



SOLENT PASTORAL AREA - UNITED IN CHRIST

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN FAREHAM AND PORTCHESTER

Sacred Heart Church, Portland Street, Fareham. PO16 0NF. St Philip Howard Church, Bishopsfield Road, Fareham PO14 1ND
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24th SUNDAY OF THE YEAR – YEAR A 13th September 2026

MASS INTENTIONS, CONFESSIONS & ADORATION

Masses at St Philip Howard Church are Livestreamed

Saturday 12th September – Feria

5-5.45pm Confessions SH Reconciliation

SUNDAY 13th September – 24th Sunday Ordinary Time

Sat 6.30pm Vigil Mass SH In Thanksgiving (H. Okoye)
Sun 9am Mass SH For the People of the Parish
11am Mass SPH Ints of Anne Thompson
6pm Mass SPH Ints of Sarah-Jane

Monday 14th September – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sorry, no Mass SH

Tuesday 15th September – Our Lady of Sorrows

10am Mass SH Ints of Anne Thompson
'till Noon Adoration SH Silent prayer

Wednesday 16th September – Ss Cornelius & Cyprian

10am Mass SPH Ints. of Sancta Maria Chiramal

Thursday 17th September - Feria

10am Mass SH Norman Shurrock RIP
after... Confessions SH Reconciliation
7.30pm Adoration SH Silent prayer for Vocations

Friday 18th September - Feria

10am Mass SH For Vocations

Saturday 19th September - Feria

5 - 5.45pm Confessions SH Reconciliation

SUNDAY 20th September – 25th Sunday Ordinary Time

Sat 6.30pm Vigil Mass SH Ints of Harald
Sun 9am Mass SH Leone & Mary Casartelli RIP
11am Mass SPH Private Intention (A)
6pm Mass SPH For the People of the Parish

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

'Could you not watch one hour with me?' Bathe your soul in the light and love of the real presence of Christ.
Tuesdays; after 10am Mass – 12 Noon
Thursdays; 7.30 – 8.30pm

"LIVING STONES" PARISH PARTY (1 Pt 2:4-5)

St Philip Howard Hall. Saturday 17th Oct. 12.30pm – 3pm

A celebration of our parish and volunteers. All welcome!
Free raffle with 3 amazing voucher prizes! (You must be present to be included in the draw and collect the prize).

Please sign up by 4th October. Scan the QR code or use the sign-up sheet located in each church.



MARRIAGE MATTERS 24th Sun. Ord Time.

The call to forgive. (Matt 18: 21-35)

How can I love my spouse and bring life? We are called to set aside resentment and listen with understanding. In today's Gospel, the servant who is forgiven refuses to forgive another. God forgives us everything, but are we willing to let go of the hurts caused by our spouse?

DIOCESAN CATECHIST DAY – PORTSMOUTH DIOCESE

Sat. 10 Oct, 9:30am–1:30pm, St Bede's, Basingstoke

Join catechists from across the Diocese for a morning of prayer and formation. All catechists, experienced or new, are warmly invited. To register your interest please go to: <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/RFGR0zEzDh>
Or email Meghan, Formation for Mission Team Leader at: ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

DIARY AT A GLANCE. The coming week: Sat 12th September – Sunday 20th September

	Meeting	Location	Time	Contact
Sat	'Seeker Saturday' – Vocations Discernment	SH Hall	11am-3pm	vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confessions	SH	5-5.45pm	
Mon	UCM (Union of Catholic Mothers)	SH Hall	7pm	lornefry1954@hotmail.com
Tues	Little Treasures Toddler Group	SPH Hall	9.30am-11am	£1.50 'Stay & Play' – Parish Office
	PEG Recycling Team	SH Hall	10.30am-12pm	Parish Office
	Craft & Chat Group	SH Hall	1pm	Parish Office
	Funeral – Daphne Jefferson RIP	Wessex Crem	4.30pm	
	QA Hospital On Call	QA	4.30-8.30pm	Switchboard
Wed	Adult Journey in Faith Formation Grp (RCIA)	SH Hall	7pm-9pm	tomjharper@hotmail.co.uk
Thurs	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confessions	SH	after Mass	
	Bethany Bereavement Group	SH Hall	10am-12pm	sacredheart.bethany@gmail.com
	Conversation Group	SH Hall	2pm-3.30pm	amnally65@gmail.com
	Holy Hour for Vocations	SH	7.30pm - 8.30pm	
Fri	Scripture Group	SH Hall	11.15am-12.15pm	Parish Office
	PEG (Parish Ecology Group) Meeting	SH Hall	7.30pm	john.vivian@ntlworld.com
Sat	Parish Pastoral Council Meeting	SH Hall	10am	Parish Office

CHURCH INITIATION SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM See www.catholicchurchfareham.org.uk/baptism
Register online. Why not take part while “still expecting”?

Preparation Pathway dates: Closing date: Fri 11th Sept.

Meet & Greet Introduction **Sat 26th Sept**

Online Session 1 **Tues 29th Sept, from 8pm**

Online Session 2 **Tues 6th Oct, from 8pm**

FIRST EUCHARIST

Children in Year 4 and above are invited to join the First Holy Communion programme beginning in January at St Margaret Mary, Park Gate. Sessions run on Saturdays, 10.00 to 11.00am. Application forms are available from the Parish Office. Closing date: Sunday 27th September

CONFIRMATION ‘CHOSEN GROUP’

Information Evening - Friday 25th Sept 7pm,
Immaculate Conception Ch, Stubbington

Calling young people in years 8 and above from the Solent Pastoral Area. Would you like to know more about Jesus? Would you like the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2027?

To register your interest or for an answer to questions, please contact Dcn Andrew Collins on 07485 422 473, or acollins@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or your parish office.

The first session for **Chosen 2026-27** for new and returning members will take place on Fri 9th October. Venue t.b.c.

ADULT JOURNEY IN FAITH (RCIA)

Enquirers’ Group Are you a non-Catholic who wants to come into full communion with the Church, or a “resting” Catholic wanting to “return to the practice of the faith” email Dcn Larry: Imurawski@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
Weekly sessions: Starting 7th Oct. Our Lady, Stubbington.

Formation Group For those who have completed the Enquiry Stage and want to continue their faith formation
Weekly sessions: Wednesdays 7pm. Sacred Heart Ch. and Hall. Contact Tom: tomjharper@hotmail.co.uk

Please pray for the ministry of our two groups.

ALTAR SERVERS’ 10 PIN BOWLING AND PIZZA EVENING

Friday 16th October. Please return permission form.

PARISH FINANCE

Dona Plates Contactless Giving available in the foyers

Standing Orders Please contact the Parish Office for details.

BACS Transfer The parish bank details if you need them are:

CDP Fareham Sacred Heart (Lloyds Bank)

Sort Code 30-93-04 Account 00877744

Cheques Payable to ‘CDP Fareham Sacred Heart’

Gift Aid Payers are encouraged to contact in confidence at:

farehamgiftaid@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

FAREWELL AND WELCOME – PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

We bid a fond farewell and heartfelt thanks to Pauline McNamara, who is moving to Scotland, and warmly welcome Jess House as our new part-time Parish Administrator. As Pauline and Jess complete the handover this week, we thank Pauline for her faithful service to the parish and assure her of our prayers and best wishes. We also extend a warm welcome to Jess and wish her every blessing as she begins her new ministry among us.

PLEASE PRAY FOR The sick & those who care for them...
Mary M., Paul D., Chris H., Nikki P. Simon D., Sarah D.
Sr. Veronica OP, Bernard K. and Richard.

REST IN PEACE Please pray for **Daphne Jefferson RIP.**
Her committal is on Tues. 15th Sept. 4.30pm. Wessex Vale.

PARISH PRAYER WALKS Mon. 14th September 10am
From St Philip Howard Church. A 45-minute gentle walk.

CATHOLIC WOMEN’S LEAGUE - GOSPORT SECTION

Meetings resume in October. For more information contact Maria Owen: mariaeowen@gmail.com

ST FRANCIS 800th ANNIVERSARY – OFS GROUP

To mark this, a small outdoor space is being created at St Philip Howard Church for his feast day on Sun. 4th Oct. If you would like to contribute towards the cost of this project, please place your donation in a labelled envelope and return it to the Parish Office.

PARISH ECOLOGY GROUP MEETING

Fri. 25th Sept. 7pm. SH Hall. All welcome. Learn about the work of the Solent Repair & Reuse Café in our community.

ST PAUL CENTRE 25. *Free digital content*

Know and understand Scripture with trusted scholars

#1 <https://my.stpaulcenter.com/play/parousia-the-bible-and-the-mass> with Dr Scott Hahn; 11 episodes, 3hrs 22min.

ALTAR SERVERS TEAM - August “Server of the Month”

Well done to **Anna M** who has been awarded the Green Cincture of Honour for the coming month (September).

REGULAR GROUPS www.catholicchurchfareham.org.uk

Bethany Bereavement

Confirmation CHOSEN

Craft & Chat

Little Treasures Toddlers

PEG (Ecology Group)

SVP (St Vincent de Paul)

Teams (Married Couples)

Bible Study

Conversation Group

Ladies’ Prayer Group

Men’s Prayer Group

Prayer Walks

Enquirers’ Journey in Faith

UCM - Union of Catholic Mothers



CONTACT INFORMATION

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Parish Administrator: Mrs Pauline McNamara. Mon-Fri 9.30am-12.30pm **Parish Finance:** farehamgiftaid@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Parish Safeguarding: Stephanie Campbell 07414 685 955. Email: safeguarding.fare@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Diocesan Safeguarding: Ruth Attfield. Email: rattfield@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Parish SVP Group: 07435 880 190 - Call in confidence, any day between 8am - 6pm

St Jude’s Primary School: Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Wall. 01329 235 131 Email: admin@st-judes.info