

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

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Sunday 26 January 2025 : The Third Sunday of the Year

This Sunday's Gospel reading offers us a privileged insight into the person of Jesus Christ, because we are told the Scripture he chose to announce his mission to the people of his home town at the start of his public ministry, Isaiah 61:1: "The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me." We are invited into the mystery of Jesus Christ's relationship with the Holy Spirit, what it meant for the Son of God to empty himself and take the form of a servant (Phil 2:7) by taking on human nature, and for that human nature to receive the Holy Spirit. "Jesus is God's Anointed in a unique way: the humanity the Son assumed was entirely anointed by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit established him as 'Christ'. ... The Spirit filled Christ, and the power of the Spirit went out from him in his acts of healing and saving". (Catechism of the Catholic Church, 695).

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 25 January	6pm	St Colman	Sunday 3	Pro Populo
Sunday 26 January <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Sunday 3	Mary Ann White
	11:30am	St Paul	Sunday 3	Tadeusz Rondzista RIP
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Sunday 3	QA Hospital Mass
Monday 27 January <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	St Angela Merici	John Joseph Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 28 January	9am	St Colman	St Thomas Aquinas	Joe Goodlad ints
Wednesday 29 January <i>Bible Study 5-6pm St Colman</i>	7:30am	St Colman	Feria	Celebrant's intention
Friday 31 January <i>St Paul open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	St John Bosco	Family and friends of Celia Cummings
Saturday 1 February	6pm	St Colman	Presentation	Priests, nuns & religious
Sunday 2 February CANDLEMAS <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Presentation	Fr Charles Delia OSJ
	11:30am	St Paul	Presentation	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Presentation	QA Hospital Mass

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:
Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday
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account number 00884554; sort code 30 93 04; reference "offertory donation".
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gift aid enquiries to Jeff Price via the parish office: scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Alphas Courses this Spring
Our Parish Area Evangelisation Team will be offering Alpha Courses on:

- Mondays 7-9pm at St Patrick Hayling Island from 10 March 2025: contact alpha.hayi@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
- Wednesdays 7-9pm at St Colman Cosham from 19 March 2025: contact alpha@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk

The Alpha Course is designed to open up encounter with the person of Jesus Christ, through encounter with each other: we share a meal, watch a short film together, and discuss questions in small groups. The Alpha Course lasts for 11 weeks and includes an away day.

Eucharistic Adoration: Mondays 9am – 5pm
Could you join our team of eucharistic adorers to offer an hour of prayer before the Blessed Sacrament? We especially need more volunteers on Monday afternoons. If you can help, please talk with Smitha or Desi.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Saturday 5:30pm at St Colman's Church.

Parish Area Synodal Gathering

Please save the date of Saturday 22 February 2025 for our 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, and help choose a name and prayer the new parish.

A Prayer for South-East Hampshire

Why not try writing a prayer for our Parish Area? Here is some guidance: begin with an invocation of God, praise God for a specific mystery or act, and make a request. Email to office@rchavant.com.

Monthly Parish Area events for Youth & Young Adults at Sacred Heart Waterlooville
Nexus (14-18): 16/2, 16/3, 18/5, 22/6: a Sunday 6:30pm youth Mass and gathering.
Think and Drink (Young Adults): 2/2, 2/3, 6/4, 4/5, 1/6: pub-based discussion, 18:30.

Second Collection today: our Cathedral.
Thank you for giving to the White Flower appeal (£147.75) and Pax Christi (£164.63).

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 Jijimon Cherian: may they rest in peace.