

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year A - 10 September 2023

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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

Mass in the Convent on Monday mornings at 9:30am

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

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Saturday 9 Sept	6:00 pm	Mass	Rupert Lisle RIP Intention of Mary Fox & Fen Wadhams
Sunday 10 Sept	10.00 am	Mass	People of the Parish
Wednesday 13 Sept	10.00 am	Mass	If Father John is able to attend there will be Mass in the Convent

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 9 Sept	6:00 pm	Mass	Private Intention
Sunday 10 Sept	10.00 am	Mass	People of the Parish
Wednesday 13 Sept	10.00 am	Mass	If Father John is able to attend there will be Mass in the Convent

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.

CONFESSIONS AND SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Father John is available after Mass to celebrate Confessions or the Sacrament of the Sick.
Please see Father after Mass if you require either of these sacraments.

WELCOMERS NEEDED

Our parish welcoming Ministry is going really well—and now we need a few more people to join us. If you would like to help out every few weeks, please let the Parish Office know.

PHOTOGRAPHS

You may be aware that photos are taken at some of the church/parish events. For this purpose we need to know if there are any objections to these being put on the website or parish Facebook. If you do not want to appear in the above please make your objection known. Many thanks.

REPOSITORY

Please check out our repository in the porch.
If there is anything you would like please ask Cecile or the Parish Office.

POPE FRANCIS AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION

During September, Pope Francis asks us to pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

From Jan Hughes

Thank you for all your prayers and messages, I have finally been cleared to return to work. The Parish telephone has been diverted to my mobile and I will be checking the Parish emails daily.
Please keep Nikki Pink (Parish Administrator from St Joseph's Basingstoke) in your prayers as she continues her stay in hospital.

A NOTE FROM FATHER JOHN

Dear Brothers and Sisters

I Just wanted to thank you all so much for the wonderful welcome I have received since my arrival at Sacred Heart. I have found over these many months precisely that, the Sacred Heart, the love of Christ, in this community. As the Lord teaches us this week,

“Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there in their midst.”

In other words, this is the Church. I hope, by His Grace, to serve God and you, His people, so that the Father’s Heart will be even more tangible for everyone with whom we live and work. I am greatly looking forward to watching the Lord at work among us over these next months, who knows, even years. God bless you all.

Fr John

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, Fr Kevin Delaney, Fr Don Clement & Charlie Carruthers



WANTING TO VOLUNTEER?

Caritas Portsmouth supports parishes and schools to become the ‘church beyond walls’ to help meet the needs in our local communities. Our volunteer team help make this happen, by running and supporting specific projects, promoting our work within the parish/community and fundraising so we can get new projects off the ground. We would be delighted if you would join us. Please visit our website (<https://caritas.org.uk/act/>) or email us at caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

NEW GIFT AID FORMS

The Diocese have requested that all Gift Aiders sign a new form that displays the new charity name and number. Any UK taxpayer can sign a simple declaration which enables the Parish to claim from the tax office a further 25% on your donations. Any offerings you make by numbered envelopes or via your bank are then treated as gift aided. I have attached a copy of the Gift Aid Form to the electronic copy of this newsletter and there are hard copies on the table at the back of church. If you have any queries, please contact Jan.

CHARLES DE FOUCAULD FRATERNITY MEETING

Next Charles de Foucauld fraternity meeting will be on Thursday 14th September at 2.30pm in the convent. We start with Exposition of the blessed sacrament and Fr Peter Codd will lead us to share the Gospel message of the upcoming Sunday. We end the session with fellowship and saying the ‘Abandonment Prayer’. Everyone is welcome.

UCM

The next UCM meeting will be on Saturday 16th September at 10:30am in the Hall.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Ezekiel 33: 7 - 9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 94

O that today you would listen to his voice!

Harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: Romans 13: 8 - 10

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your word is truth, O Lord,

consecrate us in truth

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 18: 15 - 20

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors who join us. If you are new to the area, please contact the Parish office to register as a member of our Parish

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Our next FHC programme will be starting in October and the FHC Mass will be on Saturday 1st June 2024.

To join the programme your child should be: 7yrs old or over, a Baptised Catholic, resident in Sacred Heart Parish and attending Mass weekly at Sacred Heart.

For enquiries please email: hello@sacredhearTHOOK.org.

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 A/C number 00880117: Sort Code: 30 93 04

Name: CDP Sacred Heart Hook

(Please also use this for cheque payments)

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

MARYFIELD CONVENT FAITH SHARING PRAYER MEETING

First Tuesday of the month.

Next meeting—Tuesday 3rd October 2023 10:30am
in the tea room

PARISH DATABASE

Whilst people remember to notify Doctors, Dentists, Schools and the like when they move house or change their email address or mobile number, not everyone remembers to notify their parish. Please do let us know if there have been contact changes for you so that we can amend our database accordingly.

Thank you.



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 themselves for The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please respect this and refrain from visiting the Sacristy in the last 15 mins before Mass.

THE SECOND COLLECTION

Sunday 10th September is for Education Sunday and is for the Catholic Education Service. Catholic schools make up 10% of the national total of maintained schools in England and Wales, educating over 850,000 pupils. Our Second Collection on Sunday 17th September 2023 is for Home Mission. The Home Mission Office helps the local Church to share the joy of the Gospel.

ENGAGING THE DISENGAGED EVENT

The Diocese in partnership with the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales is hosting an online seminar on Tuesday 21st November, at 6 pm for Catholics wishing to bring people closer to Christ led by Evangelist Sherry Weddell. Tickets are £10 per person from <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/engaging-the-disengaged-how-to-accompany-non-religious-persons-tickets-646139539757>

CARITAS

On September 24th Jenny Lelean, Head of Caritas will be walking 25.5 miles of the Test Way in Hampshire to raise funds to support our own Caritas Diocese of Portsmouth! Donations will go to support some of the most vulnerable people who live in our communities across the diocese, including people struggling with the rising costs of living, poverty, homelessness, social isolation, and refugees. You can donate by visiting their JustGiving page. Thank you

DIVINE RENOVATION—ALPHA

Running an evangelisation tool such as Alpha enables your parish to go on mission. But just like any other tool, it's only as effective as how you use it! If you feel like your evangelisation tool isn't making the impact you hoped it would, join Divine Renovation on Wednesday, 20th September for their online event: 3 Ways to Kill Evangelisation in Your Parish and discover ways to effectively run Alpha that brings people to Jesus!

CALLED AND GIFTED IN PERSON TEACHING DAY

Called and gifted is being rolled out in the NWH pastoral area. If you wish to discern what charisms / gifts you have been bestowed with then please sign up for the live teaching of Called and Gifted on Saturday 21 October 2023 at St Bedes Church. If you want to find out more about the Called and Gifted programme, please take a look at the below link. We hope you will sign up to undergo Called and Gifted on Saturday 21 October – please pencil this in your diary! This event is open to all, even if you are not in the NWH pastoral area. Any questions please do not hesitate to contact the team at: calledandgifted@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk website: <https://www.calledandgifted.org.uk/>. If you wish to sign up then please contact Jan or Shanti.

WINTER SHELTER FOR THE HOMELESS

The winter shelter programme is starting again on 1st December for 13 weeks to provide comfort, safety and support to people homeless who are sleeping rough on the street in Basingstoke.

The shelter will provide a warm and safe place for people from 1900 to 0730 every night. Guests will receive a nourishing evening meal and a bed to sleep. The shelter closes each morning at 0730, after breakfast. There are many opportunities to be involved, whether it be directly involved in the shelter or on the side lines supporting the service with laundry, cooking meals at home or helping move beds & bedding from/to different venues. Information sessions are being held at Sarum Hill Centre (RG21 8SR) at 19.30 on Thurs 28th Sept or Tues 17th Oct or Christ Church (RG24 8LT) 10.00 Sat 14th Oct. Most parishioners who have been involved in previous years have said they got more out of being involved, than the guests that they were there to help! You will find more information on Facebook by searching "Night Light Winter Shelter".

Cultivate a Rich and Lasting Prayer Life - New Pastoral course starting Monday 25th September

You know prayer is important but still find it challenging. Perhaps it's hard to find time, or you're unsure what to do when you pray. Or maybe you feel discouraged by your perceived weaknesses and your inability to overcome them. If you have any of these feelings, you are not alone. Many of the saints struggled in prayer. If you find insights like this helpful in growing in your personal prayer life with the Lord, you'll love our next course.

We welcome back our dear Geoff who will be leading this course with Gerry – you will be in for a treat!! This 7 week short course is starting on Monday 25th September at 7.30pm and finishing at 9.00pm. We hope you can join us and journey together in growing our prayer life. [Find out more and watch a trailer](#) by clicking the below link: <https://youtu.be/33cNoCsUAd4>

If you would like to sign up, please reply to this email jkent@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk - or email my tran_joan@yahoo.co.uk email which you all should be familiar with and please let me know which parish you are from and if outside of the pastoral area and I will add you to the sessions.

ADORE

ADoRE spiritual mini-retreat 23rd September 10.00-3.30 live at Church of St Joan of Arc, Farnham, Surrey GU9 8DJ "THE YEAR OF THE LORD'S FAVOUR – God is on our side." Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prayer and inspiring guest speaker Geoff Poulter. Praise and Talk also live-streamed on Zoom. Full details and registration for either at bit.ly/ADORESEP2023

Before Mass:

Pray to God

During Mass:

Listen to God

After Mass:

Talk to fellow parishioners

FINANCIAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

The Parish had a loss of Income over Expenditure in 2022/23 off set by a legacy.

The expenditure for supply priest was to cover during the illness of Fr Phillip

Repairs and maintenance includes the repairs to the church ceiling and part payment for the hall floor

Professional fees in 20/21 included a Quinquennial fee and live streaming fees.

Watch this space for more info from Fr John over the next few weeks.

SACRED HEART PARISH INCOME AND EXPENDITURE 2022/2023, 2021/2022, 2020/2021

	2022/2023	2021/2022	2020/2021
INCOME			
Offertory Collection / Standing Orders / DD	37,259.51	40,903.95	37,910.69
Income tax reclaimed	7,796.00	7,465.31	3,138.38
Repository books and papers	1,874.13	480.00	
Hall Income	1,158.00	1,008.00	1,028.50
Other ordinary items / Interest	584.36	91.19	621.34
Legacies	6,000.00	-	2,000.00
Furlough Scheme	-	1,272.00	9,848.77
Total Income	54,672.00	51,220.45	54,547.68
EXPENDITURE			
Clergy stipend/Housekeeping/Moving Costs	10,033.78	3,996.00	4,070.00
Supply priests	4,360.80		479.00
Parish Staff Wages & National Insurance	12,987.67	14,359.02	18,321.40
Altar and liturgical	468.65	1,306.78	743.91
Light, Heat and Water	4,345.13	4,288.23	5,314.58
Repairs and maintenance	8,211.40	1,955.30	2,136.50
Equipment	343.98	2,387.95	3,702.10
Presbytery - Clearing and Cleaning	953.93		
Council tax/Insurance	2,506.92	2,076.34	2,010.73
Telephone/Computer/Postage/Photocopying	3,246.07	3,362.57	2,451.76
Diocesan levy	8,492.00	10,266.36	10,266.34
Books / Courses / Events	1,111.00	1,867.71	856.16
Professional Fees/Music Licenses	469.48	2,214.88	600.53
Total Expenditure	57,530.81	48,081.14	50,953.01
Income less Expenditure	(2,858.81)	3,139.31	3,594.67