CHRIST THE KING & ST. COLMAN (Bitterne) OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION (Hedge End) ST. BRIGID (West End)

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Trinity Sunday (Year C, Cycle 1)

15th June 2025

Reflection from Fr Elijah: The Most Holy Trinity, Our Model of Unity

Today we celebrate the Most Holy Trinity. This reminds us of the nature of God in himself: that the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit are working together. They are never separated, though, each one of them is a distinct divine person. Not three gods but three persons. There is a unity of essence and relation within the three divine persons.

In today's gospel, Christ himself revealed the mystery of the three divine persons to us: "Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and the Holy Spirit." Today, the church reminds us that the three divine persons are not divided in their actions of grace. Instead, they work together. They have the same mission, which is the salvation of the world. None of them have absolute dominance over a particular period. This is because, despite being three distinct persons, they have one essence. They are eternally one and united.

So, the prayer of Christ to the father: "May they be one, as we are One" (Jn. 17:22), is a prayer that arises from the Trinitarian love. Thus, what we celebrate today is a model for our unity: in our relationships, friendships, marriages, families, and communities. It also reminds us that despite our different talents, gifts, social, and economic levels, we can live and work together for our salvation and the salvation of the world.

Mass Times and Intentions

Trinity Sunday & 11th week in Ordinary Time

Exposition & Rosary at 9.30am before Mass (Tue-Fri). Sacrament of Confession is available on request.

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Date	Times & Location			Mass Intentions & Feasts
Sun 15 th June	9.15am	OLA	Mass	For Mary Sponder RIP
Trinity Sunday	11am	CKSC	Mass	For the people
	5.30pm	SB	Mass	For the people
	6pm	CKSC	Mass (in Polish)	
Tue 17 th June	9.30-1pm	OLA	Open Church	Adoration and prayer against the new assisted
				suicide and abortion up to birth bill
	11am	CKSC	Mass	Funeral Mass of Pat Rose
Wed 18 th June	10am	SB	Mass	
Thur 19 th June	10am	CKSC	Mass	
Fri 20 th June	10am	OLA	Mass	Callaghan family intentions
Sat 21 st June	10am	CKSC	Mass	
Sun 22 nd June	9.15am	OLA	Mass	
Corpus Chrisi	11am	CKSC	Mass	
	5.30pm	SB	Mass	For the repose of the soul of Guido Camilleri,
	6pm	CKSC	Mass (in Polish)	Francis, Anthonia, Doris and Elsie

This Sunday's readings can be found at https://universalis.com/europe.england/20250615/mass.htm

Second Collection – 15th June – **Day for Life**: this annual occasion is dedicated to cherishing and protecting human life from conception to natural death.



The funeral Mass of Pat Rose will be at 11am on Tuesday 17th June at Christ the King & St Colman. Please join us to thank the Lord for Pat's life.

Events

Within our Parish

Revised Pastoral Area: Until now, the parishes of the city area of Southampton have belonged to two Pastoral Areas (PA): Southampton Central and Southampton East. Southampton Central PA comprises the six parishes of Holy Family, Millbrook, St. Boniface Shirley, St Joseph and St. Edmund in the city centre, St. Vincent de Paul Lordswood, Immaculate Conception Portswood and St. Theresa's Totton. Southampton East PA comprises Our Lady of the Assumption Hedge End, St. Brigid West End, The Annunciation Netley, Christ the King and St. Colman Bitterne and St. Patrick's Woolston. After comments and recommendations from the clergy and parishes concerned and after advice from the Council of Priests and members of the Bishop's Council, I've decided to amalgamate these two PAs into one. The new combined area will be called 'Our Lady Star of the Sea, Southampton' and fall under the direction of Canon Michael Dennehy as Coordinating Pastor. I hope that this will assist the mission across the city area of Southampton.

Faith on Fire: Our last session before the summer is on Wednesday 25th June from 6.30pm. We will be having a BBQ in for a bit of fun and social time. All young people welcome. For more info message Deirdre 07828810009

Make a Joyful Noise!: HEWEB Churches Together are raising funds for Mountbatten Hampshire & the Food Centre/Pantry Hedge End with local choirs performing. On Sat 28th June, at 3pm, St James' Church West End. Free entry, please book at https://buytickets.at/stjameschurchwestend/1629658 To join the Catholic choir contact Claire on 07910781801.

HE&WE Parish Donation Day: Our Parish Donation Day will be on Sunday 6th July. This is our main fund-raising event of the year towards the maintenance and upkeep of our churches in Hedge End and West End. Please be as generous as you possibly can, to support the present and future of our parish community and its continuing part in the work of the Lord. There will be an appeal in both churches on Sunday 29th June and envelopes for donations will be given out from these dates which should be returned on Parish Donation Day.

Confirmation: If you are interested in looking at being confirmed please send your name and contact details into the office before the end of July. We will be starting in September to prepare for this great sacrament. Signing up does not mean you are committed to be confirmed, just that you'd like to join us on the journey. We are excited to meet you and to get to know you better! More information and invitations will follow shortly.

Within the Diocese and beyond

CAFOD: in this Year of Jubilee, Pope Francis calls on us to be tangible signs of hope for those of our sisters and brothers who experience hardships of any kind. Visit cafod.org.uk/hope to pledge a monthly gift to CAFOD this Holy Year and support communities around the world experiencing the challenges of poverty, injustice, conflict and climate change.



Recurring Events

Our Lady of the Assumption – Hedge End

- Tea Coffee, Biscuits, Friendly Chat in the hall every Sunday after Holy Mass
- Children's Liturgy during Mass every 3rd Sunday of the Month

Christ the King & St Colman - Bitterne

- Prayer Group every Thursday 10.30am-12 noon
- Children's Liturgy for 4 to 7-year-olds every Sunday during term time

- Carers Group on third Wednesday of every Month from 7.00pm to 8.30pm
- Growing in Faith every Tuesday evening 7:30-9pm
- Table Tennis every Tuesday from 9.30am to 12pm
- Open Church every Thursday from 10am-12pm
- Tea, Coffee, Biscuits & friendly chat in the hall every 1st Sunday of the month
- Choir practice in hall 7:30pm on 2nd & 4th Friday each month. All welcome.

St Brigid – West End

Tea, coffee & cake every 2nd Sunday of the month after Mass

Continuing to Support the Church

Please consider setting up a standing order.

For Christ the King & St Colman:

Account Name: CDP Christ the King & St Colman

Sort code: 30-93-04 **Account Number**: 00887553

For Our Lady of the Assumption and St Brigid:

Account Name: CDP Hedge End Our Lady

Sort code: 30-93-04 **Account Number**: 00879747

Please mention which fund you are donating to as a reference.

Make out cheques for Fr Elijah to Rev Fru N Elijah

Thank you for your support