

PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM

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Sunday 13 October 2024 : Twenty-eighth Sunday of the Year

The Gospel according to Mark is full of vivid, descriptive language – it sounds like what it is, the first-hand account of an eyewitness. Mark tells us how Jesus looked at the rich young man: he gazed at him with love. In that gaze, Jesus diagnosed the young man's problem: what he lacked was precisely what he had in abundance – his wealth. The man's riches were in reality a deficit because they were not God. We are made for greatness: anything other than God is not worthy of first place in our lives. If God is not on the throne, we cannot belong to the Kingdom. How often do we convince ourselves that we are being adult and realistic by taking a Sunday off church to get some work done, or to advance our kids' CVs with some Sunday extra-curriculars? But without God at the heart of our lives, truly nothing we do will prosper.

This Saturday and Sunday we welcome as our preacher Deacon Nick O'Neill: our pastoral area Deacon, Reverend Nick is also the chaplain for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 12 October	6pm	St Colman	28th Sunday	Mary Yeung RIP
Sunday 13 October ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	28th Sunday	Ellen & Joseph Charlton
	11:30am	St Paul	28th Sunday	Pro Populo
Monday 14 October <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	St Callistus I	Priests, nuns & religious (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 15 October	9am	St Colman	St Teresa	Mary Kathleen O'Leary
Wednesday 16 October <i>Bible Study 5pm St Colman</i>	10:00am	St Paul's School	St Hedwig St Margaret Mary	St Paul's School Harvest Mass
No Mass on Thursday				
Friday 18 October <i>St Paul's Church open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	St Luke Evangelist	Celebrant's intention
Saturday 19 October	6pm	St Colman	28th Sunday	Holy souls
Sunday 20 October <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	28th Sunday	Sheila & Alan Bradley RIP
	11:30am	St Paul	28th Sunday	Pro Populo

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:
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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

Today is Prisoners' Sunday
Please see the posters and information at the back of St Colman's. If you would like to donate to PACT, please use one of the PACT envelopes and put it in the collection

Rosary Rally Sunday 27 October 2:30pm
Commercial Road, Portsmouth city centre,
Led by the Marian Franciscan Friars.

Holy Day of Obligation: All Saints Day
Friday 1 November: Mass at St Colman's
9am and 6:30pm. Remember, Hallowe'en is
All Saints' Eve: why not dress up as an angel
or a saint instead of a devil or witch?

Are you going to St Colman's Fair?
Our next parish social event will be St Colman's Fair, our autumn gathering, on Saturday 23 November from 12:00 to 3pm in St Colman's Hall. We will celebrate St Colman of Cloyne with an Irish theme: food, drink, music, dancing, poetry, pony rides, produce and second hand stalls and games.

Family Fast Day: Cafod Collection
Last weekend we raised £632.77 from our Autumn Family Fast Day. Well done everybody! We will send the money to Cafod.
Second Collection next Sunday 20 October:
Missio (Red Box) for World Mission Sunday.

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, Lena Lycett, 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, especially Lena Lycett: may they rest in peace.