

SACRED HEART PARISH

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth
Reg. Charity No. 1199568



THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B - 17 November 2024

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Sacred Heart Church, The Priests House, London Road, Hook, Hampshire RG27 9LA
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 & Sat)

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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| Saturday 16 Nov | 6:00 pm | Mass | People of the Parish |
| Sunday 17 Nov | 10.00 am | Mass | Sheila Fletcher RIP |
| | 10.00 am | Baptism | Shannon Connors |
| Monday 18 Nov | 9:30 am | Mass | In the Convent |
| Wednesday 20 Nov | 1:00 pm | Frank Mahon RIP Funeral at English Martyrs, Reading | |
| Friday 22 Nov | 1:15pm | Peter Preston RIP Funeral at Basingstoke Crematorium | |

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

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| Saturday 23 Nov | 6:00 pm | Mass | For the Holy Souls |
| | 6.00 pm | Confirmation | Angela Nankervis |
| Sunday 24 Nov | 10.00 am | Mass | Wilfred Azodo RIP |
| Monday 25 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

PARISH COLLECTION

Collection for the weekend of the 27 October and 3 November amounted to £1,731.81 from Standing Orders, Direct Debits and Mass Collections.

Second Collection for Bamenda amounted to £210.18

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 welcomers 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, Julie Wood & John Drake-Lee.



REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers Frank Mahon RIP, who died this week, his Requiem will be on Wednesday 20th November at 1pm in The English Martyrs, 64 Liebenrood Road Reading RG30 2EB



Also Peter Preston RIP whose funeral will be on Friday 22nd November at 1.15pm in Basingstoke Crematorium.

Please keep their families and friends in your prayers

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, Rest in Peace. Amen

PRIEST HOUSE UPDATE

The roof is now finished and we are moving on to the inside of the house. The ceilings are being repaired next week with the electrics and heating to follow on. More information in a couple of weeks time.

DAY BY DAY BOOKLETS

These are available from the back of the church. There is a charge of £1.00 per booklet, please place the money in the wall box by the side of the Dona (card) machine.

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION FORMS

There are some New Parishioner forms on the Welcomers table, please do complete one of them if you are new to the parish or if you have moved in the past few years. We have had a couple of requests for a Priest's visit only to find out that the address we had on our records was an old address.



BLESSING OF THE GRAVES

Father will be in Hook blessing local graves on Sunday 17th November, from 12 noon, 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.



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



33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Daniel 12: 1 – 13

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 15

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

Second Reading: Hebrews 10: 11 - 14, 18

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Stay awake and stand ready,
because you do not know the hour
when the Son of Man is coming
Alleluia!**

Gospel Mark 13: 24 - 32

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

- Sun 1 Dec Christmas Bazaar 11 am
- Sun 8 Dec Children's Advent Workshop 11am
- Sat 14 Dec Sacred Heart Advent Day of Recollection led by Rev Ryan Browne

WELCOMERS

All those who signed up to be a welcomer, could you please sign the rota sheet on the Welcomers table. To all Welcomers we would like someone to offer to co-ordinate the welcomers, please contact the office if you are able to fulfill this role.

ILL AT HOME OR IN HOSPITAL

If you are ill and are unable to attend Mass, please let Jan know in the office, we can arrange for communion to be brought to you. If you are in hospital or know that you are going to go in, let us know in the office. By phone 01256 577007 or by email office@sacredhearthook.org

REPOSITORY

Please check out our repository in the porch. If there is anything you would like especially Advent and Christmas items please ask Cecile or the Parish Office.

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.



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 5rd December 10:30am in the tea room

ADORATION FOR PEACE

Tuesday evenings 7:30—8:30pm

BASINGSTOKE CHRISTMAS TOY APPEAL

"The Community Furniture Project will be hosting the Basingstoke Christmas Toy Appeal this year. We are collecting new and unwrapped gifts for children of all ages, and young people up to the age of 19, from business and individuals throughout Basingstoke. Did you know that 1 in 10 children live below the breadline? During the festive period, thousands of families struggle as they are forced to choose between buying presents or paying bills. As a result, many children in our area receive no gifts. We hope you can assist us to bring the community together to support this project and help us help local families in need this Christmas". Sacred Heart Church will have a box in the porch where toys can be left—thank you. .



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The UCM will be holding a Christmas Fete on Sunday 1st December at 11 a.m. straight after Mass and Saturday 30th November after evening Mass. All donations of bottles for the tombola, cakes, bric a brac, raffle prizes etc, would be much appreciated and gratefully received. All donations can be left at the back of Church please. However, most importantly we need YOU to come along on the day and be a part of this event. **Raffle Tickets are available after Mass on Saturday and Sunday for the next two weekends.**

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS

Making a world of difference one gift at a time. In Advent, let's share the promise of hope that has been made to us with our sisters and brothers around the world. You can buy CAFOD's World Gifts for family and friends this Christmas online at <https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/> or pick up a catalogue in church. World Gifts such as "watering can", "trees for life", or "water for a family" will help transform lives in a world filled with challenges.



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/EhhpHi3Y7XXD1cqGQXFTUyVn>

There are some cards on the welcomers table that you can fill in and send to your MP.



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.** Unless there is an emergency, of course

THE CHURCH—BEFORE MASS

Many have asked me that we try and keep our voices down before Mass so that we can all offer our prayers to God in relative peace before Mass begins. We are a beautiful family of faith at Sacred Heart, therefore very important we chat and catch up. But if we can try and leave this until after Mass it would be much appreciated. Many thanks. Fr J

CHILDRENS ADVENT WORKSHOP

SUNDAY 8TH DECEMBER 11.00am-12.30pm

We will be running a Children's Advent Workshop after Mass, in the church and all children are warmly welcome! We will be exploring the Nativity story, making our own Angels. We are also delighted to provide pizzas, care of a very generous benefactor! Please sign up on the sheet in the entrance of the church, or alternatively please let Jan know on hello@sacredhearthook.org. Also please indicate if your child has any allergies in terms of the pizzas - thank you

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA LUCKY ME DRAW

Knights of St Columba Lucky Me Draw. The Draw runs from December to November. **For every £12 donation you will be allocated one number in 12 monthly Draws.** This year our monthly prize money has been **doubled to £50** and our **Grand Draw** in December has further prizes of **£100** and **£200** – Please complete the donation form and put in an envelope with the matching donation and label it as Lucky Me Knights of St Columba and either hand in to the Parish Office or directly to your parish Knights of St Columba representative. Thank you so much for your support and Good Luck in the KSC monthly Lucky Me Draw."

DONATION FORMS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WELCOMERS TABLE.

32nd Sunday of the Year – Year B – 2024

Making an impression. During the week I was flattered. I went for a blood test. I put my arm out. The nurse said, “John, you really are a handsome man.” “Really?”, I said bashfully. “No,” she said. “I Just wanted to distract you from the scratch!”

It was another occasion of flattery I really wanted to mention. I was asked to speak at a government policy thinktank on the 28th of this month regarding the plight of Travellers in society. Fame at last! My diary revealed four clashes, so I started to work out which of the commitments could be postponed. I was stopped in my tracks, probably by the Holy Spirit. Why was I even thinking of cancelling Bishop Challoner School youngsters, the blessing of a grave on a first anniversary; two of the obligations listed for the 28th? Why were these once considered top priorities now being displaced? My motivation had been compromised.

Beneath the rather obvious themes of showing off and ostentatious generosity in the Gospel today, the Lord wants us to look at our motivation for doing things. It’s not so much about what we do, but the way we do it, and why. The lawyers get it in the neck again as many were seeking status and standing in the public eye, at others cost. Look at me! Their lives pointed to themselves. On the evidence they appeared to attach more importance to themselves than anyone else, the polar opposite to humility. A similar story, perhaps, with at least some of the rich folk in the Temple, putting wads of cash in the collection. Look at me!

So, Jesus draws our attention to the Widow. This woman of very little means. She gave of what she had, not what she had over. Her meagre budget destined for essentials was also, in her mind and heart, to be shared. No aspect of her life was ring-fenced for herself. Thus, this mighty woman – the Widow’s Might - was the greatest of all the personalities in the mix. Thus, she continues to impress us 2000 years on.

Where does your life point? Where do you invest? Remember last week’s Gospel. The greatest impression is love.

Mark 12:38-44

Fr John C

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.

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 19th Nov and last one hour, from 7 to 8 pm. Please register in advance for either session.

Thank you.

PARISH FINANCE

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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@sacredhearhook.org

Gift Aid and Parish Registration Forms are available from the Welcomers Table or the Parish Office



ADoRE spiritual mini-retreat 23rd November

10.00am-1.00pm

"YOU SHALL BE MY WITNESSES – giving your testimony in the power of the Holy Spirit."

Including Mass, Adoration, Praise, Prayer for the gifts of the Holy Spirit and inspiring guest speaker Allegra Mutanda. Please register for the Zoom meeting in advance at bit.ly/



OTHER LOCAL CHURCH, SUNDAY MASS TIMES

St Joseph’s, Basingstoke

Rev Paul Leonard

Masses at 6pm Sat/ 9am & 11am Sun

St Bede’s, Basingstoke

Revs John Lee & Rev Paul Nwune

Masses at 9am, 11am & 6pm Sun

St Michael’s, Tadley

Rev Patrick Tansey

Masses 6pm Sat / 9am Sun

St Oswald’s, Burghfield

11am Sundays