

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA - Year C - 9 November 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)

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY / THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

Sat 8 Nov	6:00 pm	Mass	Deceased Brothers of Basingstoke Catenians
Sun 9 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	Doris DeLargy RIP Sheila Fletcher RIP Int. of Lynne O'Sullivan
Mon 10 Nov	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	

ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON

Sat 15 Nov	6:00 pm	Mass	Richard Allen RIP
Sun 16 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	Matthew Bates RIP Private Intention
Mon 17 Nov	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

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the weekends of the 12 & 19 October amounted to £1,518.23 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections. Macmillan Coffee Morning raised £471.00.

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 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, Marilyn Warren, Andrew Henderson, Tony & Jacque Hopgood



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.

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 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

LITURGY OF THE WORD



Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

First Reading Ezekiel 47: 1 - 2, 8 - 9, 12

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 45

**The waters of a river give joy to God's city,
The holy place where the Most High dwells.**

Second Reading: Corinthians 3: 9 - 11, 16 - 17

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I have chosen and consecrated this house, says the Lord,
for my name to be there forever.**

Alleluia!

Gospel John 2: 13 - 22

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

If you would like Father John to bless a local 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.

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

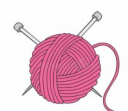
MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

A HUGE thank you to everyone who supported this event. We raised a phenomenal sum of £471.00 exceeding last year's amount. Many thanks to everyone who worked so hard to make this possible.

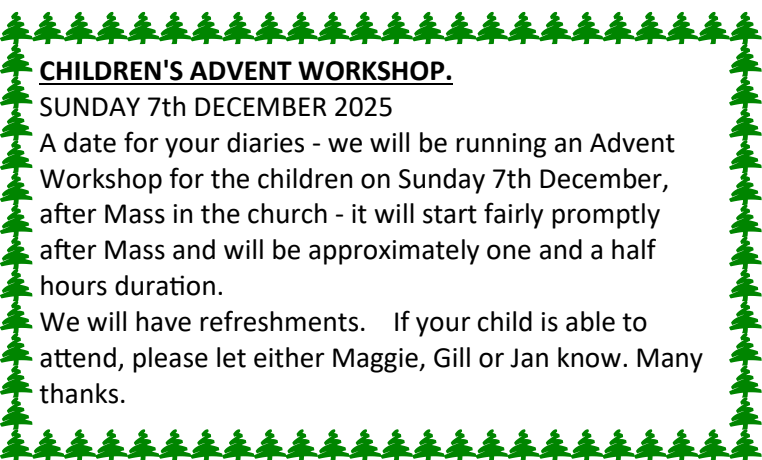
DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sun 7 Dec	Children's Advert Workshop
Sat 13 Dec	Advent Retreat Day with Father Fergal McGuire SSCC

TUESDAY KNITTING AND CROCHET GROUP



We have been running for a few months now, and our numbers are growing, and the group is evolving. 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.



CHILDREN'S ADVENT WORKSHOP.

SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER 2025

A date for your diaries - we will be running an Advent Workshop for the children on Sunday 7th December, after Mass in the church - it will start fairly promptly after Mass and will be approximately one and a half hours duration.

We will have refreshments. If your child is able to attend, please let either Maggie, Gill or Jan know. Many thanks.

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.

THE ODE OF REMEMBRANCE

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old.
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun, and in the morning,
we will remember them.

All: We will remember them

When you go home, tell them of us, and say:
'For your tomorrow, we gave our today'.



WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE 2026

We are delighted to announce our second annual ecumenical pilgrimage to Walsingham, taking place from 17th—21st August 2026, departing from Sacred Heart Hook.

This special journey offers time for prayer, reflection and fellowship with friends from different Christian traditions. A non-refundable deposit of £40 is required by the end of November to secure your place.

If you are interested please put your name on the list at the back of the church

ETERNAL FATHER STRONG TO SAVE

Eternal Father, strong to save,
Whose arm hath bound the restless wave,
Who bid'st the mighty ocean deep
Its own appointed limits keep;
Oh, hear us when we cry to Thee,
For those in peril on the sea!

O Christ the universal Lord
Who suffered death by nails and sword.
From all assault from deathly foe.
Sustain thy soldiers where they go;
And evermore hold in thy hand,
All those in peril on the land.

O Holy Spirit, Lord of grace
Who fills with strength the human race,
Inspire mankind to know the light,
Guide all who dare the eagle's flight;
And underneath thy wings of care
Guard all from peril in the air.

O Trinity of love and power!
Our brethren's shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them whereso'ere they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise from land and sea.

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 C

CHRISTMAS FAYRE

Sunday 30 November at 11 am (The hall will also be open on Saturday 29th November at 7 pm)

We would greatly appreciate donations of the following items:-

Bottles for the tombola

Raffle prizes

Bric a brac

Cakes (on the Saturday and/or Sunday please)

Children's toys/books

Please could any donations be put into the Welcomers' cupboard at the back of church.

All moneys raised will be going towards the Parish for the purchase of new albs for the Altar servers and Altar Cloths.

Many thanks

All Saints – 2025 – Hook

Saints and Sinners. I grew up with Matt and his family in the 70's. We went to the same school. Co-incidentally, his parents later moved to Christchurch, where I used to serve. Matt died aged just 54 and was buried last Thursday. The Priory was absolutely packed. Much about his life came to light after his death.

Matt rarely went to church, but he believed that every single person was his brother or sister. If he perceived a need in someone, he personally accepted the invitation to help. Matt paid someone's deposit for a house simply to get them on the property ladder. To another, hitherto unknown, he gave a bed for the night.

To another homeless person he gave his time, every day, as "this might be the only connection he had with another human being that day."

Brothers and Sisters, the way Matt chose to live was not about being 'nice'. Most of us practice that, especially when we are to benefit in some way. We 'pay back' a good turn. Matt 'paid forward', a phrase his wife Gilly taught me, giving without any hope of return. People do this when they are connected to God, when they allow God's Spirit to drive their spirit. Such people recognise every person as a neighbour.

Matt was so instinctively generous, he didn't even know he was doing it, which conforms exactly to the Way of Jesus.

'...when you give to the poor and do acts of kindness, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing.'

Single handedness is a sure sign that someone lives in the groove of Grace, they are repenting and are repentant; that they are living the life of a saint. They will value God and neighbour more than money. They will be instinctively generous, compassionate whenever they get the chance. They will be gently strong seeking justice for all, slow to judge, rich in mercy, which is the life of Blessedness.

If you are a sinner, you can become a saint. Recognise your sin, accept forgiveness, repent, keep repenting - having a change of heart. Live in the groove of Grace. Today's feast is a deep-down reminder to become better people.

Matthew 5:1-12

Fr John C

CHARITY THANKSGIVING MASS FOR VOLUNTEERS:

On Saturday 15 November 2025, on the weekend of the World Day of the Poor, Bishop Philip will be celebrating a Thanksgiving Mass for volunteers involved in social action throughout the diocese. The Mass is at 10:30am, at St Joseph's parish, St Michaels Road, Basingstoke RG22 6TY, for more information, contact Caritas at caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Holy Ghost parish are holding an Advent Fair on Saturday 29th November from 11.30am to 3pm at St Bede's Church and you are all most welcome. There will be a raffle, tombola, lucky dip for younger children, games, cake and bottle stalls with craft stalls in the hall and cloister, and live music in the church. The repository will also be open. Come and spend for an hour, and raise funds for St Michael's Hospice and the parish.

ADORE morning of spiritual renewal 22nd November. 10.00-1.00 on Zoom. "PILGRIMS OF HOPE - SIGNPOSTS TO THE KINGDOM." How we can revitalise Parishes to show people the way and share our hope with the lost. Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prophecy, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring talk from guest speaker Dr. Hannah Vaughan-Spruce. Register in advance for Zoom meeting 10.00-1.00 at bit.ly/ADORE22NOV2025
More information at www.altonrenewal.com

VERBUM DEI RETREAT

Advent Retreat (5-7 Dec) and New Year Retreat 31 Dec - 4 Jan) - "He is our Peace!" (Eph 2:14) - at the Verbum Dei Retreat Centre on the Isle of Wight. These retreats want to give space for us to be and contemplate the Peace that Christ wants to give us. If you are interested to join it or want to know more information about it, please contact us: verbumdei.iow@gmail.com, www.uk.verbumdei.org

Basingstoke Choral Society presents an evening with Brahms

When: Saturday 22nd November 2025 Concert starts **7:30 pm** Where: The Anvil Basingstoke
Conductor: **Jordan** Theis, Orchestra: The Docklands Sinfonia. Programme: Brahms German Requiem, Brahms, Pre-Concert Talk at 6.30 pm. To book: <https://www.anvilarts.org.uk/events/basingstoke-choral-society>