

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

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## Sunday 7 June 2026 : Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

Our first reading for the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (the Eucharist) comes from Moses' extended sermon to the people of Israel before they enter the promised land, a text we call the Book of Deuteronomy. Moses is looking back at the long journey of the people as they wandered in the desert, a time of testing by the Lord, "to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not" (Dt 8:2). Their entry into the land was not merely the end of their journey, but the beginning of a new relationship with the Lord, in which those commandments in which he had trained them would be put into practice. Our children have completed a journey of faith during the time of their preparation for holy Communion; today for them is not an end but a beginning, the start of a new relationship with Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. As with the people of Israel, we must come to learn that we live by the Word of God, his Son Jesus Christ.

| Times of Mass this week  |                     |                    |                                  | Mass intentions  |
|--|---------------------|--------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Saturday 6 June  | 6pm                 | St Colman          | Corpus Christi                   | Joan Edwards RIP   |
| Sunday 7 June<br><i>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION</i><br><br><i>Holy Hour for Vocations:<br/>5 – 6pm St Colman</i>                | 9:30am              | St Colman          | Corpus Christi                   | For the guidance of heaven for all in power                  |
|  | 11:30am             | Our Lady & St Paul | Corpus Christi                   | Pro Populo   |
|  | 4pm Hospital Chapel |                    | Corpus Christi                   | QA Hospital Mass   |
| Monday 8 June<br><i>Adoration 9am – 5pm</i><br><i>Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i><br><i>Alpha Course 7pm St C's Hall</i> | 12:30pm             | Hospital Chapel    | Feria                            | Priests & Seminarians (QA Hospital Mass)                     |
| Tuesday 9 June   | 9am                 | St Colman          | St Columba of Iona               | Rosina Ward & Christina Murphy                               |
|  | 1pm                 | St Colman          | Funeral Mass for Carol White RIP |  |
| Wednesday 10 June<br><i>Bible Study 5pm St Colman</i>  | 7:30am              | St Colman          | Requiem                          | Keith Penrose RIP  |
| Friday 12 June<br><i>RCIA 5pm St C's Presbytery</i>  | 6:30pm              | St Colman          | Most Sacred Heart of Jesus       | Holy Souls   |
| Saturday 13 June<br><i>7pm St Anthony's Bonfire</i>  | 6pm                 | St Colman          | Sunday 11                        | Emmanuel Tsividakis int                                      |
| Sunday 14 June<br><br><i>GOING FORTH MASSES</i><br><br><i>Holy Hour for Vocations:<br/>5 – 6pm St Colman</i>             | 9:30am              | St Colman          | Sunday 11                        | Patrick & Mary Mulhern, Joseph Casey & Shelia MacKenzie (FM) |
|  | 11:30am             | Our Lady & St Paul | Sunday 11                        | Pro Populo   |
|  | 4pm Hospital Chapel |                    | Sunday 11                        | QA Hospital Mass   |

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:  
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gift aid enquiries to Lesley Kilby via the parish office: [scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**Thinking about becoming Catholic?**  
Father Andrew will be beginning a new programme of catechesis for adults on Friday afternoons 5-6pm, starting 12 June 2026. Other group times could be offered if there is demand. To express your interest, contact: [scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk).

**St Anthony's Bonfire Saturday 13 June**  
Begin summer in St Colman's garden with a bonfire party and barbeque on St Anthony's feast day from 7pm after the Vigil Mass. Thank you to our hall committee members and hospitality team for your hard work organising our social events.

**Confirmation & First Holy Communion**  
Congratulations to our newly confirmed teenagers and to our children making their first holy Communion this Sunday. The children are invited to wear their first holy Communion dress again next Sunday for our Going Forth Masses at 9:30am or 11:30am.

**Summer Fair Saturday 4 July 12-3pm**  
Celebrate the 250th anniversary of the United States of America this Fourth of July at our Independence Day Catholic Community Summer Fair!  
There will be a Wild West Pony Rodeo, American food and music, as well as the return of our popular dog show, bouncy castle, ice-cream van, candy floss, and more!



**Donations needed for the Summer Fair**  
If you have bottles of soft drinks or alcohol, or bottles of bathroom goods, which you could contribute to our bottle stall, please bring them in to the parish office. We would also appreciate donations suitable for raffle prizes.

If you have requested a free Bible, please collect one from Father Andrew after Mass.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:**  
Saturday 5:30pm at St Colman's Church.

**The Sanctuary Lamp** burns constantly before the Tabernacle, sponsored this week by Mini Shaiju for Joshua and Daniel.

Of your charity, please pray:

- For friends and neighbours who are ill or housebound: Kana Blyth, Elizabeth Christian, Christine, Anne & Michael Colley, Tommy Cooper, John Cox, Pauline Crook, Billy Cryer, Jean Gartshore, Bob Guy, Janet, Dawn Marie, Sajimon Mathew, Paula Medd, Phoenix, Valerie O'Donnell, Maureen Smeeth, Verena, Heather Webber, Dee World.
- 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 Cosham Court.
- For St Paul's Primary School and Oaklands Catholic School: the staff, governors, children, parents and families.
- For the souls of the faithful departed, especially Carol White, Keith Penrose and Pauline Jackson: may they rest in peace.