



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

23rd March 2025 AD

Year C (Psalter Week)

Welcome to St Patrick's Church.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WEEK READINGS AND ANTIPHONS ARE TAKEN FROM YEAR A

For all Christians, Jesus is the spring of life. Through baptism, He becomes a source of grace. Through the Holy Spirit the love of God is poured into our hearts and our spiritual thirst is quenched. We are made alive in Jesus.

First Reading:	Exodus 17:3-7 — <i>Give us water to drink</i>
Responsorial Psalm:	O that today you would listen to his voice! Harden not your hearts. (Psalm 95)
Second Reading:	Romans 5:1-2,5-8 — <i>Love has been poured into our hearts through the Spirit who has been given to us</i>
Gospel Acclamation:	Glorify to You, O Christ, You are the Word of God! Lord, You are indeed the Saviour of the world; give me living water, so that I will not be thirsty. Glorify to You, O Christ, Wisdom of God the Father! (cf John 4:42,15)
Gospel Reading:	John 4:5-42 — <i>A spring of water welling up to eternal life</i>
Communion Antiphon:	For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life. (John 4:13-14)

NEXT WEEK: Second Collection for Clergy Assistance Fund

Day	Time	Service	Intention
Sunday 23rd March THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT	10:00am 10:30am	Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Frederick Gray RIP
Tuesday 25th March THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	10:00am 10:00am 6:00pm	Rosary Reconciliation Day at Oaklands Station Mass at St Edmund's, Horndean	
Wednesday 26th March ST JOSEPH, Solemnity	-	No Mass	
Thursday 27th March 3rd Week of Lent	10:00am 10:00am	Adoration Bishop's Council of Priests Meeting	
Friday 28th March 3rd Week of Lent	10:30am 12:00pm	Mass Lent Lunch at St Mary's Church Hall	Private Intention
Saturday 29th March 3rd Week of Lent	5:00pm	Mass at St Joseph's, Havant BRITISH SUMMER TIME BEGINS	
Sunday 30th March FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT	10:00am 10:30am	Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	For Mothers

Prayers For The Sick: Wendy Field, Mary Webb, Joan Ramsbottom, Patricia Church, John Nowaczewski, Peter van der Merwe, Rita Mead, Dominic Cosgrave, David Reilly, Maureen Cronin, Gerard Cronin, Kevin Conroy, Mike Peacock, Mike O'Mahoney.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed:
Lilly Jones

And those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: Maureen Tipton, Mary Langridge (Mon) Stell Adams, Peter Hiull (Tue) Elizabeth Davis, Kathleen Wade (Wed) Maura Ferguson (Sat)

Queen Alexandra Hospital Chaplaincy Number : 023 9228 6000

Parish 24 Hour Emergency Number : 07584 661316 (Fr Mark)

Parishioners/Relatives may request Parish Visitors to call by sending an email to: visiting.hayi@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

PLEASE JOIN US IN THE PARISH HALL FOR TEA AND COFFEE AFTER MASS.
This is a time to gather and share fellowship with the family of God.

NOTICES:



St Patrick's Church celebrates 100 years this year, having been on Manor Road inviting worshippers to meet Jesus since 1925. Our main celebrations will include three dates for your diary:

Saturday 12th July —Centenary Celebration Party : including Fayre Activities, Barbeque, Refreshments, Music
Sunday 21st September—Solemn Pontifical Mass celebrated by The Rt Rev Philip Egan Bishop of Portsmouth.



Alpha Course 2025—Our Alpha Course is currently running:

For more details, please contact:

St Patrick's Hayling Island alpha.hayi@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk



Lenten Soup Lunches and the dates that are still available:

Friday 28th March - 12:00noon - St Andrew's Church (held at St Mary's church hall)

Friday 4th April - 12:00noon - St Mary's Church hall

Fri 11th April - 12:00noon - St Peter's Church



LENT : "Arriving at Journey's End" will be an opportunity to celebrate together, sharing the highs and lows of our individual and parish Lenten endeavours. We will be meeting in the parish hall on Saturday 12th April (the day before Palm Sunday) for Afternoon Tea and cake at 4:00pm , entrance is by production of one Pilgrim shell/ person. This is a chance to gather as parishioners and fellow pilgrims, who will have all shared an experience of Lent which we can share and learn from one another.



Next **Hayling Holiday Lunch** collection Palm Sunday (**12th March**) Just in time for Easter school holiday deliveries.



St Joseph's are holding a **Passover Celebration** in their Church Hall on Monday **14th April 6:30pm** for 7:00pm. A choice of Lamb or Fish meal with two glasses of wine. All are welcome. Tickets are £20 for Adults and £5 for Children for further details contact: office@rchavant.com

News from Oaklands Catholic School and Sixth Form College and St Peter's Catholic Primary School regarding leadership arrangements for September 2025 – August 2026

As many of you will be aware, Mr Matthew Quinn is retiring as the Headteacher of Oaklands Catholic School and Sixth Form College in Waterlooville at the end of this academic year. To ensure ongoing high-quality Catholic education, Oaklands Local Governing Body is delighted to announce that Mr Richard Cunningham (currently Headteacher of St Peter's Catholic Primary School in Waterlooville) will become the Interim Executive Headteacher of Oaklands, whilst retaining his position at St Peter's in the capacity of Executive Headteacher, for a period of 12 months. Mr Quinn will remain in his role as CEO of the Edith Stein Catholic Academy Trust. Thank you for your prayers and support during this time of transition. Dr Elizabeth Cluett, Chair of Governors, Oaklands Catholic School and Sixth Form College

Mrs Liz Holford, Chair of Governors, St Peter's Catholic Primary School Mr Marc Evans, Chair of Edith Stein Catholic Academy Trust

Church Hall Should you wish to book the Church Hall please telephone Denzil on 07791 776148