



SOLENT PASTORAL AREA - UNITED IN CHRIST

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

IN FAREHAM AND PORTCHESTER



Dedication of the Lateran Basilica and 33rd Sunday in Ord. Time Yr C 9th and 16th Nov. 2025

SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL'S PASTORAL CONSTITUTION "GAUDIUM ET SPES"

The mystery of death

In the face of death the enigma of human existence reaches its climax. Man is not only the victim of pain and the progressive deterioration of his body; he is also, and more deeply, tormented by the fear of final extinction. But the instinctive judgement of his heart is right when he shrinks from, and rejects, the idea of a total collapse and definitive end of his own person. He carries within him the seed of eternity, which cannot be reduced to matter alone, and so he rebels against death. All efforts of technology, however useful they may be, cannot calm his anxieties; the biological extension of his life-span cannot satisfy the desire inescapably present in his heart for a life beyond this life.

Imagination is completely helpless when confronted with death. Yet the Church, instructed by divine revelation, affirms that man has been created by God for a destiny of happiness beyond the reach of earthly trials. Moreover, the Christian faith teaches that bodily death, to which man would not have been subject if he had not sinned, will be conquered; the almighty and merciful Saviour will restore man to the wholeness that he had lost through his own fault. God has called man, and still calls him, to be united in his whole being in perpetual communion with himself in the immortality of the divine life. This victory has been gained for us by the risen Christ, who by his own death has freed man from death.

Faith, presented with solid arguments, offers every thinking person the answer to his questionings concerning his future destiny. At the same time, it enables him to be one in Christ with his loved ones who have been taken from him by death and gives him hope that they have entered into true life with God.

Certainly, the Christian is faced with the necessity, and the duty, of fighting against evil through many trials, and of undergoing death. But by entering into the paschal mystery and being made like Christ in death, he will look forward, strong in hope, to the resurrection.

This is true not only of Christians but also of all men of good will in whose heart grace is invisibly at work. Since Christ died for all men, and the ultimate vocation of man is in fact one, that is, a divine vocation, we must hold that

the Holy Spirit offers to all the possibility of being united with this paschal mystery in a way known only to God. Such is the great mystery of man, enlightening believers through the Christian revelation. Through Christ and in Christ light is thrown on the enigma of pain and death which overwhelms us without his Gospel to teach us. Christ has risen, destroying death by his own death; he has given us the free gift of life so that as sons in the Son we may cry out in the Spirit, saying: Abba, Father!

IN REMEMBRANCE Those who have died this past year:

**Ken Wilson RIP . Rita Mackley RIP . Pauline Stewart RIP .
Faye O'Donoghue RIP . Mary Payne RIP .
Eileen Martin RIP . Joan Wright RIP . Lousie Grady RIP .
Alan Cassidy RIP . Jacqueline Gulvin RIP .
Teresa Bevis RIP . Veronica Gaoua RIP . Peter Aspin RIP .
Linda Taylor RIP .**

You may wish to use this farewell chant:

May Saints and Angels lead you on
escorting you where Christ has gone.
Now He has called to you, come to Him
who sits above the seraphim.

Come to the peace of Abraham.
Come to the supper of the Lamb.
Come to the glory of the blessed
and perpetual light and rest. Amen.

CEMETERY PRAYERS Sunday 9th November

3pm Wickham Road Cemetery, Fareham.

3pm Roman Grove Cemetery, Portchester.

A special 10 minute service - then to family graves for short prayer and blessing.

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for **Susan Griffiths RIP** who died last week. Also **Msgr. James Joyce RIP** and **Fr David Quamby RIP** who died recently, two priests of our Diocese who served for so long. May they rest in peace.

ST JUDE'S SCHOOL MASS OF REMEMBRANCE

Wednesday 12th November 1.30pm St Philip Howard Ch.

All are very welcome to join us as we pray for the dead.

KREUPASANAM www.Kreupasanammarianshrine.com
Kreupasanam Retreat Centre, Kerala, South India
Prayer requests & enquiries email; frvpjoseph@gmail.com

LADIES' GROUP

Second Wednesdays, 7.30pm at St Philip Howard Hall

Come and see! Getting to know each other, sharing our faith, and growing deeper in our relationship with the Lord. Every woman is so welcome - no age limit applies.

Contact Eloise at: eloise@olimcomms.com

PARISH BEREAVEMENT "BETHANY" GROUP

3rd Thursdays, 10am at Sacred Heart Hall

For anyone who has lost a loved one. A welcoming and safe space to be. For info: sacredheart.bethany@gmail.com

CONVERSATION GROUP

Every other Thurs, 2pm - 3.30pm, SHH.

Next meeting 20 November

Do you have APHASIA or communication difficulties after a stroke? Come and join our friendly group. Donation of £2. For info. contact Angela at: amnally65@gmail.com

"CHOSEN" CONFIRMATION PATHWAY

Session 3 Fri 14th Nov. 7- 8.30pm.

Topic 'We love because we are loved'.

At each session between 7pm - 7.20pm the Chosen group commence their evening with Exposition, Adoration and Prayer. All are welcome (parents and parishioners) to come and pray for and with our young people.

OFS SOUTHERN REGIONAL MEETING

Sat 15th Nov, 12pm - 4pm at St Philip Howard Church

Mass at 12pm. All are welcome to attend. For info please contact John and Esme Vivian at: Solentofs@outlook.com

ADVENT BOOKLET 'Praying with the Psalms'

We have copies of a booklet to guide you through Advent with prayerful reflections. Three-minute devotions inviting you to ponder the wonder of God becoming human in Christ Jesus. They are £2.50 a copy. You will find them in the foyer of both churches while stocks last.

ADVENT APPEAL - MARY'S MEALS

This Advent we will be supporting *Mary's Meals UK* a charity organisation that provides nutritious school meals to over 3 million children every day in 16 countries around the world.

Mary's Meals aims to combat hunger and poverty, enabling children to gain an education. It costs just 10p to provide a single school meal. The charity's mission is to ensure that every child receives a meal in school, which helps to bring them into the classroom and improve their future.

YOUTUBE - WORTH A WATCH ...

St Paul Centre - 'Stunned by Scripture' Series.

Dr John Bergsma. The show that covers everything Scripture! See; www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL1poW7g0D0hywqoHzZl9PuzZWt7kzj0Q1

PLEASE PRAY FOR ...

for the sick, and those who care for them, especially: **Patrick Tongs, Fr John Doran, Debbie Mead, Lou and Harry.**

PRAYER WALKS

Would you like to join us praying for our parish?

Two walk routes are now set up. The plan is to start with monthly prayer walks.

We now have several volunteers to be leaders. If you would like to participate as a walker, please contact Deacon Larry on 01329 318 869 or lmurawski@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

SERVER OF THE MONTH! (October)

Well done to **Faith** who has been awarded the *Green Cincture of Honour* for the coming month (November). Above all, thank you to all the servers.

NEURODIVERSITY AND THE CATHOLIC FAITH

The Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales and Birmingham Newman University are conducting research into Neurodiversity and our Faith experience.

In this Participatory Research we want to understand what helps and what gets in the way for neurodivergent Catholics in England and Wales. Your insights can help us to become more inclusive and responsive.

The online surveys are anonymous and will only take around 10-20 minutes to complete.

If you are:

1. Catholic (practising or not)
You are Neurodivergent
You are 18+ years old
You live in England or Wales.



Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/CBQWtarVMP>

2. A caregiver of a Neurodivergent Catholic.
A caregiver of a Catholic care recipient (who is either practising or not)
Your care recipient is neurodivergent (2+ yrs old)
Your care recipient lives in England or Wales.



Link: <https://forms.office.com/e/BCQq71W1w9>

Deadline is: Sun. 11th Jan '26.

For more information please contact: either Fleur Dorrell: fleur.dorrell@cbcew.org.uk or Dr Magdalena: smusz@staff.newman.ac.uk

DIACONATE ORDINATION - JACK RYAN

Saturday 20th December 3pm

St John's Cathedral, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth.

All are invited to the ordination of Jack, one of our "sons" from St Margaret Mary's Parish, Park Gate.

Through the solemn Laying on of Hands he will be ordained a Deacon for us and, God willing, a Priest next year. Do come and support, and pray for Jack. All are very welcome!

HEALTH & SAFETY FIRE EVACUATION PRACTICE

There will be a planned fire evacuation practice at Mass on the following dates:

15th November 6.30pm Sacred Heart

16th November 11am St Philip Howard

SVP MASS & CHRISTMAS PARTY

Wed 3rd December, 1:30pm at St Philip Howard

The SVP will be hosting a Christmas Party for our older parishioners. It will start at 1:30pm with Mass, followed by a Christmas Tea in the Hall. All are welcome and please pass this invitation on to anyone who might not otherwise receive it. If you need help with transport, no problem, please phone 07435 880 190 or contact the Parish Office.

ADVENT DAWN MASSES

Thursday 4th/11th/19th December

During Advent there will be a Dawn Mass on Thursdays at 7am followed by breakfast in the hall hosted by the UCM.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION OF THE REAL PRESENCE OF OUR LORD IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays, 10:30am - 12 noon Sacred Heart Church

Come & be with Our Lord, even if only for a few moments. Essential for growing in a personal relationship with Christ.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS - '... ask the Lord.' Mt 9:38

Thursdays, 7pm - 8pm at Sacred Heart Church

Please come and pray for workers in the Lord's vineyard.

CONFESSIONS

St Pope John Paul reminded us, the frequent use of Confession is in many ways the safeguard of love and peace. We must not lose the sense of sin or we will rationalise all our selfishness and wrongness of heart. Let us not leave this sacrament of peace and of freedom to just Advent or Lent. Trust in this sacrament of healing.

Thursdays: After the 10am Mass

Saturdays: 5-6pm (first Saturdays 10-11am)

Mass Times, Intentions and Locations, including Adoration & Confessions

DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA <i>Psalter Week 4</i>	Sat Vigil 8th	6:30pm	Sacred Heart	Alphonse & Dorothy Murawski RIP
	Sun 9th Nov	9am	Sacred Heart	SVP Deceased Members & Beneficiaries
		11am	St Philip Howard	For the People of the Parish
	Cemetery Prys	3pm	Sacred Heart	Wickham Road and Roman Grove
		6pm	St Philip Howard	Ints. of J & R Pettett
St Leo the Great	Mon 10th Nov	-	Sacred Heart	<i>Sorry, no service</i>
St Martin of Tours	Tues 11th Nov	7.30am	Sacred Heart	Ints. of Richard Monaghan
Adoration	<i>Holy Hour</i>	-	Sacred Heart	<i>Sorry, no adoration</i>
School Mass for the Dead	Wed 12th Nov	1.30pm	St Philip Howard	Ints. of Glenn and Michelle C
Feria	Thurs 13th Nov	10am	Sacred Heart	Glennys Batin & Stephen Escott RIP
Reconciliation		...after	Sacred Heart	Confessions
Adoration	<i>Holy Hour</i>	7-8pm	Sacred Heart	Holy Hour for Vocations
Feria	Fri 14th Nov	10am	Sacred Heart	Madelaine McQuade RIP
Reconciliation	Sat 15th Nov	5-6pm	Sacred Heart	Confessions
ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON (Patron) <i>Psalter Week 1</i>	Sat Vigil 15th	6:30pm	Sacred Heart	Grace Grace RIP
	Sun 16th Nov	9am	Sacred Heart	Eveline & Joe Vivian RIP
		11am	St Philip Howard	Ints. of Rita Arnold
		6pm	St Philip Howard	For the People of the Parish
Feria	Mon 17th Nov	10am	Sacred Heart	<i>Sorry, no service</i>
Feria	Tues 18th Nov	10am	Sacred Heart	Ints. of Fr John Doran (Good health)
Adoration	<i>Holy Hour</i>	-	Sacred Heart	Adoration - Silent Prayer
Feria	Wed 19th Nov	10am	St Philip Howard	For Vocations - Priesthood & Religious life
Feria	Thurs 20th Nov	12.15pm	Cathedral	Mass for deceased clergy RIP
Reconciliation		-	Sacred Heart	<i>Sorry, no confessions</i>
Adoration	<i>Holy Hour</i>	7-8pm	Sacred Heart	Holy Hour for Vocations
Presentation - Bl. V Mary	Fri 21st Nov	10am	Sacred Heart	Ints. of the Houghton Family
Reconciliation	Sat 22nd Nov	5-6pm	Sacred Heart	Confessions
OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE Year C <i>Psalter Week 2</i>	Sat Vigil 22nd	6:30pm	Sacred Heart	For the People of the Parish
	Sun 23rd Nov	9am	Sacred Heart	Cynthia Snell RIP
		11am	St Philip Howard	Jim Syred RIP
		6pm	St Philip Howard	John & Mary Byrne RIP

CONFIRMATION GROUP - BIBLE REQUEST

If anyone has a bible you don't need could you donate it for the Confirmation Group to use please? It's to help with prayer and study without the distraction of phone apps and notifications etc. Please bring the bibles to the parish office. Many thanks.

VERBUM DEI RETREAT CENTRE - ISLE OF WIGHT.

For info. please contact: verbumdei.iow@gmail.com

Advent Retreat 5th - 7th Dec.

New Year Retreat 31st Dec - 4th Jan "He is our Peace!"

These retreats want to give space for us to contemplate the Peace that Christ wants to give us. (Eph 2:14)

STELLA MARIS - CHRISTMAS CHOCOLATE APPEAL

Support seafarers visiting our Southern Region ports in the days before Christmas through the offering of the gift of chocolate. Please bring in any donations of chocolate tubs/boxes to the Parish Office by Fri 12th Dec. Thank you.

SACRED HEART CHURCH - NEW HANDRAIL

Thank you to Mike Ricketts for his help organising the new handrail to aid lectors/others in getting safely up the steps and onto the sanctuary.

We are blessed with a team of parish volunteers who work tirelessly, often behind the scenes, to keep our premises clean, water-tight, safe and welcoming. Thank you to all the unsung heroes of our community!

ST PHILIP HOWARD CHURCH - GROUNDS

We are looking for some extra volunteers to help keep the grounds welcoming, trimmed and tidy. This is an important yet often unnoticed task. If you have some spare time and strength for this then please let us know!

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

Fareham: Sacred Heart Church, Portland Street, Fareham, PO16 ONQ
St. Philip Howard Church, Bishopsfield Road, Fareham, PO14 1ND

Wickham: The Chapel of St. Thomas More, Park Place Pastoral Centre, Wickham, PO17 5HA

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

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BAPTISM www.catholicchurchfareham.org.uk/baptism

Please visit the parish website for details and to register online. Why not take part while "still expecting"?

Next Preparation Pathway dates:

Meet & Greet - in person **Saturday 14th Feb, 10am**

Online Session 1 **Tuesday 17th Feb, from 8pm**

Online Session 2 **Tuesday 24th Feb, from 8pm**

Welcome & Anointing **Sunday 1st March**

Closing date for this Preparation Pathway - Fri. 30th January

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE MEETING

Wed 12th Nov, 1:30pm at Our Lady, Stubbington

Mass: 12 Noon - Ints. of CWL Members past & present.

Presentation: Volunteering with Mercy Ships. Dr Jo. 1.30pm

All very welcome. Please bring a packed lunch.

For information, please contact

Marguerite: 01489 575 663 / margieboulter@aol.com

Maria Owen: 07790 378 097/ mariaeowen@gmail.com

OAKLANDS CATHOLIC SCHOOL - THE SNOWMAN

Saturday 29th November, 1pm, 3pm and 5pm

Oaklands Catholic School, Stakes Road, Waterlooville

Film screening with live music from *the Rhythm & Fuse Orchestra*. Tickets available through Eventbrite:

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-snowman-live-with-orchestra-waterlooville-tickets

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