

CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM WITH ST PAUL, PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 19 January 2025 : The Second Sunday of the Year

Today's Gospel of the first miracle of the Lord at Cana in Galilee, in which Jesus changed water into wine at a wedding feast, has become a favourite reading for weddings, and rightly so. Water was the image of the Law of Moses for the people of Israel: as the springs of water quenched their thirst in the desert, so the Law quenched their thirst for wisdom and knowledge. By raising water to wine, Jesus signifies that the Old Testament legal manner of relating to God is raised to a rich new relationship of celebration. But the context of a wedding is significant: throughout the Old Testament, the prophets cast God's relationship with his people in terms of a marriage. By this miracle at the wedding feast, Jesus also raises the water of natural marriage to the status of a sacrament, conferring on human marriage the grace and power to be the image of God who loves.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 18 January	6pm	St Colman	Sunday 2	Sir Denis & Lady Daley
Sunday 19 January <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Sunday 2	Janet Lentieul
	11:30am	St Paul	Sunday 2	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Sunday 2	QA Hospital Mass
	6:30pm Sacred Heart Waterlooville: Nexus Youth Mass & gathering			
Monday 20 January <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	St Fabian	Progress of Peoples (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 21 January	9am	St Colman	St Agnes	Ben Goodlad ints
Wednesday 22 January <i>Bible Study 5-6pm St Colman</i>	10am	St Paul's School	St Vincent	St Paul's School Mass
Friday 24 January <i>St Paul open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	St Francis de Sales	Fr Roger Hendry RIP
Saturday 25 January	6pm	St Colman	Sunday 3	Pro Populo
Sunday 26 January <i>Holy Hour 5-6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Sunday 3	Mary Ann White
	11:30am	St Paul	Sunday 3	Tadeusz Rondzista RIP
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Sunday 3	QA Hospital Mass

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday
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Alphas Courses this Spring

Our Parish Area Evangelisation Team will be offering Alpha Courses on:

- Mondays 7-9pm at St Patrick Hayling Island from 10 March 2025: contact alpha.hayi@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
- Wednesdays 7-9pm at St Colman Cosham from 19 March 2025: contact alpha@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk

The Alpha Course is designed to open up encounter with the person of Jesus Christ, through encounter with each other: we share a meal, watch a short film together, and discuss questions in small groups. The Alpha Course lasts for 11 weeks and includes an away day.

**Day of Recollection for Readers
this Saturday 25 January 2025 12-4pm
St Colman's Church and Hall**

An afternoon of formation for readers of the Word at Mass. To register please email scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk It would be very helpful if everyone who regularly reads at Mass or would like to read could attend.

Parish Area Synodal Gathering

Please save the date of Saturday 22 February 2025 for our Synodal Gathering at St Joseph, Havant from 10am to 3pm: an opportunity for clergy and laity to reflect together on the mission of the Church in South-East Hampshire.

Nexus Youth Event

Sacred Heart of Jesus, Waterlooville will be hosting the first in a series of monthly youth events (14-18) this Sunday evening from 6:30pm to 9pm.

Second Collections

Sunday 19 January: Pax Christi (Peace)
Sunday 23 January: St John's Cathedral

No tea or coffee after 9:30 Mass this Sunday:
our Orthodox brothers and sisters are using St Colman's Hall to celebrate the Liturgy.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 5:30pm at St Colman's Church.

Of your charity, please pray:

- For friends and neighbours who are ill or housebound: Kana Blyth, Joe Charlton, Elizabeth Christian, Christine, Anne & Michael Colley, Tommy Cooper, John Cox, Pauline Crook, Moira Cunningham, Peter Galvin, Jean Gartshore, Bob Guy, Janet, Dawn Marie, Sajimon Mathew, Paula Medd, Phoenix, Valerie O'Donnell, Maureen Smeeth, Beryl Walters, Pauline Webb, Verena.
- For patients in the Queen Alexandra Hospital and for residents in the care homes and nursing homes in our parish: Kinross, The Haven, Hamilton House, and East Cosham.
- For St Paul's Primary School: the staff, governors, children, parents and families.
- For the souls of the faithful departed: may they rest in peace.