

PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM

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Sunday 24 November 2024 : Jesus Christ King of the Universe

In today's Gospel Jesus tells Pontius Pilate: "Yes, I am a king". But look at the reasons why he says this: "For this I was born, for this I came into the world, to bear witness to the truth". Jesus' kingship does not derive from any worldly power, but rather from his origin in eternity with the Father, and his mission to the created world in his incarnation. This is why we must think of Christ as King, not just ruler or president. What makes kings special is that they derive their authority from beyond the horizon of the world, from time immemorial, from an eternal and infinite source. A king represents that vertical, God-ward element of human society, without which we lack the capacity of explain ourselves – to account for where we come from or where we are going.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 23 November	6pm	St Colman	Christ the King	Maximus Almeida RIP & late family members
Sunday 24 November CHRIST THE KING <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Christ the King	Dawn Barbara Mavis Murray RIP (Benefactor)
	11:30am	St Paul	Christ the King	Pro Populo
Monday 25 November <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	St Catherine of Alexandria	Julia Ward (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 26 November	9am	St Colman	Feria	For the mercy of heaven to prevail
Wednesday 27 November <i>Bible Study 5pm St Colman</i>	7:30am	St Colman	Requiem	Holy Souls
Friday 29 November <i>St Paul open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	Requiem	Mathew Cherian RIP
Saturday 30 November SAINT ANDREW APOSTLE	7:30am (Latin)	St Colman	St Andrew	Celebrant's intention (Mass in Latin)
	6pm	St Colman	Advent I	Charles & Catherine Collins (FM)
Sunday 1 December ADVENT SUNDAY <i>Holy Hour 3-4pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Advent I	Tony Whitlock RIP (FM)
	11:30am	St Paul	Advent I	Pro Populo

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Pro-life witness against euthanasia

If you have not already responded to the Bishop's call to contact Members of Parliament about the bill to legalise assisted suicide, please take action this week. If you live in Cosham and Paulsgrove, our elected representative is Amanda Martin MP, House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA. Please also pray that we will be delivered from this new attack on the right to life and the dignity of the human person.

- Enact your solidarity with our vulnerable sick and dying neighbour and with our doctors & nurses by joining us for Mass in the hospital chapel 12:30 on Monday.
- Bring our prayer for the defence of human life to Adoration, especially Sunday Holy Hour 5-6pm.
- Pray a decade of your Rosary every day for the intentions of our Bishop.
- Donate to Hospice UK, providing palliative care for dying patients: <https://www.hospiceuk.org/support-us/donate>

Word on Fire Ministry

presents a forthcoming conference: Evangelisation and Culture: the Bible on Saturday 21 and Sunday 22 February 2025 at the Excel Centre in East London.

Our Parish this Advent

St Colman will host the Pastoral Area Advent Station Mass on Tuesday 3 December: Holy Hour and Sacrament of Reconciliation from 6pm; Station Mass at 7pm, followed by refreshments in St Colman's Hall.
We will offer an extra 7:30am Mass in Latin (New Rite / Ordinary Form) on Saturdays in Advent: a traditional devotion to our Lady.

Parish Social Events

Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate St Colman's Fair on Saturday, especially our volunteer caterers and helpers. Our winter social event will be our Christmas Fair on Saturday 21 December.

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, especially Mathew Cherian: may they rest in peace.