

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM WITH ST PAUL, PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 5 January 2025 : The Epiphany of the Lord

The Epiphany hymn *We three kings of orient are* includes a verse on each of the three gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh, neatly summarising the significance of each of the wise men's gifts. "Born a king on Bethlehem plain: gold I bring to crown him again": Jesus is King and alone belongs on the throne of our lives – all else must give place to Him. "Frankincense to offer have I; incense owns a Deity nigh": Jesus is God and alone is worthy of all praise – our purpose in life is worship, the joyful celebration of God. "Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume breathes a life of gathering gloom": Jesus offers himself to the Father for our salvation – in Christ we learn to order our whole selves to the Father and to make of our whole lives a living sacrifice of prayer and praise in the Spirit.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 4 January	6pm	St Colman	Epiphany	Valerie Bishop RIP
Sunday 5 January <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Epiphany	Pat Charlton RIP
	11:30am	St Paul	Epiphany	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Epiphany	QA Hospital Mass
Monday 6 January <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Christmas Feria	Win & Tom Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 7 January	9am	St Colman	St Raymond	Mary Ann White
Wednesday 8 January <i>Bible Study 5-6pm St Colman</i>	10:30am	St Paul	Christmas Feria	St Paul's School Mass
Friday 10 January <i>St Paul open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	Christmas Feria	John Joseph Cummings
Saturday 11 January	6pm	St Colman	Baptism	Family and Friends of Celia Cummings
Sunday 12 January <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Baptism	Elizabeth and George Zarb RIP
	11:30am	St Paul	Baptism	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Baptism	QA Hospital Mass

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

Holy Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope

2025 is a Jubilee Year, a Holy Year which occurs every 25 years. The Pope has chosen "Pilgrims of Hope" as the theme for this Jubilee Year, in which Catholics are able to obtain a plenary indulgence by pilgrimage to Rome or one of the Shrine Churches (including St John's Cathedral in Portsmouth). For all of us, the year is an opportunity to grow in holiness through prayer and the celebration of the sacraments.

Parish Area Synodal Gathering

Please save the date of Saturday 22 February 2025 for our Parish Area Synodal Gathering at St Joseph, Havant from 10am to 3pm: an opportunity for clergy and laity to reflect together on the mission of the Church in South-East Hampshire. We need a prayer to pray together as a Parish Area: could you help us to write a prayer about our mission?

**Day of Recollection for Readers
Saturday 25 January 2025 12-4pm
St Colman's Church and Hall**

An afternoon of formation for readers of the word at Mass. Discover the Church's teaching on liturgy, how to read and pray with the Bible, and the practical preparation for reading at Mass. Please email scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to register your place. It would be very helpful if everyone who regularly reads at Mass or would like to read could attend this day of recollection.

**"Still Standing on the Rock"
Friday 31 January 2025**

An evening of classic Rock music, headlined by the Generation Game at Hayling Island Community Centre, Station Road, Hayling Island PO11 OHB: doors open 6:30pm for 7pm; licensed bar available; prize raffle; tickets £10 from Hayling Island Parish Office, St Patrick's Presbytery, Manor Road PO11 OQU. Contact: 02392 463854.

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.