

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

The Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth  
*Bringing people closer to Jesus Christ through His Church*



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## Sunday 23 February 2025 : Seventh Sunday of the Year

In this Sunday's Gospel, the Lord says: "Give to everyone who begs from you." But please bear in mind that in the ancient world there was (1) no welfare state and (2) no hard drugs. Today, our moral duty is to direct street beggars to statutory services provided for the homeless by the local authority and partner charities, such as the Portsmouth Rough Sleepers' Hub, open every day at Elm Grove. Street beggars are almost invariably drug addicts, the most proximate victims of a global criminal drug trafficking complex, whose other victims include: children exploited by County Lines gangs, migrants used as drug mules, and modern slaves forced to grow drugs by violent cartels. Money given to beggars on the street funds money laundering, gun running, human trafficking and modern slavery. Beggars with cash attract drug dealers into our neighbourhood, so protect your children and grandchildren from drugs by not giving money to beggars

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
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
Monday 24 February <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Feria	Ray Smith RIP (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 25 February	8am	St Colman	Feria	Celia's family & friends
Wednesday 26 February	10am	St P School	Feria	St Paul's School Mass
	Bible Study 5pm St Colman		11:30am	St Colman
Friday 28 February <i>St Paul open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	Feria	Michael, Marcella and Anthony Cullinane
Saturday 1 March	6pm	St Colman	Sunday 8	Mary J Puthenkalam RIP
Sunday 2 March	9:30am	St Colman	Sunday 8	Win & Tom Cummings
	11:30am	St Paul	Sunday 8	Pro Populo
	Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman		4pm Hospital Chapel	Sunday 8

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:  
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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 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](mailto: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](mailto:alpha.hayi@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)
- Wednesdays 7-9pm at St Colman Cosham from 19 March 2025: contact [alpha@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk](mailto: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 Racial Justice Sunday £84

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

### **Lent in Cosham and Paulsgrove**

**Ash Wednesday 5 March:** Mass at 10am at St Paul's and 6:30pm at St Colman.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
available during Lent at St Colman on Saturdays 10-11am and 5-5:30pm.

**Parish Area Station Masses Tuesdays**  
6pm Adoration and Reconciliation  
7pm Station Mass  
Tuesday 11 March at St Colman.

**Stations of the Cross**  
Fridays 6pm St Colman

**Eucharistic Adoration**  
Sundays 5-6pm, Mondays 9am-5pm

Lectio Divina: Monday 5pm St Colman  
Bible Study: Wednesday 5pm St Colman

**Parish Area 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, Julie Fry, 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 and Oaklands Catholic School: the staff, governors, children, parents and families.
- For the souls of the faithful departed, especially Grace Marvato Rizano RIP