



The Catholic Church in Park Gate St Margaret Mary

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Pentecost Sunday

Sunday 19th	8.30am	Sandra Ong RIP
	10.30am	Joaquim Marvao RIP
	6.30pm	People of the Parish
Monday 20th	9.30am	No Mass
	7pm	Adoration
Tuesday 21st	9.30am	No Mass
Thursday 23rd May	7pm	Annie & Gregory Bonavia RIP
Friday 24th May	9.30am	Colin Moodie RIP

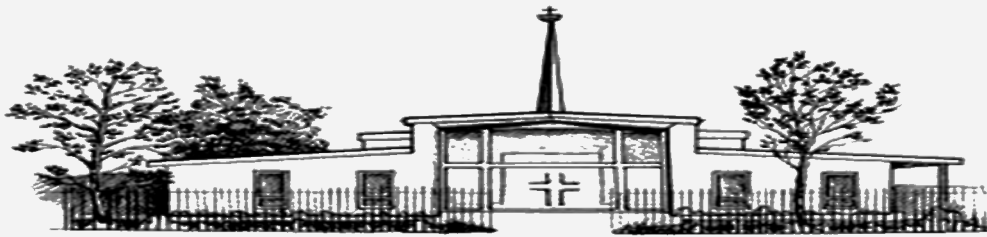
The Most Holy Trinity

Sunday 26th May	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Phyllis Doyle Intention
	6.30pm	Josh Solomon Intention

After the Sunday 10.30am Mass— Refreshments are served in the Parish Hall

Confessions

Please contact the Parish office on 01489 572797 to arrange an appointment or email office@stmargaretmary.co.uk



Fr Ansel's day off is Wednesday so he is unavailable on this day. For urgent sick calls on this day, please contact Sacred Heart, Fareham on 01329 318869. The Church will still be open from 9am-1.30pm, for private prayer.

Please note the following dates that Fr Ansel is away.

Monday 20th and Tues 21st May and also Wednesday 29th May through to Wednesday 6th June.

During Fr Ansel's absence, there will be no weekday Masses, however normal Sunday Masses will take place on the 2nd June. The Church will be open between 9am-1.30pm except Thursday for anyone to come for private prayer. Urgent sick calls are as above to Sacred Heart, Fareham.

Deacon Brian Stoker will be holding the Adoration service on Monday 20th May at 7pm and Monday 3rd June at 7pm.

Many thanks to Deacon Brian for standing in.

Pentecost Sunday.

Pentecost marks the end and the goal of the Easter season. For Christians, it is a memorial of the day the Holy Spirit descended on the apostles and the Virgin Mary in the form of fiery tongues, an event that took place fifty days after the Resurrection of Jesus. The Paschal mystery -- the Passion, the Death, the Resurrection, and the Ascension of Jesus -- culminates in the sending of the Holy Spirit by the Father (at the request of His Son), on Jesus' disciples. The feast also commemorates the official inauguration of the Christian Church by the apostolic preaching of St. Peter, which resulted in the conversion of 3000 Jews to the Christian Faith. Pentecost is, thus, the official birthday of the Church.

Acts 2 must be interpreted in light of Acts 1:4-8, where the risen Lord Jesus instructed the disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the promise of the Father, the Holy Spirit. Jesus explained that they would "be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now" (1:5) and they would receive power to be Christ's "witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth" (1:8). Just as the ministry of Jesus depended on the Holy Spirit descending on Him at His baptism, so the ministry of the disciples depended on them receiving the Holy Spirit and relying on His power. While they had experienced a measure of the Spirit's power before (John 20:22), now He would come to dwell in them permanently (John 7:37-39; 14:17). Thus Acts 2 must be interpreted as a special historical event, signifying a new period in God's dealings with His people.

Pentecost signals the dawning of the age of the Holy Spirit. And the fulness of the Spirit in God's people is to empower them for witness to all the nations. Thus, the meaning of Pentecost is God's equipping His church with the power of His Spirit so that He will be glorified among the nations. The point of Pentecost is mission, and the goal of mission is that "the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea" (Hab. 2:14). If we properly understand this great historic event, our hearts will be enflamed with cause of seeing some from every tribe and tongue and nation bowing before the exalted Lord Jesus Christ

Second Collections.

Here is an update on our recent collections up to the end of March 2024. Thank you for your generosity.

CAFOD Fast Day and CAFOD Sunday—£707.50

Holy Places—£352.60

The amounts for the Clergy Assistance Fund & Clergy Training Fund are to be confirmed.

Mass Intentions.

To book a Mass intention/s please contact the Parish office by phone, email or in person. If you leave an envelope outside office hours please can you put all the details on the envelope, particularly your name and contact number. The most important thing is that the sacrifice of the Mass is offered, but we cannot guarantee the date. If you make a donation via BACS, please include reference of 'Mass Int'. Thank you.

Standing Orders and Gift Aid

Thank you for all you do to support your parish in many different ways.

If you haven't already done so, please consider donating via a standing order, and sign up for gift aid, in order to provide a more stable, and 25% extra, parish income. Forms available on the website, at the back of the church and from the Parish Office.

Contactless Giving—Available at the back of the Church.

Do you need our bank details?

CDP PARK GATE ST MARG MARY

Sort Code: 30-93-04 Account Number: 00883663

Park Gate Noticeboard For more information on all our activities, have a look on our web site:
www.stmargaretmary.co.uk

Please submit items for consideration to Heather in the Parish Office by Wednesday lunchtime.

Padre Pio Prayer Group

The next meetings are Sunday 19th May and Sunday 30th June at 7.45pm in the Church.

You are all most welcome. For more information, please contact David Walford: walford101@hotmail.com

St. Margaret Mary Prayer Group.

The St. Margaret Mary prayer group meet fortnightly, on Friday's after Mass. The next meeting is the 24th May. All are welcome. If you would like any further details, please contact Bernadette Bray on 01489 603858.

Vinnie's Cafe

Don't forget Vinnies Drop-in on Saturday 25th May 2-4pm in the Parish Hall. Come along and meet old friends, or make new ones, over a hot drink, cake and biscuits. Free, but donations welcome.

Knights of ST.Columba.

The KSC are raising funds for the charity, 'Let the Children Love', based in Columbia.

Saturday 8th June @ 6.30pm - Fish & Chips supper and Fun Quiz at ST.Margaret Mary Parish Hall.

Cost £20, (£10 from each ticket sold will buy a school pack for one child of primary age. Tickets on sale from 19/5/24.

Contact Kevin on 07791 653775 or Milton on 07788 916372.

Caritas Portsmouth is hosting Sue Carter from the Alzheimer's Society, to run a Dementia Friends Information Session for anyone interested in hosting a Dementia Café, looking to make their parish more Dementia Friendly or just want to know more to support people in their family or community. Everyone welcome. The session will be held online on Tuesday 21st May at 7pm. Please register in advance. For more information please contact us at caritas@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or visit <https://caritasportsmouth.org.uk> to register.

Churches Together in Gosport.

Let's Pray Together. Every first Tuesday of the month, CTIG, a local ecumenical channel supporting and encouraging churches to work in unity, offers one hour of focused prayer from 07:00pm to 08:00pm. On the 4th of June Tuesday St Mary's Church in Gosport will be hosting the focused prayer. This invitation is open to everyone.

Good Council Network.

On Tuesday 21st May, the Vigil of St Rita, please pray and fast for the end of abortion in this Country. Through God's grace we have seen thousands of Mothers in our counselling centre continue their pregnancies in very difficult circumstances. Please help us to help save lives with your prayers, fasting & support www.GoodCounselNetwork.com

CAFOD Parish Volunteer

Could you put your faith into action and help CAFOD at St Margaret Mary? Your desire for a better world will help promote CAFOD's work, connecting your community with those overseas and enabling our sisters and brothers in the poorest places in the world to lift themselves out of poverty. "When people are in need, giving money is not the only way to help. With volunteering, you give your time and skills to make a difference." CAFOD Parish volunteer. Please do contact Jo Lewry for more information by email jlewy@cafod.org.uk or phone 07710 094447

LIS DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH on ZOOM - 7 Sessions starting Thursday evenings, from 6th-18th July 2024

from 7.30pm until 9pm Live Holy Spirit Day for course participants at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday 29th June starting 9.30am with Mass until 1pm. Adoration at 8.30am optional! Tea and coffee will be provided.

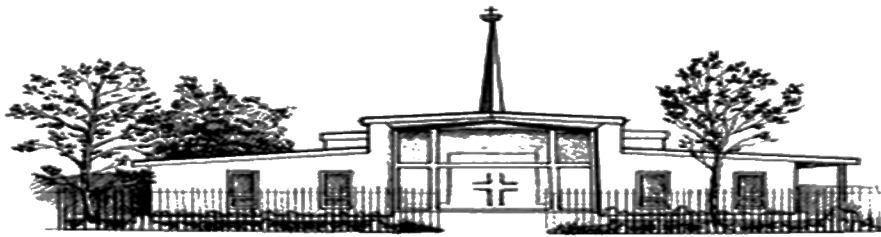
Welcome to bring and share packed lunch afterwards. Please use this link to register:-

<https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZlIf--trDwjGNAuzzyTiLVcwY7IzHwq87dG>

Free to all – Crowdfunding to cover costs - <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/CHARISPortsmouthLIFEINTHESPIRITcourse>

Portsmouth Diocese—Vacancies.

Caritas Portsmouth is looking for a self-motivated, compassionate individual to join their team as a Project Development Officer. Based in the Southampton and Havant region of the Diocese, this role is central to the development of predominantly parish-based social and environmental projects that support those in need in our local communities. For more information email recruitment@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or visit the following link for more details of the role <https://tinyurl.com/mrd5wazx>



If you are unwell and would like a Eucharist Ministry team member to bring Holy Communion to you at home. Please contact Nick Sadler on 07834 923585

If you are going in to hospital, please get in touch with the relevant chaplaincy service:

Southampton General 02381 208517

QA Portsmouth 02392 286408

Second Collections — May 2024

CAFOD—Sudan Crisis Appeal—Sunday 26th May.

The people of Sudan need our help urgently. We are launching an emergency appeal for donations to get aid to them on the biggest scale we can muster. The situation has gone from serious to desperate very quickly. At least 8 million people have had to flee their homes. We have worked alongside communities in Sudan for fifty years, and we work before, throughout and in the aftermath of emergencies. Please stand with them today.



St Vincent
de Paul Society
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

We are here to help. If you need help in any way, or are interested in volunteering some time to help, give us a call on 07487 659277.

Donation cheques to be made out to : B170413 SVP St Margaret Mary Park Gate

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Parish Administrator: Heather Skittlethorpe

Parish Office hours:

Monday to Wednesday 9.30am to 2pm Friday: 9.30am to 2pm

Out of hours please get in touch as below

Email: office@stmargaretmary.co.uk Tel: 01489 572797

Parish Gift Aid: Milton Hewins Email: accounts@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Safeguarding Co-ordinators: Contact: safeguarding@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Jodie McMenamin: 07768 751118 or Fran Slater: 07899 691094

Hall Bookings:

Email: hall@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Maintenance:

Email: facilities@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Repository (Greeting Cards, Books, Gifts and more)

Email: repository@stmargaretmary.co.uk (please see www.cbcdistributors.co.uk for items you can order)

Portsmouth Diocese Safeguarding Coordinator: Ruth Attfield 023 9421 6486

Email: rattfield@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

St Anthony’s Catholic Primary and Pre-School Headteacher:

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