

ST COLMAN & ST PAUL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY, COSHAM AND PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 8 February 2026 : 5th Sunday of the Year

For we must consider that we shall be as a city upon a hill. The eyes of all people are upon us. So that if we shall deal falsely with our God in this work have undertaken, and so cause him to withdraw his present help from us, we shall be made a story and a by-word through the world. We shall open the mouths of enemies to speak evil of the ways of God, and all professors for God's sake. We shall shame the faces of many of God's worthy servants, and cause their prayers to be turned into curses upon us till we be consumed out of the good land whither we are going. ... Beloved there is now set before us life and good, death and evil, in that we are commanded this day to love the Lord our God, and to love one another, to walk in his ways and to keep his commandments and his ordinances and his laws, and the articles of our Covenant with him, that we may live and be multiplied, and that the Lord our God may bless us in the land whither we go to possess it. But if our hearts shall turn away, so that we will not obey, but shall be seduced, and worship and serve other Gods, our pleasure and profits, and serve them; it is propounded unto us this day, we shall surely perish out of the good land whither we pass over this vast sea to possess it; Therefore let us choose life that we and our seed may live, by obeying His voice and cleaving to Him, for He is our life and our prosperity.

John Winthrop, 'A model of Christian charity', sermon aboard the *Arabella*, 1630

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 7 February	6pm	St Colman	5th Sunday	Kathleen Cooper RIP
Sunday 8 February SEXAGESIMA <i>Holy Hour for Vocations: 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	5th Sunday	Mary Ann White
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul	5th Sunday	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		5th Sunday	QA Hospital Mass
Monday 9 February <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Feria	John Joseph Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 10 February	9am	St Colman	St Scholastica	Gladys & Christopher Buckingham
Wednesday 11 February <i>No Bible Study this week</i>	7:30am	St Colman	Our Lady of Lourdes	Faithful departed RIP
Friday 13 February	6:30pm	St Colman	Lourdes Mass	William Medd RIP
Saturday 14 February	6pm	St Colman	6th Sunday	Graham & Heather McKenna RIP
Sunday 15 February QUINQUAGESIMA <i>Holy Hour for Vocations: 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	6th Sunday	Mary, Patrick, Michael & Peter Mulherin
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul	6th Sunday	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		6th Sunday	QA Hospital Mass

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday
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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

Alpha Courses in Southeast Hampshire

Our Spring Alpha Course at St Colman will run from 2 March to 8 June on Monday evenings 7-9pm at St Colman's Hall. There is also a Tuesday night online Alpha and a Thursday evening Alpha course on Hayling Island. Alpha leader Josie Higson says: "The Alpha course is about creating a welcoming space where everyone can enjoy a meal together, watch a video about the Christian message and then have some time for discussion and exploration of what they believe. There's no pressure or judgment - it's just an informal and safe space to explore what we are thinking." This Sunday at St Colman's we will hear Alpha testimony from Chris Gould. Find out more by contacting Josie: alpha@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk

Lourdes Mass for medical workers

Mass at 6:30pm on Friday 13 February will be celebrated as a votive Mass of our Lady of Lourdes, patroness of all who suffer from illness. Medical, nursing and care workers from our hospitals, care homes and surgeries are especially invited.

Pastoral Area Quiz Saturday 7 March – a fundraiser for the Jesuit Refugee Service at Sacred Heart, Waterlooville. Each community is invited to field a team: could we get one each from St Colman and St Paul? To find out more contact James Ryan: events@stedmundhorndean.org.uk.

Second Collection: Cathedral £224.72; White Flower Appeal £308.52. Thank you kindly for your generosity!

Justice and Peace Event at St Colman's
On Saturday 28 February 4-5:30pm our Pastoral Area Peace and Justice Group will be offering tea with formation in Catholic Social Teaching. The subject will be "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness" focussing especially on the right to life, the case against euthanasia and for palliative care.

The Sanctuary Lamp which burns constantly before the Tabernacle is sponsored this week by Chris Lovegrove in memory of Fred Lovegrove RIP.

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, 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 Hayley Johnson and Maria Carmen Debattista, whose anniversaries fall this month: may they rest in peace.