PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM WITH ST PAUL, PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 1 September 2024 : Twenty-second Sunday of the Year

This Sunday 1 September is the **Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation**, and the start of the Season of Creation. We reflect on our responsibility to care for our environment for the benefit of our fellow human beings, and pray for prudent stewardship of our world. At the start of a new academic year, we pray for our school communities, and for our young people starting higher education courses. Next Sunday we will take up a second collection for the Catholic Education Service. The readings at Mass today remind us that we and the world around us may change, but that the eternal God is close to us at all times, especially in the Eucharist.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 31 August	6pm	St Colman	22nd Sunday	Friends and Family of Celia Cummings
Sunday 1 September	9:30am	St Colman	22nd Sunday	Pro Populo
ST GILES Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman	11:30am	St Paul	22nd Sunday	Gladys Kumah ints
Monday 2 September Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Feria	Priests, nuns and religious (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 3 September	9am	St Colman	St Gregory	Holy Souls
Wednesday 4 September Bible Study 5pm St Colman	10:30am	St Paul	St Cuthbert	Vocations (St Paul's School Mass)
No Mass on Thursday				
Friday 6 September Friendship Club 2pm St Colm St Paul's church open 2-3pm	6:30pm	St Colman	Feria	Torio Gingell-Littlejohn RIP
Saturday 7 September	6pm	St Colman	23rd Sunday	Pro Populo
Sunday 8 September	9:30am	St Colman	23rd Sunday	Frank Coleman RIP
BIRTHDAY OF VIRGIN MARY PLEASE NOTE DIFFERENT MASS TIMES THIS SUNDAY	10:00am	St Paul	Concelebrated Liturgy together with Syro- Malabar Community and Bishop Philip Egan.	
No Holy Hour this evening	5pm	St Paul	23rd Sunday	Celebrant's intention

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday 02392 376151 scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk 07555 182118

Parish Safeguarding Ministers:

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Thank you for your donations!

You can donate directly into the parish bank account: CDP P'mouth St Colman: account number 00884554; sort code 30 93 04; reference "offertory donation".

Gift aid: UK taxpayers can give and extra 28p per £1 at no extra cost to you; please direct gift aid enquiries to Jeff Price via the parish office: scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

First Holy Communion Summer 2025

Forms are now available for parents who wish to register their children for First Holy Communion in June 2025. The course begins in October 2024, and the catechesis will be delivered on Tuesday evenings at St Paul's School, Paulsgrove. Children who attend other schools are welcome to join the programme. Children who have not yet been baptised will receive Baptism during the programme. Please take a form from the back of church, or collect a form from the school reception desk. Forms can be returned to the parish office or the school. Contact: admin@st-pauls.portsmouth.sch.uk

March for Life UK: Saturday 7 September

A peaceful, family-friendly pro-life event in London, including 11am Mass at St George's Cathedral, morning programme at the Emmanuel Centre, and 1pm pro-life witness march to Parliament Square. Please attend, donate and pray! www.marchforlife.co.uk.

Alpha Course and RCIA

Our sister parish of St Michael Leigh Park will be hosting a choice of Alpha Courses:

- Mondays 1-3pm, from 23 September
- Tuesdays 7-9pm, from 24 September For those who intend to join the Church at Easter, these courses will lead into RCIA. All are welcome to join Alpha for a renewal of your relationship with Jesus Christ. Contact: office@stmichaelsleighpark.org.uk.

Scripture reading groups return this week Monday 5pm Lectio Divina is a prayerful look ahead to next Sunday's readings. Wednesday 5pm Bible Study is currently a deep dive into the Acts of the Apostles.

Friendship Club meets this Friday 6 September 2 – 4pm for tea, conversation and musical entertainment. All welcome!

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, Elizabeth Christian, Christine, Anne & Michael Colley, 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.