

ST. JOSEPH and ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW

**THE YEAR OF MARK: EATING WITH THE BRIDEGROOM
TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME**

BE OPEN TO LISTEN TO EACH OTHER

6th September 2015 Psalter Week 3

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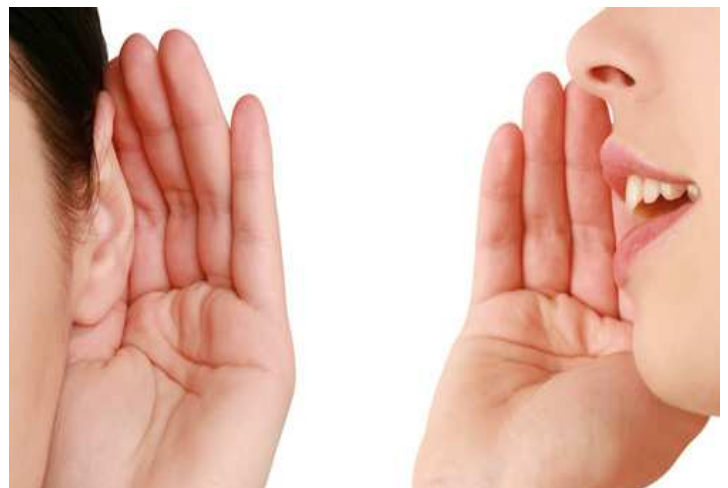
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We have all heard of tragic cases of children walled in solitude because they are blind, deaf and dumb from birth. The devotion and skill of language specialists sometimes succeed in opening these sufferers to the world of signs and of speech.

But what is to be done when the eyes, ears and tongue of the ***heart*** are blocked?

How many people are there who "don't understand each other" or "no longer speak to each other?" How many "dialogues of the deaf" there are between persons, groups, institutions or nations where there is no longer any mutual trust and acceptance of others in their fragility?



Such situations can help us to grasp the symbolic significance of the healing of the deaf-mute. Faced with people who have grown deaf to his preaching and who do not listen to his appeals for conversion, Jesus has moved on into pagan territory. He has come to open ears and loosen tongues. He wants us to be capable of listening and of entering into the dialogue of salvation which baptism establishes between God and his people. To those of us who are closed – the rich, the powerful, the proud - Jesus commands: "Be opened!" Be opened to listen and receive the teachings of the gospel. Be opened to speak your faith with your whole life.

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TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	5 th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	John O'Sullivan†
Sunday	6 th	8.30am	Mass	Nicholas Da Cunha†
		10.30am	Mass	Johanna & James Moriarty†
Monday	7 th	NO MASS		

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Tuesday	8 th	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Communion Service	
Wednesday	9 th	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Communion Service	
		10.15am	Rosary	
Thursday	10 th	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Communion Service	
		10.15am	Mothers Prayers	
Friday	11 th	11.00-12.00	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		12.10pm	Communion Service	
		7.00pm	Rosary	
Saturday	12 th	9.40am	Rosary	
		10.00am	Mass	Gregory James Arthur†
		1030am	Confessions	

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	12 th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Oduntan Family
Sunday	13 th	8.30am	Mass	Adolf Lima†
		10.30am	Mass	Parish Intentions

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

Sick and Housebound: Brenda Theobald, Olga Maguire, Audrey Dunne, Betty Winn, Peter Dossett, Sue Beasley, Adrian Sweeney, Thelma Briggs, Johanna Lenz, Peggy Prendergast, June Bartlett, Millicent & Brian Mecklenburgh, Bridget Tanner, Ena Stanton, Peggy O'Sullivan, Kate McGrath, Frances Dyson and Yvonne Gantzer.

Those who are unwell or in hospital: Geoff Hallett, Una Gilligan, Eileen Collins, Una Mair, Esther Brophy, Winnie Justice, Freda Edgington and Nora Cronin.

DATES, NEWS AND VIEWS

A WARM WELCOME to any visitors to our parish this weekend. Join us in the hall after Mass for a cup of tea or coffee!

IF YOU ARE NEW TO OUR PARISH – Welcome! You can register online via our website at www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org/parish-registration-form.html

CARER AND TODDLER GROUP – Starts again on Tuesday **8th September** at 10.00am in the Hall.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEAM - Thank you to everyone who volunteered to join the children's liturgy team. There will be a meeting on Tuesday **8th September** at 7.30pm at 9 Annerforde Place, Priestwood, to help everyone plan for the next few weeks.

KEEP FIT CLASSES – Resume on Tuesday **15th September** 2.00pm-3.00pm in the Hall.

SECULAR FRANCISAN ORDER – The next meeting is on Saturday **19th September** in the Hall 2.00pm - 4.00pm. All are welcome.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENTS MEETING – Will be held on Thursday **1st October** at 7.00pm in the Hall.

MARRIS ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL – On Friday **11th September** 2015 the House of Commons will be debating and voting on a Private Member's Bill to legalise assisted suicide. For more information, telephone 01588 660528 or see www.carenotkilling.org.uk

CAFOD PORTSMOUTH SUPPORTERS' MEETING - On Saturday **12 September** at St Bede's Catholic Primary School, Basingstoke RG24 9DX from 10am – 1.30pm. To book a place please contact the CAFOD Portsmouth Office: 01252 329385 or portsmouth@cafod.org.uk.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET WITH BENEDICTION – On Sunday **20th September** at 2.30pm. If you are able to help with the readings and refreshments please contact the Parish Office.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL - Our next PPC meeting will be on Wednesday **23th September at 7.15pm** in the Church Hall. Please email your ideas, suggestions or concerns to the Parish Office by **14th September** or speak to a member of the PPC. See the noticeboard for a list of members. Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings.

THE ASCOT & BRACKNELL ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY- Are holding their **Annual Fundraising Event** on **26th September 2015**. Should you have any unwanted toiletries, bottles of wine/spirits and any gifts suitable for our raffle we would be delighted to receive. Items may be placed in the SVP basket in the porch. **We do not require any clothes, shoes etc., as these items did not sell last year.** Many thanks in advance.

WORLD YOUTH DAY - Back by popular demand! Cake Sales after all Masses **next weekend**. Donations of cakes/cupcakes would be very much appreciated and may be brought to the Hall before Mass.

20ps FOR POLAND – Thank you to everyone who took a free tube of Smarties home with them. Please don't forget to save all your spare 20p coins in the empty tube and return it to us when it's full! - The Youth Fundraising Team.

THE FOODBANK – Are very short of biscuits, if you could help? Thank you.

MIGRANT SLAVERY CONFERENCE - Saturday **26th September** from 0930 - 1530 at St. Bede's Church, Popley Way, Basingstoke RG24 9DX. Booking is essential: the day will cost £10. To book www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/migrantslavery-day.php

A QUIZ NIGHT - Will take place in the Church Hall on Saturday **10th October** at 7.15pm. Money raised will go to Alexander Devine Children's Hospice Service. Tickets are £5 per person to be paid in cash on the night and a maximum of 6 people per team is permitted. To register a team please send an e-mail to stjosephsquizbracknell@gmail.com. Please bring your own drinks and snacks. Tea, coffee and cakes will also be available for purchase. There will be a Tombola for which we would really welcome donations. A marked box will be left in the Church porch for your contributions. So if you feel quizzical please come along for a fun night!

FORMATION FOR MISSION – Are you a catechist? Keep up-to-date with training events at: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation. There is a lot coming up this term, including: Retreat Day for Catechists – 26th September; Day for Catechists with Fr Mark Hogan – 17th October; Conference with Matt Pinto, Founder of Ascension Press – 9 November.

EVANGELISATION RESOURCES - Resources created for Evangelisation Strategy Teams (including tools to evaluate current evangelisation initiatives) are freely available to anyone (parishes, groups, individuals) at: www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/evangelisationteams. We are all called to evangelise!

KEEP IN TOUCH WITH THE LATEST NEWS! The Diocese of Portsmouth now issues a weekly e-news with photos, news, and information from around the Diocese. Go to www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk and add your email address to receive these updates. Are you on Facebook? Like 'Diocese of Portsmouth' to get all the latest info as it happens. You can also follow @BishopEgan and @PortsmouthRC on Twitter. To receive **this** newsletter by email, go to www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org/contact.html

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