

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year A - 12 APRIL 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)

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 11 Apr	2:00 pm	Wedding Blessing	Freddie and Angel
	6:00 pm	Mass	Mary Cornall RIP & Int of John Cornall
Sun 12 Apr	10:00 am	Mass	Noelle Mulville RIP
Mon 13 Apr	9:30 am	Mass in the Convent	

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 18 Apr	6:00 pm	Mass	Eric Edwards RIP
Sun 19 Apr	10:00 am	Mass	Laska Family Intentions Private Intention
Mon 20 Apr	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 COLLECTION

Collection for the weekend of the 22 & 29 March amounted to £1,777.60 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections. **Thank you**

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, Maeve & John Crangle



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LITURGY OF THE WORD



SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

First Reading Acts 2: 42 - 47

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117

**Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end**

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1: 3 - 9

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

Alleluia!

Gospel John 20: 19 - 31

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

PASTORAL COUNCIL (SACRED HEART)

If you have any questions for the PC then please either email them to ppc@sacredhearthook.org or drop them into the parish office.

The minutes are available from the welcomers table.

PASTORAL AREA COMMITTEE (BASINGSTOKE)

SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM

Shanthy Fernando is our representative on the SLT

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.

THANK YOU

Dear Brothers and Sisters, a massive thank you to you all for your prayers, thoughts, cards, gifts and more besides. Very much appreciated.

God bless you all. Fr John

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

ADoRE spiritual mini-retreat 25th April 10.00-1.00 online. "SURRENDER TO LOVE." The Holy Spirit transforms us by helping us surrender to God's love. Mini retreat morning including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring talk from speaker Geoff Poulter, trainer in prophecy, healing and discipleship. **Attend in person** if possible at St. Joseph's, Christchurch, Dorset. Details at https://www.altonrenewal.com/this_month

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 revitalising the Church.

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

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Easter – 2026

You Cannot Buy It For Love Nor Money. When playing any venue across the globe the singer, Billy Joel, leaves strict instructions in the box office not to sell any seats in the first two rows. You cannot buy them for love nor money. Every show, about five minutes before ‘curtain up’, he sends his staff out to the back rows, and anyone else with an obscured view. The staff then invite all the people who were in the back rows forward to take the seats in the front two rows. Such a beautiful thing to do, lavish yet undeserved generosity in action.

Easter is the greatest feast in the Christian calendar because we celebrate how the God gave us **a gift you cannot buy for love nor money**, how His Son left the stage of heaven to fetch us from the back rows, where you and I tend to live, to bring us forward to the best seats found only in heaven. We have to be led there. It’s not possible to get there under our own steam. We have to be led by the hand and heart of God, who is Jesus Christ, to walk the Way.

The last three days have provided very heavy hints as to what walking the Way of Jesus actually looks like. On Holy Thursday we were reminded walking the Way must involve a life of loving and serving, at all costs, after the pattern of just the Master who served even those who went on to betray Him. Yesterday we were reminded how we are to hold the cross, not admire it from a distance. We hold it next to our skin, our heart, because it carries us through even the worst human experience. Collectively, walking the Way, this living and loving under the power of God’s Grace leads us into today, the reality that nothing can ultimately defeat us, not even death.

In the words of St John, when speaking of the other disciple – possibly himself - who had reached the tomb first.

“He saw and believed.”

Recognise God’s blessings. Recognise Jesus. Believe. Happy Easter!

John 20:1-9

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene went to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the entrance. So, she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, “They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we don’t know where they have put him!”

So, Peter and the other disciple started for the tomb. Both were running, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. He bent over and looked in at the strips of linen lying there but did not go in. Then Simon Peter came along behind him and went straight into the tomb. He saw the strips of linen lying there, as well as the cloth that had been wrapped around Jesus’ head. The cloth was still lying in its place, separate from the linen. Finally, the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went inside. He saw and believed. (They still did not understand from Scripture that Jesus had to rise from the dead.)

Fr John C

FORMATION MORNING FOR EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION 9TH MAY

9 am to 1.30 pm Pastoral Centre, Winchester Talks & Reflections (Bring own sandwich, tea/coffee provided) If you wish to attend, please register via liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

NEW PARISH DATABASE SYSTEM - CHURCHSUITE

The Parish is now using a new system called CHURCHSUITE. This is a modern parish database management system that allows Parishes to more effectively store parishioner information, communicate with parishioners e.g. Newsletter distribution, organise church rotas, manage Gift Aid, etc. It enables all parishioner information & data privacy consents to be safely secured in one place & provides full compliance with GDPR Privacy Law. It has been sourced & provided by the Diocese & is currently being adopted across all Parishes in our Pastoral Area.

As a result, we therefore need to renew all the information we hold about parishioners. Therefore, to ensure you remain registered as a parishioner and to continue to receive communications from the Parish, including the Newsletter, please do kindly fill out a new Registration Form at the earliest possible opportunity.

There will eventually be a cut-off date when Newsletters will only be sent via CHURCHSUITE & this will be announced in advance. Please note the following:

There is a separate adult and child registration form.

Printed forms are available on the welcomers table, for Parishioners who have difficulty in accessing the internet. Please kindly return your completed forms to the Parish Office.

The Adult Registration Form is available by copying and pasting the following URL link:

<https://catholicdioceseofportsmouth.churchsuite.com/-/forms/xgfxemn6>

or by scanning this QR code:



The Child Registration Form is available by copying and pasting the following URL link:

<https://catholicdioceseofportsmouth.churchsuite.com/-/forms/ury2lp4z>

or by scanning this QR code:



Thank you to all those who have already registered. We strongly encourage everyone to register on this new database, ChurchSuite, as soon as possible. We are no longer able to use the old database.

Called and Gifted - Registration Open!

There will be four 90 minute sessions on Monday evenings, 13, 20, 27 April and 11 May from 7:30 to 9:00pm at St Bede's Hall. For more info on C&G, please see www.calledandgifted.org.uk

The cost per person is £30 which covers the learning, discerning and a workbook that covers the whole journey and access to a library of online resources. **To register, please email Joan Kent at jkent@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk with your name, contact details and the church you attend.**



ST MARY'S CHURCH

The 12th century St Mary's Church Hartley Wintney will open on Easter Sunday and each Sunday to the 27th September 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

A member of FOSM will be there to help and assist you during your visit. Our on going appeal is the upkeep of the church. To make a donation go on line at "Go fund Me St Mary's Church Hartley Wintney" Thank you

