PARISH OF ST COLMAN, COSHAM WITH ST PAUL, PAULSGROVE

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Sunday 6 October 2024 : Twenty-seventh Sunday of the Year

Jesus has a challenge for us in today's Gospel: can we become childlike to for the sake of the Kingdom? "Anyone who does not welcome the Kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." (Mark 10:15) One thing we know about children is that they play. From the outside, play is a purposeless activity, but the playing child(ren) take(s) play quite seriously, adhering to the internal rules and logic of the play in question. Play can be a rehearsal for adult roles, such as playing house, or shop. Pope Benedict XVI commented: "On this analogy, the liturgy would be a reminder that we are all children, or should be children, in relation to that true life toward which we yearn to go. Liturgy would be a kind of anticipation, a rehearsal, a prelude for the life to come, for eternal life ... Seen thus, liturgy would be the rediscovery within us of true childhood, of openness to a greatness still to come, which is still unfulfilled in adult life ... the concrete form of hope, which lives in advance the life to come, the only true life..."

Times of Mass this week				Mass Intentions
Saturday 5 October	6pm	St Colman	27th Sunday	Pro Populo
Sunday 6 October	9:30am	St Colman	27th Sunday	Francis Coleman RIP
ROSARY SUNDAY Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman	11:30am	St Paul	27th Sunday	Michael McNabb RIP
Monday 7 October Adoration 9am – 5pm Lectio Divina 5pm St Colman	12:30pm	Hospital Chapel	Our Lady of the Rosary	John Joseph Cummings (QA Hospital Mass)
Tuesday 8 October	9am	St Colman	Feria	Agnes Hunt (F.M.)
Wednesday 9 October Bible Study 5pm St Colman	10:30am	St Paul	St John Henry Newman	Celebrant's intention
No Mass on Thursday				
Friday 11 October St Paul's Church open 2-3pm	6:30pm	St Colman	St John XXIII	Daley family intentions
Saturday 12 October	6pm	St Colman	28th Sunday	Mary Yeung RIP
Sunday 13 October	9:30am	St Colman	28th Sunday	Ellen & Joseph Charlton
ST EDWARD THE CONFESSOR Holy Hour 5 – 6pm St Colman	11:30am	St Paul	28th 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!

You can donate directly into the parish bank account: CDP P'mouth St Colman: account number 00884554; sort code 30 93 04; reference "offertory donation".

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 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

Are you going to St Colman's Fair?

Our next parish social event will be St Colman's Fair, our autumn gathering, on Saturday 23 November from 12:00 to 3pm in St Colman's Hall. We will celebrate St Colman of Cloyne with an Irish theme: food, drink, music, dancing, poetry, pony rides, produce and second hand stalls and games.

New Lectionary: Sunday Missals

Please sign up with the welcomers if you would like to order a new Sunday Missal for you own use from Advent, when we receive the new Scripture translation: we can order in bulk.

Health and Safety Volunteers

If you are a health and safety check volunteer, could you please call into the parish office to meet with Zia this week?

Deacon Nick O'Neill

Next Sunday 13 October we welcome our pastoral area Deacon, Rev Nick O'Neill, as our preacher. Deacon Nick is also chaplain for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea.

Family Fast Day: Cafod Collection

Please place your Cafod donation envelopes in the collection: your donations will be counted separately and sent to Cafod.

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, Lena Lycett, 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.