

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B - 21 January 2024

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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, Thurs & Fri)

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 20 Jan	6:00 pm	Mass	Intentions of Fr Kevin Delany
Sunday 21 Jan	10.00 am	Mass	People of the Parish Live Streamed
Monday 22 Jan	9:30 am	Mass	In the Convent
Wednesday 24 Jan	10.00 am	Mass	If Father John is able to attend there will be Mass in the Convent

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 27 Jan	6:00 pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 28 Jan	10.00 am	Mass	P J McErlean RIP Live Streamed
Monday 29 Jan	9:30 am	Mass	In the Convent
Wednesday 31 Jan	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.

CHURCHES TOGETHER HOOK

Every year our 3 Hook churches join for a meal and unity service at the Elizabeth Hall in Hook.

Please do join us! Sunday 21st January at 6pm.

If you can bring some food to share that will be wonderful, but please come anyway!

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.

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, Mike Murch, Charlie Carruthers, Fr Kevin Delaney, Fr Don Clement, Fr Paul Leonard & Maggie Wood



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.



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

COME AND WATCH WITH ME

Visiting Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament is one of the Six Holy Habits.

The Six Holy Habits:

- Spending five minutes a day in prayer
- Attending Mass on Sunday
- Keeping Friday as a day of penance
- Paying a fortnightly visit to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament
- Going to confession once a month
- Joining a small group for formation, prayer and fellowship

MARYFIELD CONVENT

FAITH SHARING PRAYER MEETING

First Tuesday of the month.

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

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.

REPOSITORY

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

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Jonah 3: 1 - 5, 10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 24

Lord, make me know your ways

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29 - 31

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is close at hand;

Believe the Good News.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 1: 14 - 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

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)

CATHEDRAL SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this weekend is for the Cathedral of St John the Evangelist, Mother Church of the Diocese. Father James McAuley, Cathedral Dean, Vicar General and Moderator of the Curia writes: "Never has this annual collection by parishes for the Mother Church of the Diocese been more critical or needed. Your support is vitally important to us". Please give as generously as you can

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.

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



GIFT AID

Thank you to those people who have signed gift aid declarations during 2023 in the name of Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth. However, there are many parishioners who are yet to sign a new form, and because of this our Parish income will be reduced by over £5,000 this year. Any UK taxpayer can sign a simple gift aid declaration and the Parish is able to claim a further 25% on your donations.

A form, which is available on the welcomers table and attached to this newsletter, can be returned to office@sacredhearthook.org or via the Parish letterbox. Many thanks.

PLEASE PRAY FOR VOCATIONS

Are you considering being a priest? Contact Canon John Cooke: portsmouthvocations.org.uk/ tel: 01329 318 86

Praise, Worship and Hospitality Canon John Cooke invites you to join Sacred Heart Parish, Fareham and Portchester for Praise & Worship Evenings at 7.30pm on the **third Friday of each month...**

DOUAI ABBEY

Douai Abbey offers a programme of retreats, workshops, courses and day-schools which offer the opportunity for spiritual and personal development. The focus is generally on spirituality, theology, scripture, history and ministry. They invite you to join them for a number of retreat days, beginning on **Saturday 10th February...**

A WEEK OF GUIDED PRAYER ONLINE

22nd - 26th January 2024 - with daily guidance to help us reflect on the NEWNESS that God wants to bring us this New Year, and to help us live our daily life with a greater awareness of God's presence. Led by the Verbum Dei Community. For more information, please contact: verbumdei.iow@gmail.com

CLOSER TO CHRIST

You may have heard that our Parish here in Hook began the ***Closer to Christ*** campaign in December. Fr. John Lee has met with many of you during various meetings before Christmas to explain the aims and priorities of the campaign, those being:

- Supporting our priests from formation through to retirement; and
- Rejuvenating our local parish communities so that they have the resources to thrive

As we roll out the campaign to the whole community, providing every parishioner with the chance to learn more about this vital initiative, we will announce more meetings and opportunities for everyone to ask questions and consider how they may contribute to this cause.

For those that may be considering their decision, Father John kindly requests that you return your pledge form at your earliest convenience, either at Mass this weekend, to Jan in the Parish Office or via post to the Campaign Office in Portsmouth.

For those that have yet to hear about this undertaking, please keep an eye out for further details over the coming days.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

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.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

In our second reading, Paul reminds the people of Corinth “time is growing short”. Paul’s language is dramatic and can even appear cruel and outrageous, especially when he suggests that those who have wives should live as though they had none: and those who are mourning should live as though they had nothing for which they should mourn. This dramatic language is because Paul felt the second coming of Christ was imminent and he wanted to shock his fellow Christians into following a more Gospel way of life. The call to Simon, Andrew, James and John and their response is no less striking. They are going about their ordinary work, casting their nets into the lake, or, in the case of James and John mending their nets in preparation for fishing. Jesus calls His new disciples to believe in the Good News. In fact, Jesus is the Good News, and He is calling them and us to believe in Him and all that His Kingdom stands for. As was true in the life of the disciples, Jesus comes to each one of us in our ordinary lives. If, as St Paul says in today’s reading, we are “engrossed in the world”, we can be blinded to Christ’s presence in the day-to-day events of our lives.

Taken from The Living Word, Redemptorist Publications

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>

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

CAFOD meetings

You are warmly invited to come to a CAFOD meeting to find about the difference that your donations make. On Saturday 27th January the meeting is at Corpus Christi Church hall 60 Sturges Road, Wokingham RG40 2HE from 10:30am to 1:30pm or on Saturday 3rd February at St Philip Howard Church hall, Bishopsfield road Fareham PO14 1ND. A simple lunch will be provided at both meetings so please book your place so that we have an idea of numbers by emailing Jo on jlewry@cafod.org.uk or phone 07710 094447

HEALING ON THE STREETS TRAINING SAT 3 FEB

Come & join us for training followed by time observing the team (10 am - 12 noon training & 1pm - 3pm on the Streets at The Sarum Centre, Sarum Hill, RG21 8SR (please bring a packed lunch). The HOTS team is a group of believers from across the Churches in Basngstoke who seek to pray on the streets with those who would like prayer.

PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM -

THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY

This will be a two day trip departing from Basingstoke by coach early on Friday 31st May and returning early evening on Saturday 1st June. The estimated cost is £250 (depending on final numbers) to include the coach plus half board in a 3 star hotel. To register your interest please email Susan Beard: ssusanbeard@gmail.com. Susan will be holding a meeting in St Bede's Church hall on Saturday 27th January to outline the itinerary

NO GREATER LOVE:

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH CHRIST'S PASSION

We often hear about Jesus' passion and death, but imagine experiencing them for the very first time. In No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion, we are going to walk step-by-step with Jesus on His journey from His agony in the garden to His crucifixion on Calvary. Along the way, we will unpack the biblical background to these events, the prophecies, and most especially, the ways Jesus is inviting us to walk more closely with Him today. No Greater Love is a five-part Bible study program that will begin this Lent on Monday evenings from 7.30 to 9 pm starting on Monday 19th February. For more information and to register, follow this link: No Greater Love - Course Registration ([google.com](https://www.google.com))



MINI-RETREAT FOR SPIRITUAL RENEWAL
27th JANUARY ON ZOOM

“Chosen to be Holy”

God calls us all to holiness, and transforms us by His Holy Spirit.

Main talk by Charles Whitehead KSG,
internationally respected Renewal Leader,
Conference Speaker & Author.



Mass; Adoration; Prophecy; Praise & Worship; Prayer; Inspiring Talk

Register in advance at bit.ly/ADOREJAN2024
More information from www.altonrenewal.com

POPE FRANCIS' JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION

During January Pope Francis asks us to pray for the gift of diversity in the Church.

He emphasized recognizing “the gift of different charisms within the Christian community.”

