

OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS FARNBOROUGH



A PARISH OF THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH
IN THE CARE OF THE SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO



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Dear Parishioners, friends, and visitors to Our Lady Help of Christians. If you are new to the parish, please say hello and do introduce yourself to a member of the clergy. Everyone is invited to the Church Hall for tea/coffee after the Saturday Vigil 5pm Mass and after Sunday 9:30am Mass. Please pray for all those who are sick and housebound in our Parish. If there is someone you know who would like us to pray for by name, please keep the Parish Office informed as soon as possible.

MASS INTENTIONS AND MASS TIMINGS

Saturday 16 th March	10:00am	Weekday Mass Sacrament of Reconciliation
FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT	5:00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 17 th March	9.30am	Eileen Kellett RIP
Monday 18 th March	9:30am	Weekday Mass
Tuesday 19 th March	9:30am	CWL members intentions
Wednesday 20 th March	9:30am	Weekday Mass
Thursday 21 st March	9:30am 10 am 7:30 to 8:30pm	No Weekday Mass Funeral Service of Mrs Josephine Constance Nicholls RIP Adoration with Scripture Readings & Reflection
Friday 22 nd March	9:30am 7:30pm	Weekday Mass STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Saturday 23 rd March	10am	Weekday Mass Sacrament of Reconciliation
	5:00pm	Vigil Mass for Palm Sunday People of the Parish Palms will be blessed and distributed at the beginning of Mass

THE BETHLEHEM NATIVITY GROUP TBNG

A missionary from Bethlehem, The Holy Land, will visit us on the weekend 23rd and 24th March to briefly talk about the Holy Land and sell religious articles made out of Olive Wood to help and support the poor Christian families, any help you could give to them it will be highly appreciated" (when you help the poor you help our Lord").



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Patron Saint of Catholic Women's League – Saint Margaret Clitherow. We in our Parish have a spiritually blessed group of members of the Catholic Women's League. The next meeting is on Tuesday 19th March after the 9:30 am Mass. Please pray that the League will grow and flourish in our Parish and Diocese.

PARISH COUNCIL

As we move forward together it is important that we share our feelings and our thoughts, our questions and insights, and our talents. The Parish is for everyone. If you have any ideas, thoughts, suggestions, offers of help, please speak to David after Mass, over coffee - or drop him a line. We all have gifts that we can use.

TEA / COFFEE AND A CHAT

We hope more people might join us after Mass on a Saturday evening and Sunday morning for a friendly coffee and chat. As a new initiative we are also inviting you to join us for 'Coffee and Chat' after Mass on a Wednesday morning. Do join us! This is a great way to meet fellow parishioners and expand our understanding of our Parish Community.

THE DIOCESAN 'LITURGY PROJECT'

We draw your attention to the Posters in the Narthex advertising the Diocesan Liturgy Project. This is a useful resource created by the Diocese of Portsmouth Liturgical Formation Team to help us understand the liturgy. Pope Francis reminded us of the importance of liturgical formation in his recent Apostolic Letter 'Desiderio Desideravi'. The website may be accessed from the QR Code or on www.theliturgyproject.com.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2024

The 2024 pilgrimage to Lourdes has today been launched and Canon PJ wanted you to be amongst the first to hear the details. The pilgrimage which will take place from Monday 22nd July until Friday 26th July, will commence at Gatwick Airport from where you will fly to Toulouse and then by coach transfer to the hotel, La Solitude in Lourdes. Further details can be found on the poster and booking form in the Church Narthex. Hope that you will once again be able to join and help publicise the pilgrimage by letting others know that it is taking place as well as who to contact for more details. Any queries here are the contact details: Mobile- 07780 221686 or by email at Lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk with any questions you may have.

PARISH FINANCES

Gift Aid Declaration Forms are available in the Narthex for any parishioners who have not completed a form. If you are a UK Taxpayer please ensure your donations are covered by a gift aid declaration. Please use the Parish Sort Code 30-93-04 and Account Number: 00877868 (Name: CDP FARNBOROUGH OL HELP OF CHRISTIANS. Any queries please email: accounts@olhcfarnborough.org.uk.

GOD BLESS YOU ALL