

# Springhill Catholic Primary School

13th February 2026

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## Together we will do our best for Jesus

“The water that I will give them will become a spring of water within, welling up to eternal life.” - John 4:14

### Dear Parents and Carers,

Half term has arrived – and the February half term marks the half way point of the school academic year. We should start to have lighter mornings and evenings soon which is always a joy after the long winter.

### Safer Internet Day:

The children had assemblies on Wednesday to celebrate Safer Internet Day. They also learn about online safety in every computing lesson as well as in their PDL lessons. Thank you Miss Gallagher for leading the assemblies.

### Shrove Tuesday/Ash Wednesday:

The children had great fun today doing pancake races and eating pancakes as well as having an Ash Wednesday Service. We celebrated early as the children will be on half term on these days next week. A huge thanks to Deacon Andy who led our services and spent most of the day with us.

### Uniform:

This is a reminder that children will continue to wear the winter uniform when they return after the half term break. This is black school shoes (no boots or trainers), grey bottoms, a white shirt, the school logoed burgundy jumper/cardigan and the school tie. Our children look very smart – thank you for your ongoing support and commitment with this.

I hope you all have a restful and wonderful half term break with your amazing children. We can't wait to see you all again on Monday 23rd February.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Ashworth  
Head Teacher

## Winning house this week



Working together to improve  
attendance  
Target 97% and above

Year Group Summary  
w/c: 09/02/2026



Year F - 97.64%  
Year 1 - 95.92%  
Year 2 - 96.78%  
Year 3 - 98.04%  
Year 4 - 97.41%  
Year 5 - 97.11%  
Year 6 - 96.84%

## 20 is plenty!

Children who read for 20 minutes a day...

- Will have a world of imagination & creativity opened to them
- Will be exposed to 1.8 million words a year
- Will have better general knowledge
- Will improve their critical thinking skills
- Will improve their communication skills
- Will have a broad vocabulary
- Will learn how to develop empathy
- Will improve their test results
- Will have reduced stress levels



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## Diary Dates:

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February  
HALF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSED**

**Children return to school on Monday 23rd February. Gates open at 8:30am**

Friday 27th February, 6:00-7:00pm - Family Stargazing Evening on the MUGA

Tuesday 3rd, Thursday 5th March - Parents' evenings in school

Monday 9th March - World Book Day and book week




















**World Book Day vouchers are being sent home with children today.**

Each child will receive a £1 voucher that can be used towards a book of their choice during the half-term break. Local bookshops and supermarkets will be accepting the vouchers so it's a great opportunity for children to choose something new to enjoy over the holiday. For further information about the World Book Day books on offer this year, please see the following link: <https://www.worldbookday.com/books/>

## Lunch Menu:

**WEEK 2 Winter menu—Week commencing: 10 Nov, 1 Dec, 5 Jan, 26 Jan, 23 Feb, 16 Mar**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Blue choice</b>	 Ham and cheese pasta with garlic bread finger	 Creamy chicken curry and rice	 Golden nuggets with potato of the day	 Pork sausages, roast potatoes, Yorkshire pudding & gravy	 Fish fingers with chips
<b>Yellow Choice</b>	 Sausage-ish roll & potato of the day	 Cheese & tomato pizza with potato of the day	 Frittata - cheese & potato omelette with tomato bread	 'Homity' cheesy potato pastry pie with roast potatoes & gravy	 Chimichanga with chips (cheese, bean & veggie wrap)
<b>Purple Choice</b>					
<b>Orange choice (Hot picnic)</b>	 Fish finger wrap	 Chicken meatballs Napoli baguette	 Somerset cheddar cheese & tomato bap	 Ham and Somerset cheddar cheese bap	 Garden goujons wrap
<b>Dessert</b>	Chocolate brownie	Ginger cookie	Winter berry muffin	Choice of cold desserts	Apple crumble cake & custard

Springhill is a diverse community which we are proud of. If English is not your first language - you can copy and paste school emails and newsletters into google translate and they will be changed to your preferred language:

<https://translate.google.co.uk/>



## ★ Family Star Gazing ★

We have rescheduled the family star gazing evening so please bring the whole family on **Friday 27th February** between **6pm - 7pm** as we gaze in wonder at the night sky. Join us for hot chocolate and glow sticks.



### Science in the Stars

On a clear night, if you use a telescope or binoculars, you might see the moon, stars and planets.  
What will you see?

**When:** Friday 27th February between 6pm - 7pm

**Where:** the MUGA

**You will need:** a warm coat and a telescope or binoculars



Everyone is welcome.

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## Sport News:

Nine Year 2 children attended a basketball festival at St Marks C of E School this week, practising and improving their skills for this particular sport.

A football match was actually played this week (in the rain and on a muddy pitch!) as twelve Year 3 girls pitted their wits against Highfield C of E School. They all had great fun. Well done, girls!

Eleven girls and boys from Years 5 and 6 went along to the inaugural Target Festival where they took part in axe throwing, archery, football, basketball and other sports, having great fun along the way.

Massive congratulations to Orlaith, Keira and Lauren who represented Hampshire in last weekend's Area Table Tennis Finals in Brighton, where they finished in a hugely impressive third place, winning three of their five matches.

In total, they won sixteen singles matches and three doubles matches. We are all extremely proud of their achievement, as Springhill has never reached an Area Final before. Well done, girls!



## Celebrating achievements outside school:



**Congratulations** to Jemima and Teresa (both 6GA) on their dance successes at the Shirley Dance Festival! Jemima received a 1st place gold medal for her lyrical solo and her modern solo and came 2nd with a silver medal in her ballet solo. She also achieved 1st place for her ballet duet with Teresa



## Online Safety Update – Keeping Personal Information Safe

This week in school we have been reminding children about the importance of **keeping personal information private online** and making safe choices when using games, apps and websites.

Children are learning that personal information includes their full name, address, school name, passwords, phone numbers and even photos. We are encouraging them to think carefully before sharing anything online and to always ask themselves, *“Would I share this with a stranger in real life?”* If the answer is no, it should not be shared online either.

We have also discussed how many popular games and apps include **chat features**. Even if a game seems child-friendly, these features can sometimes allow contact from people they do not know. Please check that privacy settings are switched on, chat functions are limited where appropriate, and that games are suitable for your child's age. You can check age ratings using PEGI guidance.

Another key message this week is about **strong passwords**. Please remind your child not to share passwords with friends and to use passwords that are hard to guess (a mix of words, numbers and symbols where possible).

Most importantly, we are encouraging children to speak to a trusted adult if something online makes them feel worried, upset or pressured. Reassure your child that they will not be in trouble for telling you.

If you would like support with parental controls, device settings or age guidance for apps, please contact the school — we are always happy to help.

Thank you for continuing to work in partnership with us to keep our children safe online.

## The Springhill NumBots Results!



Well done to all the children that have been playing NumBots this week and practising their maths skills.

This week's most active players were:

YG	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
F	Kieran	David	George
1	Nivansh	Levente	Eadie
2	Harry	Zach	Kimi

Remember to continue playing NumBots and Times Tables Rockstars over the half term! 😊



## Head Teacher Award

Mason - Year 3

Evan - Year 4

## Deputy Head Teacher Award

Eve - 1SL

Zane - 2JH

Liliana - 4JW

## Teacher Award

FEG	Sum	Astrid	
FDH	Juno	Bishop	
FCL	Lucas	Wiktorija	
1DB	Ella	Keira	
1SL	Maja	Zira	
1KG	Nicky	Brianna	
2JH	Isabella	Abigail	
2LW	Zac	Dominik	
2EW	Emi	Rodrigo	
3BM	Eden	Kenny	
3MD	Patricia	Eric	
3NC	Jason	Gabriel	
4SW	Ryan M	Rhianna	
4MR	Shyanne	Bassie	Milena
4JW	Jaxon	Yasmine	
5JP	Sophie B	Grejs	
5LP	Izabella D	Daniel M	
5PA	Andy	Aivin	
6JS	Ala	Zuzanna	
6GA	Jemima	Brandon	
6LK	Laura	Ikenna	



## Doing Our Best for Jesus Certificates

FEG	Maria
FDH	Alicja
FCL	Rafaela
1DB	Benji
1SL	Mia
1KG	Andrii
2EW	Teresa
2LW	Lucas
2JH	Uche
3NC	Olivia M
3MD	Wiktor
3BM	Martin
4MR	Michal
4SW	Aria
4JW	Orla
5LP	Grace Mc
5JP	Abel
5PA	Lyana
6JS	Jahmaine
6GA	Andrew
6LK	Jakub

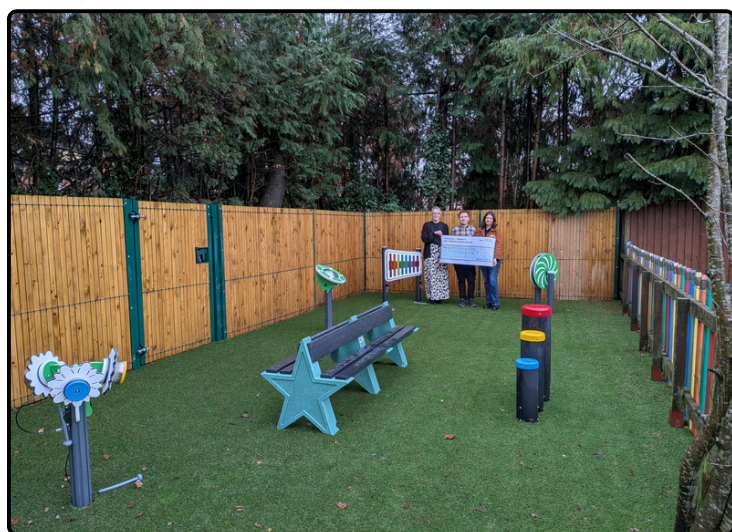
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## Parents' Association:

### Sensory garden - donation from PA to school

The PA is delighted to update everyone that the new sensory garden is open and in use! Funding for the project was boosted by a £10,000 grant from Nationwide Building Society. Ed, our Chair, works for Nationwide and is also our key contact for corporate sponsorship. If you know of a company that might like to sponsor the school or that has a grant scheme, then please email him at [ed@springhillpa.uk](mailto:ed@springhillpa.uk)



The sensory garden was designed by Mrs Hall and she shared a few words about what it means for the school:

*"The sensory garden has been a wonderful addition to the school thanks to the generous donation from the Parents' Association. It is a calming outdoor space and is a place where children can regulate their emotions when they are feeling overwhelmed or anxious. The children are using it regularly and it is having a positive impact on all of the children that use it."*

### Fat Thursday - Thank you

Thank you to everyone who took part in and supported our 'Fat Thursday' doughnut sale, which was very popular! We'd love to share a photo of the doughnuts, but they were all sold at lightning speed. Next year we will buy even more, so nobody misses out - keep your eyes peeled for a feedback poll so we can run a bigger and better sale next year.

### PA meeting

The PA will be holding an **Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM)** on Tuesday 24th February 2026, 7.30pm, at Springhill School.

We would love you to join us for this meeting, where we will share what we've been up to, how funds have been spent, and our exciting plans for the year ahead, including our flagship event, the Summer Festival (Saturday 13th June).

We will also be updating our constitution so that we can hold more meetings online and get more done! A paper version of the new constitution will be made available in the school office, and it is also available online at:

<https://www.parentkind.org.uk/assets/resources/Model-constitution-England-and-Wales.pdf>

There is no pressure to join us - it's just a chance to hear more and have your say. We will provide some light snacks and refreshments.

Thank you all for your continued support - it really is invaluable to help the PA raise money for the school and our children's future. We'd love to see you there!

### Agenda

1. Welcome
2. Chairperson's update
3. Treasurer's update
4. Vote on new constitution
5. AOB

### Springhill Parents' and Friends' Association

C/o Springhill Catholic Primary School  
Milton Road  
Southampton  
SO15 2HW

Registered Charity Number 1147247.

Raise funds with shopping



## February Half Term Holiday Course at Springhill:

# FEBRUARY HOLIDAY COURSE

### HOLIDAY COURSES

FOOTBALL, MULTI-SPORTS, PERFORMING ARTS, GYMNASTICS, INFLATABLES, CRAFTS AND MUCH MORE!

YOU WILL NEED TO BRING A PACKED LUNCH, WATER BOTTLE & COAT

<b>VENUE</b>	SPRINGHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL
<b>DATES</b>	16TH - 20TH FEBRUARY
<b>AGES</b>	4 - 12 YEAR OLDS YEAR R CHILDREN+
<b>PRICE</b>	£25 PER DAY
<b>TIME</b>	9:00 - 15:00
<b>OUT OF HOURS</b>	8:00-9:00 £6 15:00-16:00 £6 15:00-18:00 £12

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## February Half Term Community Holiday Activities:



# EASTLEIGH FC IN THE COMMUNITY



## FEBRUARY HALF TERM HOLIDAY COURSE



**MONDAY 16TH FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 20TH FEBRUARY**

<b>MEDALS AND CERTIFICATES TO BE WON</b>	<b>FUN FOOTBALL PRIZES</b>	<b>MEET FIRST-TEAM PLAYERS</b>	<b>FREE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR FIRST TEAM GAMES!</b>
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**BOOK YOUR  
PLACE ONLINE**



**EASTLEIGH FOOTBALL CLUB,  
STONEHAM LANE, SO50 9HT  
9AM-3PM | AGES 5-14**

ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT JOSH NACE  [JNACE@EASTLEIGHFC.COM](mailto:jnace@eastleighfc.com)


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## 🏆🎉 FEBRUARY HALF TERM FOOTBALL FUN! 🎉🏆

Looking for an action-packed half term?

Join Eastleigh FC in the Community for our February Half Term Holiday Course!

 Monday 16th – Friday 20th February  9am – 3pm  Ages 5–14

 Eastleigh Football Club, Stoneham Lane, SO50 9HT

### What's included?

- ✅ Fun football sessions
- 🏆 Medals & certificates
- 🎁 Exciting football prizes
- ⚽ Meet Eastleigh FC first-team players
- 🎟️ FREE tickets to first-team games!

Spaces are limited, so scan the QR code or book online now to secure your place!

✉️ Any questions? Contact Josh Nace – [jnace@eastleighfc.com](mailto:jnace@eastleighfc.com)

We can't wait to see you on the pitch! ❤️⚽

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**Testlands Football Camp and Holiday Clubs - February Half Term:**

**Monday 16th - Friday 20th February**



## TESTLANDS FOOTBALL CAMP!

**FEBRUARY HALF TERM**  
MONDAY 16 FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY

BANISTER PRIMARY SCHOOL  
ARCHERS RD, SOUTHAMPTON, SO15 2LS

UNLEASH YOUR FOOTBALL SKILLS AT OUR ACTION-PACKED, ALL-ABILITIES CAMP!  
GET READY FOR FUN AND NON-STOP ACTION

LEARN NEW SKILLS OR PERFECT YOUR OWN  
8:30AM START WITH MULTIPLE FINISHING TIMES

RUNNING FOR 8-13 YEAR OLDS



TESTLANDS.COM/HOLIDAYCLUB  
FACEBOOK.COM/TESTLANDSCYPF



Contact:

[www.testlands.com](http://www.testlands.com)

[contactus@testlands.com](mailto:contactus@testlands.com)

02382 026700



## TESTLANDS HOLIDAY CLUBS

**FEBRUARY HALF TERM**  
MONDAY 16 FEBRUARY - FRIDAY 20 FEBRUARY

OASIS ACADEMY LORDS HILL  
ROMSEY RD, SOUTHAMPTON SO16 8FA

LONG & SHORT DAYS  
OFSTED REGISTERED  
SIBLING DISCOUNT

ACTIVITIES INCLUDE

FOOTBALL - NETBALL - BASKETBALL CAPTURE THE FLAG - DODGEBALL  
ARTS & CRAFTS - INFLATABLES - DANCE - BUG HUNTS & MORE!



TESTLANDS.COM/HOLIDAYCLUB  
FACEBOOK.COM/TESTLANDSCYPF



OFSTED REGISTRATION NUMBER: 2602458

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## February Half Term Community Holiday Activities:



### BUSHCRAFT HOLIDAY CLUB

**SPEND YOUR HOLIDAYS EXPLORING THE OUTDOORS!**

Unleash your adventurous side at our Bushcraft Holiday Club! This one-day outdoor course is perfect for young people aged 9-14 (Year 5 and up) who are ready to explore the great outdoors and learn real bushcraft skills.

Spend the day building shelters, cooking delicious food over a campfire, mastering the use of Kelly Kettles, and trying your hand at woodworking. Whether you're a first-time explorer or an experienced adventurer, there's always something new to learn! Sign up and book your space through the QR Code →

📅 School holidays  
📍 Itchen Valley Country Park, Allington Lane



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**PRESCHOOLS & CHILDCARE** | **PREVENTION** | **TARGETED** | **PROGRESSION** | **OUTDOOR LEARNING**


**Bushcraft Holiday Club** -1 day bushcraft course for young people aged 9 - 14 years old based at our Outdoor Learning Centre.

**Woodland Holiday Club** is for children aged 5 (year 1) - 11, based at Itchen Valley Country Park.

All the time will be spent outside and there will be opportunities to take part in shelter building, campfire cookery, Kelly Kettles, woodworking, seasonal activities and much more. No prior experience is needed!

There are dates throughout the February half term and booking can be made here:

<https://bookwhen.com/bonnieyo>



### WOODLAND HOLIDAY CLUB


**SPEND YOUR HOLIDAYS EXPLORING THE OUTDOORS!**

Unleash your sense of adventure at our Ofsted Registered Forest School-themed holiday club!

Designed for children aged 5-11 (Year 1 and up), our holiday club offers a magical mix of outdoor activities. From shelter building and campfire cooking to woodland art, games, nature walks, and habitat exploration, there's something for every young explorer. Join us for a holiday experience full of learning, fun, and fresh air!

Sign up and book your space through the QR Code →

📅 School holidays  
📍 Outdoor Learning Centre, Bishopstoke Road, Eastleigh



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## WELCOME TO 'FRIENDS OF ST GEORGE'

I would like to welcome you to the 'Friends of St George'. We are a group of parent volunteers who raise money for the school. With activities such as helping with refreshments at Events, Quiz & Bingo Nights, the Friends raise funds that help to purchase costly items such as sports, music and technology equipment.

Over the past couple of years, we have purchased a new Bike Shed for the students, donated 2 sewing machines for the Design & Technology Department, supported Yr 11 Prom Night, and the Sports Presentation Evening hosting a BBQ with donations going towards new gazebos.

We host Quiz & Bingo Night's which brings the families and community of St George together and organise smaller social events for 'The Friends of St George' members to get to know each other.

We are always looking for more volunteers, so if you have some spare time to help, we would be delighted to hear from you. If you would like to know more, please contact Cheryl McGrath at [chair\\_fosgcc@outlook.com](mailto:chair_fosgcc@outlook.com)

## Friends of St George Catholic College

### Are Hosting a Fundraising Event



Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026

18.30 to 21.00

Free Glass of Wine (over 18 only) or soft drink with every ticket

Tickets Available in advance via Bank Transfer to

Friends of St George, Sort Code 04-14-50 Account Number: 55263644

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AS REFERENCE



Adult £6.00  
Children £4.00




Raffle Tickets will also be available to purchase on the night to win a selection of prizes including Easter Prizes, Wine & Chocolate.

Refreshments will be available Card & Cash Payments Accepted.

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After school Cooking club and Fun Fitness at Springhill:


**LET'S WORK TOGETHER**   
BUILDING COMMUNITIES

**SPRING HILL  
AFTER-SCHOOL CLUB SCHEDULE**

TERM: SPRING 2 (23RD FEBRUARY - 25TH MARCH)





DAY	SESSIONS	TIME
MON	 L.W.T COOKING & NUTRITION	15:15-17:15
WED	 L.W.T FUN FITNESS	15:15-16:45

**BOOK SESSIONS**



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**CONTACT US**

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-  [www.letsworktogether-bc.co.uk](http://www.letsworktogether-bc.co.uk)
-  Let's Work Together Building Communities
-  LWT\_BC

Booking now open for Spring 2 Term:

[letsworktogether-bc.co.uk](http://letsworktogether-bc.co.uk)



## Re:Minds

### Emotionally-Based School Avoidance Workshop

**9.30-12.30 Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February**  
Room 7, St James Road Methodist Church, Shirley, Southampton

**About the Workshop**

**We will cover:**

- What's really going on beneath school anxiety and avoidance
- How school anxiety presents across different ages and needs
- Small, practical steps that can make everyday school life easier
- Support, shared understanding, and where to go next
- Your legal rights and what schools can do to help

Share understanding, learn practical strategies, and take away helpful resources in a supportive space. There will be time to talk with other parents and carers who are going through the same thing, receive support from our team, and explore our book and sensory library

**To book onto the workshop, please email:**

[info@reminds.org.uk](mailto:info@reminds.org.uk)

## Online Workshops

- Free impartial advice relating to SEND for 0-25 years.
- Confidential sessions not recorded.
- Peer support, talking to others experiencing a similar journey.
- A dedicated session with an experienced support worker

<b>2 FEB</b> 13:00	Responding to a draft EHCP If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft	<b>4 FEB</b> 12:00	Considering an EHC Plan? Independent and impartial information to guide you through the process
<b>10 FEB</b> 17:30	Alternative Provision What constitutes as a suitable education in relation to section 19 of the education act	<b>11 FEB</b> 12:00	Ordinarily Available Provision and SEN Support Looking at support available for those who do not have an EHCP
<b>17 FEB</b> 11:00	Responding to a draft EHCP If you are in that critical time frame having received your draft	<b>18 FEB</b> 13:00	Appeals to SEND Tribunal A step-by-step guide through the appeals process

[www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk/workshops](http://www.hampshiresendiass.co.uk/workshops)

## Hampshire SENDIASS - FREE events:

## Y6 SECONDARY TRANSITION

Join Lisa for our SEN Support Workshop

- Learn what a smooth transition looks like
- Explore practical SEN strategies
- Make the most of the time before September
- Get signposted to extra guidance

March 2026

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> 13:00

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> 17:00

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> 10:30

JOIN US VIA TEAMS

[WWW.HAMPSHIRESENDIASS.CO.UK/WORKSHOPS](http://WWW.HAMPSHIRESENDIASS.CO.UK/WORKSHOPS)

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## Church News:

### St Joseph's & St Edmund's

**ASH  
WEDNESDAY**

18th February, 2026

**6:30 AM-ST EDMUND'S**  
**10AM-ST EDMUND'S**  
**12:15 PM-ST JOSEPH'S**  
**6:30PM-ST EDMUND'S**  
**8PM-ST EDMUND'S**

CONFESSIONS 30  
MINUTES BEFORE  
EACH MASS

ST EDMUND'S CHURCH  
THE AVENUE, SOUTHAMPTON, SO17 1XJ

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH  
48 BUGLE STREET  
SOUTHAMPTON, SO14 2HA



Weekly newsletter available to view at: <https://www.southamptoncitycentrecatholics.org/newsletter>

### Immaculate Conception Church

**Repair Cafe** - Saturday 21st February in the Church hall - 10:30am-1.00pm

Bring your items for repair: clothing, jewellery, electric and electronic items, bikes etc. and we'll try to mend them for a donation.



### LENT & EASTER 2026 MASS TIMES:

18 Feb Ash Wednesday  
10:00am & 7:30pm

02 Apr Maundy Thursday  
The Lord's Supper - 7:30pm

03 Apr Good Friday  
Family Way of the Cross 9.45 - 11am  
Stations of the Cross - 12noon  
The Lord's Passion - 3pm

04 Apr Easter Vigil  
Vigil Mass - 8pm

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