

ST COLMAN & ST PAUL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY, COSHAM AND PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 9 November 2025 : Remembrance Sunday

This weekend our Sunday Mass readings are taken from the Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, a feast of the Lord which takes the place of the Sunday. We also commemorate those fallen in war this Remembrance Sunday, as we continue to pray for the faithful departed during their month of November. Jesus' words and actions in our Gospel reading (John 2:13-22) draw together these two themes. The Lord performs an enacted parable in the Temple, by driving out the traders selling animals and changing money: the literal level is a protest against the secularisation of a holy place, but on the level of spiritual meaning, Jesus points to his own death and resurrection, the laying down of his life (cf John 10:15,18; 15:13) through the analogy of the destroying and rebuilding of the temple of his body. Jesus is the primordial martyr, the tragedy of whose death produces a greater good in his rising again. For those who fall in war in the pursuit of justice and the defeat of evil, there is also a martyrdom and the hope of resurrection. As Saint Oscar Romero said: "I do not believe in death without resurrection."

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 8 November	6pm	St Colman	The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (the Pope's Cathedral in Rome). Remembrance Sunday.	Holy Souls
Sunday 9 November REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman		Mary Ann White
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul		Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel			QA Hospital Mass
Monday 10 November <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	St Leo the Great	John Joseph Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 11 November ARMISTICE DAY	7:30am	St Colman	St Martin	Family and friends of Celia Cummings
Wednesday 12 November <i>Bible Study 5pm St Colman</i>	7:30am	St Colman	St Josaphat	Benefactors of the clergy retirement fund
Friday 14 November	6:30pm	St Colman	Feria	Priests, nuns & religious
Saturday 15 November	6pm	St Colman	St Edmund of Abingdon, Joint Principal Patron of the Diocese of Portsmouth.	Frank Coleman and Stella & Michael Forde RIP
Sunday 16 November <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman		Win Bearman RIP
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul		Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel			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

All Saints Party: Thank you!

Many thanks to all who helped to organise and prepare for our All Saints Party last weekend, and thank you to all who came to make it such a successful social event for our community. Many of us dressed as Saints or Angels, witnessing to Christ, and reclaiming Hallowe'en as a Christian celebration. We also raised £180 for our parish funds!

Flag poles at St Colman

You may have noticed the flag poles have gone from St Colman's church yard: they are being replaced next week.

Catholic Grandparents' Association

This worldwide movement, started in Ireland in 2002, now has a local group meeting in our pastoral area. The next meeting is at 11am on Thursday 13 November at St Michael and All Angels, Leigh Park.

Forthcoming Social Events



St Colman's Community Lunch

Saturday 22 November 1pm at St Colman's Hall: a celebration of our parish's Irish heritage, with Irish-themed food and music.



St Nicholas' Fair

Saturday 6 December 12 – 3pm at St Colman's Hall: to get us ready for Christmas, we will have winter food and drink, stalls, games and the traditional Santa's Grotto.

Second collections

Thank you for your contributions to our second collections. Last week we raised £204.54 for Bamenda Sunday.

The Sanctuary Lamp which burns constantly before the Tabernacle is sponsored this week for the Holy Souls.

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, Heather Webber, 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 for Alice Czoch and Justin Quinn: may they rest in peace. Justin Quinn's funeral Mass will be celebrated on Thursday 20 November at 11:45am at Sacred Heart of Jesus and St Peter the Apostle, Waterlooville.