

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year A - 5 November 2023

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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 4 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	Holy Souls	In the Convent
Saturday 4 Nov	6:00 pm	Mass	James Breslin RIP	
Sunday 5 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	Sheila Fletcher RIP	Live Streamed
Monday 6 Nov	9:30 am	Mass		In the Convent
Wednesday 8 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	If Fr John is able to attend there will be Mass in the Convent	

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 4 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	Holy Souls	In the Convent
Saturday 4 Nov	6:00 pm	Mass	James Breslin RIP	
Sunday 5 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	Sheila Fletcher RIP	Live Streamed
Monday 6 Nov	9:30 am	Mass		In the Convent
Wednesday 8 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	If Fr 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 info.

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.

PULPIT SWAP

Fr John Lee and Fr John Chadwick will exchange parishes next weekend, 11th / 12th November. Fr John C will celebrate the three Sunday Masses at St Bede's. Fr John L will be with us for the Saturday Vigil and Sunday morning Masses.

REPOSITORY

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

THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER - HOLY SOULS

During the month of November, a box for the request of prayers for the souls of loved ones will be placed in front of the altar. If you would like prayers for a deceased loved one, please write their name on one of the slips of paper and place it in the box

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, Charlie Carruthers Fr Kevin Delaney, Fr Don Clement & Emma Jeavons-Fellows

BAMENDA SUNDAY 2ND COLLECTION

This year we celebrate Bamenda Sunday on 5th November, when we give thanks for our link with the Archdiocese of Bamenda in Cameroon and have our annual second collection to raise funds to enable us to give grants to assist the Church in Bamenda with projects in the fields of faith, education and social welfare.

Please give what you can - it all helps.

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

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.

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)

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.

MARYFIELD CONVENT FAITH SHARING PRAYER MEETING

First Tuesday of the month.

Next meeting—Tuesday 7th November 2023 10:30am in the tea room

CAFOD Emergency Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

The terrible situation in Israel and occupied Palestinian territory is tearing lives apart. Your donations will allow CAFOD to provide urgent, practical help to the families who need it, as soon as it's safe to do so. Donate online at www.cafod.org.uk/form=israelipalestiniancrisis

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Wisdom 6: 12 - 16

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 62

For you my soul is thirsting, O God, my God

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4: 13 - 18

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

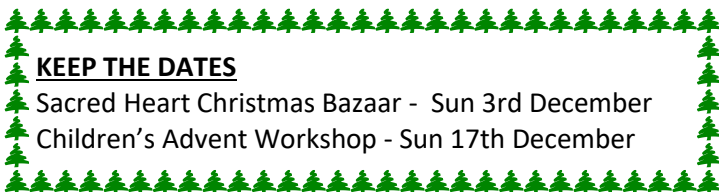
**Stay awake and stand ready,
because you do not know the hour
when the Son of Man is coming.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 25: 1 - 13

BASINGSTOKE CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL

"The Community Furniture Project will be hosting the Basingstoke Christmas Toy Appeal this year. We are collecting new and unwrapped gifts for children of all ages, and young people up to the age of 19, from business and individuals throughout Basingstoke. Did you know that 1 in 10 children live below the breadline? During the festive period, thousands of families struggle as they are forced to choose between buying presents or paying bills. As a result, many children in our area receive no gifts. We hope you can assist us to bring the community together to support this project and help us help local families in need this Christmas". Sacred Heart Church will have a box in the Foyer where toys can be left—thank you.



KEEP THE DATES

- 🌲 Sacred Heart Christmas Bazaar - Sun 3rd December
- 🌲 Children's Advent Workshop - Sun 17th December

Jenny LeLean, Head of Charity, Caritas Portsmouth asks

"Are you a Coop member..?"

If you are, you can help the work of Caritas Portsmouth to support people struggling with social isolation by choosing us as your local Coop cause, through their Local Community Fund. This means that each time you shop at Coop, purchase their branded products, and use your membership card, we receive a donation at no cost to you. Donations will be used to purchase items needed to run social groups, anything from gardening to book clubs, that will create a safe and welcoming spaces for our neighbours and help us become the Church Beyond Walls. Visit our profile page and please spread the word to family, friends and in parishes. If you're not a Coop member yet – that's not a problem! You can join for £1. Thank you so much for your support.

FORMATION DAY FOR READERS:

With the new translation of the Lectionary coming into effect in Advent 2024, this day will consist of reflecting on the theology of the Liturgy of the Word, the actual Lectionary itself, and practicalities of celebrating the Liturgy of the Word. We will welcome Fr Anthony Fyk, the Director of Liturgical Formation for the Diocese to give these reflections. Make the most of this opportunity. If you wish to attend please contact the Parish Office at St Bede's on 01256 465214 OR email: office@stbedesbasingstoke.org.uk