

# PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM

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### Sunday 9 June 2024 : Tenth Sunday of the Year

In the Gospel today, the Lord says that no kingdom or household divided against itself can stand. This is just as true for us as individual persons: we need to be integrated in each aspect of our lives in order to flourish as human beings. Why do so many people who believe in God not come to church every Sunday? Why do so many Catholics not practise their faith? Surely one answer must be that they do not see the relevance of the Mass to their lives: they do not connect the God of their lives, who created them and sustains them, to whom they pray, with the God of the Eucharist, whose last act before going to his death was to celebrate the Last Supper and command his disciples to "do this in memory of me". How do we help our family, friends and neighbours to re-connect life with worship? How do we show that the Lord we encounter at Mass is the same Lord who hears our prayers and gives us all we need for life?

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 8 June	6pm	St Colman	10th Sunday	Maximus Almeida RIP
Sunday 9 June CONSECRATION OF ST COLMAN'S CHURCH, 1953 <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	10th Sunday	Rosina Ward & Christine Murphy (FM)
	11:30am	St Paul	10th Sunday	Pro Populo (First Holy Communion)
Monday 10 June <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Feria	Thanksgiving (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 11 June	9am	St Colman	St Barnabas	Cornelius O'Donnell RIP
Wednesday 12 June <i>Bible Study 5pm St Colman</i>	10:30am	St Paul's School	Feria	Prayers and intentions (St Paul's School Mass)
No Mass on Thursday				
Friday 14 June	6:30pm	St Colman	Feria	Patrick & Mary Mulhern, Josephine Casey & Sheila Mackenzie RIP
Saturday 15 June	6pm	St Colman	11th Sunday	Holy Souls
Sunday 16 June <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	11th Sunday	Cornelius O'Donnell RIP
	11:30am	St Paul	11th Sunday	Pro Populo

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#### **General Election**

If you haven't done so already, please do have a look at the Bishops' Conference guide to the election: [cbcew.org.uk/election24/](http://cbcew.org.uk/election24/) As well as life issues, the Bishops mention other themes, including domestic poverty, family life and taxation. How will candidates promote and incentivise marriage and family life? How will they make the cost of living affordable, especially for large families? Will they promise to use their votes to reverse the two-child cap on child benefit?

#### **Portsmouth North Hustings**

Come and hear the candidates for our constituency at Portsmouth Girls High School 25 Kent Rd, Southsea, PO5 3EQ on Tuesday 18 June at 6pm.

#### **Sound system update**

We have raised enough money to begin work on the new sound system, which will start next week. Congratulations! Please keep the contributions coming! We may need to close the church during some of this work, for safety reasons, so please be patient.

#### **Parish Summer Fair**

**Saturday 20 July 2024 12-3pm**  
**St Colman's Hall and Church grounds**

- Barbeque
- Cakes and refreshments
- Book stall, bottle stall, plant stall
- Raffle / tombola, 50/50 bucket
- Bric-a-brac
- Donkey rides and other animals
- Bouncy castle
- Ice cream van

Please consider volunteering to help run a stall or game at our summer fair for an hour. Volunteer co-ordinators are available after all Masses today to accept offers!

#### **Day for Life – Sunday 16 June 2024**

Next Sunday we will observe the Day for Life and take a second collection for the pro-life work of the Catholic Church.

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation:**

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

#### Of your charity, please pray:

- For friends and neighbours who are ill or housebound: Kana Blyth, Joe Charlton, Christine, Tommy Cooper, John Cox, Pauline Crook, Moira Cunningham, Peter Galvin, Jean Gartshore, Bob Guy, Janet, Dawn Marie, Sajimon Mathew, Paula Medd, Phoenix, Valerie O'Donnell, Maureen Smeeth, Beryl Walters, Pauline Webb, Verena.
- For patients in the Queen Alexandra Hospital and for residents in the care homes and nursing homes in our parish: Kinross, The Haven, Hamilton House, and East Cosham.
- For St Paul's Primary School: the staff, governors, children, parents and families.
- For the souls of the faithful departed: may they rest in peace.