

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year B - 21 April 2024

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St Vincent De Paul Society (SVP) now have a confidential mobile phone line to assist & help. 07434 773219.

Please note we now have CCTV Cameras around the premises for security purposes.

MASS TIMES

Mass in the Convent on Monday mornings at 9:30am

Daily Eucharistic Service at Maryfield Convent at 10:00am (Tues, Thurs & Fri)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 20 April	6:00 pm	Mass	Geraldine Timoney RIP
Sunday 21 April	10.00 am	Mass	John & Nicky Drake-Lee 60th Wedding Anniversary Live Streamed
Monday 22 April	9:30 am	Mass	In the Convent
Wednesday 24 April	10.00 am		In the Convent

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Saturday 27 April	6:00 pm	Mass	John Mohan RIP
Sunday 28 April	10.00 am	Mass	People of Parish Live Streamed
Monday 29 April	9:30 am	Mass	In the Convent
Wednesday 1 May	10.00 am		In the Convent

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like a Mass Intention, please contact Jan in the Parish Office on 01256 577007 or email: office@sacredhearthook.org for more information.

WELCOME

A very warm welcome to all parishioners and visitors who join us. If you are new to the area, please contact the Parish office to register as a member of our Parish.

CONFESSIONS AND SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Please see Father John after Mass if you require either Confessions or the Sacrament of the Sick.

DONATIONS TO THE PARISH

The easiest way to make a donation to the Parish is Online at: www.sacredhearthook.org/donations or via our new contactless terminal located by the back of the Church.

To set up a Standing Order, our bank account details are:
Lloyds Bank A/C number 00880117: Sort Code: 30 93 04
Name: CDP Sacred Heart Hook

REPOSITORY

Please check out our repository in the porch.

If there is anything you would like please ask Cecile or the Parish Office.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK IN OUR PARISH

Lord, have all those who are unable to be with us at Mass in Your safekeeping as we remember:

Joan Coleman, Debbie Cavedon, Jacob Weston, Mike Murch, Charlie Carruthers, Fr Kevin Delaney, Fr Don Clement, Fr Paul Leonard, Ken Musgrave Patrica Ringrose-Voase, David Xavier & Clive McColgan



THE SACRISTY

Is a place of prayer and contemplation and should be an oasis of calm, before and after Mass. The Priest and Servers need time and space in order to prepare them selves for The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. Please respect this and refrain from visiting the Sacristy in the last 15 mins before Mass.

UCM MEETING

The next UCM meeting is on Saturday 27th April at 10:30 in the Hall.



MARYFIELD CONVENT

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Divine Mercy chaplet followed by the Holy Rosary will take place in the Convent Chapel at 3pm on Fridays. Everyone is welcome

MARYFIELD CONVENT
FAITH SHARING PRAYER MEETING

First Tuesday of the month.
Next meeting—Tuesday 7th May 10:30am
in the tea room

ADORATION FOR PEACE
Tuesday evenings 7:30—8:30pm

PARISH DATABASE

Please remember to inform the Parish Office of any changes in your contact details including mobile numbers and email addresses. You might like to subscribe to the newsletter by email to save paper & printing costs.



NEWSLETTER

If you would like to receive our newsletter by email please register at www.sacredhearthook.org and scroll down to the bottom of the page to subscribe.

21st April – World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Please Pray for Vocations - Are you considering being a priest? Contact Canon John Cooke: portsmouthvocations.org.uk / tel: 01329 318 86 Praise, Worship and Hospitality Canon John Cooke invites you to join Sacred Heart Parish, Fareham and Portchester for Praise & Worship Evenings at 7.30pm on the third Friday of each month...

POPE FRANCIS APRIL PRAYER INTENTION

During April, Pope Francis asks us to pray for the role of women. We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.



LITURGY OF THE WORD

Fourth Sunday of Easter



First Reading Acts 4: 8 - 12

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 117

**The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.**

Second Reading: 1 John 3: 1 - 2

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my own sheep and my own know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel John 10: 11 - 18

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

This Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Easter, also known as Good Shepherd Sunday, when we pray for vocations to all states of life and ministry in the Church, but especially for Vocations to the Sacred Priesthood. As well as praying for vocations, we also have to pay to train the next generation of clergy. There will be a Second Collection this Sunday for the Clergy Training Fund, which supports our seminarians through their seven-year training for the priesthood, including the 12 men currently in training, for the duration of their six- or seven-year journey to ordination. Each seminarian brings to his training his own life experience, and then participates in a comprehensive programme of formation pastorally, intellectually, humanly and spiritually. These are the men who will baptise and catechise the coming generations, and care for us on our pilgrim way. To sustain a seminarian costs around £30,000 each year. Please give generously to the collection in your parish, or donate online at: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/clergy-training-fund-second-collection-2024>

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the week ending 14th April amounted to £ 735.00 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections. Thank you for your generosity.

DIOCESAN RECRUITMENT

For details of all the latest job vacancies across the Diocese please click the link: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs/

MARRIAGE CARE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support. We are looking for Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators to prepare couples for the Sacrament of Marriage (full training is provided for this role), Qualified Relationship Counsellors to support couples in distress and Trustees to provide governance and strategic direction for the organisation. For more information please visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email: volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

TABLET ARTICLE

Some of you may have read an article in a Catholic Publication called the Tablet referring to an investigation by the Charity Commission.

The article was misleading because it referred to the overall financial position of the Diocese which includes all parishes, at the end of 2022 as reported in the last published audited accounts.

The Charity Commission confirmed to the Tablet that they had opened a regulatory compliance case. This refers to a matter that was initially reported *by the Diocese* to the Charity Commission.

When any matter of significant concern is identified, not just financial it is usual to report the issue to the Charity Commission.

They have now formally replied to the Diocesan Trustees and confirmed that they are assured at this stage that trustees are dealing with the subjects raised appropriately. They have as is often the case, given some advice as part of their process.

Our latest audited accounts for the year ending September 2023 due to be published shortly will report a small operating surplus, not least due to the hard work and engagement of many of our parishes in the *Closer to Christ* campaign to support seminarians, priests in active ministry and in retirement. As you know a component of the funding from the campaign was also to support parishes in recovering from the adverse financial impact of the Covid pandemic. We are grateful for the generosity of the people who have contributed and to those of you who have supported this campaign.

CARITAS PORTSMOUTH - Becoming the Church Beyond Walls

The Church Beyond Walls Workshop is a interactive session to help your parish start exploring the needs in your local community and deciding how to respond to them. Following the See-Choose-Act pathway it is an opportunity to focus on getting to know your neighbourhood and the specific opportunities it offers for engagement and outreach using the gifts and resources of people in your parish. Based on the goals of the 10 year mission plan [You Will Be My Witnesses](#), the workshop includes: * The opportunity to answer the question 'what does poverty look like in this parish/pastoral area?' examining what poverty is, and what is it's impact. *A mapping exercise to identify examples of social outreach already present. *Identifying the most pressing needs and ways to respond in line with Catholic Social Teaching. This workshop is suitable for small parish groups or wider pastoral areas so if you would like to find out more or book a session, please contact us at caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Retreat Days 'Our Father in Heaven', 4th&5th May, St Peter's Pastoral Centre, Winchester

Pope Francis has asked that this year, 2024, be a Year of Prayer in preparation for the Jubilee Year, 2025. He has asked that there be a particular focus on the Our Father. We pray this prayer so often and there's always the risk of it becoming dry or remaining superficial.

Why not come and join us on **Fri 4th (evening)** and **Sat 5th May (all day)** as Allegra Mutanda leads us in a time of prayer and recollection, helping us to explore what it means to pray 'Our Father in heaven'? All our missionary efforts are dependent upon this intimate relationship between us and 'Abba', who wishes to bless and heal all His beloved sons and daughters. All are welcome. Once you have registered, you will receive further details nearer to the date of the event.

Please confirm your attendance by **Monday 29th April** latest by registering here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/year-of-prayer-our-father-in-heaven-retreat-days-fri-3-pm-and-sat-4-may-tickets-877957062207?aff=oddtcreator>

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH - LITURGY FORMATION TEAM

Save the Dates

The Liturgy Project Reflections, Guidance, Q&A's & Explore

To help people to encounter Christ through Liturgy.

We are also pleased to announce that we will be organising two training days in 2024 - one for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and one for readers. These will be held at St Bede's Church and Hall, Popley Way in Basingstoke as follows:

Day for EMHC – Saturday 4th May 9:30am—2: 30pm

Day for Readers – Saturday 19th October 9:30am—2: 30pm

Both days will include some light refreshments. Please enrol now if you would like to by emailing liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk We will send a reminder with precise details nearer each date.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024

Bishop Philip warmly invites you to join him and fellow pilgrims on our annual pilgrimage to Lourdes, one of the most significant pastoral events in the Diocesan calendar. This year's pilgrimage is from Monday 22nd – Friday 26th July 2024...

If you would like to know more about joining in Lourdes this year email lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Third Sunday of Easter – Year B – 2024 – Hook

Shalom – peace be with you!

Story – my happy childhood memories include visits to my Grandma in Sunderland. Much is around food! One clear time, slightly older, at the seaside, South Shields, with the family gathered, and a table spread with mushy peas! FISH & CHIPS, platefuls of bread and butter, of course a large pot of tea, as well as cakes on the stand. Joyful, and filling. AND PEACEFUL. Our readings today reveal the importance of peace in our lives. Let's explore them briefly

In Peter's sermon in Acts 3 he describes the opposite of peace, of the bitter hatred that led the killing of the Author of Life – the Holy and Righteous one – who then God raised from the dead. Hallelujah. Jesus is raised. But the horror before – the opposite of peace

Then our Psalmist describes his longing for God's face to shine down – and the peace that comes when 'you alone O Lord' make me dwell security, and I sleep in peace. This is personal peace, from God, that allows the sweetness of untroubled sleep.

In John's letter, he describes the effect of forgiveness, when Jesus our Advocate with the Father has taken away our sins, and the sins of the whole world. There is peace through sins forgiven, peace with God, peace with one another.

And now we get to the core reading in Luke's Gospel.

the beautiful description of an early encounter with the risen lord Jesus. Think of the context - of the disciples. Traumatized by all they have been through and living in fear of their own lives, probably feeling guilty, confused and Luke says, agitated, with doubts in their hearts. Not at all surprising. And the stories of Jesus being raised from the dead and being seen on the road to Emmaus are circulating.

Jesus comes into the room & says Peace be with you.

This is the first time most of them are meeting with the risen Christ. This is not what they are expecting. Utterly terrified. Utterly amazed. Peace be with you.

This is Jesus stepping into the lives of his followers. Into ordinary circumstances. Probably a home. And eating FISH – such a great thing is fish – probably not with chips here! But an everyday meal. And Jesus opens their understanding to the meaning of the whole bible that has pointed to him. To his passion. To his rising on the 3rd day. Then repentance and forgiveness of sins, to be preached to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem. Peace be with you.

Jesus walks into their everyday lives and brings himself alive and present and he brings his peace. Peace of understanding, Peace for the present, Peace for the future, The Peace of forgiveness, And the Peace of knowing they are provided for

So what about you and what about me?

Maybe we need to consciously turn from the horrors in the news, and even the traumas of our lives and like the psalmist look upwards to the kind face of God, who has given us his Son, raised him from death, that we might know forgiveness of sins, and the peace which comes from being cared for by the one who made us. Peace for you, peace for me, and peace for us all. . Perhaps you and I need to receive peace today? Perhaps we will go from here to give peace today? And let us all seek the presence of Jesus and his peace for one another. Peace be with you. *Sign language here.* Amen.

Rev;d Marion de Quidt,

ON THE EDGES OF FAITH

Fr Peter Bowe OSB invites you to a Day of Exploration for Seekers on Saturday 1st June at Douai Abbey. The day will explore living on the edge of faith in a time of appalling instability all about and within. Arrival and coffee from 10am; the day starts at 10.30am and ends at 4pm and costs £25 (with lunch) or £15 if you bring your own. Fees are payable on the day (concessions available). To book your place and find out more click: Pastoral Programme - Douai Abbey: The Monastery of St Edmund, King & Martyr

ADORE MINI RETREAT

ALTON DAY OF RENEWAL - HOLY SPIRIT RETREAT DAY "I will pour out my spirit on all" Everyone is to be made holy. Taking place on Saturday 27th April at St Bede's Church from 9.30am - 3.30pm. The day will also be live-streamed between 9.30am and 1.00pm, please register for the Zoom link. The session includes Mass, Adoration, Praise and Worship, inspired Teaching and Prayer for all participants to be refilled with the Holy Spirit and yield to charismatic gifts. Guest speaker will be Kristina Cooper, former editor of "Good News" magazine. Bring food for a shared lunch. For full programme timings please click the link: Spiritual renewal this month at ADORE (Alton Day of Renewal) (altonrenewal.com)



PHOTOGRAPHS

You may be aware that photos are taken at some of the church/parish events. For this purpose we need to know if there are any objections to these being put on the website or parish Facebook. If you do not want to appear in the above please make your objection known. Many thanks.