



ST. PATRICK'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

7th September 2025 AD

Year C (Psalter Week 3)

Welcome to St Patrick's Church. God has created us as free people; we have the free will to do whatever we choose for good or for ill and nothing can come between us and the love of God—unless we put it there. It is all too easy for us to become distracted by worldly things and possessions. Jesus teaches us that we will need commitment and dedication to follow Him. But it is by following Jesus, before all things, that we discover the true freedom for which, in His love, the Father made us.

First Reading:	Wisdom 9:13-18 — <i>Who can discern what the LORD wills</i>
Responsorial Psalm:	O LORD, you have been our refuge, from generation to generation. (Psalm 90)
Second Reading:	Philemon 1:9b-10,12-17 — <i>Have him back no as a bondservant but as a beloved brother</i>
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Let Your face shine forth on Your servant, and teach me Your decrees. Alleluia! (Psalm 119)
Gospel Reading:	Luke 14:25-33 — <i>Everyone who exalts himself will be humbles and he who humbles himself will be exalted</i>
Communion Antiphon:	Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for You, my God; my soul is thirsting for the living God. (Psalm 30:20)

NEXT WEEK: Obligatory Collection for Home Missions

Day	Time	Service	Intention
23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 7th Sept	10:00am 10:30am	Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Peter Mead RIP(FM) and all People of the Parish
Tuesday Feria 9th Sept	10:00am	Rosary	
Wednesday Feria 10th Sept	10:30am 11:00am	Mass Pastoral Appointment	Thanksgiving for the birth of Lyra Jean Holman
Thursday Feria 11th Sept	10:00am 10:30am 6:45pm	Adoration Mass Pastoral Appointment	James Attwood RIP
Friday Feria 12th Sept	10:30am	Mass	Dr Helen Whiting
Saturday Feria 13th Sept	5:00pm	Vigil Mass at Ss Thomas's, Emsworth	
24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 14th Sept	10:00am 10:30am	Reconciliation (Confession) SUNG MASS	Frances Zollo RIP(FM) and all People of the Parish

Prayers For The Sick: Wendy Field, Mary Webb, Joan Ramsbottom, Patricia Church, John Nowaczewski, Peter van der Merwe, Dominic Cosgrave, David Reilly, Maureen Cronin, Gerard Cronin, Mike Peacock, Helen Whiting, Liam Brice, Mick O'Mahoney.

Of your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of those recently departed: Leslie Young

And those whose Anniversaries occur at this time: Peter Adams (Sun) Peter Mead, Joyce Sivers (Mon) James Attwood (Thu)

Queen Alexandra Hospital Chaplaincy Number : 023 9228 6000

Parish 24 Hour Emergency Number : 07584 661318 (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 on Manor Road inviting worshippers to meet Jesus since 1925. Our centenary celebrations will continue on **Sunday 21st September** with a Solemn Pontifical Mass celebrated by The Rt Rev Philip Egan, **Bishop of Portsmouth** at 10:30am.



Sacrament of Confirmation for Young People 2026. In the Michaelmas Term, we are beginning the journey for those that would like to consider receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation, next Summer. This is open to **all young people that are in year 8 and above** from September 2025. We are beginning with the exciting, new Youth Alpha series. Following this, there will be an opportunity to enrol in early January for further faith-based interactive sessions to prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. **Bishop Philip will be Confirming our young people with the Holy Spirit at the Sacred Heart Church, Waterlooville, on Tuesday 2nd June 2026 at 7:00pm.** If you would like to receive more information about this opportunity, please email: confirmation@jesusprinceofpeace.org.uk. Please provide candidate's name, age and a parent's e mail address and phone number.



Canonisations this weekend. This coming weekend, at a Mass in St. Peter's Square, the Holy Father will canonise two beati, **Carlo Acutis** (1991-2006) and **Pier Giorgio Frassati** (1901-1925). Both had a deep love for the Holy Eucharist and a real concern for the poor. They both loved the Blessed Virgin Mary. Whilst Pier Giorgio's apostolate was through his friends at university, Carlo's was through the internet to the world. Pier Giorgio is patron of our diocesan youth. The Canonisations will take place at 10:00am (CEST)/9:00am(BST) on Sunday, The service will be livestreamed and can be watched later on YouTube Vatican Media.



Catholic Women's League - The Catholic Women's League is back to its monthly Bingo afternoons - **Bingo** in the **Hall** at **2:00pm** on **Wednesday 10th September**. It is a very friendly afternoon; if you've not had a game lately please come along and if Bingo isn't for you, tell your friends and neighbours. There are home-made cakes with the tea and coffee in the interval and always a popular raffle.



Rosemary Gorvin is going on her annual pilgrimage to **Lourdes** on Monday 15th September. She is quite **willing to take petitions** to Our Lady from parishioners, if they wish. She will be at Mass on Sunday to collect them.



The next collection for **Hayling Holiday Lunches** will be on **Sunday 14th September**. We will also be having a special **Harvest Festival** collection on **Sunday 19th October**.



Church Cleaning - Monday 15th September from **10:00am** in preparation for the Centenary celebratory Mass. If you can, please spare an hour or two to join the loyal team prepare our church for this once-in-a-life-time celebration.

Centenary Committee Meeting - Thursday 2nd October in the Presbytery at 6:30pm



Tea, Coffee and Cake after Sunday Mass - We **URGENTLY need more volunteers** to provide this service to the Parish and visitors. We, particularly, need a few younger people to help put up the tables and set out chairs as well as volunteers to make the drinks and put out the cups etc. contact Pauline (023 9246 8498, email - paulinebrice979@gmail.com)



Deadline for the next edition of **The Quarterly** is **4:00pm** on **Sunday 21st September**. Articles, particularly on the theme of Michaelmas and Harvest, and any notices of forthcoming events, should be sent to gerryholden1000@gmail.com.



At the back of Church, you will find a letter regarding the forthcoming House of Lords' vote on the Assisted Dying Bill. Please take a copy and, if you feel so moved, act upon it.

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

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