an SVP conference to help alleviate the needs of our people? Please let Fr Andrew know if you are interested (by email if possible).

Sunday Mass time at St Paul's

We need to think about moving the time of Sunday Mass at St Paul's forward by half an hour to 11:30 in the New Year:

- Our Syro-Malabar brothers and sisters are growing in number and need more time and space for the liturgy;
- The car park gets congested around 11am with no space for you to park;
- Fr Andrew has no time to talk with the people of St Colman's after the 9:30 Sunday Mass.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 5:30pm at St Colman's Church.

Of your charity, please pray:

- For parishioners who are ill or housebound: Kana Blyth, Joe Charlton, Tommy Cooper, John Cox, Moira Cunningham, Peter Galvin, Sue Goldsmith, Janet, Dawn Marie, Sajimon Mathew, Paula Medd, Valerie O'Donnell, Maureen Smeeth, Pauline Webb, Verena.
- For the souls of the faithful departed, especially Fr David Forrester (former parish priest) and Valerie Bishop, whose funeral Mass is at 11:30am on Monday 4 December at St Colman's. May they rest in peace.