



THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN FAREHAM AND PORTCHESTER



OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE Year A 22nd November 2020

SHEEP & GOATS

Throughout history, God continually sought out his people, inviting them to a mutual relationship. It is the foundation of our faith. He shepherds us today in the same way. Our psalm today is so popular, especially at funerals, "The Lord is my shepherd." If we are paying attention, we see that God is *still* being the shepherd as He promised. Goodness and kindness are all around us. God has us walk beside restful waters through green pastures. Gratitude should, therefore, fill our hearts.

The Gospel tells us in a parable who will get to have true light and peace, and it isn't everyone. The Gospel invites us to reflect on the difference between true love and its false imitation, between real Christianity and its fake lookalike. We are told that some people have been "goats" instead. How do we become "sheep" in spite of our "goatish" tendencies? Simple. We care for the Lord in other people. We should treat everyone with dignity, respect and patience (even when it hurts). Instead of "goatishly" taking our own preferences as the goals for our lives, we join God as someone who cares for others. We dip into the restful waters *with* Jesus. We offer everything *with* him for the poor and needy not because it is simple, but because this is *his* way (not 'my way') it is the way of God, the way of the King and we are citizens of His Kingdom.

Instead of sleeping restfully in the slumber of nonacting, Christ is calling to us as one among many shepherds. We are asked to say "yes" to the God who loves without prejudice, to the Christ who spent life as a servant, to a shepherd who would love his sheep to the very end. We will find the pastures of eternal life, insofar as we care for others.

SCRIPTURE & TRADITION *Catechism (CCC) References*

Matthew 25:31-46

CCC 2447 The *works of mercy* are charitable actions by which we come to the aid of our neighbour in his spiritual and bodily necessities. Instructing, advising, consoling, comforting are spiritual works of mercy, as are forgiving and bearing wrongs patiently. The corporal works of mercy consist especially in feeding the hungry, sheltering the homeless, clothing the naked, visiting the sick and imprisoned, and burying the dead. Among all these, giving alms to the poor is one of the chief witnesses to fraternal charity: it is also a work of justice pleasing to God.

NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY

The Feast of Christ celebrates the role and significance of young people in the Catholic Church. The theme for this year's NYS is **'Together'**.



The COVID-19 pandemic has affected every part of life. The way we live, work, study, play and pray has all changed. We have not been able to do many of those things together. This year's theme recognises what it means to be 'together'; with ourselves, with others and with God.

Pope Francis said this recently: *"After many months we meet each other again our face to face, rather than screen to screen. Face to face. This is good! The current pandemic has highlighted our interdependence, we are all linked to each other, for better or for worse. Therefore, to come out of this crisis better than before, we have to do so together; together, not alone. Together. Alone no, because it cannot be done. Either it is done together, or it is not done. We must do it together, all of us, in solidarity."*

Pope Francis, September 2020

As we learn to live together again alongside the COVID-19 virus, the world isn't quite the same as it was. But there is still much to make us hopeful.

A couple of things for you to visit online!

1 Five minutes with your family.

www.nationalyouthsunday.com/foryourfamily

Please can we urge you to gather as a family to watch and join in with the video! Do let Fr John know how you get on with the video.



2 For you.

www.nationalyouthsunday.com/foryou

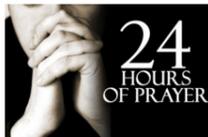
National Youth Sunday calls all young people to think about what following Jesus means to them. We've just celebrated the beatification of *Blessed Carlo Acutis* – an incredible example to us all about how we can use the skills and resources we've got to bring people together and bring people to Christ.

CHRISTMAS REPOSITORY CATALOGUE

We are still taking orders for the Christmas Repository. Items can be posted at buyers expense or you can collect from the Parish Office (by appointment) the beginning of December when lockdown is lifted.



A Day of Prayer & Fasting for an End to the Coronavirus Pandemic
Friday 27th November 2020



Dear Friends,

You will not fear the plague that prowls in the darkness nor the scourge that lays waste at noon (Psalm 90). These words of the Psalmist invite us to have great faith in the steadfast love of God who never abandons His people in time of trial. In these days during which our country and our world is gravely stricken by the COVID-19 virus, we implore the Lord to bring a speedy end to this pandemic.

I am inviting everyone across the Diocese, clergy, religious and laity, to keep with me a special Day of Prayer and Fasting for an End to the Coronavirus Pandemic.

The Day is called **"Twenty-Four Hours with the Lord"**

Please download the booklet

www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/day-of-prayer

We can pray earnestly for a speedy end to the pandemic, for the safety and protection of all, especially our family and friends, for the health of the sick and the strength of those who care for them, for those suffering financially or in other ways from the pandemic, for patients in hospitals and the residents of care-homes, for all medical staff and key workers, for government leaders, scientists & advisors, for the discovery of an effective, ethically-sourced, vaccine, for patience, perseverance and mental well-being and for all who have died and those who mourn them.

There will be a twenty-four hour long programme of Mass, prayer, Rosary and Eucharistic Adoration live-streamed from here at the Cathedral, of which you will be invited to join in as much as you can by live-stream. We will set up this link on our Facebook page with timely posts.

www.portsmouthcatholiccathedral.org.uk/live-mass.php

For this special Day of Prayer, here are some of the intentions you could bring to the Lord:

- For a speedy end to the pandemic
- For the safety & protection of all, especially our family and friends
- For the health of the sick and the strength of those who care for them
- For those suffering financially or in other ways from the pandemic
- For patients in hospitals and residents of care-homes
- For all medical staff and key workers
- For government leaders, scientists and advisors
- For the discovery of an effective, ethically sourced, vaccine
- For patience, perseverance and mental well-being
- For all who have died and those who mourn them.

May our diocesan patrons pray for us: Mary Immaculate, She who is ever the Health of the Sick, St. Edmund of Abingdon, who faced a time of great unrest, and Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati, who loved vigils of prayer before the Eucharist.

In Corde Iesu,

+Philip Bishop of Portsmouth



"Twenty-Four Hours with the Lord"

*During Eucharistic Adoration until midnight,
Confessions are available*

0730 Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration
0810 Morning Prayer
0825 Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament
0830 Mass (liturgy from *Mass in Time of Pandemic*)
0915 Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration
1015 Rosary (The Five Joyful Mysteries)
1155 Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament
1200 Angelus and Midday Prayer
1215 Mass (liturgy from *Mass in Time of Pandemic*)
1300 Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration
1305 Rosary (The Five Luminous Mysteries)
1500 Liturgy of the Passion
1700 The Chaplet of Divine Mercy
1925 Reposition of the Bl. Sacrament
1930 Evening Prayer
2000 Mass (liturgy from *Mass in Time of Pandemic*)
2015 Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration
2100 Rosary (The Five Sorrowful Mysteries)
2230 The Seven Last Words of Christ
2330 Rosary (The Five Glorious Mysteries)
2350 Night Prayer (Compline)
2400 Eucharistic Vigil: "Watching with the Lord"
0730 Benediction and Reposition of the Blessed Sacrament



We will be posting timed links on our Parish Facebook page as a courtesy reminder for you to join in the prayer of the Diocese.

Prayer before the Bl. Sacrament

Lord Jesus Christ,
we firmly believe that You are present, here on our Altar, in this most Blessed Sacrament of Your love.
We humbly and devoutly adore You.
We love You above all things
and give ourselves totally to you.
Listen to us now as we come before you.
We pray for a speedy resolution and end to the coronavirus pandemic and for these our own intentions which we mention to you now:

(mention in silence personal intentions).

Bless us all, and keep us safe.
Bring us one day to heaven,
where You live and reign with the Father
and the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

SACRED HEART CHURCH - Open for prayer ...

Due to unforeseen circumstances, on **Sat. 21st Nov.**, we are unable to open the Church for private prayer. Sorry.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for those suffering at this difficult time especially **David Pearce and all** who are Covid19 positive and suffering.



TEAMS OF OUR LADY

Teams is an international organization which enables couples and families to come together to develop and strengthen their Christian spiritual lives and support one another. Teams Fareham have close links with Teams Malawi, one of the poorest countries in the world. We have recently learnt there is a widespread famine causing great hardship. Teams Malawi have asked for prayers (Mass on 25th Nov) and Teams Fareham are trying to offer some financial support, to enable them to buy some maize to distribute. For more info contact David & Frances on 01329 317 223.



"DOMINICARDS" FOR CHRISTMAS!

Since February the **Dominican Sisters of St Joseph, Sway** guest house, which is their principal source of income, has been frozen. The talented sisters have been working hard to build up stocks for Christmas. Sr Lucy & Sr Catherine have made beautiful original watercolours and calligraphy cards.



In this time of lockdown when you cannot go out to do normal Christmas shopping you may find something special for Christmas here and be able to support our community in a very special way at the same time.

Please visit: www.etsy.com/uk/shop/Dominicards

CHRISTMAS MASSES 24th & 25th Dec. and 1st Jan '21

It is getting towards the time where we need to start planning for Christmas, the birth of Our Saviour and Lord. We, of course, do not know what the situation will be regarding household numbers mixing, social distancing and if we will be allowed to celebrate our Christmas Masses publicly. What we are doing is creating an 'ideal' plan of what we hope our schedule will be, based on the rules and regulations that were in place before lockdown. We can adjust accordingly to abide by any changes nearer the time.



A form has been sent to all parishioners with email on the database. **Seating will be allocated on a first come first served basis.** If you know of anyone who needs a form posted to them, please contact the Parish Office asap.

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Portsmouth Diocesan Trust - Registered Charity Number 246871

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 on 07583 895 323 so we can Gift Aid your donations and receive **an extra 25%** at **no expense** to you.

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 when you shop 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.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2021

As more parishioners move to direct debit or standing order, Ken will be ordering fewer envelopes for 2021. If you require envelopes or would like envelopes for the second collections (allowing us to claim gift aid for the charity) please email; farehamgiftaid@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or telephone the parish office.

For those using on line banking please include the designated charity in the Reference so we can allocate your giving correctly.

NHS TRACK & TRACE APP

Please make use of the **NHS COVID 19 App QR Codes** on the doors when visiting for Private Prayer and encourage others to download the App if they already haven't.

Bringing people closer to Jesus Christ through His Church
Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth



USEFUL MOBILE PHONE APPS

God Calls www.godcalls.co.uk A free App is to help you go deep with God and build solid ground with Him through prayer, through the lives of the Saints, and Scripture.

Pray As You Go www.pray-as-you-go.org.uk
A daily prayer session, to help you pray. c. 15mins ...

Q.A HOSPITAL CHAPLAINCY Tel. 02392 286 408

On admission to hospital, please make certain that your Catholic faith is recorded for Chaplain **Fr Rob Stewart** to visit you with the Sacraments that you will need.

REST IN PEACE 'Life is changed not ended'

Please pray for **Frederick Hugh Knight RIP**.

Frederick will be laid to rest at St Swithun's Church, Southsea on 1st December. May he rest in peace.

CAFOD CAMPAIGNS

Messages to the Brave We are asking people to write an online message or send a card to a Human Rights Defender or an Environmental Activist to show solidarity and support
www.cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Latest-campaigns/Messages-to-the-brave

Fossil Fuel Petition To demand that the Prime Minister shows true global leadership by ending all UK support for fossil fuels overseas.

www.e-activist.com/page/53571/petition/1



POST LOCKDOWN OUTDOOR CLEAN-UP

We are looking for a team of about 10 people to help tidy and manage the greenery at our St Philip Howard Church site. Many hands make light work! The provisional date is **Sat 5th Dec**, weather and lockdown dependant. If you would like to help (please bring your own tools, trailers etc) or for more information please contact Richard at; aphodius@btinternet.com who will be coordinating the team. Thank you!



"SACRED HEART HOUSE" UPDATE

Seminarian **Yipeng John Ni** extends his thanks to all those who have supported him in Fareham during these last months. He has now left Sacred Heart House and returned to China to continue his discernment. We wish him blessings for the future. Please keep John in your own prayers and pray as well for **Francis** and **Nathan** as they continue their formation.

THE UNIVERSE FREE DIGITAL TRIAL

The Universe are offering a free subscription to their weekly magazine now until January.

Register at www.thecatholicuniverse.com/subscription-trial



VIRTUAL MEET & CHAT AFTER MASS

Paul & Annette O'Beirne are relaunching the successful Zoom chat with Tea & Coffee after 10am Sunday Mass. All are welcome.

The Zoom ID is: **851 1931 7697**

Passcode: **SHCoffee** (case sensitive)



ADVENT FROM THE HOLY LAND

Faith and Art. Wednesdays in Advent 3 - 4pm

Please join us for our new online course. Over the four weeks of Advent we will look at The Basilica of the Annunciation in Nazareth, The Church of the Visitation, Shepherds' Fields and the Church of the Nativity in Bethlehem. We will look at the history, the architecture, the artwork and also bring in other artists' work depicting the events from those places.

Led by an art historian from the University of Cambridge, the course will be run online. All talks fully illustrated. The talks will be recorded, allowing you to either attend the course live or watch in your own time.

Course dates;

2nd December - The Basilica of the Annunciation

9th December - The Church of the Visitation

16th December - Shepherds' Fields

23rd December - Church of the Nativity

For info email info@pilgrimagepeople.org or telephone 0800 612 3423. Cost: £60

As a charity all of our profits go to support Christians in the Holy Land who are suffering particularly at this time.



NOVEMBER - MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

In the last week of the month of the Holy Souls, I encourage you to increase your prayers for the holy souls - our family members, friends, and all those who have no one to pray for them. YouCat 160 – "When a man is dead, he can do nothing more for himself. ... But we can do something for the faithful departed in purgatory. Our love extends into the afterlife. Through our fasting, prayers, and good works, but especially through the celebration of Holy Eucharist, we can obtain grain for the departed".



PARISH ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (SVP)

Are you on your own, lonely and would like someone just to have a chat with? Are you struggling in some way and need a bit of help? Or maybe you know of someone who is and might like a bit of help?

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. Don't feel you have to deal with everything on your own and no one cares. We do!

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



PEG GROUP – FOIL RECYCLING

At our latest Zoom meeting we learnt how our aluminium foil collections are helping the QE II Activity Centre for disabled people at Hamble River Country Park. Service users help to sort the delivered foil and put it into a baling machine that crushes it into bricks. When the shed is full it is collected by a local scrap dealer. It helps to teach about recycling and most of all working together as a team. The foil gains for the centre about £1000 a year.



CIVIL UNIONS

A number of emails and queries have come into Bishop's House about Pope Francis's recent remarks on civil unions, made in the documentary, Francesco. There was also a bit of a media frenzy. As a consequence, the Holy See has written to the Bishops' Conferences with a clarification.

Link: www.mailchi.mp/portsmouthdiocese/civil-unions

In an interview more than a year ago, Pope Francis answered two separate questions at different times, but they have been edited and published as a single answer, without being put into context in the way they should have been, and this has created confusion. It is clear, therefore, that Pope Francis was referring to particular state arrangements, and certainly not to Church doctrine, which has been re-stated various times through the years.



IN REMEMBRANCE

We remember those who have died this year;

Brenda Bullimore, Tofigh Isso, Peter Lynott, Matt Lanzon, Jenny Buckley, Mary Beeby, Desmond Hatch, Joan Reed, Heather Barker, Paul Murley, Eddie Campbell, Sue Forer, Jim Brown, William Dunne, John Kinneavy, Brian Wright, Helen Mitchell, Christopher Gale, Tony Devine, Tom Mason, Sheila Delaney, Sophia Orlowski, Marion Celand, Rita Kavanagh, Moya McCarthy, Philomena Tiller, Clare Nash, John Coghlan, Michael Fielder, Clare Castle, Cam O'Connell, Peter Martin, Margaret Hopewell, Francis McQuade, Peter Thomas, William Mason, Caryl Kirby, John Rafter, Ossie Ellis, Ken Harper, Marion Clark, Jack Bennett, Barbara, Carmel Potton, Giovanna Hunt and Margaret Lodge.



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

Christ the King Office Proper Psalter Week 2	Sun 22nd Nov	10am 5-6pm	Live streamed Adoration	Ints. of the People of the Parish Sacred Heart Church - Open for private prayer
Feria	Mon 23rd Nov	-	-	Sorry, no service
St Andrew Dung-Lac and companions	Tues 24th Nov	10am 8-9pm	Live streamed Live streamed	Cynthia Snell RIP & Jose Norton De Matos RIP Adoration & Night Prayer
Feria	Wed 25th Nov	10am 8-9pm	Live streamed Live streamed	For Teams in Malawi (Teams Fareham) & Jim Syred RIP Adoration & Night Prayer
Feria	Thurs 26th Nov	10am 8-9pm	Live streamed Live streamed	Carey & Leneghan Families RIP & Cecylia Winiarczuk RIP Adoration & Night Prayer
Feria	Fri 27th Nov	10am 8-9pm	Live streamed Live streamed	Benedict family & friends RIP & Pat Watson RIP Adoration & Night Prayer
Feria	Sat 28th Nov	10am 11am-12	Live streamed Adoration	William Foran RIP & Ints. of Joseph Matthew Pickard Sacred Heart Church - Open for private prayer
First Sunday of Advent - Year B Week 1	Sun 29th Nov	10am 5-6pm	Live streamed Adoration	People of the Parish & Ints. of Cadogan Family Sacred Heart Church - Open for private prayer

Church capacity vs. Church attendance. Please note for when we re-open

For Sunday Mass please only come to a Church if / when you are invited. Please contact the Fareham Parish office to register your wish to join us so we can ensure that you invited. *We will need your name, number in the household group & email / telephone no.* Weekday Masses at 9.30am will be 'first come; first served' up to our capacity. If you can come during the week to avoid the demand for Sunday Masses, that would be appreciated.



PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

We have created a Facebook page for our Parish. Search for **Catholics - Fareham & Portchester** and we will endeavour to keep you updated and offer resources and news via the page. **You do not need a Facebook account to watch our livestream!** Go to our website and click on the link to take you straight to us.



LIVESTREAMING OF MASS

We will livestream the offering of daily Mass at 10am from Sacred Heart Church, via the Facebook page. Do join us.

LIVESTREAMING ADORATION & NIGHT PRAYER

We will livestream a daily Holy Hour 8 - 9pm with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament concluding with Night Prayer at about 8:40pm This will be Tuesday - Friday. Do join us in prayer before settling down for the evening.



PRIVATE PRAYER

Sacred Heart Church will be open for Private Prayer at on a Saturday 11am - 12 noon and Sunday 5pm - 6pm. All social distancing guidelines and cleaning will apply. All are welcome.