

**CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST COLMAN,  
COSHAM WITH ST PAUL, PAULSGROVE**  
IN THE SOUTH EAST HAMPSHIRE PARISH AREA  
The Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth  
*Bringing people closer to Jesus Christ through His Church*



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## Sunday 20 April 2025 : Easter Day

"After his Resurrection Christ did not go back to his previous earthly life ... He rose again to definitive life, which is no longer governed by chemical and biological laws and therefore stands outside the possibility of death, in the eternity conferred by love. That is why the encounters with him are 'appearances'; that is why he with whom people had sat at table two days earlier is not recognised by his best friends and, even when recognised, remains foreign: only where *he* grants vision is he seen; only when he opens men's eyes and makes their hearts open up can the countenance of the eternal love that conquers death become recognisable in our mortal world, and, in that love, the new, different world, the world of him who is to come. ... People recognise the Lord and yet do not recognise him again; people touch him, and yet he is untouchable; he is the same and yet quite different." (Pope Benedict XVI)

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 19 April	8pm	St Colman	Easter Vigil	Eileen Goldsmith RIP
Sunday 20 April <i>EASTER DAY</i> <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Easter Day	Pragnell family ints
	11:30am	St Paul	Easter Day	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Easter Day	QA Hospital Mass
Monday 21 April <i>No Adoration: Bank Holiday</i> <i>Lectio divina 5-6pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Easter Octave	Family and Friends of Celia Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 22 April	9am	St Colman	Easter Octave	Andrew Penfold RIP
Wednesday 23 April <i>Bible Study 5-6pm St Colman</i>	10am	St Paul	Easter Octave	St Paul's School Mass
Friday 25 April <i>St Paul open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	Easter Octave	Priests, nuns & religious
Saturday 26 April <i>Reconciliation 5:30pm</i>	6pm	St Colman	Easter Octave	Janet Quaife & Dorothy Mullins RIP
Sunday 27 April <i>LOW SUNDAY</i> <i>Divine Mercy 2pm St Joseph</i> <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Divine Mercy	Kathleen Daley RIP (FM)
	11:30am	St Paul	Divine Mercy	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Divine Mercy	QA Hospital Mass

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday  
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**Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions**

Next Sunday 27 April is the feast of the Divine Mercy. A plenary indulgence is available on the usual conditions (Reconciliation, Holy Communion, prayer for the Pope's intentions) to those who take part in devotions to the Divine Mercy. We will be joining with our brothers and sisters in Havant to celebrate these devotions at St Joseph, West Street, Havant from 2pm to 4pm on Divine Mercy Sunday, followed by the usual Holy Hour at St Colman 5-6pm.

**Parish Area Pentecost Celebration**

To celebrate the growing-together of our Catholic communities of Cosham, Paulsgrove, Havant, Emsworth, Leigh Park, Hayling Island, Waterlooville and Horndean, and in order to form a more perfect union of a single new Parish, we will all gather to celebrate a Parish Area Mass at Oaklands Catholic School at 3pm on Pentecost Sunday 8 June, followed by shared tea and cakes: please save the date!

**How to oppose euthanasia legislation**

After our Lourdes Mass in February, many of us gathered in St Colman's Hall to listen to Dr Dominic Whitehouse from the Catholic Medical Association, who gave an immensely wise and learned talk about euthanasia (assisted suicide) and how to oppose it. Dr Whitehouse has written to our community to ask for our help in persuading our Member of Parliament Amanda Martin to change her vote at the next reading of the Bill to oppose the legislation. Please write to her or go to see her, especially if you are a healthcare professional: House of Commons SW1A 0AA  
[amanda.martin.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:amanda.martin.mp@parliament.uk)  
349 Copnor Road PO3 5EQ - 9279 2142

**Easter Offering – from Father Andrew**

This Sunday's collection is the Easter Offering for the support of your clergy: thank you for your generosity! Thank you for all your kind prayers, greetings, cards and gifts this Easter. God bless you: Christ is Risen!

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 5:30pm at St Colman

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, 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 district: Kinross, The Haven and Hamilton House.
- For St Paul's Primary School and Oaklands Catholic School: the staff, governors, children, parents and families.
- For the souls of the faithful departed: Bert Needham, Mary Shaw and Rodante Ngayan RIP.