

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B - 27 October 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, Wed, Thurs & Fri)

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 27 Oct	6:00 pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 28 Oct	10.00 am	Mass	Mary Nelson RIP
Monday 29 Oct	9:30 am	Mass	In the Convent

ALL SAINTS

Friday 1st Nov	10:00 am	Mass	People of the Parish
	7:30 pm	Mass	For the Holy Souls

ALL SOULS

Saturday 2 Nov	10:00 am	Mass	For the Deceased of the Parish
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THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday 2 Nov	6:00 pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 3 Nov	10.00 am	Mass	Mary Nelson RIP
Monday 4 Nov	9:30 am	Mass	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.

CONFESSIONS AND SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

Father John will be available after Mass for Confessions and/or the Sacrament of the Sick.

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the weekend of the 13 and 20 October amounted to £1,823.49 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections.

Second Collection for Caritas amounted to £104.73

Thank you for your generosity.

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. Parish Registration forms are available from the newcomers table.

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:
Debbie Cavedon, Jacob Weston, Mike Murch,
Fr Don Clement, Fr Paul Leonard, Ken Musgrave,
Patrica Ringrose-Voase, Fr Jean Patrice, David Xavier & John Kidd.



REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers Joan Coleman RIP, who died this week, her Requiem will be in The Sacred Heart on Friday 8th November at 12 noon



Please keep her families and friends in your prayers
May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen

WELCOME

Welcome to Father Peter Codd who will be celebrating Mass with us on Saturday and Sunday this weekend.
Father John is at a wedding in Cornwall this weekend.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Fri 1st Nov	All Saints	10 am and 7:30 pm
Sat 2 Nov	All Souls	10 am
Tues 5 Nov	Charles de Foucauld meeting	2:30 pm
Sun 1 Dec	Christmas Fete	11 am

CAR PARKING

With our numbers increasing on a Sunday morning, parking is becoming difficult.
The owners of Maryfield Care home have been very kind and allowed their car park to be used as an overflow.
Please be respectful and remember that the care home guests and staff also use this car park. Please make sure that you are not blocking in any cars and there is always access for emergency vehicles.
The Manager of the Care Home is quite concerned about the parking on Sunday morning as they had trouble getting the ambulance in recently. Thank you



CHARLES DE FOUCAULD FRATERNITY MEETING

Next Charles de Foucauld fraternity meeting will be on the Tuesday 5th Nov pt at 2.30pm in the Convent. We start with Exposition of the blessed sacrament and Fr Peter Codd will lead us to share the Gospel message of the upcoming Sunday. We end the session with fellowship and saying the 'Abandonment Prayer'. Everyone is welcome

THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER HOLY SOULS

During the month of November, a box for the request of prayers for the souls of loved ones will be placed in front of the altar. If you would like prayers for a deceased loved one, please write their name on one of the slips of paper and place it in the box. May they Rest in Peace.
Please do not put money in the box, thank you.

LITURGY OF THE WORD



30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Jeremiah 31: 7 – 9

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 125
**What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we are glad.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 5: 1 - 6

Gospel Acclamation
Alleluia, alleluia!
**I am the light of the world, says the Lord,
anyone who follows me will have the light of life.**
Alleluia!

Gospel Mark 10: 46 - 52

PRAYER FOR PEACE

O God of peace, who are peace itself
and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp,
nor a violent mind receive,
grant that those who are one in heart
may persevere in what is good
and that those in conflict
may forget evil and so be healed.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever, Amen.

BISHOP'S PASTORAL LETTER

There is a Pastoral Letter from Bishop Phillip which will be read at all Masses this weekend.
He has also sent a letter for you to send re Assisted Dying. Copies of both letters are available from the Welcomers table.

BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Blessing of the local graves will take place on Sunday 10th November, if you would like Father John to bless a grave for you please let the office know. This short service reminds us to honour the graves of our loved ones, and to pray that their souls are now with the Lord sharing His promise of eternal life. May they Rest in Peace.

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 5th November 10:30am
in the tea room

ADORATION FOR PEACE

Tuesday evenings 7:30—8:30pm

Suggestion Update—27.10.24

A18 Who is responsible for general maintenance and who do people report to if they find a Health and Safety issue? **The Maintenance Committee is made up of Henry Atkinson and Emrys Hughes. Any Health and Safety issues should be reported to Jan in the office. Org chart, expand group with the new volunteers who have come forward.**

35 Need to have already printed & ready to give out once an event is announced (to give out to the event organisers) Risk assessment and Health & Safety forms

There are various Risk Assessments which are written and provided by the Diocese, these must be used and followed. There are some areas of the RA which must be completed by the organisers of the event. If the organisers speak to the office when they book the hall and /or grounds the RA template can be provided.

A11 Do we know who is on the PPC and what precisely is their role? We seem to have different groups working separately (PPC, UCM, Finance, Health & Safety, Parish Administrator etc.) and the thought was that with everyone working more collaboratively, we could develop better interaction and communication for the benefit of the Parish. If jobs were divided up, then could those parishioners with specific roles meet regularly so that everyone is basically 'singing off the same hymn sheet' so to speak.

We currently have a PC and Finance Committee that meet every month, we are currently preparing a notice board and Parish file which will have photo's and names of the committee members. We will also be including the minutes from the meetings. If you have any questions for this committee or any committee please contact the office in the first instant.

Oppose Assisted Suicide - Catholic Bishops' Conference

We are calling on Catholics in England and Wales to unite in prayer and compassionate action to oppose assisted suicide. Please use the following link for more information and to be able to contact your local MP.

<https://gloria.tv/post/EhhpHi3Y7XXD1cqGQQXftUyVn>



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.**

THE CHURCH

Also a number of people have commented on the noise level from Parishioners greeting each other and chatting in Church. Whilst the Sacred Heart has a fantastic sense of community, there is ample opportunity to catch up after Mass enabling those who want to pray in Church to do so in peace.
Thank you.

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.

REQUIEM MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY

Canon David Hopgood, the Provost, and the Cathedral Chapter, invite you to the Cathedral, Portsmouth on Thursday 7th November at 12.15 for the annual Mass for Deceased Bishops, Priests and Deacons of the Diocese. This annual Mass, celebrated by the Bishop, is organised by the Chapter and one of the canons usually gives the homily. This year, Canon Simon Thomson, our Judicial Vicar and the parish priest of Corpus Christi Wokingham, is the preacher. As we pray for our deceased clergy, let us also pray for all our deceased religious and lay faithful of the Diocese and throughout the month of November for our departed loved ones.

May they Rest in Peace.

GLOW IN THE DARK PARTY—HALLOWEEN ALTERNATIVE

St John's CofE Church in Hook is holding a Halloween Alternative party—celebrating Light and pointing to Jesus as the light of the world. Thursday 31st October 4:30pm—6:30pm
All are welcome

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND

Next weekend there will be a second collection for our sister Diocese Bamenda.

ALL SOULS

All Souls Day on 2nd November is devoted to praying for these souls believed to be in Purgatory, seeking God's mercy and their ultimate release into eternal joy. The history of this observance dates back to the 11th century when St. Odilo, the Abbot of Cluny, instituted a day dedicated to pray for the souls of the departed. So we pray for all our family and friends who have gone before us on this special day

Pope Francis November Prayer Intention

During November Pope Francis asks us to pray for anyone who has lost a child. We pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community and receive peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit.



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 2024 – Hook

Detachment and Servanthood. Medjugorje is a Croatian village in Bosnia-Herzegovina, where Our Lady is said to have been appearing since 1981. There is a record of a visionary receiving a message from Mary about holiness. Mary is supposed to have identified Pasha, a Muslim woman, as the holiest person in the village. The visionary responded, “But Pasha is a Muslim.” Mary acknowledged this fact. Not much is known of Pasha, but we can be certain she knew how to love as she certainly knew how to forgive, given the grave offences committed by some from within the Christian communities during the Balkan conflict. She continued to live in this overwhelmingly Christian village. Somehow, Pasha appeared detached from the hatred and unforgiveness you’d expect, to live and forgive like Jesus. Mary recognised her!

Today Jesus continues the theme of detachment from last week, how we must be detached from everything, in order to be attached to the Way of love. This week, we are warned about another perilous attachment, that of status and power.

Whilst this predicament infects most human beings, Jesus had a particular concern about this happening in the Church. He was so insistent that He said to the Disciples,

“Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant...”

The Lord said, **this is not so among you!** Jesus insists, and continues to insist, this does not happen in the Church! Why? Very simple. When Christians ‘lord it’ about the place they stop serving. When they stop serving, they cease to reveal Jesus, the purpose of the Church. The risen Lord Jesus created the Church precisely to reveal His face in our day and age through our detached service, through our hearts and our hands.

Lessons to take away. First, am I attached to status or power? Do I ‘lord it’, or do I sacrifice myself in the service of others? Second, do we see evidence of ‘lording’ in the Church? If we do, we must call it out. There is only one Lord! The Church must be free of such attachments if we are to faithfully live, to love and forgive that is the Way of Jesus.

Mark 10:35-45

Fr John C

THE NEW LECTIONARY

The Diocese are offering two sessions about the new lectionary which comes into use in Advent. Each session will be led by Fr. Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgy, and will be identical - so you need only attend one. The session will cover what the lectionary is, its revisions and what they mean for us. It is also an opportunity for Questions and Answers. If you wish to pose a question, please submit it in advance in writing to liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk. The sessions are on Tues 5th Nov & Tues 19th Nov and last one hour, from 7 to 8 pm. Please register in advance for either session. Thank you.

PARISH FINANCE

Dona Plates Contactless giving made easy with Gift Aid optional

Standing Orders

Please contact the Parish Office for more details.

BACS Transfer

Our bank details if you need them are:

CDP Hook Sacred Heart (Lloyds Bank)
Sort Code 30-93-04 Account 00880117

Cheques Payable to ‘CDP Hook Sacred Heart’

Gift Aid payers are encouraged to contact in confidence at: office@sacredhearthook.org



PRAYING THE ROSARY

We have now entered the month of October, traditionally the month dedicated to Our Lady of the Rosary. The Rosary is a wonderful prayer for us to say, praying to Our Lord for protection from all danger, sickness and evil. Bishop Philip encourages us to say the Rosary each day this month.

CAFOD-DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal

The conflict in the Middle East is getting worse and the families affected need our help. Please donate today to the CAFOD -DEC Middle East Humanitarian Appeal and support our local Caritas partners in Gaza and Lebanon as they continue to provide essential food, water and shelter:
www.cafod.org.uk/give

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

All Saints Day is a solemn Holy Day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on 1st November. The day is dedicated to the Saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained Heaven. It should not be confused with All Souls Day, which is observed on 2nd November, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.

The following Masses will be in the Church

Friday 1st November	10:00 am	Mass
	7:30 pm	Mass
Saturday 2nd November	10:00 am	Mass