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Laetare Sunday Fourth in Lent 30th March 2025

Julia Corps writes: Here are some photos from the Big Cafod Lent Walk, last Saturday. It was a lovely occasion, with both parishes First Holy Communion families and parishioners all joining together for prayer, games and refreshments.

*He heals the broken-hearted
and binds up their wounds.*

Psalm 147:3



*God of all wholeness, heal our hearts
of all that prevents us responding
to our sisters and brothers excluded by
poverty and prevented from living a full and
healthy life. This Lent, may we:
implore justice through our prayer,
stand in solidarity through our fasting,
and reach out through our giving.
Send your life-giving power
to revive the weary,
restore the broken
and renew the face of the earth.
We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Our Liturgies

Local Mass times are published at:

[Havant Pastoral Area - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth](#)

Reconciliation: in the half hour prior to Mass.

Saturday 29th March Third Week of Lent

5 pm Reconciliation

6 pm Vigil Mass for the people of the Parish

30th March Fourth Sunday of Lent

10 am Mass Sam Taylor-Hunt RIP

Monday 31st March Fourth Week of Lent

Tuesday 1st April Fourth Week of Lent

Station Mass at St Michael's

6 pm Reconciliation

7pm Mass for the people of the Parish

Wednesday 2nd April Fourth Week of Lent

10 am Mass for the intentions of the people

10.30 am Adoration

Thursday 3rd April Fourth Week of Lent

Friday 4th Fourth Week of Lent

5th April Saturday of Fourth Week of Lent

6 pm Mass for the people of the Parish

6th April Fifth Sunday of Lent

10 am Mass Mandy Yerbury

There is a **Clergy Assistance Fund** retiring collection this weekend to ensure support for Diocesan Clergy in particular need.

Mass will be celebrated by Monsignor Jeremy Garratt this Saturday evening and Fr John Adikwu on Sunday morning. We are grateful to Fr Tom Hiney for celebrating last Sunday morning and to Deacon Nick for all his kind assistance.

Canon Gerard regrets that his health is impaired just now and he is grateful for your prayers. He will not be celebrating Mass during the coming week and is unable to continue with either the Lenten course

Becoming, and being, Catholic

or with the Saturday morning Reconciliation.

Do check out our Pastoral Area Liturgy Calendar for times in other local churches: [Havant Pastoral Area - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth](#)

Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 6 pm

28th March at St Francis - Fr Jonathan

4th April St Michael's - Fr Gerard

11th April St Clare's - Mother Jill

Bishop Philip wrote of a visit on 18th March: *I was very pleased to visit St. Thomas More's Catholic Primary School. In the picture is Headteacher Mr. Jeff Sendall, Mrs. Rebecca Hill, one of two Deputy Heads, and Mr. Paul Baker, Chair of Governors and Fr. Joe Gruszkiewicz, parish priest of Havant. The school serves the parishes of St. Joseph's, Havant, St. Michael's, Leigh Park and St. Patrick's, Hayling Island and Canon Gerard Flynn and Fr. Mark Whiting are regular visitors. It is a one and a half form entry school with 351 pupils, 61% of whom are Catholic. Mr. Sendall has been at the school since he qualified as a teacher. He is the chair of the Primary Catholic Partnership School-Centred Initial Teacher Training in Southampton (PCP SCITT) which offers primary teacher training courses. The school has its own small chapel in the grounds. Fr. Joe brought the Blessed Sacrament over to the hall where, with everyone assembled we had a period of Eucharistic Adoration, concluding with Benediction. The children had a real sense of prayer and joined in well. I then met with the Head, the Deputy Head and the Chair of Governors to discuss the Catholic ethos of the school and how best to help children develop a personal relationship with God. Please pray for everyone at St. Thomas More's. It was a joy to visit. In the conversation we had, I was struck by how much the school strives to put prayer and worship at the heart of its daily life and to build a family atmosphere by a partnership between school, parish and home.*



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