



SOLENT PASTORAL AREA - UNITED IN CHRIST

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
IN FAREHAM AND PORTCHESTER

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THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 16th August 2026

MASS INTENTIONS, CONFESSIONS & ADORATION

Masses at St Philip Howard Church are Livestreamed

Saturday 15th August – Feria

5-5.45pm Confessions SH Reconciliation

SUNDAY 16th August – ASSUMPTION BL. VIRGIN MARY

Sat 6.30pm Vigil Mass SH Ints of Kamila Kiver (b'day)

Sun 9am Mass SH Ints of Paul & Simone Tomlinson
(Golden Wedding Anniv.)

11am Mass SPH Hugh Cooke RIP

6pm Mass SPH For the People of the Parish

Monday 17th August – Feria

Sorry, no Mass

Tuesday 18th August – Feria

10am Mass SH Tweet Zafra Reyes RIP

'till Noon Adoration SH Silent prayer

Wednesday 19th August – Feria

10am Mass SPH John Montfort RIP

Thursday 20th August – St Bernard

10am Mass SH For Vocations

after... Confessions SH Reconciliation

Sorry, no Adoration

Friday 21st August – St Pius X

Sorry, no Mass

Saturday 22nd August – The Queenship of Mary

Sorry, no Confessions

SUNDAY 23rd August – 21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat 6.30pm Vigil Mass SH Michael J Smith RIP

Sun 9am Mass SH Ints of the Maber Family

11am Mass SPH For the People of the Parish

6pm Mass SPH Ints of the Ryan Family

NEW PARISH DATABASE 'CHURCHSUITE' IMPORTANT!

We have already received an amazing number of completed Parishioner re-registration forms! Thank you. To ensure your registration is up to date, and you continue to receive the newsletter and other communications, please complete the forms as soon as possible. There are separate forms for adults and children.

Adult Registration Form - available here:

<https://catholicdioceseofportsmouth.churchsuite.com/forms/nkuysqm4>



Child Registration Form - available here:

<https://catholicdioceseofportsmouth.churchsuite.com/forms/klgbuqxb>



FAREWELL AND WELCOME – PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

In mid-September we bid a fond farewell & thank you to Pauline McNamara (moving to Scotland) and welcome Jess House as our new part-time team member in the office.

OUR SYNODAL JOURNEY AS A CHURCH

Synodality invites us to walk together through listening, prayerful discernment, and shared responsibility for our mission. Parishioners are being asked to reflect on our journey and share their views with the Diocesan Team.

Parish Meetings

Come and take part in the conversation. All are invited.

Tuesday 1st Sept. After Mass and 7-9pm at SH Church Hall.

Saturday 5th Sept 2.30pm at SPH Church Hall.

Discussion themes ... How are we living synodality in our Diocese/parish? How do I contribute to the life and mission of the parish? How well do we listen, welcome others & discern together? How can we grow further together? What steps can we take to achieve this vision in our parish?

DIARY AT A GLANCE. The coming week: Sat 15th August – Sun 23rd August

	Meeting	Location	Time	Contact
Sat	Sacrament of Reconciliation - Confessions	SH	5pm - 5.45pm	
Sun	Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady	-	-	
	Golden Wedding Blessing - Paul & Simone	SH	9am	
	"Quiet Mass"	SPH	6pm Mass	
Mon	-	-		
Tues	Craft & Chat Group	SH Hall	1pm	Parish Office
Weds	QA Hospital On Call	QA	Overnight	Switchboard
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
Fri	CA Pilgrimage to Lourdes 21 st – 28 th Aug			
Sat	-	-	-	

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**

ENQUIRERS' GROUP – ADULT JOURNEY IN FAITH

Are you a non-Catholic who wants to come into full communion with the Catholic Church, or a "resting" Catholic wanting to "return to the practice of the faith" email Dcn Larry: lmurawski@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Weekly sessions: Starting 7th Oct. Our Lady, Stubbington.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Registration forms will be available soon for children in Year 4 and above. Closing date Sunday 4th October. Please contact the parish office to register your interest. First Eucharist Masses – Corpus Christi, Sun 30th May '27.

ST. PAUL CENTRE BIBLICAL THEOLOGY – DIGITAL LIBRARY

DISCOVER SCRIPTURE [Search - St. Paul Centre](#)
25th Anniversary. 14hrs of amazing free online content!

ST PHILIP HOWARD CLEANING TEAM

Thursday Mornings (fortnightly). Could you spare some time to help care for our beautiful church? We are seeking volunteers to join our cleaning team, as several of our regular helpers have recently moved away. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

"LIVING STONES" PARISH PARTY

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

St Peter refers to Christians as "living stones" (1 Pt 2:4-5). As Christ is the Living Stone chosen by God, so we too are called to be living stones, built together into a spiritual house, this will be an opportunity to thank all those who contribute to parish life in many ways. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us for food, fellowship, and a free raffle. Booking details will follow shortly.

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

PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES - YOUNG HELPERS

www.catholicassociation.co.uk Fri 21st-Fri 28th August

Thank you for sponsoring Callum, Bethany and Faith as Young Helpers on their pilgrimage to Lourdes, where they will assist sick pilgrims. If you have a prayer intention for the Grotto place them in a *sealed* envelope marked 'Intention' and it will be presented at the Torchlight Procession and later burned. If you would like a candle lit, place your cash donation in an *open* envelope marked 'Candle', together with your *sealed* intention.

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

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for **Aunty Chris RIP, Aunty Lil RIP** and **Fr Peter Turbitt RIP** who died recently.

SACRED HEART 150th ANNIVERSARY - VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to everyone who responded to our survey and offered their time and support to help make this a memorable occasion for our parish. We are very grateful for your generosity and enthusiasm. We will be in touch in September to coordinate the next steps.

ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL – PETITION

Visit cbcew.org.uk/opposing-assisted-suicide

Please contact our MP as a matter of urgency to express your views on this Bill, even if you have written previously.

Right to Life UK. Visit www.righttolife.org.uk/sept11vote

A simple online tool: enter your postcode, review the suggested message, and send it directly to your MP

(ACN) AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED – PETITION

[Sign our Article 18 Petition | Aid to the Church in Need](#)

Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights

protects the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion. ACN is collecting signatures for a petition calling on the UK Government, and ultimately the United Nations, to help defend this fundamental right and people's freedom to practise their faith. Please sign the petition.

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



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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