

Mass Times

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER *(Psalter Week 1)*

Sat 27th	StM	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun 28th	StJ	9.00am	Damiano Diliberto, R.I.P.
	StJ	10.30am	Thanksgiving
Mon 29th	StM	9.30am	St CATHERINE of SIENA Dominic Coakley, R.I.P.
Tues 30th	StJ	9.30am	Tuesday of the 5th Week of Easter Teresa Barros
Wed 1st	StM	9.30am	Wednesday of the 5th Week of Easter Johanna Rogers, R.I.P.
Thurs 2nd	No Mass		
Fri 3rd	No Mass		
Sat 4th	StM	5.30pm	Fr Rob & his family
Sun 5th	StJ	9.00am	People of the Parish
	StJ	10.30am	Thanksgiving
	StJ	3.30pm	Holy Hour for Vocations

On Monday to Wednesday at 9am, **Rosary** will be said publicly before Mass. All are welcome.

Confessions

On Saturdays from 4.45pm to 5.15pm

Alternatively, please contact the Parish Office on **01252 320956** to arrange a time convenient for you and for Fr Rob.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to request a Mass Intention, please call in at the Parish Office, Mon to Fri 10am to 12 noon, phone, or e-mail: office@aldershot-catholics.uk

St Joseph's & St Mary's



Aldershot Catholic Community

St Joseph's

Queens Road Aldershot GU11 3JB

St Mary's

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Parish Priest

Fr Rob Stewart

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If you are unwell, can't come to Mass and would like to receive the Sacraments at home, contact Fr Rob.

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

Frimley Park Hospital

Portsmouth Road, Frimley GU16 7UJ
0300 613 4347 or 0300 613 4289

Intentions:

Traditionally the parish priest lives on the offerings from the parish. Mass intentions is one of the ways to support the income of the parish priest.

Please contact the parish office if you would like to have a Mass said. With thanks Fr Rob



Parish News

Please send any articles or information to Davina in the parish office by Wednesday noon for consideration for the next newsletter.

From Fr Rob: Thank you to all those who kindly gave cards and gifts for my fiftieth. It is much appreciated. Thank you too for the Easter offering - loose plate £1341.51, Dona £167.12 and online £250.

First Holy Communion: The first meeting of the course will be starting **THIS WEEKEND** after 10.30am Mass on Sunday 28th April. The course will be in two parts; the sessions at the Church and the work you will do with your child at home. Worksheets will be provided. This course is primarily to enable you as parents to prepare your children for their first time of many to receive Our Lord in the Eucharist. The sessions in the Church will be 11.40am - 1pm. First Holy Communion Mass will be 7th July. Some of you may wish for more notice as relatives would like to attend the First Communion Mass; please speak to Fr Rob as this can easily be accommodated. First confessions will be Saturday 15th June at 11am; please book the date in your diary now. Main church sessions will be 28th April, 9th June, 23rd June & 30th June.

Unclaimed Raffle Prizes: Please collect your prizes from St Joseph's Church this week - Nicola 220, Pat R 192, Eamon 249 & Ryna 239. Thank you.

RCIA: If you are interested in, or know someone who would like to become Catholic, or if you are a Baptised adult who has not been Confirmed, please contact the office and ask for information. Meetings will begin during April.

Gift Aid Forms: Thank you to all those who took gift aid forms and filled them in and more thanks to those who have returned them. If you still have forms, please pass to Fr Rob or Deacon Craig after Mass, or return to the Presbytery or Parish Office. With thanks.

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Set up a regular monthly donation through a Standing Order to support your parish

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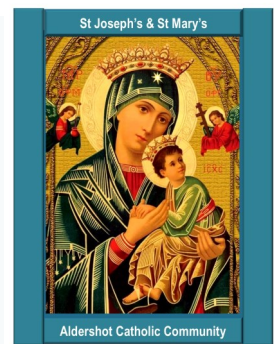
Other News

Marriage Care Trustee Role: A Catholic organisation providing marriage preparation and relationship counselling services across England, Wales and Gibraltar. We are looking for Trustees to strengthen our board and to help us continue to provide vital relationship support services to the Catholic community & beyond. www.marriagecare.org.uk / volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2024: The dates for the annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes have been confirmed as 22nd – 26th July. Please see poster for details.

The Liturgy Project Formation Days: The Diocesan Team will be hosting the following Formation Day at St Bede's Church, Basingstoke, RG24 9DX - A Day for Readers: Saturday 19th October, 9:30am–2:30pm. Please RSVP to liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Vocations: "Let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action." Are you being called to love the Lord and His people as a priest, deacon, sister or brother? Love demands truth and action. Talk to your priest or contact Cn. John Cooke: vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318869.



Lots more information about what's on in the Diocese from e-News. See below.

Please support our parish by donating via standing order or online (via card) and signing up for gift aid. Forms are available at the back of the church, on the web site and from the parish office. Our parish bank account details are:

CDP Aldershot St Joseph
Sort Code: 30-93-04
Account Number: 00873072

<https://www.aldershot-catholics.uk/donate-online>

Most parishes aim to receive 75% of their income from monthly standing orders to give stability to parish collection income. Aldershot has a long way to go, and Fr Rob will be working with us on this in the coming months.

Parish Financial Support
March First Collections
Plate and envelopes: £2747
Standing Orders: £1295
Direct Debits: £538
Contactless: £440

ACCUE, our monthly parish lottery. **Congratulations to our April Winning Numbers: 101, 25, 53, 95, 17 & 45!** We are looking for more members. Can you help? Please consider supporting your parish. Six prizes to be won; top prize £100. Each number costs £5 per month. Additional draw at Easter for those who pay annually. Forms on parish website, at parish office and back of church. Forms on parish website, from the parish office and at the back of church.

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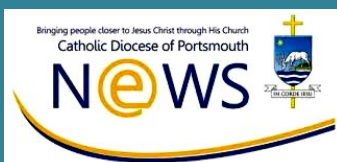
Schools:

St Joseph's Primary Academy
Bridge Road, Aldershot GU11 3DD
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All Hallows Catholic School
Weybourne Road, Farnham GU9 9HF
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Parish Office in the Parish Hall
Opening Hours:
Monday to Friday
from 10 am to 12 noon

Out of hours:
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