

CONFIRMATION - Pentecost '21

Our group meetings will resume at Sacred Heart Church/Hall, on Fri 16th April, 6:30pm – 8:30pm
The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred at a special synchronised Mass with the Bishop across the Diocese on Pentecost Sunday 23rd May at 3pm.

Congratulations & Welcome to **Harry** who has been on a journey of faith with the Group and is being received into the Church this Easter Vigil. Alleluia!



WANT TO KNOW ABOUT OUR CATHOLIC FAITH? RCIA?

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Would you like to explore the questions of life and know more about becoming a Catholic? Or perhaps you have never been Confirmed and want to be reconciled with the Church? Or do you know someone who is always at Mass and not yet a Catholic? As Jesus said, "Come & see" ...

For further info, please contact in confidence Mrs Lynne Wall on 02392 503 894.

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 & 6pm.

PARISH MINISTRIES

COMING OUT OF LOCKDOWN ...

Now that the COVID-19 vaccination programme is well underway, we are noticing a gradual 'unlock' and coming back together of our parishioners. Can we ask ministry co-ordinators to consider discussing with their group; first meetings, a safe restart of their mission and outreach?

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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 Diocesan Trust - Registered Charity Number 246871

PLANNED GIVING BLUE & GREEN ENVELOPES

Co-ordination of the Envelopes is underway. If you would like to receive envelopes, please make sure to contact the Parish Office.

COFFEE & TEA AFTER SUNDAY 9am MASS



Do join us for Coffee and Chat after Mass on Zoom. The Zoom ID is: **851 1931 7697** and passcode: **SHCoffee**

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

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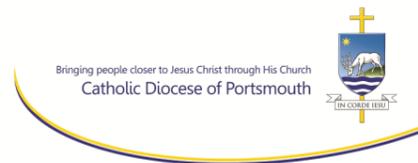
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THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN FAREHAM AND PORTCHESTER



Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord & The Second Sunday of Easter 4th & 11th April '21

Seeing the Resurrection.

God never overpowers, never twists arms, never pushes your face into something so as to take away your freedom. God respects our freedom and is never a coercive force.

And nowhere is this more true than in what is revealed in the resurrection of Jesus. The Gospels assure us that, like his birth, the resurrection was physical, real, not just some alteration inside the consciousness of believers. After the resurrection, we are assured, Jesus' tomb was empty, people could touch him, he ate food with them, he was not a ghost.

But Our Lord's rising from the dead didn't make a big splash. It had the same dynamics as the incarnation itself. After he rose from the dead, Jesus was seen by some, but not by others; understood by some, but not by others. Some got his meaning and it changed their lives, others were indifferent to him, and still others understood what had happened, hardened their hearts against it, and tried to destroy its truth.

Notice how this parallels, almost perfectly, what happened at the birth of Jesus. The baby was real - and he was seen by some, but not by others and the event was understood by some but not by others. Some got its meaning and it changed their lives, others were indifferent and their lives went on as before, while still others (like King Herod) sensed its meaning but hardened their hearts against it and tried to destroy the child.

Why the difference? What makes some see the resurrection while others do not? What lets some understand the mystery and embrace it, while others are left in indifference or hatred? It comes down to love. When we look at anything through the eyes of love, we see correctly, understand, and properly appropriate its mystery. The reverse is also true. When we look at anything through eyes that are jaded, cynical, jealous, or bitter, we will not see correctly, will not understand, and will not properly appropriate its mystery.

We see this in how the Gospel of John describes the events of Easter Sunday. Jesus has risen, but, first of all, only the person who is driven by love, Mary Magdala, goes out in search of him. The others remain as they are, locked inside their own worlds. But love seeks out its beloved and Mary Magdala goes out, spices in hand, wanting at least to embalm his dead body. She finds his grave empty and runs to Peter and the beloved disciple and tells them the tomb is empty.

The two race off together, towards the tomb, but the disciple whom Jesus loved out-runs Peter and gets to the tomb first, but he doesn't enter, he waits for Peter (authority) to go in first. Peter enters the empty tomb, sees the linens that had covered the body of Jesus, but does not understand. Then the beloved disciple, love, enters. He sees and he does understand. Love grasps the mystery. Love is what lets us see and understand the resurrection.

That is why, after the resurrection, some saw Jesus but others did not. Some understood the resurrection while others did not. Those with the eyes of love saw and understood. Those without the eyes of love either didn't see anything or were perplexed or upset by what they did see.

There are lots of ways to be blind. Christ is risen, though we might not see him! We don't always notice spring. The miraculous doesn't force itself on us. It's there, there to be seen, but whether we see or not, and what precisely we do see, depends mainly upon what's going on inside our own hearts. Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Let us praise God!



Adapted from a reflection by Ron Rolheiser

THE TRIDUUM CONTINUES



Holy Saturday 'Sepulchre'
No public Office of Readings & Morning Prayer.

Easter Vigil Saturday 8pm St P.H

Liturgy of Light, Scripture readings, Blessing of Water, Renewal of Baptismal Promises, Initiations, Confirmation & Eucharist.



Easter Sunday
9am Dawn Mass. Sacred Heart (Livestreamed)
11am Day Mass - St Philip Howard Church

RESUMING SATURDAY 6.30PM VIGIL MASS

Due to increasing number of parishioners wanting to return to Mass, after Easter we will resume the Saturday 6.30pm Vigil Mass at St Philip Howard Church. This will increase our capacity and hopefully the frequency of your invitation.

If you are able to attend the Saturday Vigil, or would like to register to attend any Sunday Mass, or to join the stewarding team, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you for your patience over these past few months with the reduced Mass Schedule.

BAPTISM 'Welcome to God's Family!'

Next Preparation - Contact the Parish Office with your details and our Parish Baptism Catechists will arrange a time to meet with you

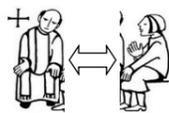


Application forms from the parish office Why not take part while "still expecting"? One less thing to worry about!

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION - Confession

Saturdays starting at 9:30am. Sacred Heart Church Hall.

Contact the Parish Office for a 10 minute timeslot. This is to help the flow and save any queuing in any inclement weather. There will be no Confessions on Holy Sat.



FIRST EUCHARIST PROGRAMME 2021

In previous years, Mrs Sarah Wall and Mrs Debbie Knight have been able to support the children in their formation for First Holy Communion. Due to the COVID Pandemic and all the extras that the School has been generously providing for our families, it is with regret that this model will be changing going forward. We owe them our grateful thanks for their work on behalf of the Parish.



We are now recruiting a team of parishioners to assist with this going forward. Our aim is to begin preparation again in the Autumn in the Parish. As we gradually emerge from the needed restrictions due to the pandemic and as we come back to the Sacraments, families who wish to take part in this journey of faith (for children in Year 5 and above in the first instance) are encouraged to register for your place at Sunday Mass via the Parish Office. More details later. We look forward to welcoming you.

EASTER COLLECTION - Message from the Finance Committee

We are sure that all parishioners realise how hard Fr John has worked for us during the last extraordinary year. As a mark of appreciation for this, you may well wish to contribute to the Easter Offering. This is a personal gift to a priest and is a main source of annual income for him.

If you wish to donate, you can place cash or cheque (*payable to PRCDTR Fareham Sacred Heart*) in an envelope clearly marked "Easter Offering".

You can also donate via bank transfer to "PRCDTR Fareham Sacred Heart" sort code 30-93-04 A/c 00877744 with reference "Easter Offering".

Or you can give online at <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/fareham-easter-sunday-collection>



CHILDRENS LITURGY RESOURCE

www.casopportsmouth.org.uk/daily-worship

FR JOHN'S POST EASTER BREAK Mon 12th - Fri 16th Apr

Please note the newsletter for amended Mass schedule.

SCRIPTURE AND TRADITION

Sacred Scripture & Catechism (CCC) References

The condition of Christ's risen humanity

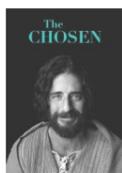
CCC. 645 By means of touch and the sharing of a meal, the risen Jesus establishes direct contact with his disciples. He invites them in this way to recognize that he is not a ghost and above all to verify that the risen body in which he appears to them is the same body that had been tortured and crucified, for it still bears the traces of his Passion. Yet at the same time this authentic, real body possesses the new properties of a glorious body: not limited by space and time but able to be present how and when he wills; for Christ's humanity can no longer be confined to earth, and belongs henceforth only to the Father's divine realm. For this reason too the risen Jesus enjoys the sovereign freedom of appearing as he wishes: in the guise of a gardener or in other forms familiar to his disciples, precisely to awaken their faith.



Re. Mk 16:12; Jn 20:14-16; 21:4,7.

"THE CHOSEN" SERIES RECOMMENDATION

A beautiful, crowd funded, 8 episode TV drama based on the life of Jesus Christ. A masterful production, mesmerising. Watch it on YouTube. **Season 2 - Starts on Easter Sunday!**



MENS' PRAYER GROUP Next meeting is 6th May

We meet on the first Thursday of each month at 7:30pm via Zoom, to help support each other to be the best husbands, fathers, brothers and sons we can be. For more info. contact Tom; tom_fairman@yahoo.com



FAREHAM GOSPORY BASICS BANK

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



GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

When you are admitted to Hospital please make certain that the Ward Clerk is advised that you are Catholic and / or phone the Chaplaincy Office Q.A Hosp. 023 9228 6408.

FAREHAM HOLIDAY CLUB EASTER CIRCUS SPECIAL

An online activity for children and young people during Easter, organised by Christians Together in Fareham. You can view "Duggie Dug Dug's Easter Circus Special" on YouTube or via www.farehamurc.org.uk



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

Please pray for those suffering at this difficult time especially **Graham Stanton** who is recovering from a recent operation and **all those suffering from Covid.**



PORTSMOUTH VOCATIONS

Jesus said, "Come, follow me"



Easter Sunday

"God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power." Are you being called to proclaim the life of the resurrected Christ to the world?

To explore further contact Fr. John on 01329 318 869 or email; vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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

OUR PARISH PRIMARY & PRE-SCHOOL ST. JUDE'S.

'Achieving together in God's love'

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

Day	Time	Location	Intention
Easter Sunday Resurrection of the Lord	Solemn Vigil Sun 4th April	8pm 9am 11am	St Philip Howard Ints. of the People of the Parish SH Livestreamed For Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious life St Philip Howard Fr Peter Sprague RIP
Within Octave of Easter	Mon 5th Apr	-	<i>Sorry, no service.</i>
Within Octave of Easter	Tues 6th Apr	10am	SH Livestreamed Ints. of Michael & Hazel Larkin
Within Octave of Easter	Wed 7th Apr	10am	St Philip Howard Tony Leneghan RIP & Helen Curtis RIP
Within Octave of Easter	Thurs 8th Apr	7:30pm	St Philip Howard Elena & Lewis Waller RIP & Ints. of Cn John Rea
Within Octave of Easter	Fri 9th Apr	10am	SH Livestreamed Ints. of F. Pettett & Private Intention
Reconciliation	Sat 10th Apr	~	Sacred Heart Hall 9.30am ff by appointment via the Parish Office
Second Sunday of Easter	Sat 10th Vigil	6:30pm	St Philip Howard Thomas Weston RIP (Langford-Courage)
<i>Divine Mercy Sunday</i>	Sun 11th April	9am 11am 6pm	SH Livestreamed John Osborn RIP St Philip Howard Denis Hodgetts RIP St Philip Howard Ints. of the People of the Parish
Eastertide	Mon 12th Apr	10am	SH Livestreamed Kenneth Ezeani RIP - 1st Anniv.
Eastertide	Tues 13th Apr	-	- <i>Sorry, no service</i>
Eastertide	Wed 14th Apr	10am	St Philip Howard Ints. of Wendy Escott & Ints. of Peter & Hilda Coonan
Eastertide	Thurs 15th Apr	7:30pm	St Philip Howard Ints. of the Thompson Family & Mary RIP
Eastertide	Fri 16th Apr	-	SH Livestreamed <i>Sorry, no service</i>
Reconciliation	Sat 17th Apr	~	Sacred Heart Hall 9.30am ff by appointment via the Parish Office
Third Sunday of Easter	Sat 17th Vigil	6:30pm	St Philip Howard For all Holy Souls & Ints. of Scaria Joseph
<i>Week 4</i>	Sun 18th April	9am 11am 6pm	SH Livestreamed Ints. of the People of the Parish St Philip Howard Eddie Campbell RIP St Philip Howard Pat Holding RIP & Ints. of Karisma Scaria

Church capacity vs. Church attendance.

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 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.

