

# ST COLMAN & ST PAUL CATHOLIC COMMUNITY, COSHAM AND PAULSGROVE

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## Sunday 15 March 2026 : Fourth Sunday of Lent

Our Sunday Gospel for this fourth Sunday of Lent follows the faith journey of the man born blind. We hear him declare his miraculous healing and identify Jesus as a prophet when questioned by the religious authorities. At the same time, the man has his own questions and admits his own uncertainty: "Whether he is a sinner I do not know; one thing I do know, that though I was blind now I see." (John 9:25). The man seems to be thinking what has happened through in real time, even as he engages in a spirited dialogue with the religious authorities. He reaches a conclusion largely through his use of reason: "If this man were not from God, he could do nothing" (John 9:33). Later, when he encounters Jesus again, he takes a further step forward in faith: "He said, 'Lord, I believe,' and he worshipped Him." (John 9:38). The intellectual and spiritual journey taken by the man born blind illustrates for us the way in which reason and faith are friends and partners for the Catholic: our religion builds on our rational nature; our faith is compatible with our reason.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 14 March	6pm	St Colman	Lent IV	Joan Hudson RIP (FM)
Sunday 15 March <i>LAETARE</i> <i>MOTHERING SUNDAY</i> <i>Holy Hour for Vocations:</i> <i>5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Lent IV	Win & Tom Cummings
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul	Lent IV	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Lent IV	QA Hospital Mass
Monday 16 March <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm</i> <i>Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i> <i>Alpha Course 7pm St C's Hall</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Lenten Feria	Eileen Murdoch RIP (FM) (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 17 March	6pm Adoration & Reconciliation 7pm Lent Station Mass at St Patrick Hayling Island			
Wednesday 18 March <i>No Bible Study this evening</i>	7:30am	St Colman	Lenten Feria (St Cyril)	Celebrant's intentions
Thursday 19 March	9am (Latin)	St Colman	St Joseph	Celebrant's intentions
Friday 20 March <i>6pm Stations of the Cross</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	Lenten Feria	Deceased members of the Quill family RIP
Saturday 21 March <i>7pm Film night in the hall</i>	6pm	St Colman	Lent V	Paul Hill RIP
Sunday 22 March  <i>Holy Hour for Vocations:</i> <i>5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	Lent V	Eddie Brennan RIP
	11:30am	Our Lady & St Paul	Lent V	Pro Populo
	4pm Hospital Chapel		Lent V	QA Hospital Mass

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**Lent and Holy Week at Ss Colman & Paul**

Sunday Holy Hour 5pm – 6pm  
Monday Adoration 9am – 5pm  
Monday Lectio Divina 5pm – 6pm  
Wednesday early Mass 7:30am  
Friday late Mass 6:30pm  
Tuesday 10 March 6pm Holy Hour  
7pm Station Mass  
Thursday 19 March 9am St Joseph Mass (Latin)  
Wednesday 25 March 6:30pm Lady Day Mass  
Holy Thursday 2 April 7pm Lord's Supper  
Good Friday 3 April 3pm Passion of the Lord  
Holy Saturday 4 April 8pm Easter Vigil

**Parking in St Colman's Avenue**

Neighbours in St Colman's Avenue have asked us to park considerately, especially to avoid parking across driveways, on yellow lines and on pavements. If the church car park is full, please make use of the nearby Council car park on Old Market Road. Jesus says: "Love your neighbour as yourself!"

**Mini-retreat days:** every Saturday in Lent  
11am – 1pm at St Michael, Leigh Park

**Clergy Assistance Fund**

This weekend we take up a second collection for the Clergy Assistance Fund.

**Stella Maris Easter Appeal**

Thank you to everyone who has already brought in a chocolate Easter Egg for Stella Maris to distribute to seafarers away from home. We are still collecting Easter Eggs.

**St Colman's Film and Popcorn Night**

Join us for a film night in St Colman's hall at 7pm (following Mass) Saturday 21 March. We will be watching *The Shroud, the Full Story*, a film about the Shroud of Turin, which lasts about an hour. We will be serving popcorn, tea and coffee. Everyone is welcome and feel free to invite friends.

There is no tea and coffee after 9:30 Mass today: there is Orthodox Liturgy in the Hall.

**The Sanctuary Lamp** burns constantly before the Tabernacle, sponsored this week by Genny Hill in memory of Paul Hill 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: may they rest in peace.