

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



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## Sunday 27 April 2025 : Divine Mercy

"Today a voice has fallen silent. The death of Pope Francis takes from us a voice has been heard in every corner of the world: a voice of warm encouragement and sharp challenge, expressing both love of God and love of our shared humanity. ... This voice, filled with compassion, mercy, and righteous indignation, is now silent, for a more authoritative voice has spoken, that of his heavenly Father, calling him home, to be with his Lord and Master for ever. And he has done so on the day after the great feast of Easter, the solemn proclamation of the victory of Christ over death. Pope Francis died in the light of the brightly burning Pascal candle, the symbol of the risen Christ. In this hope he lived, in this light he has died. Its promise will be fulfilled." (Cardinal Vicent Nichols, Thought for the Day, BBC Radio 4, 22 April)

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 26 April	6pm	St Colman	Divine Mercy	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
Monday 28 April <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm</i> <i>Lectio divina 5-6pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	St George (Transferred)	Jane Tsvidakis ints (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 29 April	9am	St Colman	St Catherine	Anthony & Ann Bell RIP
Wednesday 30 April  <i>Bible Study 5-6pm St Colman</i>	7:30am	St Colman	Requiem Mass for Mary Shaw RIP Funeral service and burial at 10am	
	1:50pm	Oaklands	Easter Octave	Oaklands School Mass
Friday 2 May <i>Friendship Club 2-4pm St C</i> <i>St Paul open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	St Athanasius	Wellbeing of Catherine & Emmanuel Tsvidakis
Saturday 3 May <i>Reconciliation 5:30pm</i>	6pm	St Colman	Easter III	Mike & Yvette Shelley
Sunday 4 May  <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Easter III	Collette Waudby RIP
	11:30am	St Paul	Easter III	Pro Populo
	4pm	Hospital Chapel	Easter III	QA Hospital Mass

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

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**Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions**

This Sunday 27 April is the feast of the Divine Mercy. We will be joining with our brothers and sisters to celebrate Divine Mercy devotions at St Joseph, Havant from 2pm to 4pm this afternoon, followed by the usual Holy Hour at St Colman 5-6pm.

**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: 349 Copnor Road PO3 5EQ or House of Commons SW1A 0AA     [amanda.martin.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:amanda.martin.mp@parliament.uk)

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday 5:30pm at St Colman

**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!

**A name for our new Parish Area**

The Bishop has asked each new Parish Area to suggest a new name, which should not be the name of any of the existing churches in the area. The Bishop has asked that the new name be one of the titles or mysteries of the Lord. We are conducting a consultative vote on three possible names as part of the process: please take and read a copy of the letter from Mgr Canon Jeremy Garratt and cast your vote on paper or by QR code online. The three titles under consideration are: Holy Name of Jesus, Prince of Peace and Good Shepherd. Voting closes 18 May.

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 Angela Vella RIP.