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Third Sunday of Easter

19th April 2026

My Lord and my God

Mass Times

Sat 18th	Saturday of the Second Week of Easter	12.00	Doris Lilian Mason+
Sun 19th	Third Sunday of Easter	9.30	Reginald Cecil Lybbe Powis Lybbe & all deceased benefactors of this parish+
		11.00	People of the Parish
Mon 20th	Monday of the Third Week of Easter	10.00	Patrick Roche+
Tue 21st	St Anselm	10.00	Ronald Swannell+
Wed 22nd	Wednesday of the Third Week of Easter	10.00	Requiem Mass Maureen Biggin
Thu 23rd	St George	No Mass	
Fri 24th	Friday of the Third Week of Easter	10.00	Alan Davies & Rosa Romero+
Sat 25th	St Mark	12.00	Christopher Hartley+
Sun 26th	Fourth Sunday of Easter	9.30	People of the Parish
		11.00	Knights of St Columba

Tea & Coffee in the Parish Hallafter Sunday masses
 Children's Liturgy (Sign in required)..... Sunday 9.30
 Holy Hourafter Wednesday morning mass
 Confessions.....during Holy Hour Wednesday & at call
 Choir Practice..... 18.00 Monday in Church
 Sunday Readings: Year A
 Weekday Readings: Year 2
 Baptisms..... Contact the Deacon
 Marriages: Contact the Parish Priest
 Mother's Prayer Group..... 2nd & 4th Fridays 10.30
 Rosary GroupFridays 10.30 when no Mother's Prayers
 Friendship Club 14.00 Fridays
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Cycle of Prayer: Easter

New Members of the Church, Vocations, Human Work, The Right Use of the Media, The Church



The Supper at Emmaus, Matthias Stom 1633-39

The Road to Emmaus

How often do we walk our own road to Emmaus — burdened by doubt, sorrow, or uncertainty — and fail to recognise the Risen Christ walking alongside us? The story of the disciples at Emmaus is not simply a resurrection account. It is the story of every Christian life.

Christ meets us on the road. He walks with us in our confusion. He speaks to us through Scripture. And he makes himself known to us in the breaking of the bread — here, at this altar, in every Mass.

The early Church understood immediately what the disciples at Emmaus experienced. The pattern of their encounter — the Word proclaimed, the bread broken, the Lord recognised — became the very structure of Christian worship that endures to this day.

At every Mass, we gather as a community of pilgrims. We listen as Christ speaks to us through the readings and the homily. And then, at the altar, we experience our own Emmaus: the bread is taken, blessed, broken, and given. Christ makes himself truly present — Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity — and our eyes, like those of the disciples, are opened in faith.



First Communion

Dates for the remaining classes are: today 19th & 26th April, 10th & 17th May. The rehearsal will be on Friday 5th June with the First Confession on 9th May and the First Communion itself on Saturday 6th June at 12.00.

For more information please contact Angie on fhcteam.olqp@gmail.com.

**Be not afraid of growing slowly
Be afraid only of standing still**

Chinese Proverb

Prayer for the Third Sunday of Easter

Risen Lord Jesus, you open the scriptures to us as you did for the disciples on the road to Emmaus, and you make yourself known to us in the breaking of bread. Open our eyes to recognise your presence among us in the Eucharist we share, in the neighbour we serve, and in the stranger we welcome. Where doubt lingers, grant us faith. Where grief weighs heavy, grant us the peace that only you can give. Where we have fallen, remind us of your mercy, which is new every morning. As we gather this Easter season, inflame our hearts, as you inflamed the hearts of those first disciples, so that we may go forth as witnesses to your resurrection, boldly proclaiming by our lives that you are truly alive. We ask this through you, Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**God will either give you what you ask,
or something far better**



Knights of St Columba

The local council of the Knights of St Columba will be celebrating their centenary at the 11.00 mass on Sunday 26th April. Refreshments in the Hall afterwards. All are welcome

**Nothing you do can make God love you more
Nothing you do can make God love you less**

Funerals

The funeral of Maureen Biggin (98yrs) will take place on Wednesday 22nd April at 10.00. May she rest in peace.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place from Monday 6th July until Friday 10th July departing from Heathrow Airport. The group will be staying at Hotel La Solitude close to the sanctuary. If you would like more information and a booking form, please email lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Some Definite Service

God has created me to do him some definite service. He has committed some work to me which he has not committed to another. I have my mission. I may never know it in this life, but I shall be told it in the next. I am a link in a chain, a bond of connection between persons. He has not created me for naught. I shall do good; I shall do his work. I shall be an angel of peace, a preacher of truth in my own place, while not intending it if I do but keep his commandments. Therefore, I will trust him, whatever I am, I can never be thrown away. If I am in sickness, my sickness may serve him, in perplexity, my perplexity may serve him. If I am in sorrow, my sorrow may serve him. He does nothing in vain. He knows what he is about. He may take away my friends. He may throw me among strangers. He may make me feel desolate, make my spirits sink, hide my future from me. Still, he knows what he is about. *Blessed John Henry Newman*

Vision

is the art of seeing the invisible

Jonathan Swift

CAFOD

Super Spring clothes swap in aid of CAFOD, Saturday 25th April 10.30 am to 12, Immanuel Church. £2 entry (including free raffle ticket) and refreshments. Cash only please. Spring time clear out for ladies with good quality pressed clothing on hangers and accessories. Bring on the day or drop off at Immanuel Church on Friday 24th 6-7 pm. See poster for more details.

Alzheimer's Society Walk

On Saturday 2nd May Alan Wheeler is doing a 13 mile walk for the Alzheimer's Society. Please give your support. See noticeboard for details.

Mini-Retreat & Day of Renewal

St Joseph's Christchurch are hosting an ADORE day, including Mass, Adoration, Praise & Worship, Prayer, Reconciliation and an inspiring talk by Geoff Poulter. Saturday 25th April begins with mass at 10.00. All are welcome: in person at St Joseph's or via livestream. www.avonstour.co.uk/adore

Recent Collections

Standing Orders £410, Sunday £332, Contactless £151 with thanks.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Readers: Please see your new rota **Ministers:** 9.30 T McCaffrey 11.00 H Gardiner **n/w Readers:** Please see your new rota **n/w Ministers:** 9.30 D Rogers 11.00 L Goodall

Forthcoming Dates

First Communion 6th June
Parish Fete 28th June

New Trustees sought to join St Peter's School Governing Board – Please see poster in the porch