

PARISH FINANCES

A very big thank you to the Parish Finance Committee who oversee the stewardship of your weekly offerings, parish needs, hopes and budgeting for future.



At the end of August it is the end of the financial year for the Diocese, after which we have to send to the Finance Office a very detailed account of the parish income and expenditure. In mid-Autumn we will offer a 'Money Sunday' to the Parish Community, giving an overview of the health of the Parish Finances and a financial forecast for what we need to do, what the Diocese will allow us to do, and what would like to aspire to do.

FAREHAM CHURCHES COVID EMERGENCY FUND

Since Covid first started to impact on people's lives, Pope Francis has repeatedly encouraged us to care for each other. In response to this, **Christians Together in Fareham** have created the "Fareham Churches' Covid Emergency Fund" to help people in our Borough whose finances have been affected by the pandemic.

Holy Trinity & St Columba Church launched a Covid Emergency Fund earlier this year. They have now broadened its scope to include other churches and have re-named their fund. They have kindly agreed to undertake the administration of the new fund and several thousand pounds has already been raised and passed to Citizen's Advice for distribution to those in most need.

If you would like to contribute to this ecumenical venture you can do so in several ways:

- Place your donation in an envelope marked "Covid Emergency Fund" in the collection bags at church. Cheques to be payable to "Holy Trinity with St Columba"
- Make a BACS payment with the reference "Covid Fund" Acc: PCC Holy Trinity, sort code: 30-93-17, acc: 00411710
- Text HTSCFCOVID to 70085 followed by the amount you wish to donate (any amount from £1 to £20). E.g. to donate £5, text HTSCFCOVID 05.

We thank you for your support to help those in our borough who have been greatly impacted by the pandemic

PARISH ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP)

The SVP are here to provide help, friendship, comfort and will be pleased to do so, in any way that we can. Everything we do is in strict confidence.

Call us on 07435 880 190 any day between 8am & 6pm.



BASICS BANK

To see their current shopping list needed, visit www.friendsofthehomeless.org.uk

PARISH FINANCE

Standing Orders Please consider this and contact the Parish Office for more details.

BACS Transfer Our bank details if you need them are;

PRCDTR Fareham Sacred Heart (Lloyds Bank)

Sort Code 30-93-04 Account 00877744

Cheques Payable to 'PRCDTR Fareham Sacred Heart'

Gift Aid Tax payers are encouraged to contact Ken in confidence on 07583 895 323 so we can Gift Aid your donations and receive **an extra 25%** at **no expense** to you.

A big thank you to those who have recently responded to our appeal to Gift Aid your offering and set up a standing order.



For a Gift Aid Form please contact Ken or Holly in the parish office. It only takes a tick

Give As You Live The free and easy way to raise free funds for the Parish simply by shopping online. Join for free today and start raising funds when you shop as normal at over 4,000 stores. Click on a store you want to shop with and you'll be taken direct to the store's website where you can continue to shop as normal.

The store will then give us a percentage of your purchase cost at **no extra expense** to you!



Please visit ...

www.giveasyoulive.com/join/sacredheartchurchfareham

Do you use Amazon? Please sign up to **Amazon Smile**. Under **Help & Settings**, click **Your Amazon Smile** and please choose **Your Current Charity** and search for Portsmouth Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust.



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN FAREHAM AND PORTCHESTER

*I am
the Bread
of Life*
John 6:35

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B "The Year of the Eucharist" Sun 1st Aug '21

Friendship

As we enjoy the opportunity to come back together around the Altar celebrating a real encounter of the Lord in the Sacraments and also the traditional time for family get togethers with school holidays, let us consider Pope Francis' prayer intention, 'the importance of friendship.'

Friendship is one of the great gifts that life gives us. Being able to count on friends, during good times as well as bad, is a gift from God. Wouldn't it be fantastic if we could go beyond our groups of friends and build social friendship, which is so necessary for living together well?

We need to seek friends instead of enemies, understanding each other instead of fighting, leaving polarization behind. Let us extend a hand and listen to others so we can work together for the common good. The Scriptures call us to share this message with our friends, and with people who aren't friends yet. The Bible says that "whoever finds a friend has found a treasure."

Ecclesiasticus 6:14

Pope Francis asks that we pray to construct the common good with men and women who extend a hand to each other and to always be at the side of the most impoverished and vulnerable, those on the peripheries.

He said, we need to distance ourselves from populisms that exploit the anguish of the people without providing solutions, proposing a mystique that solves nothing. We must flee from social enmity which only destroys, and leave "polarization" behind. This isn't always easy, especially today when part of our politics, society and media are bent on creating enemies so as to defeat them in a game of power. The Holy Father points out that today, "part of our politics, society and media dedicate themselves to creating enemies so as to defeat them in a game of power".

This is why we need to "build social friendship, which is so necessary for living together well," a friendship that can serve as a bridge to continue creating a culture of encounter, which will bring us closer to those who are lonely and on the edge. Dialogue is the path to seeing reality in a new way, so we can live with passion the challenges we face in constructing the common good.

Let us pray that we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship, men and women who always hold out a helping hand so that no spaces for enmity, indifference and war remain.

ANTI-BACTERIAL WIPES APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who generously donated anti-bacterial wipes at our last appeal. We are now reaching the end of the stockpile and so we ask if you could consider during your next grocery shop to buy a pack of anti-bacterial wipes to donate to us?

The wipes will enable us to continue to be safe for Adoration (we ask each visitor to wipe down their pew as they leave for the next person and then we fog once the church is closed). You can give any donations to the stewards when you are at Mass or Adoration. Thank you.

THANK YOU FROM FRANCIS AND NATHAN

"Canon John kindly presented your Parish gift to us last weekend and it is fair to say that we have both spent the week feeling overwhelmed and humbled by your generosity to us. Thank you so very much, we are incredibly grateful to you all."



Please know that we will remember you all in our prayers as we continue our formation and we will continue to thank God for the opportunities you have given us during our year at the Sacred Heart House.



Please remember us in your prayers and all our brother seminarians and discerners. Please also pray for Cn. John who has inspired us with his unceasing hard work and his care & commitment to your Parish, to his work for Vocations and for our Portsmouth Diocese.

There will always be a warm welcome should any of you wish to visit us at Allen Hall Seminary in London once we have settled in to our new home for our ongoing studies and formation in September.

May God bless you for the kindness you have shown us and we hope to see you again during the years to come."

SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION

The Bishops of England have announced that the usual canonical obligation for Catholics to attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation is to be restored on the First Sunday of Advent (28th November 2021).

PARISH OFFICE

Please note that for the week starting 2nd Aug, the Parish Office will be having a deep clean / re-organisation and so emails and voicemails will be checked intermittently.

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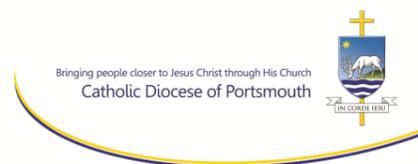
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St Jude's Primary School Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Wall. Email: adminoffice@st-judes.hants.sch.uk Tel: 01329 235 131



PORTSMOUTH VOCATIONS

Jesus said, "Come, follow me"

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Do not work for food that perishes, but for food that endures for eternal life." Are you being chosen to help feed and give life to the people of God as a priest, deacon or in the consecrated life? To explore further contact Cn. John on 01329 318 869 or email; vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Vocations Website. Please visit our website www.portsmouthvocations.org for information & stories.



SACRED HEART CHURCH CLEANING

We would like to ask you to please consider being part of the **Sacred Heart Church Cleaning Team**, so we can set up a rota and spread the load. The cleaning of this beautiful historic building is an important ministry - it is a ministry of outreach as it helps create an environment for prayer.

Church cleaning is a great way to literally bond with your Church building. It is conducive to your own prayer life too as you are loving the sacred place holding the real presence of Our Lord. For blessings and fellowship guaranteed, please contact the office 01329 318 869 if you would like to consider being part of the Team. Thank you.



STEWARD / WELCOMERS

As we return to celebrating Mass at both of our churches, there is a great need for more stewards. To share the workload, we would like more stewards for both churches across the whole week with a focus on Tuesdays & Fridays. If you would like to join the stewarding team please contact the Parish Office. Training will be offered in the Autumn. Thank you to all those who are part of this very important ministry.



CONTEMPLATIVE PRAYER GROUP

Thurs weekly, 9:30 - 10am St Mary's Portchester

The contemplative way of praying in silence has a long history in Christianity. The intention is to open oneself to the love of God in silence.

Psalm 62:1-2 "For God alone my soul waits in silence; from him comes my salvation. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my fortress; I shall never be shaken."

If you would like to join our prayer group, please contact Hilary Dawson 01329 310015.



OUR PARISH PRIMARY & PRE-SCHOOL ST. JUDE'S. 'Achieving together in God's love'

Bishopsfield Road, Fareham, PO14 1ND
Headteacher: Mrs Sarah Wall
Email: adminoffice@st-judes.hants.sch.uk
Tel: 01329 235 131
Website: www.st-judes.hants.sch.uk



REST IN PEACE 'Life is changed not ended'

Please pray for **Marie Jarman RIP.**

Her Requiem Mass is on Wed 11th Aug, 11am at St Philip Howard Church.

Also for **Maria Giacomini RIP.**

Her Requiem Mass is on Thurs 12th Aug, 10am.

Also for **Ann Richardson RIP.**

Please keep their families in your prayers. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.



SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION

Sacred Scripture & Catechism (CCC) References

John 6:32-33 So Jesus said to them, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

CCC 1394 As bodily nourishment restores lost strength, so the Eucharist strengthens our charity, which tends to be weakened in daily life; and this living charity wipes away venial sins. By giving himself to us Christ revives our love and enables us to break our disordered attachments to creatures and root ourselves in him: since Christ died for us out of love, when we celebrate the memorial of his death at the moment of sacrifice we ask that love may be granted to us by the coming of the Holy Spirit. We humbly pray that in the strength of this love by which Christ willed to die for us, we, by receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit, may be able to consider the world as crucified for us, and to be ourselves as crucified to the world. . . . Having received the gift of love, let us die to sin and live for God.

ACTS OF KINDNESS FAREHAM & GOSPORT



Acts of Kindness is a crisis charity supplying food, clothing, furniture and welfare support in Fareham & Gosport. During the pandemic it has fed 10,000 people; supplied 60 food parcels and furniture to 20 households each week; and given direct help such as cleaning for those with mental health issues. All services are free and are staffed by around 70 volunteers.

We need a large venue to store food and furniture but must leave our current home by the end of August and therefore urgently require new premises, ideally of 3,000 - 5,000 sq ft but in the short term, approx. 1,000 - 2,000 sq ft would be great. If you know of anywhere suitable please contact ActsOfKindnessTeam@outlook.com

MENS' PRAYER GROUP

First Thursday of each month, 7:30pm viz Zoom

Our prayer groups helps to support each other to be the best husbands, fathers, brothers and sons we can be. For more info contact Tom; tom_fairman@yahoo.com



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

For **Sr Margurita OP, Veronica OP** and **Derek Martin.**

BAPTISM 'Welcome to God's Family!'

Next Preparation - Autumn, dates tbc

To register please contact the Parish Office. Why not take part while "still expecting"? One less thing to worry about!



FIRST EUCHARIST PROGRAMME 2021

Our first group will be the children who will be in Year 5 in September (i.e. the group that started in 2020 as Year 3). Families who wish to take part in this journey of faith are encouraged to register for your place at Sunday Mass via the Parish Office. Our aim is to complete this first group in the Autumn term. We will then look at Year 4 in Spring '22.



GETTING MARRIED? Congratulations! If you are planning to get married, please note that you need:

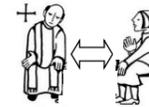
- To give 12 months' notice (minimum)
- If a Catholic and not Confirmed, to join a 'Journey Into Faith' in order to celebrate Confirmation.
- To participate in a Marriage Preparation Course.



To find out more contact the Parish Office / Cn John.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Confession Saturdays starting at 9:30am at SHH

Ventilation and social distancing in place. At your time slot, when the Hall door is open, please go in and pull the door too behind you.



After Confession, your place and touch points are sprayed with an anti-viral solution, ready for the next penitent.

Mass Times, Intentions & Locations including Adoration and the 'livestreaming' schedule

Day	Time	Location	Intention
Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time. Yr B <i>Psalter Week 2</i>	Sat 31st Vigil	6:30pm	Sacred Heart Irene Caldeira RIP
	Sun 1st Aug	9am	Sacred Heart For the People of the Parish
Feria		11am	St Philip Howard Vivian & Desmond Quick RIP
		6pm	St Philip Howard Ints. of Chris & Diane McNamara
Feria	Mon 2nd Aug	-	- Sorry, no service.
	Tues 3rd Aug	10am	Sacred Heart Ints. of Cn John Cooke
St John Vianney		11am	Sacred Heart Adoration and Silent Prayer
	Wed 4th Aug	10am	St Philip Howard Ints. of Josephine & Roger Pettett - Anniversary
Feria	Thurs 5th Aug	7:30pm	Sacred Heart For all our Seminarians & Vocations Discerners
	Fri 6th Aug	10am	Sacred Heart Mary Marshman RIP
The Transfiguration Reconciliation	Sat 7th Aug	~	Sacred Heart Hall 9:30am+ by appointment via the Parish Office
	Sat 7th Vigil	6:30pm	Sacred Heart Ints. of the White Family
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Yr B <i>Psalter Week 3</i>	Sun 8th Aug	9am	Sacred Heart For the People of the Parish
		11am	St Philip Howard Rev. Dcn. Langford Vincent RIP
		6pm	St Philip Howard Vincent Sedgewick RIP

Sacred Heart Church Capacity

For the Sat 6.30pm and Sunday 9am Mass, please contact the Fareham Parish office to register. As Sacred Heart church has no open windows, this will enable us to keep everyone safely distanced. *We will need your name, number in the household group & email / telephone no.* Weekday Masses will be 'first come; first served' up to our capacity.



ADULT JOURNEY IN FAITH

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Do you know someone (perhaps yourself) who might want to know more about the Catholic Church? Perhaps they are just waiting to be asked? If you know someone who may be searching for that sacramental home that only the Church can offer, then please invite them to consider joining RCIA.

It is for those seeking answers and wanting to know what Catholics believe. It is for parents of children coming to St. Jude's School who would like to learn more in order to support them. Or for those who have been coming to Mass for years, but have never gone up for Holy Communion or never been Confirmed.

The Journey in Faith will try to show you more about what we within the Catholic Church believe and do. No commitment is requested or required - we are happy always, to share our journey with you. For more info in confidence, contact Lynne Wall on 02392 503 894.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION.

Tuesdays 11am - 1pm. Sacred Heart Church



Please come and be with the Lord even if only for a few minutes, and offer your heart to Him in silent adoration and prayer. Please come and pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life for our Diocese. If you would like to be a Guardian, please contact the Office and we can extend the hours!

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? QA Hospital 02392 286 408

Please make certain that the Ward Clerk is advised that you are Catholic and / or phone the Chaplaincy.

