

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C - 17 August 2025 TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C - 24 August 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)

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 16 Aug	6:00 pm	Mass	
Sun 17 Aug	10:00 am	Mass	Blue Stevens RIP & Ana Aliniab RIP
Mon 18 Aug	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 23 Aug	6:00 pm	Mass	
Sun 24 Aug	10:00 am	Mass	
Mon 25 Aug	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	

TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 30 Aug	6:00 pm	Mass	
Sun 31 Aug	10:00 am	Mass	Kevin Green
Mon 1 Sept	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, Fr Jean Patrice, David Xavier, John Kidd, Anne Mitchell, Peter Ward & Sheila Barlow



REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the soul of **Brenda Taylor RIP, widow of the Late Deacon Pat**, who died last week. Her funeral service will be at 12 noon on Wednesday 27th August led by Fr Paul Leonard at St Bede's Church.



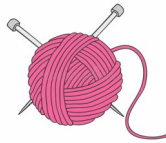
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God. Rest in Peace.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - TAKING A SUMMER BREAK!

Dear Parents, just to let you know that from Saturday July 19th to Saturday September 13th, the Children's Liturgy team will be taking a summer break, and will be back on Sunday 14th September. Have a fab summer!

UCM TUESDAY KNITTING AND CROCHET GROUP

We have been running for a few months now, and our numbers are growing, and the group is evolving. You don't have to be a member of the UCM to come along. Everyone is welcome just drop in. We meet on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th Tuesdays of every month in the Convent after 10 am service. Donations of spare wool would be very much appreciated. Look forward to seeing you.



POPPY APPEAL

In November, Hook Village is adorned with knitted/Crochet poppies, and this year, we thought we would arrange our own display at Sacred Heart. If anyone is willing to help knit or crochet poppies, that would be a great help. You can use your own pattern, or we can provide one. Alternatively, if you would just like to donate some red wool, that would be much appreciated. For further information, please speak to either Maggie Wood or Candy Head.



PARISH HOLIDAY

The parish office will be closed from Monday 18 August to Monday 1st September. The phone and email will be checked daily.



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 newcomers table.

LITURGY OF THE WORD



Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Jeremiah 38: 4 - 6, 8 - 10

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 39

Lord, come to my aid!

Second Reading: Hebrews 12: 1 - 4

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Open our heart, O Lord,

To accept the words of your Son.

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 12: 49 - 53

Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Isaiah 66: 18 - 21

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 116

**Go out to the whole world
proclaim the Good News.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 12: 5 - 7, 11 - 13

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**If anyone loves me he will keep my word,
and my Father will love him,
and we shall come to him.**

Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 13: 22 - 30

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

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

AUGUST PRAYER INTENTION

During August, the Holy Father asks us to pray for mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious, or ideological reasons.



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

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the weekends of the 3rd & 10th August amounted to £1,687.98 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections.

Thank you for your generosity.

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

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

CHILDRENS LITURGY - HELPERS NEEDED

Sacred Heart Church has a small team of volunteers who help our children to grow in their love and understanding of the life of Jesus, and we are looking for more volunteers to join us. Ideally we hope you will have a love of children and a willingness to share your faith with others. If you would like to know more, please contact either Gill Byrne or Maggie Wood at the Parish Office. Thank you.

ADoRE spiritual mini-retreat 30th August 10.00-1.00 on Zoom. "PILGRIMS OF HOPE FORGIVE ONE ANOTHER - Jubilee is above all a time of forgiveness." Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring talk from guest speaker Fr Paul Leonard. Please register for the free Zoom meeting in advance at bit.ly/ADOREAUG2025 More information at www.altonrenewal.com.



What is ADoRE?

ADoRE (Alton Day of Renewal) is a monthly meeting of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal formed in 1975 and blessed with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit ever since. We are now one of the longest continually running Charismatic Days of Renewal in Britain, dedicated to the encouragement of a personal relationship with God through his Son, Jesus Christ, and the charisms of his Holy Spirit. We provide spiritual refreshment through a programme of prayer, Eucharist, adoration, praise, prophecy, inspired teaching and healing ministry.

This year our programme focuses on the lifelong Pilgrimage of Hope, with a particular emphasis on joy in the blessings and gifts of the Holy Spirit for revitalizing the Church

Could you serve the Church as a Trustee of the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth?

“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God’s varied grace.” (1 Peter 4:10)
The Bishop is inviting applications from people who feel called to use their professional expertise in the service of the Catholic Church. This is a unique opportunity to contribute to the mission of Jesus Christ by giving your time and talent to the Stewardship of the Diocese, as a Trustee and member of the Diocesan Finance Council. We have embarked on a bold and faith-filled **ten-year Mission Plan**, *You Will be my Witnesses*, focused on renewal, discipleship, and evangelisation. As a Trustee, you will play a vital role in guiding this transformation, ensuring our resources, safeguarding, and strategic decisions are aligned with our mission and pastoral priorities. We are especially seeking individuals with experience in any of the following areas:

Financial Investment and Asset Management – to help us steward the temporal goods of the Church with wisdom and integrity.

- **Public Protection and Safeguarding** – such as social work, children’s services, or probation, to help oversee and strengthen our commitment to creating a safe environment for all.
- **Strategic Planning and Organisational Change** – to support the delivery of our Mission Plan and ensure our structures are fit for purpose.

Who We Are Looking For

You will be a committed Catholic who:

Is passionate about the Church’s mission and wish to serve the Lord with the skills He has given you

- Understands or is willing to learn about the responsibilities of charity trusteeship and is willing to contribute time and insight
- Can think strategically and work collaboratively with the clergy and laity who make up the board of Trustees and our subcommittees.
- Can offer a day each month to attend meetings, read briefings and undertake some training to support you in the role.
May have skills and experience in chairing committees.

This is an opportunity to make a meaningful contribution to the life of the Church and help shape its future across our parishes, schools, and communities.

To arrange an informal conversation or to request an information pack, please contact: Deacon Tony Darlison
Secretary to Trustees, email: tdarlison@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Closing date: Monday 1 September 2025

CARITAS

Jenny LeLean, Head of Caritas Portsmouth, shares some things you can do to support families in your parish and wider community during the summer holidays. Children, particularly those whose families live with financial instability, are at risk of social isolation and loneliness during school holidays. The long break can put extra pressure on tight family budgets with the loss of free school meals, costs of extra childcare or a dependency on grandparents/other family members, who themselves can struggle. Here are some things you can do to support families in your parish and wider community.

- **Host a Holiday Club.** These are a really simple way to start supporting people in your local community. They bring children together, help make new friends, see old ones, to play, enjoy a meal and learn something new! Clubs can be whole days, half days or a whole week and we have everything you need to know to run one in your parish.
- **Free activity list.** Put a list together of all the free activities that are happening locally, pop your list on your parish noticeboard, website/facebook page. You may find other local community groups do this that you can help to share.
- **Host a free family day.** Not quite as demanding as a holiday club, but an opportunity for families to pop in and try some different activities.
- **Create holiday activity packs.** These can include activity ideas, craft supplies, colouring and puzzle books or run a toy or book swap from your parish.
- **Contact your local foodbank.** The summer can see a drop in food donations and many foodbanks do additional food bags for struggling families and need extra food or specific treats.

For support in any of the above including all the information needed to host a holiday club, contact Caritas on: caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.