

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Year A

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Sacred Heart Church, The Priests House, London Road, Hook, Hampshire RG27 9LA
St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) now have a confidential mobile phone line to assist & help. 07434 773219.
Please note we now have CCTV Cameras around the premises for security purposes.

MASS TIMES

Daily Eucharistic Service at Maryfield Convent at 10:00am (Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs & Fri)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

Saturday 25 March	6:00 pm	Mass	Private Intention
Sunday 26 March	10.00 am	Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 27 March	9:30 am	Mass	In the Convent with Father John Lee

PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday 1 April	6:00 pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 2 April	10.00 am	Mass	Damian Maranzano RIP

CONFESSIONS IN THE CHURCH Saturday evening 5:15 pm - 5:45 pm

LITURGY OF THE WORD

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First Reading Ezekiel 37 12-14

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 129

**With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption.**

Second Reading: Romans 8 : 8 - 11

Gospel Acclamation

Glory and praise to you, O Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will never die.
Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

Gospel John 11: 1 - 45

THE SACRISTY

Is a place of prayer and contemplation and should be an oasis of calm, before and after Mass. The Priest and Servers need time and space in order to prepare them selves for The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.

Please respect this and refrain from visiting the Sacristy in the last 15 mins before Mass.

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors who join us, whether in our Church or via the live-stream. If you are new to the area, please register as a member of our Parish using the form on our website

SALT AND GRIT BIN

Just a reminder that there is a salt and grit bin by the side of the disabled parking bays, for use when the car park area is icy.

The Season of Lent



- **Lent is a time to reflect, to repent and to restore**
- **Lent is a time to pray, to fast and to give**
- **Lent is a time when we remember His sacrifice**
- **Pope Francis says Lent is a time for renewing faith, hope & Love**

WELCOME

Welcome to Father Peter Codd who will be celebrating Mass with us this Saturday and to Canon PJ Smith who will be celebrating Mass with us this Sunday.

LENT 2023

Every Wednesday in Lent

7:00 pm The Way of the Cross in Maryfield Convent

Every Friday in Lent

12:00 noon Stations of the Cross in the church
followed by a Simple Lunch

7:00 pm The Way of the Cross in Maryfield Convent

Every Sunday in Lent

4:00 pm The Way of the Cross in Maryfield Convent

EASTER EGGS

This Easter we will be collecting Easter Eggs for Brita's Caritas families. If you are able to help us please bring your donations of Easter Eggs to the church and leave in front of the Altar.



EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Divine Mercy chaplet followed by the Holy Rosary will take place in the Convent Chapel at 3pm on Fridays. Everyone is welcome

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass Intention, please contact Jan in the Parish Office on 01256 577007 or email: office@sacredhearthook.org for more information.

NEWSLETTER

If you would like to receive our newsletter by email please register at www.sacredhearthook.org and scroll down to the bottom of the page to subscribe.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us at Mass in Your safekeeping as we remember:
Joan Coleman, Debbie Cavedon, Jacob Weston
John Bone, Terry Wright, Mike Murch,
Pat Olohan, Fr Kevin Delaney, Fr Don Clement &
Fr Phillip Harris



Please keep Father Phillip in your prayers.

If you would like to visit Father Phillip, please contact Jan in the office who can tell you which ward he is on.

LENTEN LUNCH AND STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Would you like to start your Lenten Journey with a weekly Lenten Lunch and Stations of the Cross? Please join us next Friday for the last Lenten Lunch with Stations of the Cross in the Church at 12 noon and then in the hall for a simple Lunch.

There is an optional lunch donation with proceeds going to CAFOD.

Please come along, bring a friend, everyone is welcome.

WALK OF WITNESS

There is a Walk of Witness on Good Friday at 12 noon starting at St John's CofE Church. All are welcome.

MARYFIELD CONVENT

FAITH SHARING PRAYER MEETING

First Tuesday of the month

Next meeting—Tuesday 4th April 2023

10:30am in the tea room

The Triduum - the 3 days

The Triduum is actually one service.
Please try and come to all

Thursday 6th April

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Mass of the Lord's Supper - **7:30 pm**
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday 7th April

GOOD FRIDAY

Celebration of the Lord's Passion - **3:00 pm**

Saturday 8th April

HOLY SATURDAY – 8:00 pm

Sunday 9th April

EASTER SUNDAY - 10:00 am

CARITAS SOCIAL ACTION NETWORK & SJOG HOMES FOR UKRAINE

Homes for Ukraine: SJOG and Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN) are part of the Community Sponsorship movement in the UK offering a matching, training and support service to sponsors and guests under the Homes for Ukraine Scheme. Together we are working to enable the many generous people willing to open up their homes as sponsors and match them with people displaced by the war in Ukraine. We aim to support people on their journey and provide opportunities to integrate into our community in the UK. If you would like to be considered as a sponsor, or be sponsored, please use the link below to register your interest. We will work as quickly as possible to contact every applicant and to start the matching process or pick up a leaflet at the back of the church.
<https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/>



FOODBANK CONTRIBUTION BOX

Please consider buying extra of the following items when you are next shopping and bring to the Church Porch, where we have re-introduced the Foodbank box.

- Tins & Jars & Dried Goods: Tinned Vegetables, Tinned Fruit, Jam, Sponge Puddings
- Packages & Dried Goods: Long Life Juice, Custard
- Household: Men's Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner

There are a lot of people struggling, even more so with the current economics in the UK.

CONGRATUATIONS

To Tony and Jackie on their 29th Wedding Anniversary

PASTORAL AREA CLERGY

St Bede, Basingstoke—Sun 9 am, 11 am, 6.00 pm

Fr. John Lee

St. Joseph, Basingstoke—Sat 6 pm / Sun 9 am, 11 am

Fr. Paul Leonard & Fr. Benoy Kurian

St Michael, Tadley—Sat 6 pm / Sun 9 am

Fr. Patrick Tansey

THE SIX HOLY HABITS

Just a reminder that Bishop Philip is inviting each one of us to develop and put into practice six holy habits for this time of change and deep personal renewal:

- to keep Sunday special, a family day, by attending Mass;
- to spend 5 minutes a day in prayer using the Scriptures;
- to do penance on Fridays, and to serve the poor and needy;
- every fortnight to make a Holy Half Hour before the Blessed Sacrament;
- to go to Confession once a month; and
- to join a small group for formation, prayer and fellowship. In the coming weeks in e-News, Bishop Philip will explore each habit in more detail

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is Online at: www.sacredhearthook.org/donations or via our new contactless terminal located by the back of the Church.

To set up a Standing Order, our bank account details are: Lloyds Bank Sort Code: 30 93 04

Account number 00880117

Name: CDP Sacred Heart Hook

(Please also use this for cheque payments)

GIFT AID - INCREASE YOUR GIFT

You can increase your weekly/monthly giving to the church by 25% without any additional cost to you (if you are a taxpayer). This is a very simple process and takes only minutes to complete. If you would like to join our gift aid scheme, contact Jan on 01256 577007

ADoRE Mini Retreat

ADoRE Online spiritual mini-retreat morning **25 March** 10.00-1.00 "I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES" - Going deeper with Jesus. Guest speaker is Jenny Baker, National Lead of Celebrate Trust. . Please register for the Zoom meeting in advance at bit.ly/ADOREMAR2023

OPEN THE BOOK

Volunteers are needed for Open the Book at Hook Infant School. Volunteers are needed to join our friendly team. Open the Book is a way of presenting Bible stories to primary school children in a very simple way. You do not need to have any great acting skills! The Hook team goes into Hook Infants every Monday afternoon in term time. If you are interested please speak to Maggie or Emrys



Clocks Change this weekend.

Don't forget to put your clocks forward one hour when you go to bed this Saturday night

Please join CAFOD and Christian Aid on **Friday 21st April** at 11:15am at St Johns Church Waterloo to pray for leaders to take the action we need to tackle the climate emergency and declare we have no faith in fossil fuels. After the service you can join us we walk together on a short pilgrimage to Parliament. When we reach Westminster, we can join thousands of other people calling for fossil fuels to be consigned to history.

Please register here [No faith in fossil fuels: Service and pilgrimage to Parliament \(cafod.org.uk\)](https://www.cafod.org.uk)

Fr Paul Leonard is running in the London Marathon for CAFOD



While we are experiencing some very cold & wet conditions in the UK right now, [CAFOD](https://www.cafod.org.uk) are working hard to bring relief to communities which are badly affected by drought. Why not take a look at CAFOD's ideas for things we can do to help reduce climate change? If you're able to, please make a contribution to Paul's fundraising page to help CAFOD to work even harder - and give Paul some much appreciated encouragement!
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/paul-leonard30>.

PORTSMOUTH DIOCESAN "DON BOSCO" BOYS CAMP - 23 to 29 July 2023

We are delighted that camp will be going ahead again this summer for boys of secondary school age at St. Cassian's, Kintbury. There will be plenty of sport, outings, competitions and fun and games to ensure that boys will have a fantastic few days. This will continue to take place within the context of the celebration of the Catholic Faith, including daily Mass and morning prayer. The cost of the camp is £230 (part bursaries may be available on application).

To find out more or to reserve a place, please email dbcamps@portsmouthdiocese.or.uk.

TURKEY & SYRIA EARTHQUAKES

Please keep in your prayers all those who have been affected by the recent earthquakes—those who have been killed or injured, those who are still missing and all those who are without a home, warm clothing, food and drink. Please also keep in your prayers all their friends and relatives living elsewhere who are beside themselves with worry.

Bishop Philip Egan writes...

The Bishop's Conference have decided to permit once again the practice of giving Holy Communion under both kinds. This will be from Holy Thursday, 6th April 2023. I will grant permission for this in the Diocese at the discretion of the parish priest based on the circumstances and situation of the parish. The reintroduction of Holy Communion under both kinds is therefore permissive, not obligatory. Parish priests will carefully need to discern the practicalities and health situation in their parish. In addition, proper catechesis and instructions will need to be given to duly commissioned Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

The question of the possibility of intinction (when the Host is dipped into the Precious Blood so that a communicant receives both together) has been raised. The Bishops' Conference have decided to affirm the practice found in Celebrating the Mass which states that this form of the reception of Holy Communion "is not recommended in

England and Wales." It restricts the possibility of the communicant to receive the host reverently in their hands. Likewise, communicants are not permitted to receive Holy Communion by "self-intinction" where having received the Sacred Host in the hand, they proceed to the Precious Blood and "dip" the host themselves into the chalice. Sacraments are never taken, but received, and the gesture of "self-intinction" denies this reality.

For Sacred Heart we will not be taking communion under both kinds at the present time.

Please remember the Church is God's House, where people come to pray.

Please respect His House: turn off mobiles, no food, drink or noisy toys. Thank you.

