



The Catholic Church in Park Gate

St Margaret Mary

www.stmargaretmary.co.uk

And he said to him, "You shall *love* the Lord your God
with **ALL YOUR HEART** and
with **ALL YOUR SOUL** and
with **ALL YOUR MIND.**

This is the great and first commandment.

MATTHEW 22:37-38

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Sunday 25th

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Psalter Week 2)

8.30am

People of the Parish

10.30am

Thanksgiving

6.30pm

Chantal Armstrong Intention

Monday 26th

9.30am

Reilly Family Intention

7pm

Adoration

Tuesday 27th

9.30am

No Intentions

Thursday 29th

7pm

House Purchase Intention

Friday 30th

9.30am

No Intentions

Sunday 1st November

ALL SAINTS

8.30am

Sheila Holian RIP

10.30am

People of the Parish

6.30pm

Anna Williams RIP

Monday 2nd

Commemoration of ALL SOULS

9.30am

No Intentions

6.15pm

Adoration

7.30pm

PASTORAL AREA MASS FOR ALL SOULS DAY

(Refreshments in the Parish Hall after the Mass)

Refreshments are served in the Parish Hall after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday.

2026

Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth (reg. Charity No: 1199568)

"Bringing people closer to Jesus Christ through His Church"

Fr Ansel's Day off is Wednesday. For any urgent sick calls on this day, please contact Cn John Cooke at Sacred Heart, Fareham on 01329 318869.

The Prayer Garden is open during office hours and on Sunday morning.

An update from St. Anthony's School

The St Anthony's children have settled back smoothly into school routines after the summer break, including our 30 new Year R children, who are doing very well and attended their first whole school assemblies shortly before the half-term break.

It has been a packed 8-week term, so it is understandable if children (and staff!) are feeling a little tired. We have selected a new GIFT (Growing in Faith Together) team who have begun their formation and are starting to lead prayers with classes across the school. Our GIFT team is instrumental in sharing their faith with their peers and inspiring children to follow their example of discipleship. The Year 6 members of our GIFT team and our Head Pupils also attended a social justice conference with pupils from other schools across the diocese in early October.

One of our highlights of this term was receiving the statue of Our Lady of Walsingham last week. Families joined me to pray the rosary before the beautiful statue that had travelled from St John's Cathedral and a school in Portsmouth and will continue its way to schools in Bournemouth and Newbury.

On the same day, our Year 6 class visited the church for the patronal Mass for St Margaret Mary. The children thoroughly enjoyed their squash and biscuits in the church hall afterwards and it was lovely for our pupils to chat to parishioners. My thanks go to Fr Ansel and all those who helped to make this happen and made us feel so welcome.

Another favourite event was what has become our traditional pet blessing near the feast day of St Francis of Assisi. The children loved seeing their pets being brought onto the playground by families. Fr Ansel was kept very busy and blessed multiple dogs, cats, guinea pigs, a bunny and some tortoises!

In other news, the organisation of the St Anthony's Fireworks Spectacular, on Saturday 7th November is gaining pace. Tickets are selling fast so if you would like to join us please visit <https://www.ticketsource.com/st-anthonys-psa> for more details.

With best wishes to all for a peaceful and restful half-term,

Katrina Straker (Headteacher)

Patronal Feast & 60th Anniversary.

On Sunday 18th, a celebration was held in the Parish Hall. The event was very well attended. A big thank you to the many volunteers who helped make the day happen. Being our 60th Anniversary, a display celebrating the history of the Parish was put together which took time and a lot of research. Events like could not take place without the time and energy of our volunteers. God bless, Fr Ansel

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 put all your details on envelope. The most important thing is that the sacrifice of Mass is offered, but we cannot guarantee the date. If you make a donation via BACS, please include reference of 'massint.' Thank you.

Standing Orders and Gift Aid.

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

If you have not 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.

DONA machine

Contactless giving available in foyer of Church.

Do you need our bank details?

CDP PARK GATE ST MARG MARY

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



Scan the QR code or
use this link

<https://donate.mydona.com/st-margaret-mary>

Park Gate Noticeboard.

Also see our website at www.stmargaretmary.co.uk

Please submit any notices by Tuesday lunchtime.

Padre Pio Prayer Group – The next meeting will be Sunday 25th October at 7.45pm
You are all most welcome. For more information, please contact David Walford: walford101@hotmail.com



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, in confidence, between 9am-6pm. At present, SVP are using a temporary number, 07806 784201.

Donations cheques to be made out to: B170413 SVP ST Margaret Mary Park Gate

SVP Christmas Hampers. You can now donate via the DONA machine in Church foyer.

Vinnie's Café – Saturday 31st October 2-4pm in the ST. Margaret Mary Parish Hall.
Come for a friendly chat and a cup of tea. All welcome. Free, but donations welcome.

Friday Coffee morning – Join us for coffee in the Paray room after Mass.

LADIES NIGHT 13TH NOVEMBER - TICKETS ON SALE NOW AND GOING FAST

£10 to include light supper. BYOB Sale of vgc pre-loved party wear and accessories. - pls bring any donations of pre-loved articles to mass on November 1st/8th and leave in PARAY ROOM or with FR team member or contact maggie@raymontc.plus.com Raffle prices appreciated also. Everyone welcome.

Shop (Repository) – Please call in and see the range of Christian gifts and cards available.

Grandparent's Prayer Group – Next meeting Tuesday 3rd Nov after morning Mass.

This group meets monthly on the first Tuesday of the month. An opportunity for grandparents to pray for their children and grandchildren's faith, safety, and wellbeing.

Knights of St Columba – Next meeting, Thursday 12th November at 7.30pm. All welcome.

THE JOY OF HOPE - A 4-part CaFE series.

Each part comprises of a video session followed by a short discussion.

In the run up to Advent, we will be holding the above sessions at Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, Bells Lane, Stubbington PO14 2PL

after the 09.30am Wednesday morning Mass, from 10.00-11.15am

on 4,11,18 and 25 November

and repeated at St John's, South Place, Lee-on-the-Solent PO13 9AS.

after 12.15pm Sunday Mass at 13.15-14.30pm

on 8,15,22 and 28 November.

Please join us for any one or all 4 of these sessions. All are welcome.

ST Edmunds Pilgrimage on behalf of the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth – Saturday 14th November.

Please see posted on noticeboard for more details and how to apply for tickets.

Visit of the relics of ST Gerard Majella.

On Friday 30th October, the relics of ST Gerard Majella will be at ST. Edmund's, Southampton (SO17 1XJ), for a 7pm Mass followed by individual or family blessing. ST Gerard is a patron of mothers, couples trying to conceive, those looking for work, and making a good confession. All welcome, see poster on noticeboard.

Housekeeping.

Please be aware that Harrison Heating will be on site Monday 26th October in the Church and Hall to undertake the annual servicing of our gas boilers. They should be finished by early afternoon, but will be around on site during the morning after morning Mass.

Consultation on St Anthony's Admissions Policy 2028-29

Every seven years, schools are obliged to consult on their admission arrangements even if there are no substantive changes being made. As a Catholic school in the Diocese of Portsmouth, St Anthony's Catholic Primary School adopts the Diocesan Admissions Policy each year. St Anthony's are now due for a consultation for their 2028-29 admission arrangements. To find out more, please visit:

<http://www.saint-anthonysfareham.co.uk> and click on the Admissions page.

If you are unwell and would like a Eucharist Ministry team member to bring Holy Communion to you at home.

Please contact Jane Green on 07528 948536

If you are going into hospital, please contact the relevant Chaplaincy service:

Southampton General 02381 208517
QA Portsmouth 02392 286408

Second Collections – Coming in November.

Sunday 1st November – Bamenda

Sunday 15th November – Priest's Retirement Fund.

More details will follow nearer the date.

Contact Details: ST Margaret Mary, Middle Road, Park Gate, Hampshire, SO31 7GH.

Parish Priest: Fr Ansel D'Mello Tel: 01489 572797

Parish Administrator: Heather Skittlethorpe

Parish office hours: Monday, Tuesday, and Friday – 9am-3pm

Out of hours please get in touch as below.

Email: office@stmargaretmary.co.uk Tel: 01489 572797 (this number is linked to the Office and Presbytery, please leave voicemail message when office is closed)

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

Safeguarding Co-ordinators: Contact: safeguarding@stmargaretmary.co.uk
(Anita Fitzpatrick 07743 481363 and Fran Slater 07899 691094)

Hall Bookings

Email: hall@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Maintenance

Email: facilities@stmargaretmary.co.uk

Repository (Greetings cards, Books, gifts and more)

Open on Sundays after Mass. (please see www.cbcdistributors for items you can order)

Portsmouth Diocese Safeguarding Coordinator – Ruth Attfield

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