

PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM

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Sunday 15 September 2024 : Twenty-fourth Sunday of the Year

Jesus foretells his death and resurrection in the Gospel this Sunday, but Simon Peter cannot accept what he is hearing. Jesus responds: "The way you think is not God's way but man's". (Mark 8:33) How can we humans hope to think in God's way? After all, the Lord says: "As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts." (Isaiah 55:9) Yet St Paul can say that "we have the mind of Christ" (1 Cor 2:16). Only by being conformed to Christ, taking up our cross and following him, can we receive the gift of a new way of thinking. Perhaps this is what Jesus means when he says that we can hope to find our lives only if we are willing to lose them (Mark 8:35).

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 14 September EXALTATION OF HOLY CROSS	6pm	St Colman	24th Sunday	Holy Souls, especially the most forgotten
Sunday 15 September OUR LADY OF SORROWS <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	24th Sunday	Stuart Smeeth birthday remembrance
	11:30am	St Paul	24th Sunday	Pro Populo
Monday 16 September <i>Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman</i>	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Saints Cornelius and Cyprian	Jomon Mathew RIP (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 17 September	9am	St Colman	St Hildegard	May Clarke RIP (FM)
Wednesday 18 September <i>Bible Study 5pm St Colman</i>	10:00am	St Paul's School	Feria	St Paul's School Mass
No Mass on Thursday				
Friday 20 September <i>St Paul's church open 2-3pm</i>	6:30pm	St Colman	St Andrew Kim Taegon	Una Copley (FM)
Saturday 21 September ST MATTHEW APOSTLE	6pm	St Colman	25th Sunday	Peter Sellers RIP
Sunday 22 September <i>Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman</i>	9:30am	St Colman	25th Sunday	Deceased members of the Penrose family
	11:30am	St Paul	25th Sunday	Pro Populo

Enquiries, appointments and hall bookings:
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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 delivered 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

March for Life Saturday 7 September 2024
Connor Jones writes: "M4L was an engaging and inspiring witness to the value and dignity of all human life from conception until its natural end, a joyful pro-family event with many young people and families celebrating the significance of every human person. I highly recommend attending next year!"

Alpha Course in our Pastoral Area
Our sister parishes will be hosting a choice of Alpha Courses: at St Michael Leigh Park

- Mondays 1-3pm, from 23 September
- Tuesdays 7-9pm, from 24 September

Contact: office@stmichaelsleighpark.org.uk.

Also at Sacred Heart Waterlooville, starting from Monday 30 September at 7pm, particularly for those interested in training to run Alpha in the parish. If this could be you, please talk with Father Andrew or email the office.

Life in Truth: online courses in spiritual theology, deepening faith. There will be an open evening on Tuesday 17 September 8pm: please register at www.lifeintruth.org.

The Second Collection this weekend:
Home Mission Sunday.

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, especially Vera Connolly: may they rest in peace.