

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year A - 1 February 2026

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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)

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 31 Jan	6:00 pm	Mass
Sun 1 Feb	10:00 am	Mass Intentions of Lucas Laski
Mon 2 Feb	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Sat 7 Feb	6:00 pm	Mass
Sun 8 Feb	10:00 am	Mass Intentions of Lucas Laski
Mon 9 Feb	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent

CONFESIONS & 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.

WELCOME FATHER FERGAL

Welcome back Father Fergal who will be celebrating Mass with us on Saturday evening, whilst Father John continues to recover from his operation.

REPOSITORY

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

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

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,
Nikki Pink, Ken Musgrave, Sylvia Hosking,
Fr Jean Patrice, David Xavier, John Kidd, Anne Mitchell,
Peter Ward, Sheila Barlow, Andrew Henderson, Tony & Jackie Hopgood & Maeve & John Crangle



POPE LEO JANUARY PRAYER INTENTION

During January Pope Leo asks us to pray for prayer with the Word of God. Let us pray that praying with the word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS AND SOUP LUNCH

The UCM will be doing the Stations of the Cross every Friday at 12 noon in the church during Lent. This will be followed by a Soup Lunch in the hall. Everyone is welcome. Voluntary donations will be in aid of CAFOD. The first Friday will be the 20th February 2026. On the last Friday (27th March) we hope to re-enact a Passover Meal. More details to follow.

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 January to secure your place. If you are interested please see Shanthi or Jan in the Parish Office

OTHER LOCAL CHURCH, SUNDAY MASS TIMES

St Joseph's, Basingstoke

Rev Paul Leonard

Masses at 6pm Sat / 9am & 11am Sun

St Bede's, Basingstoke

Rev John Lee

Masses at 9am, 11am & 6pm Sun

St Michael's, Tadley

Rev Stephen Vooght

Masses 6pm Sat / 9am Sun

St Oswald's, Burghfield

11am Sundays

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.

LITURGY OF THE WORD



FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading Zephaniah 2: 3, 3: 12 - 13

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 145

**How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1: 26 - 31

Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed are you, Father,
Lord of heaven and earth,
for revealing the mysteries of the kingdom
to mere children.
Alleluia!**

Gospel Matthew 5: 1 - 12

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

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Sat 14th Feb PPC & Finance Meeting

Wed 18th Feb Ash Wednesday 10am & 6:30pm Mass

Sat 21 Feb UCM

Sat 28th Feb FHC

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

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

FORMATION MORNING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNICATION

Fr Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgical Formation and the Liturgy Formation team invite you to a formation morning at St Peter's Pastoral Centre, Winchester on Saturday 9th May 2026 commencing with Mass at 9 am. There will be a welcome session from Fr Anthony, a talk focussing on the Eucharist in the sacred scriptures as well as a session on Lectio Divina: "Living a Eucharistic life – what does it mean to live out the eucharist?".

All Eucharistic Ministers, experienced and new, are very welcome to attend.

If you wish to attend, please register via liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

ONLINE GIFT CARD FRAUD

Gift card fraud is an increasingly common way of tricking victims into purchasing gift cards and sharing their details, leading to financial loss. Please be aware that there have been scam messages circulating which appear to come from priests or diocesan staff, asking people to buy gift cards or provide financial help urgently. The Diocese and its clergy will never ask for money, gift cards, vouchers, or personal details by email, text message, or social media. If you receive a message of this kind, do not respond and do not send any money. Please report it to your parish office so that we can alert others. Thank you for your vigilance and for helping to protect our parish communities.



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.

TEN YEAR MISSION PLAN

Over the next few weekends members of the PPC will be talking at Mass about the Pastoral Area Ten year plan which includes Basingstoke, Hook and Tadley. The Team lead by Father John Lee has produced a flip book which can be found at <https://heyzine.com/flip-book/fae88b7530.html#page/1> and also some prayer cards which will be handed out at Mass over the weekends. There will be a limited number of hard copies available if you would like a hard copy of the flip book please sign the list at the back of the church.

SALT AND GRIT BIN

Just a reminder that there is a salt and grit bin by the side of the disabled parking bays, for use when the car park area is icy.



PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the weekend of the 18th & 25 January amounted to £1,569.68 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections.

Thank you for your generosity.

**SACRED HEART PARISH
INCOME AND EXPENDITURE**

	2024/2025	2023/2024
INCOME		
Offertory Collection / Standing Orders / DD	42,997.44	44,660.06
Repository / books / papers / candles	2,213.45	1,790.40
Hall Income	1,081.00	2,501.25
Priests House Rent	6,356.55	
Other ordinary items / Interest	288.00	412.29
Legacies	1,290.00	2,220.00
Closer To Christ	4,432.67	
Donations	1,700.00	
 Total Income	 60,359.11	 51,584.00
EXPENDITURE		
Clergy Stipend / Housekeeping	13,218.31	10,280.96
Motor Expenses	5,243.83	1,688.01
Supply Priests	766.40	766.40
Parish Staff Wages	15,325.25	15,273.99
 Altar and Liturgical	 1,552.16	 1,613.24
Light, Heat and Water	5,829.49	3,911.30
Repairs and Maintenance	6,399.03	9,694.10
Equipment	100.00	3,347.05
Health and Safety & Fire Risk	1,151.59	111.84
Presbytery Renovation	32,406.80	8,133.40
 Council tax / Insurance	 3,214.77	 2,750.45
Telephone / Computer/Postage/Photocopying	3,158.83	3,332.98
Diocesan Levy	9,840.00	11,908.00
Books/Courses/Events	2,858.82	1,797.26
Professional/Music License	504.00	517.68
Pastoral Area Donation	250.00	750.00
 Total Expenditure	 101,819.28	 75,876.66

FINANCIAL INCOME AND EXPENDITURE

The Parish had a loss of Income over Expenditure in 2024/2025 of £41,460.17. This was mainly due to the Renovation of the Presbytery. The Presbytery was rented out in March 2025 at approx. £1,300 per month. The Hall income was reduced this year due to a group no longer using it. We had our Health & Safety and Fire Risk assessments this year which increased our expenditure for this item. If you have any questions about the Income and Expenditure please do contact Jan in the Parish Office.