PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM WITH ST PAUL, PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 11 August 2024: Nineteenth Sunday of the Year

This Sunday's Gospel continues our reading from the Eucharistic Discourse of John 6. Jesus says: "the bread that I shall give is my flesh for the life of the world." (John 6:51) Just like Jesus' fellow Jews in the Gospel, Christian theologians debated these words: do they demand that we believe that the Body of Christ is broken in the Eucharist? How can the whole Body of Christ be present in such a small quantity of Bread? Last week we saw that the Real Presence of Christ in the Eucharist is a <u>substantial presence</u>: the whole substance of the Body of Christ replaces the whole substance of bread. This week, we see that the Real Presence is also <u>sacramental</u>: it is <u>not a local presence</u> (like you or me) but touches the world indirectly.

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 10 August	6pm	St Colman	19th Sunday	Mark Litrizza RIP
Sunday 11 August	9:30am	St Colman	19th Sunday	John Joseph Cummings
Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman	11:30am	St Paul	19th Sunday	Pro Populo
Monday 12 August Adoration 9am – 5pm	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	St Jane Frances de Chantal	Family and Friends of Celia Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 13 August	9am	St Colman	Ss Pontian & Hippolytus	Priests, nuns and religious
Wednesday 14 August	10:30am	St Paul	St Maximilian Kolbe	World peace
Thursday 15 August ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	9am	St Colman	Assumption	Pro Populo
	6:30pm (Latin)	St Colman	Assumption	Celebrant's intention
Friday 16 August St Paul's church open 2-3pm	6:30pm	St Colman	St Stephen, King of Hungary	Thanksgiving
Saturday 17 August	6pm	St Colman	20th Sunday	Marjorie Burton RIP
Sunday 18 August	9:30am	St Colman	20th Sunday	Leonor Solano RIP
Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman	11:30am	St Paul	20th Sunday	Pro Populo

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:

Parish Office opening hours: 9:30am – 1:30pm Monday – Thursday 02392 376151 scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk 07555 182118

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Thank you for your donations!

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Gift aid: UK taxpayers can give and extra 28p per £1 at no extra cost to you; please direct gift aid enquiries to Jeff Price via the parish office: scsp@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

First Holy Communion Summer 2025

Forms are now available for parents who wish to register their children for First Holy Communion in June 2025. The course begins in October 2024, and the catechesis will be delivery on Tuesday evenings at St Paul's School, Paulsgrove. Children who attend other schools are welcome to join the programme. Children who have not yet been baptised will receive Baptism during the programme. Please take a form from the back of church, or collect a form from the school reception desk. Forms can be returned to the parish office or the school. Contact: admin@st-pauls.portsmouth.sch.uk

Pro-Life Witness

- SPUC are asking us to sign their petition to end the two-child benefit cap, which unjustly disadvantages large families.
- March for Life is on Saturday 7th September 2024 in London, from the Emmanuel Centre to Parliament Square.

New Lectionary

Thank you kindly for the generous response to last week's appeal for sponsorship for the new Lectionaries we will need to buy in time for Advent Sunday. We now have enough sponsors to cover most of the cost. There is still room for two more sponsors to share the Gospel book.

Monday Adoration

We need prayer volunteers to join the 9-5 Monday Adoration rota: if you can help, talk with Smitha, or contact the parish office.

Street Pastors

We heard recently from Steve McFarlane from Portsmouth Street Pastors, appealing for volunteers. Southampton Street Pastors are also recruiting: 023 8033 3387 southampton@streetpastors.org.uk

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 5:30pm at St Colman's Church

Of your charity, please pray:

- For friends and neighbours who are ill or housebound: Kana Blyth, Joe Charlton, Elizabeth Christian, Christine, Anne & Michael Colley, Tommy Cooper, John Cox, Pauline Crook, Moira Cunningham, Peter Galvin, Jean Gartshore, Bob Guy, Janet, Dawn Marie, Sajimon Mathew, Paula Medd, Phoenix, Valerie O'Donnell, Maureen Smeeth, Beryl Walters, Pauline Webb, Verena.
- 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 East Cosham.
- For St Paul's Primary School: the staff, governors, children, parents and families.
- For the souls of the faithful departed: may they rest in peace.