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

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Sunday 16 February 2025 : Sixth Sunday of the Year

We hear Jesus pronounce the Beatitudes in St Luke's account in our Sunday Gospel this week. The Beatitudes should always strike us as counter-cultural, declaring happy those who are poor, hungry, grief-stricken and persecuted. Jesus shows us that the world's highest goods — wealth, power, pleasure and fame — can never conduce our beatitude, the state of eternal fulfilment which we gain in God alone. Simply put, the world is not enough. We are made for greater happiness than the world can contain. On the cross, Jesus had none of the world's goods: not wealth, for he was stripped even of his clothes; not power, for he could not move his own limbs; not pleasure, for his whole being was suffering; not fame, for we was rejected and derided. Yet on the cross Jesus knew that he was doing the will of the heavenly Father, and this was the fulfilment of his life

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 15 February	6pm	St Colman	Sunday 6	Jerzy Czoch RIP
Sunday 16 February	9:30am	St Colman	Sunday 6	Thomas Cummings RIP
	11:30am	St Paul	Sunday 6	Pro Populo
Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman	4pm Hospital Chapel		Sunday 6	QA Hospital Mass
	6:30pm	Nexus Youth Mass and Gathering at Waterlooville		
Monday 17 February Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Seven Holy Founders	Mary Ann White (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 18 February	9am	St Colman	Feria	James Hall RIP (FM)
Wednesday 19 February No Bible Study today	7:30am	St Colman	Feria	Celebrant's intention
Friday 21 February St Paul open 2-3pm	6:30pm	St Colman	St Peter Damian	Francis Gerald Daley RIP (FM)
Saturday 22 February	6pm	St Colman	Sunday 7	Jerzy Czoch RIP
Sunday 23 February	9:30am	St Colman	Sunday 7	Pro Populo
	11:30am	St Paul	Sunday 7	Tadeusz Rondzista RIP
Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman	4pm Hospital Chapel		Sunday 7	QA Hospital Mass

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday 02392 376151 scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk 07555 182118

Parish Safeguarding Ministers:

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Thank you for your donations!

You can donate directly into the parish bank account: CDP P'mouth St Colman: account number 00884554; sort code 30 93 04; reference "offertory donation".

Gift aid: UK taxpayers can give and 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

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.

Have you ordered a new Sunday Missal? They are ready to collect from the parish office.

Second collection this Sunday: Racial Justice. No tea or coffee in St Colman's Hall today.

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.

A Poem for South-East Hampshire

Father Jeremy suggests a poem for our new Parish Area. Could you contribute a verse to our Synodal Gathering?

Parish Are Lent Book 2025

Father James Lewis recommends Unbound by Neil Lozano, a book about deliverance ministry, on which we will reflect during our Station Masses in Lent: £9.54 from Amazon

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, Bert Needham, 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 Grace Marvato Rizano RIP