

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



EASTER SUNDAY & SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year C - 20 & 27 April 2025

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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)

EASTER SUNDAY

Sat 19 April	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil	For the People of the Parish
Sun 20 April	10.00 am	Easter Sunday	For the People of the Parish
Friday 25th April	12:00 noon	Requiem Mass	Angela Cummins RIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 26 April	6:00 pm	Mass	Edward Hughes RIP
Sun 27 April	10:00 am	Mass	Marcel Fayon RIP
Mon 28 April	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 03 May	6:00 pm	Mass	Tom Whitman RIP
Sun 04 May	10:00 am	Mass	Jack Fèvre RIP
	12:00 noon	Baptism	Owen & Evan Kearney
Mon 05 May	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	

CONFESSIONS & SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Father John will be available after Mass for Confessions and/or the Sacrament of the Sick.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass Intention, please contact Jan in the Parish Office on 01256 577007.

PARISH FINANCE

Dona Plates Contactless giving made easy (with Gift Aid optional) - See the machine at the back of the church

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 the office at: office@sacredhearthook.org

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, Ken Musgrave, Sylvia Hosking, Patrica Ringrose-Voase, Fr Jean Patrice, David Xavier, John Kidd, Julie Wood, Anne Mitchell & Peter Ward



**HE HAS RISEN,
ALLELUIA! ALLELUIA!
WITH PRAYERS TO YOU
ALL FOR A HOLY AND
BLESSED EASTER**

ILL AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL

If you are ill and are unable to attend Mass, please let Sister Mary-Doris know, we can then 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 and Sister Mary-Doris on 07899 653413

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of Angela Cummins RIP, who died on Tuesday evening. Her funeral is on Friday 25th April at 12 noon in The Sacred Heart Church. Please keep her family and friends in your prayers ***May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen***



EASTER COLLECTIONS

Tradition holds that the Easter Offerings are your opportunity for a personal gift to our priests. This is the main source of their annual income. If you would like to support Father John please visit our website for give as you live donate or in the collection bag at Mass this weekend.

Walsingham Pilgrimage: 18th–21st August

If you are on the list to attend, please email Shanthi with the information needed to book your rooms. Accommodation payments should be made directly to the Parish Office.

CAFOD Myanmar earthquake appeal

Please give to CAFOD's Myanmar Earthquake Appeal / 2nd collection on Maundy Thursday and Good Friday to provide water, food, solar lights, mosquito nets and water purification tablets to those devastated by this disaster. Your generosity will extend far and wide and will help the Catholic Church in Myanmar bring comfort and relief to families who are in urgent need. You can also donate at www.cafod.org.uk/myanmar

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sun 27th April	UCM Cake & Plant Sale
Thurs 1 May	Rev Marion Leaving Mass in the Convent
Sat 3rd May	UCM - Curry Night

Bishop Philip sends his blessing to us all for Easter. Fr John also, wish you all joy and abundant blessings for Easter and wishes to thank everyone who has helped to make the Holy Week services complete: the altar servers, choir, church cleaners, Eucharistic Ministers, flower arrangers, greeters, readers, those who take care of the Altar and sacristy and anyone else who has contributed in any way. Thank You

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS...

Our Candidates who will be Received into the Church at our Easter Vigil Mass and Easter Sunday: Marco Guse, Kerry O'Sullivan, Lennie Hedges, Henry Finney, Paige Finney and Catherine Finney.

Reverend Marion de Quidt

Rev Marion from St John's CofE Church in Hook is leaving the area in June this year. We will be having a Mass for her on Thursday 1st May in the Convent with coffee and nibbles afterwards. If you would like to attend please sign the sheet at the back of church or in the Convent.

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.

At 10:30am

in the tea room

TUESDAY UCM KNITTING AND CROCHET GROUP

2nd, 3rd & 4th Tuesday of the month

At 10:30 in the tea room

ADORATION FOR PEACE

Tuesday evenings 7:30–8:30pm

POPE FRANCIS APRIL PRAYER INTENTION

During April Pope Francis asks us to pray for the role of women. The Pope also urges everyone to pray and work for a nonviolent culture which promotes peace.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Easter Sunday

First Reading Acts 10: 34, 37 - 43

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117

**This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.**

Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1 - 4

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Christ, our Passover has been sacrificed;
Let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia!**

Gospel John 20: 1 - 9

UCM Curry Night

Saturday 3rd May after Saturday Mass in the Hall for St Michaels Hospice

There is a sign up sheet on the welcomers table for those who wish to attend.

EASTER 2025

Easter Triduum 7:30pm Maundy Thursday 17 April

3pm Good Friday 18 April

8pm Easter Vigil 19 April

Easter Sunday 10am Sunday 20 April

EASTER WEEK POSTERS

Posters are available free from the table at the back of the church advertising Holy Week. These have been made available by our local Knights of St Columba.

READERS AT MASS

If you are a reader at Mass and are struggling to climb the steps to the Sanctuary, please let us know as we can arrange for the microphone to be brought to your seat.

PARISH OFFICE HOLIDAY TIME!

Please note: The Parish Office will be closed on Tuesday 22nd and Wednesday 23rd April. Please leave a message, both the phone and emails will be checked regularly!



UCM Cake and Plant Sale

Sunday 27th April after Sunday Mass in the hall for the village school in Sri Lanka. Any donations of cakes and plants would be welcome

New for 2025, Seeker Saturdays offer an opportunity for Fellowship, Formation and Food whilst Discerning God's Will. God calls us all, but how will you respond? Seeker Saturdays will be taking place on 3rd May and 28th June, 11am - 3pm at Sacred Heart Church Fareham PO16 0NQ. Advance booking is required and for more information please email: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. (Canon John Cooke)

Palm Sunday – Year C – 2025 – Hook

Feeling it. This week we revisit the last physical journey the Lord made for our sake, before his passion, death and resurrection. This journey uniquely relives, and re-presents, the lengths God was prepared to go to save us, to reconcile us, to forgive us, so what we can be at one with our heavenly Father once again.

Only with God's help, can we truly honour Him this week, with all our heart, soul, mind and strength. Which is why, more than any other week of the year, we are encouraged to receive the real-time gift of forgiveness we celebrate in Confession/Reconciliation. In this most human of Sacraments, we are invited to **'feel it'**; to feel the presence of **God's Grace**, to **know for sure** that all my sins, whatever they were, have been forgiven.

So, I encourage you to go to Confession if you haven't managed it so far. The one-to-one experience of receiving, feeling, His Grace, is uniquely powerful. If you have managed it, there is much rejoicing in heaven! J

For those of you who need God's reconciling Grace, yet stay away from Confession for no doubt good reason, God offers another way. If this is you, please close your eyes and hold your hands out. God sees in this ancient physical gesture, not just your hands, but your heart; your clear and sincere intention to receive His Divine relief, now.

Luke 19:28-40

Fr. John C

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.** 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 C

ADMITTANCE TO HOSPITAL?

When a loved one is admitted to hospital, the family should ensure that the Chaplaincy is contacted so that appropriate support can be given. It is suggested that the patient have a note to give to hospital staff on admission, notifying staff that they are Christian and would appreciate the Chaplaincy service. This could be followed up by a telephone call from the family to the ward to ensure the request is actioned. When a person is due to go into hospital, please also let your parish priest know so that he can administer the Sacrament of the Sick where appropriate.

New Chief Executive Officer needed for Secular Clergy Common Fund

Parishioners may be interested in the advert below as many of you know I am the Portsmouth Administrator of this Fund, which covers also the Archdioceses of Westminster and Southwark, and the Dioceses of Arundel and Brighton and Brentwood. I take this opportunity to thank Angela Rowe, who's now retiring, for her excellent administrative work and concern for so many sick and retired clergy: The Secular Clergy Common Fund ('Big M') is looking to appoint a new CEO. It makes grants to our sick and retired priests and looks after two Catholic cemeteries in London. The role is 0.6FTE and offers flexible working and a salary of £50k-£60k pro rata. For further details contact Angela Rowe secretary@secularclergy.org.uk Closing date 28th April 2025.

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the weekends of the 30th March & 6th April amounted to £1,524.16 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections.
CAFOD Lenten Lunches raised £320.50

Thank you for your generosity.

ADORE spiritual mini-retreat

26th April 10.00-1.00 on Zoom. "PILGRIMS OF HOPE – LOVE MERCY." Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring guest speaker Ros Powell. Please register for the free Zoom meeting in advance at bit.ly/ADOREAPR2025 More information at www.altonrenewal.com

To celebrate the 10th anniversary of the publication of *Laudato Si'* by Pope Francis, on Saturday 10th May, 10am-1pm, CAFOD and CARITAS in Portsmouth are holding a joint event at St Peter's, Winchester that will be packed with practical information of how we can make a difference in our lives and that of our parish. There will be short talks from parishes working on the CAFOD's Live Simply Award, as well as other projects from around the diocese. You will participate in the Let us Dream activity from Journey to 2030. A member of the Diocese estates team will be there to answer questions you may have about how your parish might become more energy efficient, along with case studies. There will be information on waste, food, and biodiversity and lots of ideas and resources to take back to help your parish celebrate *Laudato Si'* week later in the month.

HOLY WEEK

Bishop Philip Egan would like to encourage you to treat Holy Week as a kind of spiritual retreat. Jesus invites us to go with Him to the Father, carrying with us the Cross of our sickness, suffering and sadness. True, most of us won't be able to create the peace, quiet and prayerful solitude of a retreat house. But let's do our best in Holy Week at least to get to the liturgies of the week. Try to spend time each day in prayer, maybe creating a simple schedule. Study and reflect on the Readings of Mass. Why not visit church to make the Stations of the Cross? Look out for a chance to do an act of kindness and charity to someone in need. Let's bombard heaven with our petitions for an end to the war in Ukraine and in the Middle East. And above all, while there's an opportunity, make sure you avail yourself of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, making a good confession in preparation for Easter.

