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Office Opening Hours
PLEASE NOTE THE OFFICE IS CLOSED TILL
2ND SEPTEMBER 2026



Mass Intentions

Request via the parish office phone or email: office@aldershot-catholics.uk. Mass intentions traditionally support the parish priest's income.

Confession

Saturday: St Joseph's 11–11.45am
 St Mary's 4.45–5.15pm Or contact the parish office on 01252 320956 to arrange a convenient time.

First Saturday Devotion.

5th September 2026

Confessions available from 11 am at St Joseph's during the first Saturday prayers and readings. Mass at noon, concluding with final prayers at 12:45 pm. All are welcome.

Votive Candle Offerings

Some votive candle money boxes are currently out of service. At St Joseph's, the money box in the rear chapel (in front of the statue of Jesus) is unavailable. At St Mary's, all votive candle money boxes are temporarily out of service.

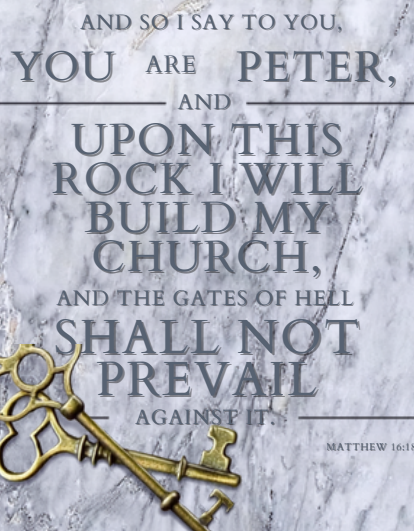
Until repairs are completed, please use the contactless payment machine for your votive candle offerings.

Mass Times 21st Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat	22nd	StM	5.30pm		Paul Debono RIP
Sun	23rd	StJ	9.00am		Wilburburon & Venicia TG
		StJ	10.30am		People of the Parish
Mon	24th	StM	9.30am	St Bartholomew	Catherine Dias TG
Tues	25th	StJ	9.30am	Feria	Francisco Gracias RIP
Wed	26th	StM	9.30am	Feria	Johny Collins
		StJ	7.00pm	HOLY HOUR	
Thurs	27th	StJ	9.30am	St Monica	Rylan & Shweta TG
Fri	28th		NO MASS		
Sat	29th	StJ	12.00pm	The Passion of John the Baptist	Alisla Fernandes BDay

22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time

Sat	29th	StM	5.30pm		People of the Parish
Sun	30th	StJ	9.00am		Menino & Yvonne Vas TG
		StJ	10.30am		Angelo Nunes RIP
Mon	31st	StM	9.30am	Feria	Johnny Collins
Tues	1st	StJ	9.30am	Feria	Felicidade & Inacio Fernandes RIP
Wed	2nd	StM	9.30am	Feria	Johny Collins
		StJ	7.00pm	HOLY HOUR	
Thurs	3rd	StJ	9.30am	St Gregory the Great	Eude & Piedade TG
Fri	4th		NO MASS		
Sat	5th	StJ	12.00pm	Our Lady on Saturday	Jayden D'Souza BDay
Sat	5th	StM	5.30pm	23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time	Gertrude Lingard RIP
Sun	6th	StJ	9.00am 10.30am		People of the Parish Charlotte Bray FM



Parish News Please send any information you would like to be included in parish news to the parish office by Tuesday lunch time for consideration. Thank you

We warmly welcome all visitors joining us for Mass today. We hope you feel at home in our parish community and pray that your time with us may be a blessing.

**Join us for tea and coffee and a friendly chat in the hall after Mass.
Tuesdays and Thursdays after the 9:30 am Mass, and Sundays after the 10:30 am Mass.**

**2ND COLLECTION
13TH SEPT 2026
CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICES**

Parish Office

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on 12th and 13th August. The office will reopen on 17th August.

The office will then be closed again from 19th August and reopen on 2nd September.

During these closure periods, you are welcome to send emails or leave telephone messages. These will be attended to upon Frances's return.

Thank you for your understanding.

Diocesan Catechist Day – Portsmouth Diocese

Saturday 10 October | 9:30am–1:30pm | St Bede's, Basingstoke

Are you involved in passing on the faith in your parish?

Join catechists from across the Diocese for a morning of prayer, inspiration, and practical formation as we reflect on our shared mission to form missionary disciples.

Inspired by Jesus' words, "Go therefore and make disciples..." (Matthew 28:19), we will explore how catechists can lead others to Christ, hand on the living faith of the Church, accompany people in conversion, and help build vibrant missionary parishes. Whether you are an experienced catechist or new to the ministry, you are warmly invited to attend. To register your interest please go to <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/RFGR0zEzDh> or email Meghan, Formation for Mission Team Leader at ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Saturday 17th October: Formation day for Readers (Winchester). Email the Liturgy team to book.

Saturday 31st October, 9:30am – 1:30pm: Portsmouth

Diocese Parish Evangelisation Cell Formation Day at Christ the King, Reading. To register and to get more information please click [here](#), or email ffm@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Gift Aid – Help Your Donation Go Further

If you are a UK taxpayer, Gift Aid is a simple way to increase the value of your donations to the parish at no extra cost to you. Because your donation has already been taxed, the Church can reclaim this tax from the Government, adding an extra 25p for every £1 you give.

This additional income makes a real difference and helps support the work and mission of our parish. There are potentially thousands of pounds that could be reclaimed each year, providing much-needed funds for our parish community.

At present, just over 60% of eligible parishioners have completed a Gift Aid declaration. If you pay tax and have not yet signed up, please consider completing a form, available at the back of both churches, or speak to someone for advice if you are unsure.

If you make donations using the contactless giving machines, please remember to register your donation for Gift Aid on the device. If you need help, please ask. Alternatively, you can complete a Gift Aid declaration online by scanning the QR code.

Could You Help Someone Feel at Home?

A smile. A welcome. A short conversation.

Sometimes that's all it takes to help someone feel seen, return to church, find friendship, or even begin a journey of faith.

Every week people come through the doors of St Mary's and St Joseph's who are new, returning to church after many years, visiting the area, or simply looking for a place to belong. We want to ensure that nobody comes to Mass feeling unnoticed, uncertain, or alone.

Over the coming months we will be launching a simple Welcome Team and are looking for warm, approachable people who would enjoy helping others feel at home in our parish.

No special experience is needed, and there is no commitment at this stage—just an opportunity to find out more.

As well as helping others, many people find that serving in this way deepens their own sense of belonging, builds new friendships, and connects them more deeply to parish life.

If this might be something you'd like to explore, please email Jason Swan Clark at clark.jason@me.com.

I will also be sharing more about the Welcome Team at all Masses in the coming weeks, with an opportunity to speak with me in person afterwards.

Repository

Visit the Repository after Mass and browse our selection of books, rosaries, medals, candles, prayer cards, and other devotional gifts. Every purchase supports our parish while helping to deepen your faith.

Discover our Gold Embossed Holy Water Bottles—beautifully crafted, compact, and refillable containers designed to carry holy water with reverence and elegance. Each bottle features a metallic gold finish, intricate Catholic-inspired embossed relief patterns, and a secure screw cap to help prevent leaks.

Ideal for personal devotion, travel, gifts, or keeping at home, these decorative bottles combine meaningful symbolism with practical everyday use.



**Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth -
Gift Aid Declaration Form**



Other News

Retrouvaille

MARRIAGE IN A RUT? Or need help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. Next dates: 2nd - 4th Oct. www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info Tel: 0788 7296983

Praying for our Seminarians

Please pray daily for Vocations to the Sacred Priesthood and for our Seminarians: you can read the latest Vocations newsletter [here](#) and find other ways to pray for Vocations [here](#).

General News

Most parishes aim for 75% of income via standing orders Aldershot isn't there yet. Please help by setting up a standing order (contact your bank directly) and signing up for Gift Aid. Forms are at the back of the church.

Our details: CDP Aldershot St Joseph
Sort Code:30-93-04 | AccountNo: 00873072

SENSIBLE GIVING

Sign up today to make your donation worth 25% more with Gift Aid

STABLE GIVING

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

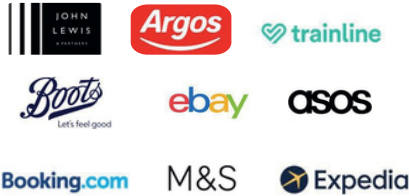
SERIOUS GIVING

Don't just give the leftovers to God... be generous in your giving

Parish Financial Support July First Collections	
TOTAL:	5,642.00
Contactless	539.51
Direct Debits	480.00
Plate and envelopes:	2,328.69
Standing Orders	2,294.00

Fundraising for St Joseph's & St Mary's

Our churches, hall, and presbytery need repairs please help us raise funds through any of the following: Donations & Gift Aid forms at the back of the church Give as You Live shop online with 6,000+ retailers and raise free donations at no cost to you. Supporters have already raised over £3,200 for our parish. Sign up free by scanning the QR code on leaflets available after Mass, visiting www.giveasyoulive.com/join, or searching "Give as You Live." Just some of the 6,000+ stores include:



community grubhub Food Bank

St Joseph's Parish supports the Aldershot Community Grubhub. Please donate non-perishable food and essential items (food, toiletries,household goods). Donation boxes are available at the back of the churches and in the Hall entrance. Thank you for your support.

Parish website <https://www.aldershot-catholics.uk/>
Lots more information about what's on in the Diocese from [e-News - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth](#)

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Hospital & Home Visits
Going into hospital? Contact Frimley Park Hospital chaplaincy: 0300 613 4184
Unwell and unable to attend Mass? Contact Fr Rob to receive the Sacraments at home.

Schools
St Joseph's Primary Academy
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