



The Parish of St Mary, Portsea with St Faith's

Notices for 31st Aug 2025

11th Sundays after Trinity

Today	11.30am Exploring Faith Group at St Mary's
Monday Sept 1st <i>Feria – Week 22</i>	Noon Mass at St Mary's (live streamed)
Tuesday Sept 2nd <i>Feria – Week 22</i>	9.30am Mass at St Faith's followed by refreshments 7pm Parish Standing Committee at St Mary's
Wednesday Sept 3rd <i>S Gregory the Great</i>	Noon Mass at St Mary's (live streamed) followed by Fellowship Lunch . Pip will talk about his time in London and at Taizé
Thursday Sept 4th <i>Feria – Week 22</i>	10.30am Funeral Service at St Mary's 10.30am Mass at St Faith's followed by refreshments
Friday Sept 5th <i>Feria – Week 22</i>	10am Mass at St Mary's (live streamed) 10.30am by Coffee and Chat 2pm Wedding Service at St Mary's
Saturday Sept 6th <i>Feria – Week 22</i>	8am Pitch and Putt Competition at 10 th Hole 10am Just Ask at St Mary's <i>come and Enquire about Christenings, Weddings etc or simply 'just ask' something of the clergy.</i> 5pm Confirmation Rehearsal at St Mary's
Sunday Sept 7th Birthday of Mary	8am BCP Eucharist at St Mary's 10am Parish Mass and Confirmations at St Mary's – with Bishop Jonathan (live streamed) 11.45am Bar B Q Lunch at St Mary's 5.45pm Fr Bob's installation as Archdeacon at the Cathedral

Please note we often take photographs at our services and events that may appear on social media – please let us know if this causes you any problems.

If you have any suggestions as to what you would like to see included on these notices, please let us know.

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Mary Swaffield Mary's Funeral will be on **Monday Sept 8th at 1pm** at the Oaks Crematorium, Havant. Family Flowers only. We will then also be holding a **Requiem Mass** on **Wednesday 10th Sept at 7pm** at St Mary's – as we give thanks for Mary's life and all she has shared with us.

Wednesday The **Fellowship** will meet **after the Noon Mass** and Pip will be talking about his year in the House of Commons and recent pilgrimage to Taizé.

Saturday The now **Annual Pitch and Putt** tournament will take place. Meet **at 8am at the 10th Hole in Southsea** – and also traditionally afterwards enjoy a breakfast together!

Next Sunday Bishop Jonathan will be at St Mary's (no service at St Faith's) **at 10am for a Confirmation Service** with around 14 candidates from our Parish. Come and pray for them and support them.
The **service will be followed by a Bar B Q lunch** – tickets will be available soon (Adults £3, Child £2)
Then at **5.45pm at the Cathedral** Fr Bob will be **installed as the Archdeacon of Portsdown**. It would be lovely to be supported by you on that occasion. There will be a list in Church to sign (so Cathedral can be aware of numbers to expect) – or you can book online – see other email with invitation.

Saturday Sept 13th Fratton Together Celebrates – an opportunity

for us as a community in Fratton to celebrate together with events and activities from 11am at various venues along Fratton Road – including at the Pantry and Bridge Centre. Come and celebrate with us !

Sunday Sept 14th 2pm Tower Open – the last chance for 2025 to Climb the tower and enjoy the views.

Thank you! Fr Bob would like to thank everyone for their good wishes and the gifts he was given on 17th Aug to mark his 25 years in the Parish. He was (unusually) lost for words – but has reiterated the few he said ‘This is the best Parish’ in the country and it has been both enjoyable and humbling to serve as your vicar – thank you!’