

ST COLMAN & ST PAUL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY, COSHAM AND PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 19 October 2025 : 29th Sunday of the Year

In today's Gospel, the Widow wins the day with the Unjust Judge by pestering him until he gives in. One reason for making the Mass more child-friendly is the hope that children will use their pester-power to get their parents to bring them to Sunday Mass! With our first Holy Communion programme starting this month, here is a tough message for parents straight out of the gate: by bringing your children for Baptism and Holy Communion you have already set up the expectation that your family will be at Sunday Mass every week. Your priest should not have to chase after you. Do you expect your children to keep promises they make to you? Then keep the promises you made to God on their behalf. Parents are the first educators of their children and the greatest influence on their lives. What are you going to teach them? To tell the truth and to keep promises, of course! Let us make this journey together as families and as a parish family, not only toward the celebration of first Holy Communion, but as a journey of conversion towards the heart of God.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 18 October ST LUKE, EVANGELIST	6pm	St Colman	29th Sunday	Maximus Almeida RIP
Sunday 19 October FOREIGN MISSION SUNDAY <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	29th Sunday	Holy Souls
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul	29th Sunday	Pro Populo
	4pm	Hospital Chapel	29th Sunday	QA Hospital Mass
Monday 20 October <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Feria	Val Croughan RIP (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 21 October	9am	St Colman	Feria	Dorothy Campbell RIP
Wednesday 22 October <i>No Bible Study this evening</i>	7:30am	St Colman	St John Paul II	Family and friends of Celia Cummings
Friday 24 October	6:30pm	St Colman	St Anthony Claret	Julie Scarborough RIP
Saturday 25 October	6pm	St Colman	30th Sunday	Valerie Bishop RIP
Sunday 26 October <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	30th Sunday	Priests, nuns and religious
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul	30th Sunday	Pro Populo
	4pm	Hospital Chapel	30th Sunday	QA Hospital Mass

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

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account number 00884554; sort code 30 93 04; reference "offertory donation".
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gift aid enquiries to Lesley Kilby via the parish office: scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Reclaim Hallowe'en for Saints and Angels!
ST COLMAN WITH ST PAUL



Lighting in St Colman's Church

As the evenings draw in and the days become more overcast, we are trying to keep the church looking welcoming and reassuring by leaving some lights on during the day. It is a sign of welcome to people who might decide to come in and pray. The lights are modern LEDs and cost little on money or energy to keep lit. Please leave the lights on if you come into church during the day or in the evening and find them lit.

Second collections

We raised £519.94 for Cafod over two weeks and a further £114.61 for PACT: thank you for your generosity! This weekend our second collection is for the foreign missions.

From our Justice and Peace group: please continue to write to the House of Lords and to pray that Parliament will ultimately reject the Leadbeater Bill to legalise assisted suicide and also the Antoniazzi Amendment to legalise abortion up to birth for any or no reason.

The Sanctuary Lamp which burns constantly before the Tabernacle is sponsored this week for a private intention.

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, 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, especially Moira Cunningham: may they rest in peace.