

# Springhill Catholic Primary School

20th March 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,

Eid Mubarak to all of our families who celebrate Eid. May your hearts be filled with joy, your home with laughter and your life with endless blessings. Wishing you and your families a joyful and blessed Eid-ul-Fitr!

We are about to enter the final week of the spring term before the Easter holidays begin.

### Wonderful news:

Mrs Simmonds, who is one of our year 1 teachers, welcomed twins into the world last weekend. Baby Fletcher and Eliza are doing well. Huge congratulations to Mr and Mrs Simmonds.

### PA Easter Egg Hunt:

The PA Easter egg hunt takes place next week during the school day. The children absolutely love this annual event. Thank you to our PA for organising this. Payment can be made on SCOPAY.

### Reminder - Key Stage 2 Holy Week Passion Prayers:

Next week, each of the Key Stage 2 year groups will lead prayers at the end of the school day where they each focus on a theme of Holy Week. All parents are welcome to attend all of the prayers sessions which are always so beautiful and reflective. These start at 2:45pm each day and will be on:

- Tuesday 24th March – Palm Sunday led by Year 3 and a real life donkey that toddlers love seeing (on the school playground, wait outside the school collection gates and these will be opened early)
- Wednesday 25th March – The Last Supper led by Year 4 (in the school hall – wait in the quiet area)
- Thursday 26th March – Agony in the Garden led by Year 5 (in the school hall – wait in the quiet area)
- Friday 27th March – Stations of the Cross led by Year 6 (in the school hall – wait in the quiet area)

Have a wonderful weekend.

Kind regards,

Mrs Ashworth  
Head Teacher

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/>

## Winning house this week



Working together to improve  
attendance  
Target 97% and above

Year Group Summary  
w/c: 16/03/2026



Year F - 97.56%  
Year 1 - 96.35%  
Year 2 - 96.94%  
Year 3 - 98.03%  
Year 4 - 97.55%  
Year 5 - 97.23%  
Year 6 - 96.99%

## 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 have reduced stress levels
- Will learn how to develop empathy
- Will improve their test results



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## Diary Dates:

Monday 23rd March - Year 6 Parents' SATs information meeting 5:00pm online via Zoom  
 Wednesday 25th March - PA Easter Egg hunt during school day  
 Friday 27th March - Last day of Spring Term

## Lunch Menu:

**WEEK 3 Winter menu—Week commencing: 17 Nov, 8 Dec, 12 Jan, 2 Feb, 2 Mar, 23 Mar**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Blue choice</b>	 Chicken grill in a bun with potato of the day	 Fruity Caribbean chicken with rice and flatbread	 Mac 'n' cheese with garlic bread	 Chicken, bacon & sweetcorn pie, potato of the day & gravy	 Fish fingers with chips
<b>Yellow Choice</b>	 Chilli con carne, tortilla chips and rice	 Cheese & tomato pizza with potato of the day	 Garden goujons with potato of the day	 Planet-power sausage, Yorkshire pudding, potato of the day & gravy	 Rainbow pizza muffin with chips
<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 goujon wrap
<b>Dessert</b>	Custard 'Jumble' biscuit	Flapjack	'Happea' cake	Choice of cold desserts	Iced chocolate sponge

## 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	George	Kieran	Rafaela
1	Sophie	Adlyne	Zira
2	Christa	Magnus	Rysha

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## Celebrating Outstanding Achievements:



**Congratulations** to Eddie in year 6, who has achieved a fantastic Silver Award in the final round of the Primary Maths Challenge!

This is an outstanding accomplishment as the bonus round is incredibly challenging and only a small number of pupils nationwide qualify to take part. We are all incredibly proud of Eddie's determination, problem-solving skills and enthusiasm for maths.

Well done, Eddie - you are a wonderful role model for our school!

**Congratulations** to Alex in year 6, who recently received the St Stephen's award at Holy Cross Church for his dedicated altar service for over two years.



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## Sport News:

Whilst this may be a short half term, the children have been participating in an array of sporting activities. Approximately fifteen year 5 children, all with a passion for sport, have been attending weekly sports session at Solent University where they take part in lessons prepared and delivered by second year students as part of their degree. These students, along with their tutor, are grateful for this assistance and it always looks as if our children are having fun there.

Vihaan, Harvey, Alvia and Orlaith, having won the city event last term, represented Southampton in the County Badminton Finals in Portsmouth in the first week back at school. Progressing to the later stages after winning three of their five group matches, the quartet finished a very creditable 4th overall, missing out on a medal by the smallest of margins. All four played some great badminton over the course of the day and the highlight has to be Vihaan winning two points from England's (we will just repeat that...England's!!) number three ranked player in the U12 category! Well played all four of you!



Our U11 and U9 mixed football teams travelled to Waterlooville where they both defeated Woodcroft Primary School in two close matches. The U11 mixed football team lost heavily to a strong Oakley C of E Junior School in the quarter final of the County Cup Plate but this is still the furthest any Springhill team has reached in this particular competition. Our U11 girls' football team lost by one goal in a nine goal thriller against Our Lady and St Joseph Primary School.

Two weeks ago, four boys were asked to represent Southampton in the annual County Cross Country Final in Basingstoke. Competing against over 150 runners from around Hampshire, all four ran well, with special mention to Harvey who finished 7th. Well done to Harvey, Eddie, Dami and Milan!



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## Sport News:

Last Friday, the Upper School cross country race took place at the Sports Centre.

Following his three winning performances in the league races, Harvey maintained his 100% winning run to finish 1st and there were strong runs from Ikenna (3rd), Lochlann (4th) and Eddie (9th) as this quartet won the boys' team race. Special mention also to George (11th), Adam (17th), as well as Myah who finished 8th in the girls' race. The other two boys' teams finished 5th and 10th whilst the three girls' teams were placed 4th, 10th and 12th. Well run to all twenty-six runners!

Thank you to the runners, as well as the parents who brought their children, at the King Edward VI Preparatory cross country race last Saturday.

Well done to all 27 runners but special mention to :

- Thomas - 2nd in Year 3 Gold race
- Arianna - 3rd in Year 4 Silver race
- Ikenna - 1st in Year 6 Silver race
- George - 2nd in Year 6 Silver race
- Harvey - 1st in Year 6 Gold race
- Eddie - 3rd in Year 6 Gold race



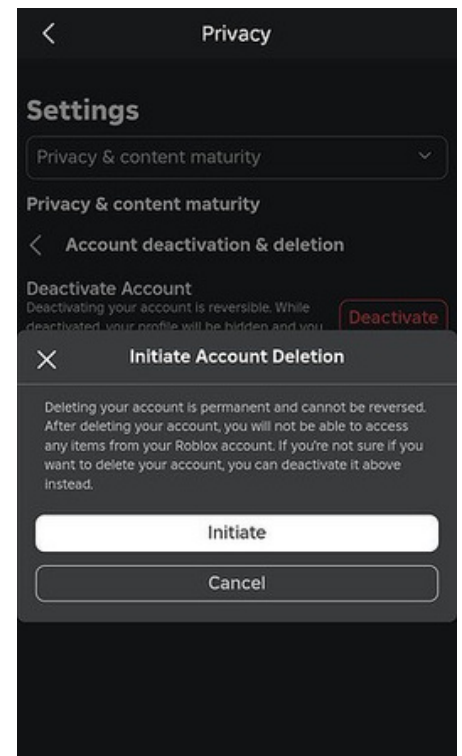
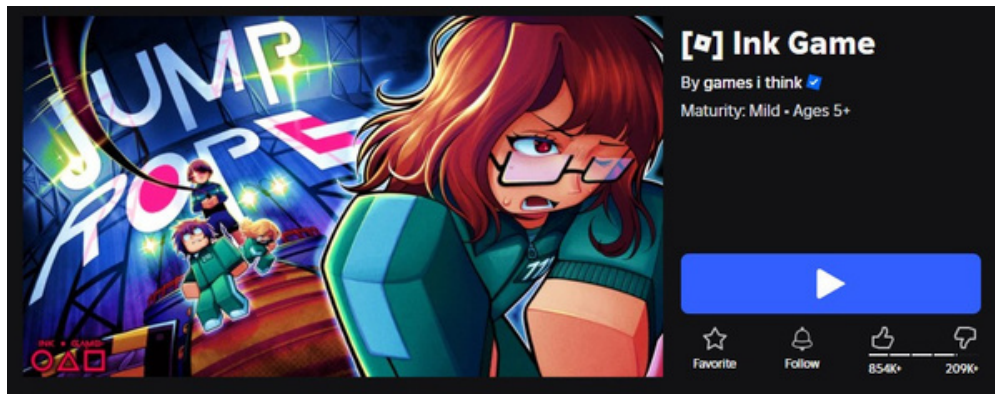
Twelve year 5 and 6 children took part in the city mixed netball tournament last week - adapting to the rules quickly. All twelve played well, rotating their positions after one half of each game, to finish in 7th and 9th place, respectively. Well played to all of you!

Fourteen year 5 and 6 children took part in a city U11 tag rugby festival yesterday. For a number of them, they were playing for the first time but they were helped along the way by others who had played before and all of them improved on their skills as they played more matches.



## Online Safety:

### Roblox - Age Ratings and Inappropriate Content



**Roblox** now includes content maturity labels. However, many parents are unaware that not all games are designed for younger children. Some games include horror themes, simulated violence or mature storylines.

Because games are user-created, themes can change quickly. A game that appears child-friendly may update with new features later.

Children may encounter:

- Horror or jump-scare games.
- Dating-style role play.
- Violent combat simulations.
- User-created music or audio clips with explicit lyrics.

Roblox allows parents to set content maturity levels in settings. You can restrict games to age-appropriate experiences.

It is important to remember that children often discover games through friends or social media. Peer pressure plays a large role in which games they access.

#### **This week, try:**

- Checking the actual games your child plays rather than assuming.
- Watching five minutes of gameplay together.
- Setting time limits to reduce overexposure.

The aim is not to ban platforms but to ensure safe, supervised use.



## Head Teacher Award

Eddie - Year 6  
Atlanta - Year 3  
Belmira - Year 3  
Ewa - Year 3

## Deputy Head Teacher Award

Eadie - 1KG

## Assistant Head Teacher Award

Alyssa - Year 3  
Jade - Year 3

## Teacher Award

FDH	Emma	George
FCL	Frankie	Nonso
1DB	Benji	Nivansh
1SL	Sihini	Carlo
1KG	Augustyn	Chichi
2JH	Greg	Marcel
2LW	Arianna	Annmaria
2EW	Leo	Viktor
3BM	Irene	Valentinna
3MD	Jason	Ted
4SW	Ella	Diana
4MR	Elias	Francis
5JP	Oliver W	Iris
5LP	Isabella	Grace N
5PA	Rylan	Clara
6JS	Amelia	Olex
6GA	Antoni	Nikolaos
6LK	Natan	Lauren



## Doing Our Best for Jesus Certificates

FDH	Ellise	
FCL	Oskar	
1DB	Tsarina	
1SL	Gabriel	
1KG	Anastasia	
2LW	Mia	
2JH	Sarah	
2EW	Harry	
3MD	Joshy	
3BM	Anson	Rohan
4MR	Lia	
4SW	Sofia	
5LP	Henry	
5JP	Abel	
5PA	Keira	
6JS	Leon	
6GA	Adam	
6LK	Amelia	



## Parents' Association:

### Thank You!!!

A huge thank you to all the parents and carers who joined our online planning meeting for the 2026 Springhill Summer Festival! The Summer Festival is the PA's largest annual event and it's your involvement that makes this possible. If you couldn't make the meeting but would still like to get involved, we'd love to have you on board. Whether you can give a little time or a lot, every helping hand counts.

Email us at: [info@springhillpa.uk](mailto:info@springhillpa.uk) to register your interest.

Let's make this year's festival one our children will remember!

Also a big thank you to everyone who bought items from our Mother's Day sale - we truly appreciate your support.

### Easter Egg Hunt

Don't forget — our Easter Egg Hunt is next Wednesday, 25th March!!! It's £2 per child. Please make your payment on SCOPAY by Wednesday 25th March.

**Springhill Parents' Association**  
**Easter Egg Hunt!**

It is that time of year again for our much loved school Easter Egg Hunt!  
This event is really enjoyed by all the children (and teachers and helpers too!)

This will take place on **25<sup>th</sup> March** during school hours.

Children will decorate an egg picture.  
Find your paper egg and swap it for a real chocolate egg!

**Cost: £2.00 per child**

Pay on Scopay by **25<sup>th</sup> March:**  
(Scopay - Trips and Events - PA Easter Egg Hunt 25/03/2026)

No cash payments accepted

Any profits will help fund outdoor play equipment & picnic tables.

Allergy-friendly eggs available!

Wishing you and your families a very **Happy Easter!**

### Springhill Parents' and Friends' Association

c/o Springhill Catholic Primary School  
Milton Road  
Southampton  
SO15 2HW  
Registered Charity Number  
1147247.

Raise funds with shopping:  
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/springhillcatholic/>

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## Netball After school club - starting next term at Springhill:



### **BOYS & GIRLS NETBALL CLUB AT SPRINGHILL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL**

We want each child to discover a passion, and we can't wait to give your children the opportunity to discover netball in our weekly sessions starting in January!

#### **OUR SESSIONS**

We are proud to be a fun & inclusive external netball provider, welcoming every child that wants to play.

Each weekly session is a mix of games, physical activities and netball skill exercises that focus on progression, confidence, teamwork and having fun!

#### **Social skills**

Communication, friendships, inclusion

#### **Physical skills**

Marking, running/stopping, jumping, footwork

#### **Tactical skills**

Decision making, anticipation, rules

#### **Key skills**

Passing, catching, ball control, shooting,

#### **Personal skills**

Learning to lose, self-confidence, teamwork



**EVERY FRIDAY**  
3:15-4:15

**TERM**  
17<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - 10<sup>TH</sup> JULY

**YEARS**  
YEARS 3-6



#### **COACHES**



**FIRST AID TRAINED**

All coaches have strong netball backgrounds and proven skills and knowledge required to teach children, with a genuine passion for helping young players develop.



**DBS CLEARED**

Our coaches don't *just* create amazing netballers, they provide an environment where children are comfortable to try new things, where they can learn to lose, build friendships, grow in confidence, feel proud of themselves and understand the importance of teamwork.



**SAFEGUARD TRAINED**

#### **WANT TO PLAY?**

It's just £6 per session, which you can either pay in full, or in instalments through Klarna.

[Find out more about Play Netball Juniors online](#)

**BOOK NOW**

#### **WE KNOW NETBALL**

We have been providing netball leagues for over 10 years, with 40,000 women playing with us weekly.



A large number of girls unfortunately give up all sport during their teenage years, with confidence being a large reason. We have found that for 44% of our adult players who join, we are their first contact with sport or netball since leaving school. Playing sport, and belonging to a team or club, has huge personal, social and emotional benefits. We want to give children the opportunity to try netball at a young age, and hopefully create a lifelong connection with sport, and give them the confidence to continue playing into their adult lives.

[View Play Netball online](#)

Booking link:

<https://playsportsjunior.magicclubapp.co.uk/Booking/Details/f74b0e69-f776-4f3e-ef57-08de84e03672>

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## Saints FC After school clubs and holiday camps:



To register for Easter half-term holiday camps, please scan the QR code.

Bookings for **Saints FC Summer term after-school club** at Springhill go live on **Thursday 19th March at 7:30pm**, with places allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.

A letter with after-school club sign-up information, including the relevant booking link for the clubs running at Springhill, is attached with the newsletter.

Below is a link to Junior Saints Matchday Takeover Competitions which are being run in the build-up to the Southampton FC Men's First Team fixture against Oxford United. With the Junior Saints Matchday taking place on Saturday 21st March, this also includes discounted tickets for junior supporters and their families.

[Link to Junior Saints Match Day Take-over Competitions Vs Oxford United](#)



## Superstar Sports Holiday Courses:

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DRAMA  
SINGING



### SUPERSTAR STRIKERS

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SKILL  
CHALLENGES  
SMALL SIDED  
GAMES



### SUPERSTAR HOLIDAY CLUB

CRAFTS  
MULTISPORTS  
COOKING  
TEAM GAMES

SPRINGHILL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

### DATES

30<sup>TH</sup> MARCH - 2<sup>ND</sup> APRIL  
7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL - 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL  
26<sup>TH</sup> - 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY  
27<sup>TH</sup> JULY - 28<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

### TIMES & COST

9:00AM - 3:00PM  
£20 PER DAY

8:00 - 9:00AM £6  
3:00 - 4:00PM £6  
3:00 - 6:00PM £12

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Spaces available for both paid and HAF-funded places.

How to Book:

Paid - <https://bookings.superstarsportsuk.co.uk/>

Southampton HAF - <https://online.succeedin.co.uk/wellbeing-southampton/registration>

Website: <https://www.superstarsportsuk.com/>

Bookings: [Superstar Sports](#) | [Booking School term and Holiday Activities](#)



## EASTER PERFORMING ARTS WORKSHOP with THEATRE KIDZ

Looking for something fun, confidence-boosting, and fully supervised this Easter holiday?

Our magical Easter Theatre Kidz workshop is packed with creativity, energy, and fun!

Please see our leaflet attached for full details.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Singing

Dancing

Acting & drama games

Arts & crafts

Easter egg hunt & surprises

Certificates & prizes

Led by our professional, DBS-checked Theatre Kidz teachers, children will build confidence, make friends, and enjoy a safe, nurturing environment.

### WHO IS IT FOR?

- Ages 4–12 years
- No experience needed — perfect for beginners and confident performers
- Suitable for both boys and girls

### PRICES

- £140 – First child
- £120 – Siblings
- £35 per day (individual days available)

DATES: 30th March - 2nd April 2026

LOCATION: The Mountbatten School - Romsey

Spaces are limited and always fill fast — early booking is recommended.

Book online: [Your paragraph text](#)

Email: [info@tpacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@tpacademy.co.uk)

Stacey: 07930 980 038

## Football Easter Camp:

**IT'S OUR 1 YEAR ANNIVERSARY!**

# EASTER CAMP

**TUESDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH & WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL**

**Places Leisure Eastleigh** 9AM - 3PM  
Passfield Ave, Eastleigh SO60 9NL

**YEAR 1 TO YEAR 8** **FULL CAMP £45** **SINGLE DAY £25**

**LEARN NEW SKILLS, FACE FUN CHALLENGES, COMPETE IN GAMES AND ENJOY EVERY MOMENT ON THE PITCH**

BOOK YOUR SPACE HERE

Any queries, contact [info@jamesbeattiefootballacademy.com](mailto:info@jamesbeattiefootballacademy.com)

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## Community Coffee morning sessions with Darren Paffey MP Member of Parliament for Southampton Itchen:

**Saturday 28 March**, 10.30am to 12 noon, in Bitterne - to discuss **online safety** for children and young people. An opportunity for parents and carers to share their views following new proposals from the government, including potential age restrictions on social media and other services such as gaming sites and AI chatbots. Anyone can attend by booking their place via this link:  
<https://darrenpaffey.org.uk/events/onlinesafetycoffeemorning/>

**Thursday 16 April**, 10.30am to 12 noon, in Bitterne - an invitation to parents and carers of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) for a coffee morning discussion on the Government's proposed **SEND reforms**. Anyone can attend by booking their place via this link: <https://darrenpaffey.org.uk/events/sendcoffeemorning>

## The Gregg School open events in April

**THE GREGG**  
*Discover The Gregg School*  
From September, our Prep School is moving to join our Senior students at Townhill Park House near West End, Southampton.  
*Visit us to find out more*  
**Open Mornings**  
Prep Wednesday 22nd April  
Senior Wednesday 29th April

*We also run*  
**Parent and Pre-School Activity Sessions**  
For children starting The Gregg School in Reception this September  
Friday 17th April  
Friday 24th April

Our school bus service covers a 15 mile radius around the school, collecting from the New Forest to Fareham, Totton to Winchester.

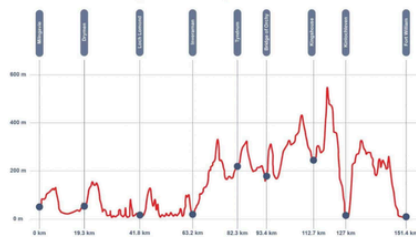
To book your place visit [www.thegreggschool.org](http://www.thegreggschool.org)

**Please note:** The Prep School is moving location from Winn Road, to join the Senior School at Townhill Park House, near West End, Southampton.

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Hello! My name is Alice and I am doing a sponsored hike in March. I will be walking 155km ( 96 miles ) over the span of 10 days to raise money for Cure Parkinson's.



I will be hiking the West Highland Way with an elevation gain of 3,900 metres.



Please consider sponsoring me!

**Southampton Parent Carer Forum invites you to...**

## SEND Family Fun Day 2026

### Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> March - 10am to 2pm

**For Children and Young People:**  
Bouncy Castles, face painters  
Unicorn, bubbles and lots more ...

**For Parent Carers:**  
Range of **Local offer Service providers** for advice, ideas and support

Refreshments for all (drinks, fruit, biscuits and ice cream are all free, there will be a food van with food for sale)

To register



Oasis Academy Mayfield, Ashley Crescent,  
SO19 9NA - Free Parking



For more information follow us on Facebook





## Re:Minds



# Next Week at Re:Minds 23rd-27th March

No need to book for a support group, just check the events section of our Facebook group or email us to receive the link to join

With thanks to:



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# Eating Disorder Advice Clinic



10:30am Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March

### About the Clinic

Book a **private, 15-minute virtual appointment** to speak with a specialist clinician from the **CAMHS Eating Disorder Team** for advice and guidance on:

- **Eating disorders** / disordered eating
- Changes in **eating patterns**
- Increased or concerning **activity levels**
- **ARFID / relationship with food**
- Any other concerns related to eating

**To book your advice slot, please email:**



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



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## Church News:

St Joseph's & St Edmund's

### **Lent, Holy Week & Easter Services**

#### **Penitential Service**

Monday 23rd March – 7:00pm at St Edmund's

#### **Palm Sunday – 29th March**

Masses as normally scheduled

10:00am Mass at St Joseph's (begins with a procession on Westgate Street, Southampton)

9am, 11am, 5pm & 7pm in St Edmund's

#### **Holy Monday 30th March**

7:00pm Mass as scheduled

Adoration suspended this week

#### **Holy Tuesday 31st March**

11am Chrism Mass at St John's Cathedral, Bishop Crispian Way, Portsmouth PO1 3HG

10:00am Mass as normally scheduled in St Edmund's

#### **Spy Wednesday 1st April**

7:00pm Mass as normally scheduled

#### **Maundy Thursday – 2nd April**

6:00pm – St Joseph's

8:00pm – St Edmund's

No 12:15pm Mass

#### **Good Friday – 3rd April**

10:00am – Stations of the Cross (St Edmund's)

11:00am – Family Stations of the Cross (St Joseph's)

3:00pm – Good Friday Liturgy

#### **Holy Saturday- 4th April**

8:00pm – St Edmund's

#### **Easter Sunday – 5th April**

Masses as normally scheduled

9am, 11am, 5pm & 7pm St Edmund's

10am St Joseph's

#### **Easter Monday – 6th April**

7:00pm Mass as scheduled

Adoration resumes

#### **Divine Mercy Sunday – 12th April**

2:30pm – Confessions, St Edmund's

3:00pm – Mass

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## Church News:

Immaculate Conception Church



## 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

Weekly newsletter available to view at: <https://www.immaculateconception.church/newsletter>