

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year C - 18 May 2025

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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 & Sat)

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 17 May	6:00 pm	Mass	
Sun 18 May	10:00 am	Mass	Good Estate of Ali
Mon 19 May	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 18 May	6:00 pm	Mass	
Sun 19 May	10:00 am	Mass	
Mon 20 May	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	
Sat 24 May	1:00 pm	Baptism	Arya Rose Stokes

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 COLLECTION

Collection for the weekends of the 27th April & 04th May amounted to £1,555.61 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections.

Thank you for your generosity.

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

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

REPOSITORY

Please check out our repository in the porch.
If there is anything you would like especially the new Missal, FHC and Confirmation items please ask Cecile

UCM TUESDAY KNITTING AND CROCHET GROUP

Please do join us on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of the month at the Convent after the 10 am Eucharistic Service. We are hoping to make hats/blankets, etc to go to hospitals and care homes or anyone in need, so do please come along. All welcome. If anyone has some spare wool, they would like to donate to the group it will be gratefully received.

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 .

UCM Curry Night

Saturday 17th 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.

UCM MEETING

The next UCM meeting is on Saturday 24th May 10:30am in the Convent.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sat 10th May	PC & Finance Meeting 10:30
Sun 11th May	FHC Session 9am
Sat 17th May	UCM - Curry Night

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.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of Rev Vincent Convery RIP who died last week. He was a retired Priest of our Diocese, living initially in Hook and then at Kiln Green. We do not yet have details of his funeral.
May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Fifth Sunday of Easter



First Reading Acts 14: 21 - 27

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 144

I will bless your name for ever, O God my king.

Second Reading: Apocalypse 21: 1 - 5

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Jesus said: 'I give you a new commandment:
Love one another, just as I have loved you.'**

Alleluia!

Gospel John 13: 31 - 35

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

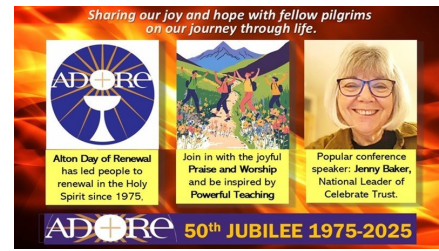
During May Pope Francis had asked us to pray for working conditions.

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and society might be humanized.



ADORE

Spiritual mini-retreat May 31st (Feast of the Visitation) PILGRIMS OF HOPE, Filled with Joy. (Live meeting in Fareham.) Praise and thanksgiving should be our way of life as we travel, sharing our joy and hope with all around us. Binding up the broken hearted & bringing comfort to mourners with the oil of gladness & the mantle of praise. Let us renew our joy in the Holy Spirit, in all circumstances. After the talk, a shared picnic lunch will allow time for fellowship. Then, in the afternoon, there is extended Adoration and an opportunity for Reconciliation.



SIGNIFICANT ANNIVERSARIES MASS: SATURDAY 21 JUNE:

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or anniversary over 60 years? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of celebration. This will take place at St Bede's church in Basingstoke on **Saturday 21 June at 11am**. This will be followed by a buffet lunch. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage.

Please contact **YOUR PARISH SECRETARY** or send an email to anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk to request a form for you to complete and return.

Please note the email address is not monitored daily and you may have to wait for a reply, so please be patient. To help celebrate the occasion please could you provide a **COPY** of your Wedding photograph, you can upload it when you return the form.

Again, if you have no access to the internet you can post a **COPY** along with completed form by post to the following address: **(Please mark envelope Significant Wedding Mass)**

St Bede's Parish Office, Popley Way, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX

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

YEAR OF HOPE

Every 25 years the Church declares a Jubilee Year and the late Pope Francis declared 2025 as the year of Hope. We are encouraged to make a pilgrimage to a holy place of significance. Within the Diocese six churches have been declared as shrine churches to allow the faithful to take part in this special year. The Churches are St. John's Cathedral Portsmouth, St. James's Reading, Sacred Heart Bournemouth, St. Edmund's Southampton, St. Thomas's in St. Helier, Jersey and St. Joseph's St. Peter Port, Guernsey. Look out for details coming soon showing when groups of parishioners are travelling to some of the Holy Doors and join with them if you can.

SHROUD OF TURIN

An exhibition around one of the most famous religious artefacts in history is coming to St John's Cathedral Portsmouth from 1st-14th June. The exhibition, recently in St. George's Cathedral, Southwark, London contains life-sized replicas of the Shroud of Turin. The Shroud is a length of linen cloth which bears a faint image of the front and back of a crucified man. Many believe it is the actual burial shroud used to wrap the body of Jesus of Nazareth after his crucifixion, and upon which his bodily image is miraculously imprinted. New scientific evidence suggests the Shroud is a 1st century cloth. The exhibition will also feature other displays and detailed information boards, which cover evidence revealed by historical and scientific research, explaining how the Shroud's image and bloodstains align with Gospel accounts.

Fourth Sunday of Easter – 2025

Listening by heart. I lived on a farm for a number of years. Every year I witnessed a miracle. Sometimes the lambs had to be separated from their mums for a brief period for medical treatment or the like. Once done, the lambs would be released back into the field. At a matter of days old they seemed to have no problem in identifying the voice of the mum amidst the din of hundreds the other ewes bleating going on. Having identified her voice, in a matter of seconds, they would run towards her following her voice all the way.

“My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me.”

If you are a sheep that belongs to the Lord, you will listen to His voice. But what does this actually mean? Hearing is done with our ears. Listening is done with our hearts, our heads, our whole being. Listening involves absorption, a conversion of the sound into something intelligible, useful, even valuable. It will cause us to respond, to move, our beings. Really valuable communications will touch our hearts, which can move our whole lives in a particular direction.

God’s voice is a really valuable communication. We don’t merely hear God’s voice with our ears. If we hear it we will listen. We listen with our hearts and learn to recognise the voice of Jesus and follow Him, just the likes lambs with the ewes. We will obey Him, as Sister reminded us last week, because we listen and learn with our hearts. As a consequence, we will be protected.

“..they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand.”

Life is given for us to learn how to live, to live in heaven, to live in God’s presence, to live eternally. No one can be an accidental Christian. Following Jesus involves a decision every day to listen, to learn, **by heart**.

John 10:27-30

My sheep listen to my voice; I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father’s hand. I and the Father are one.”

Fr John C

BISHOP CHALLONER’S 50TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION!

If you were a student at Bishop Challoner or know someone who was, and they still play an instrument, the current head of music would love to hear from you. They’re planning a musical performance as part of the school’s upcoming 50th anniversary celebrations, and they are looking at forming an orchestra of current and former pupils.

All you need to do is send an email to Mr. Bryant letting him know what instrument you play and how well you play it. He’ll take care of the rest and be in touch. Email: James.Bryant@bcs.hants.sch.uk

FORMATION TRAINING DAYS

The Liturgy Formation Team for the Diocese is organising a further formation session for Readers this year. The sessions are open to both new and experienced Ministers.

The Readers’ day on 18th October will include a session on Lectio Divina.

The session will take place at St Bede’s Church/Hall in Basingstoke.

In addition, we are organising Formation for Ministers of Children’s Liturgy on 6th September, also at St Bede’s, from 10.30 am to 1 pm. The programme will include prayer and reflection, sharing good practice; working collaboratively; how to grow and communicate as Liturgical Catechists; Music suggestions; and a wish list for future support, networking and how to find more helpers.

Anyone involved in any of the above is encouraged to register via liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Mary Anne Normand, Assistant to Fr Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgical Formation