

THE YEAR OF MATTHEW
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN
PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord, YEAR A
A HYMN TO THE CREATOR

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**Morning Glory, Starlit Sky,
Leaves in Springtime, Swallows flight.
Autumn winds, Tremendous Seas,
Sounds and scents of summers
night.**

**Soaring music, Towering words,
Arts perfection, Scholars truth,
Joy Supreme of human Love,
Memories Treasure, Grace of Youth.**

**Open Lord, are these thy gifts,
Gifts of love to mind and sense,
Hidden in Loves' agony,
Loves' endeavour, Loves' expense.**

**Love that gives, gives ever more,
Gives with zeal, with eager hands,
Keeps not, spares not, all outpours,
Ventures all, it's all expends.**

**Drained is love in making full,
Bound in setting others free,
Poor in making many rich,
Weak in giving power to be.**

**Therefore, He who Thee reveals,
Hangs, O Father, on that tree,
Helpless, and the nails and thorns
(Tell of human cruelty, tell more)
of what Thy Love must be.**

**Thou art God, no monarch Thou
Enthroned in easy state to reign.
Thou are God, whose arms of Love
Aching, Spent, the world sustain.**

(William Vanstone. Loves Endeavour, Loves Expense)



TIMES OF MASSES, SERVICES AND MASS INTENTIONS

PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord – YEAR A

Saturday	8 th	6.00pm	Mass	Anthony and Bridie Campbell, RIP
Sunday	9 th	8.30am	Mass	George Harold Read, RIP
		10.30am	Mass	Maura Holt
Monday	10 th	No Mass		
Tuesday	11 th	11.00am	Chrism Mass at the Cathedral, Portsmouth	
Wednesday	12 th	9.30am	Mass	Eileen & Reg Keep, RIP (Foundation)

MAUNDY THURSDAY

Thursday	13 th	7.30pm	Mass	Solemn Renewal of Commitment for Eucharistic Ministers & Ministers of the Word
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GOOD FRIDAY Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Friday	14 th	3.00pm	Service	
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HOLY SATURDAY

Saturday	15 th	8.00pm	Vigil	Those 'Elect' being received into the Church
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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sunday	16 th	8.30am	Mass	CAFOD Famine work in East Africa
		10.30am	Mass	Parish Intentions



Tuesday to Thursday: 9.10am Morning Prayer; **Thursday:** 10.15 am Mother's Prayers; **Saturday:** 9.30am Rosary, 1st Saturday of the month 9.30am Pro-Life Rosary and Confessions every Saturday at 10.45am or on request

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PARISH OF ST. JOSEPH and ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW

DID YOU KNOW...?



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – Please email your newsletter item(s) to the parish office stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk no later than midday on Wednesdays.



PARISH OFFICE CLOSED – The Parish Office will be closed from **Monday 17 April to Friday 21 April, 2017 inclusive.**



EASTER OFFERINGS – The Easter Offering at all Masses on Easter Sunday is for our Clergy. Gift Aid envelopes available in the porch.

EASTER CARDS – We have a selection of beautiful Easter Cards for sale in the shop.



CAR PARK SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL - The annual renewal is deferred until further notice for those who paid their £50 subscription last year and have the blue windscreen stickers may continue to park. We are experiencing opportunistic parking by a range of visitors, those who did not pay last year and are not attending services should not park. The car park is monitored by CCTV.

BEWARE: LIGHTING CANDLES – Adults must accompany all children at the candle trays when lighting candles. Please ensure your children do not play around the candle trays, in the sand or with the lighted candles. Care must be taken when reaching across lighted candles wearing loose clothing, etc.



PARISH DATABASE CENSUS - Our parish is currently implementing a new database system. We need the most up-to-date information about our parishioners and our parish, we are asking that you complete our new Parish Census Form (one per household) online via our parish website; just follow the link: <http://www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org/parish-census-form.html> or a paper copy in the church porch, please complete the census by **Monday 17 April 2017.**



LENTEN PROJECT : MEDAILLE TRUST – As we approach Easter, it is a good time to make offerings to our Lenten project. All offerings can be gift aided so please use the envelopes provided in the porch.
We do this to set someone free.

BLESSING OF EASTER FOOD: Following a Polish tradition, we will hold a blessing of the Easter festive foods on Holy Saturday, **Saturday 15 April 2017** at 1 pm in the Church.



CLOTHES BANK - Next Clothes Bank Giveaway, held quarterly in St Joseph's Church Hall and coordinated by St Mark's Church Binfield, is on **Wed 26th April 2017.** The ClothesBank appreciate donations of good quality used clothes for adults and children of all ages and children's trainers, especially sizes 10 – 2. Clothes that cannot be passed on are: pyjamas, underwear and socks all must be new. Please leave donations in the ClothesBank container in the porch at St Joseph's Church at all Masses weekend **22nd/23rd April** but please not before that weekend. Help needed with sorting of clothes at St Mark's Binfield on **Mon 24th April**, from 9.30am to 2pm and with setting up at St Joseph's on **Wed 26th April** at 9.15am for the Giveaway to start at 10.15am to 1pm.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET Sunday 23 April will be held at St Francis Church in Ascot starting at 2:30pm.

GOSPEL CHALLENGE - Monday 10 April : 27 Ardingly, Bracknell

KEEP FIT OVER 50's CLUB – Closed, resumes 25 April 2017.

TODDLER GROUP – Closed, resumes Tuesday 25 April 2017

PRAYER GROUPS – Closed 18/19 April, resumes 2/3 May, 2017

RCIA – Closed Thurs 13 April 2017, resumes Thurs 20 April 2017

SOUP & ROLL – Closed, resumes Friday 19 April 2017.

YOUTH GROUP – Closed, resumes Friday 28th April



LAST WEEK'S MASS OFFERINGS – THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS: Total amount £1,642.51. Please make cheques payable to "PRCDTR Bracknell St Joseph".

CAFOD – Africa Appeal – A **BIG THANK YOU** for your generosity, donations so far of £1415.38

**We pray for the Sick and Housebound of Our Community
and for those who care for them.**

Sick and Housebound:

Brenda Theobald, Olga Maguire, Betty Winn, Peter Dossett, Adrian Sweeney, Thelma Briggs, Johanna Lenz, Ena Stanton, Inge Walker, and Yvonne Gantzer, Jadwiga Butcher, June Cooper, Lilijan Rodenburg, Marjorie Brown Josephine & Maurice Timms, Andrea Brown, Blanche Shap, Chris Curtis.

Those who are unwell or in hospital:

Bill Guilfoyle, Geoff Hallett, Una Gilligan, Una Mair, Freda Edgington, Anne Hardy, Nora Cronin, Patricia Holmwood, Fr Vincent Convery, Teresa Bullock, Maria Bishop, Peggy Pendergast, Evie & Ruby Shallom, Serafina Delmundo, Brian Mecklenburg, Ann Newton, Bridie Maughan, Francis Robinson, Tom Corridan, Allan James, Nicholas Powell, Peggy O'Sullivan, Caroline Nirmalan, Kathleen Brosnan, Jackie Shaw

LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING.....



ADDITIONAL CAR PARKING – EASTER SERVICES ONLY– We have secured permission from Bracknell Regeneration to use the Service Yard D car parking spaces free of charge, which are located behind the shops next to the Church car park, for the Easter Services ONLY: Maundy Thursday evening, Good Friday afternoon, Holy Saturday evening and Easter Sunday morning. This is on a first come-first served basis. This does NOT include the “Pay and Display” parking behind the banks or the double yellow lined areas which are the jurisdiction of UKPC who have refused permission. You must only park in the marked parking bays behind the shops next to the Church car park. Also, please park thoughtfully and responsibly in the Church car park.



CHRISM MASS, CATHEDRAL PORTSMOUTH – Tuesday 11 April 2017

Mass at 11.00am. The bus will be departing from St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow Church at **8.00am SHARP**, therefore, you must be at the church **NO LATER THAN 7.45am**, returning approx 4.00pm. There is no charge and no donations for the bus. **Please note, the Parish Office will be**

closed on 11 April 2017. No 9.30am Mass.



'REBUILDING MARRIAGE: BEHIND 'AMORIS LAETITIA' ('The Joy of Love') by POPE FRANCIS - On **Wednesday 12 April 2017**, 7pm - 8pm

in St Joseph's Church Hall, Bracknell a talk on this subject will be given by Dr Austen Ivereigh, author of The Great Reformer, a book about the papacy of Pope Francis. All are welcome to attend.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MAUNDY THURSDAY 13 April : 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper. Solemn Renewal of Commitment for Eucharistic Ministers and Ministers of the Word.

GOOD FRIDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION 14 April : 3.00pm Service.

HOLY SATURDAY 15 April : 8.00pm Vigil – Those 'Elect' being received into the Church: Christopher Apana, Denise Knight, Claudia Machado and Mitchell Wing.

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION 16 April : Masses 8.30am and 10.30am