

PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM

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Sunday 27 October 2024 : Thirtieth Sunday of the Year

This weekend we have a **pastoral letter from our Bishop** about the Church's teaching on assisted suicide. Please take a copy to follow during Mass and to take home with you and share with your family, friends and neighbours. The Bishop calls us to stand for life by writing to our Member of Parliament: our parish is in Portsmouth North constituency; the MP is Amanda Martin (Labour). In our **Gospel reading** this Sunday, Jesus encounters Bartimaeus, a blind man who is nevertheless able to see what others cannot, that Jesus is the Messiah (Son of David), expressed in his ministry of mercy and healing. Bartimaeus does not allow the opportunity of encountering Jesus to pass him by: he uses everything available to him to get Jesus' attention. May we call out to the Lord from our need while he is yet passing, and not miss out on our moment of encounter!

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 26 October	6pm	St Colman	30th Sunday	Valerie Bishop RIP
Sunday 27 October <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	30th Sunday	Win & Tom Cummings
	11:30am	St Paul	30th Sunday	Pro Populo
Monday 28 October <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Saints Simon and Jude Apostles	Family and Friends of Celia Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 29 October	7:30am	St Colman	Feria	Mary Ann White
Wednesday 30 October <i>Bible Study 5pm St Colman</i>	10:30am	St Paul	Blessed Martyrs of Winchester	Celebrant's intention
No Mass on Thursday				
Friday 1 November ALL SAINTS DAY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	9am	St Colman	All Saints	Pro Populo
	6:30pm	St Colman	All Saints	John & Mary McNulty & Anthony McNulty RIP
Saturday 2 November ALL SOULS DAY	6pm	St Colman	31st Sunday	All the Faithful Departed
Sunday 3 November <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	31st Sunday	Michael Pragnall RIP
	11:30am	St Paul	31st Sunday	Pro Populo

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday
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Gift aid: UK taxpayers can give an 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

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. We hope to include an autumn produce stall: donations of jams, preserves and pickles (especially homemade) would be gratefully received at the parish office.

Diocesan Free Wills service

Our Diocese has partnered with market-leading solicitors and will-writing providers to offer anyone over 18 basic simple or mirror Will for free. There is no obligation to leave a gift to the parish, but it is an opportunity to do so if you wish: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Holy Day of Obligation: All Saints Day

All Saints Day is Friday 1 November: Mass will be at St Colman's 9am and 6:30pm. A Holy Day of Obligation is a day when all Catholics come to Mass: every Sunday and a few other days in the year.

All Saints' Eve = Hallowe'en

Remember, Hallowe'en (31 October) is All Saints' Eve: why not dress up as an angel or a saint instead of a devil or witch?

All Souls Day Mass for Holy Souls

All Souls Day is Saturday 2 November: we will celebrate Mass for all holy souls at 6pm. If you would like your departed relatives and friends to be remembered at this Mass, please write their names on the list at the back of church with the welcomers.

Friendship Club

meets in St Colman's Hall this Friday 1 November from 2pm to 4pm.

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.