

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE - Year B - 24 November 2024

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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 & Sat)

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Saturday 23 Nov	6:00 pm	Mass	For the Holy Souls
	6:00 pm	Confirmation	Angela Nankervis
Sunday 24 Nov	10.00 am	Mass	Wilfred Azodo RIP
Monday 25 Nov	9:30 am	Mass	In the Convent

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Saturday 30 Nov	6:00 pm	Mass	Richard Cloleman RIP
Sunday 1 Dec	10.00 am	Mass	Frank Mahon RIP
Monday 2 Dec	9:30 am	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 will be available after Mass for Confessions and/or the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the weekend of the 10 & 17 November amounted to £1,797.35 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections.

Thank you for your generosity.

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. Parish Registration forms are available from the welcomers table.

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:
Debbie Cavedon, Jacob Weston, Mike Murch,
Fr Don Clement, Fr Paul Leonard, Ken Musgrave,
Patrica Ringrose-Voase, Fr Jean Patrice, David Xavier
John Kidd, Julie Wood & John Drake-Lee.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe



First Reading Daniel 7: 13 – 14

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 92

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed

Second Reading: Apocalypse 1: 5 - 8

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

Gospel John 18: 33 - 37

CAR PARKING

With our numbers increasing on a Sunday morning, parking is becoming difficult. The owners of Maryfield Care home have been very kind and allowed their car park to be used as an overflow. Please be respectful and remember that the care home guests and staff also use this car park. Please make sure that you are not blocking in any cars and there is always access for emergency vehicles. Thank you



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sun 24 Nov FHC Session at 9am in the Hall
Sun 1 Dec Christmas Bazaar 11 am
Sun 8 Dec Children’s Advent Workshop 11am
Sat 14 Dec Sacred Heart Advent Day of Recollection
led by Rev Ryan Browne

HOW PRIEST’S SERVING IN PARISHES ARE FUNDED.

See next weeks newsletter for explanation

DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS

These are available from the back of the church. There is a charge of £1.00 per booklet, please place the money in the wall box by the side of the Dona (card) machine.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORMS

There are some New Parishioner forms on the Welcomers table, please do complete one of them if you are new to the parish or if you have moved in the past few years. We have had a couple of requests for a Priest’s visit only to find out that the address we had on our records was an old address.



BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Father will be in Aldershot Crematorium blessing local graves on Sunday 24th November, from 1 pm, if you would like Father John to bless a grave for you please let the office know. This short service reminds us to honour the graves of our loved ones, and to pray that their souls are now with the Lord sharing His promise of eternal life. May they Rest in Peace.



WELCOMERS

All those who signed up to be a welcomer, could you please sign the rota sheet on the Welcomers table.

To all Welcomers we would like someone to offer to co-ordinate the welcomers, please contact the office if you are able to fulfill this role.

PRIEST HOUSE UPDATE

Work is continuing inside house now, the ceilings were repaired this week with the electrics and heating to follow on. More information in a couple of weeks time.

ILL AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL

If you are ill and are unable to attend Mass, please let Jan know in the office, we can arrange for communion to be brought to you. If you are in hospital or know that you are going to go in, let us know in the office. By phone 01256 577007 or by email office@sacredhearthook.org

REPOSITORY

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

Pope Francis November Prayer Intention

During November Pope Francis asks us to pray for anyone who has lost a child. We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



MARYFIELD CONVENT

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 5rd December 10:30am
in the tea room

ADORATION FOR PEACE

Tuesday evenings 7:30—8:30pm

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. **May they Rest in Peace.** Please do not put money in the box, thank you.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Saturday 30 November 2024 St Bede's Church, Basingstoke

Child Protection 10:00am to 12:30pm

Working with Adults at Risk 1:00pm to 3:30pm

To book a place please email: safeguarding@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

If you are attending both sessions, please bring a pack lunch with you.

If you are a Extra-ordinary minister to the sick, Children Liturgy or FHC Catechists.
Safeguarding training is mandatory, either face to face or on line every three years.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The UCM will be holding a Christmas Fete on Sunday 1st December at 11 a.m. straight after Mass and Saturday 30th November after evening Mass. All donations of bottles for the tombola, cakes, bric a brac, raffle prizes etc, would be much appreciated and gratefully received. All donations can be left at the back of Church please. However, most importantly we need YOU to come along on the day and be a part of this event. **Raffle Tickets are available after Mass on Saturday and Sunday for the next two weekends.**

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS

Making a world of difference one gift at a time. In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/> or pick up a catalogue in church. World Gifts such as "watering can", "trees for life", or "water for a family" will help transform lives in a world filled with challenges.



Oppose Assisted Suicide - Catholic Bishops' Conference

We are calling on Catholics in England and Wales to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide. Please use the following link for more information and to be able to contact your local MP. <https://gloria.tv/post/EhhpHi3Y7XXD1cqGQXFTUyVn>

There are some cards on the welcomers table that you can fill in and send to your MP.

Alex Brewer is the MP for North East Hampshire and Kit Malthouse for North West Hampshire.



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.** Unless there is an emergency, of course

THE CHURCH—BEFORE MASS

Many have asked me that we try and keep our voices down before Mass so that we can all offer our prayers to God in relative peace before Mass begins. We are a beautiful family of faith at Sacred Heart, therefore very important we chat and catch up. But if we can try and leave this until after Mass it would be much appreciated. Many thanks. Fr J

CHILDRENS ADVENT WORKSHOP

SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 11.00am-12.30pm

We will be running a Children's Advent Workshop after Mass, in the church and all children are warmly welcome! We will be exploring the Nativity story, making our own Angels. We are also delighted to provide pizzas, care of a very generous benefactor! Please sign up on the sheet in the entrance of the church, or alternatively please let Jan know on hello@sacredhearthook.org. Also please indicate if your child has any allergies in terms of the pizzas - thank you

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA LUCKY ME DRAW

Knights of St Columba Lucky Me Draw. The Draw runs from December to November. **For every £12 donation you will be allocated one number in 12 monthly Draws.** This year our monthly prize money has been **doubled to £50** and our **Grand Draw** in December has further prizes of **£100** and **£200** – Please complete the donation form and put in an envelope with the matching donation and label it as Lucky Me Knights of St Columba and either hand in o the Parish Office or directly to your parish Knights of St Columba representative. Thank you so much for your support and Good Luck in the KSC monthly Lucky Me Draw."
DONATION FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WELCOMERS TABLE.

33rd Sunday of the Year – Year B – 2024

Are you a sensitive soul? This isn't a reference to being easily offended. It's a direct reference to your soul. Do you have a soul that 'senses' God?

It must have been twenty years ago, at least, when I attended the ICU at the John Radcliffe Hospital with Margaret. She had called me because her 17-year-old only daughter, Emma, was fighting the horror that is Meningitis. She was losing the battle. Despite the best efforts of so many medics, and what appeared to be gallons of adrenaline, it looked like Emma's dad would not make it back from a trip abroad in time. It looked hopeless. I had no words. While holding Margaret's hand she turned to me and said, "God's will be done," and smiled. Another woman in Maternity at Basingstoke recently said a similar thing to me when she was losing her little one. Once again, I had no words.

Both these women appeared to be really good at sensing God, even in the midst of horrific circumstance. Christians are Christians because they sense God's Spirit in the person of Jesus Christ. They are sensitive to the Holy Spirit and cooperate with it.

"Now learn this lesson from the fig tree: As soon as its twigs get tender and its leaves come out, you know that summer is near."

Sensitive souls will recognise tender twigs. They will recognise the signs of hope the Lord gives us indicating the Kingdom of God is very near. We need to be alert to these signs that point us in the direction of heaven. By continuously looking, and relooking at God through the prism of repentance, we will hear God speak and sense God's presence.

Today you and I have been given another chance to desire a sensitive soul, to receive God's Grace, to nurture a sensitivity to God and neighbour, and refuse to remain in the fog that recognises only myself. These past weeks the Lord reminds us time and again that we cannot love God without loving others. If I fail to recognise, to sense others, I will fail to recognise God. Today we pray for the Grace to become even more sensitive souls.

Mark 13:24 - 32

Fr John C

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 porch where toys can be left—thank you. .



PARISH FINANCE

Dona Plates Contactless giving made easy with Gift Aid optional

Standing Orders

Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

BACS Transfer

Our bank details if you need them are:
CDP Hook Sacred Heart (Lloyds Bank)
Sort Code 30-93-04 Account 00880117

Cheques Payable to 'CDP Hook Sacred Heart'

Gift Aid payers are encouraged to contact in confidence at: office@sacredhearthook.org

Gift Aid and Parish Registration Forms are available from the Welcomers Table or the Parish Office



NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS DONATIONS

You will find our DIGITAL COLLECTION PLATE, contactless terminal behind the welcomers table in the church. Just use your contactless debit/credit card or smart phone/ device to make a donation.

Simply choose the amount you wish to donate and hold your card onto the reader.

You can also opt-in for Gift Aid to increase your donation by 25%.

If you are a UK taxpayer then donating with Gift Aid means that we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 received. Please note that even if you are registered with the Parish you will need to register with the Digital Collection Plate. Contactless donations are simple to administer, secure and convenient.

