

THE YEAR OF SAINT LUKE
THE YEAR OF THE RELENTLESS WIDOW
PENTECOST SUNDAY - YEAR C
BEING FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

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PARISH PRAYER FOR EVANGELISATION: Heavenly Father, we thank you for gathering us together and calling us to serve as your disciples. You have given us, through your Son Jesus, the mission of evangelising and witnessing your love to the world. Send your Holy Spirit to guide us as we discern your will for the spiritual renewal of our parish. Give us strength, courage and clear vision as we use our gifts to serve you. We entrust our parish family to the care of St. Joseph, St. Margaret Clitherow, with Mary our Mother. We ask for their intercession and guidance as we strive to bear witness to the Gospel. Amen.

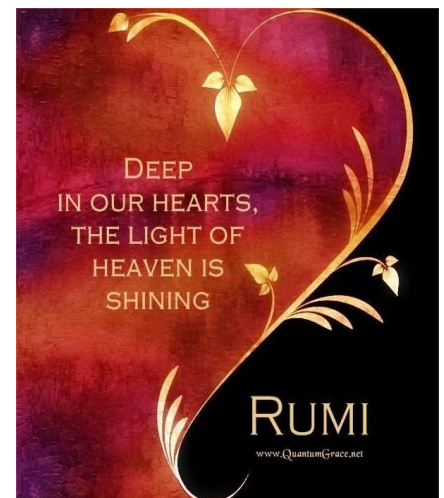
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It is still the first day of the week and the movements of the new creation are still unfolding. In the morning, the Beloved Disciple and Mary of Magdala realise that Jesus is with God (Jn 20:1-18). Now, as evening falls, His disciples realise that He is still in their midst. In His Resurrection, Jesus is with them. In His Ascension, Jesus is with God. He is the bridge which connects and bolts together the Sacred and the Secular, the Divine and the Human. What Jesus was in His Advent, in His Living and in His Dying, He continues to be in His Resurrection.

But there is a huge difference between the pre and the post Easter Jesus. The Easter Jesus can find His way through locked doors and locked hearts. If you like, He manifests Himself as Presence emerging from within, calming the fears, the inner turmoil and the panic of His disciples. His Presence is remarkable and clear because He continues to bring the gift of Peace. This is what He promised. The overall sense of the text seems to be that 'the world' gives and takes away. Security can be very quickly replaced with anxiety. The world cannot sustain the Peace that does not fail. But Jesus sees Himself as the One whose nearness transcends the vagaries of time and of the world. He cannot stop the chaos. But He is present within, calming the heart, bringing Peace.

As Jesus moves from Word to action, he shows His disciples His Hands, His Feet and His wounded side. His disciples are expected to know how to understand this action. But what is it we have to know? How should we read the signs of the hands, the feet and the side?

Well, I think it goes like this. Jesus and the Father are One. But this oneness is not a private possession. It can only be sustained as it flows out, bringing life to all who ask to receive it. As He flows, Jesus gives glory to the Father. His crucifixion is the supreme expression of his Glory. It is the time and the place where Sacred Love and life are most visible and available. The secret hidden in the heart of the death of Jesus is that it unseals the fountain of Life! As an unnamed soldier rams a lance into the heart of the Beloved Son of God, he unwittingly starts a flow of blood and water. This flow is normally associated with birth processes. Through the opening in His side, His heart, in full communion with His Abba, becomes available as a life-giving birth for others. The openings in His hands and feet perform the same symbolic function. They are channels that make His Communion with the Father available and accessible to us. The Love that does not fail is mediated through His death because it is a Love that 'lays down its life for His friends'. It is this dawning realisation which leads His disciples to Joy. The Joy that cannot be taken away complements the Peace that the world cannot give.



But wait, there's more. Why does Jesus offer Peace a second time? The disciples are growing in their understanding. Once they feel the ground beneath their feet as Peace, the second conferral of Peace is an invitation to join the flow. It is the power for mission. Disciples receive the gift of the love that is stronger than death and which is mediated through the open wounds of the Risen Christ. But this gift will wither if they try to hold onto it as a private possession. It must be received and given away in a recursive dance of joy. This is why they are 'sent', co-missioned by Jesus in exactly the same way as he was sent by the Father. Disciples must give the life they have received to others. The chain is established.

Disciples will break the chain if they limit their capacity to receive the Holy Spirit. Like a Genesis rerun, the Risen Christ breathes into His disciples and they become a new creation - living by the breath of God. The Sign of their faithfulness will be the quality of the life of the community which is created and sustained by the word they preach. The only pathway to community is one that is created by forgiving. In a world where sin and no forgiveness separate people from God and from one another, disciples bring communion. Disciples must engage fully with this task. If we hold onto the sins that separate, the separation will continue. If we let go (forgive) community will grow.

The Power of the Resurrection of Jesus and His gift of the Spirit are experienced precisely as the freedom to overcome separation and build the communion of love. Is this the life I am living? If your answer is yes, we should celebrate. If your answer is no. Don't let it be so.

## DID YOU KNOW...?



**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – Midday on Tuesdays**, please email the item text you need to make known to the parish via the newsletter to [stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)



**PASTORAL CARE/BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT CONTACT MOBILE NUMBER** - Our Pastoral Care team, includes members of the Bereavement Support Group, offers support and home visits to the sick, the housebound, the lonely and the bereaved. We also visit you at home with Holy Communion if required. If you or a relative or friend who lives in our parish would like a home visit or to meet for a chat please email [pastoralcare@bracknellcatholicchurch.org](mailto:pastoralcare@bracknellcatholicchurch.org) or phone 07394 440 938 (Pastoral Care) or 07376 790 256 (Bereavement Support).



**THE ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY (the SVP)** - Provides practical help and support whenever possible for those who need it. Are you lonely? Are you in need of help of any kind? or Do you know someone who is? If so, contact the SVP on 07731862349 to arrange a visit. All calls are completely confidential.

**WANTED: WARDROBE FOR A FAMILY IN NEED** If you can help please contact the SVP on 07731862349

**THE SHOP WILL BE OPEN EVERY SECOND SATURDAY EACH MONTH 5.30pm - 7.00pm and EVERY SUNDAY 9.30am – 10.30am**



**LITURGICAL CALENDAR – JUNE** – 10<sup>th</sup> The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church; 11<sup>th</sup> St Barnabas; 13<sup>th</sup> Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest; 21<sup>st</sup> St Aloysius Gonzaga; 22<sup>nd</sup> Ss John Fisher & Thomas Moore; 24<sup>th</sup> The Nativity of St John the Baptist; 28<sup>th</sup> The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus; 29<sup>th</sup> The Immaculate Heart of Mary.

**MASS OFFERINGS: £1748.99; SECOND OFFERING – World Communications £224.75**

**SECOND OFFERINGS – JUNE:** 15<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> Day for Life; 29<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> Peter's Pence

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY**

**PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE:** The Parish Financial Year starts in September. For the year to date our expenditure is £109,349 and the income is £99,589 giving a deficit of £9,760. Our total debt with the Diocese is now £42,682. Please increase your offering if you can. Thank you.

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Please make cheques payable to (full name) "PRCDTR Bracknell St Joseph". Gift Aid envelopes and Banker's/Standing Order forms available in the porch, please complete and return all forms to the parish office.

**PLEASE BE AWARE THAT BT MYDONATE WILL CLOSE ON SUNDAY 30 JUNE 2019**

**GOSPEL CHALLENGE** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays 7.45pm-9:30pm. Please contact the parish office for venue details.

**BABY & TODDLER GROUP** – Every Tuesday 9.30am-11.30am in the hall during term time.

**KEEP FIT** – Every Tuesday 2pm-3pm in the hall

**PRAYER GROUPS** – Hall Evening :1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays 7.45pm to 9.30pm. Day: 1<sup>st</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 10.30- 11.30am

**CHOIR PRACTICE** – Every Thursday 7.30pm-8.30pm, in the Church, all welcome. Instrumentalists also invited to join us.

**MASS WITH SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING:** Every last Friday in the month at 12.10pm Mass, refreshments after Mass in the hall. **Car park reserved for persons with limited mobility.**

**TEAS & COFFEES** – After all weekend Masses

**JOURNEY IN FATH** – Every Thursday 7.30pm-9.00pm in the hall, last session Thursday 6 June 2019.

**OFS – Saturday 8 June 2019** at 2pm-4pm in the hall.



**BERKSHIRE CREDIT UNION CONTACT**

**POINTS AND DATES:** Come along and have a chat with a trained volunteer at one of the locations points:

**Mondays 10am – 12pm:** St Paul's Church, The Square, Ralphs Ride, RG12 9LP **AND** St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1BE

**Tuesdays 10am – 12pm:** St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1BE

**Wednesdays 2.15pm: 4.15pm:** Crown Wood School, Opladen Way, Bracknell RG12 0PE

**Thursdays 10am – 12pm:** Holy Trinity Church, The Langley Hall, The Ring, Bracknell RG12 1HD

**Fridays 10am – 12pm:** St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, 39 Braccan Walk, RG12 1BE

**Visit Berkshire Credit Union at <https://www.csiberks.org.uk>**



### SOUTH BERKSHIRE PASTORAL AREA

**Co-ordinating Pastor: Fr Danny McAvoy**, St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow Church, Bracknell, Tel: 01344 425729

**Fr Kevin Bidgood**, St Francis of Assisi, Ascot, SL5 9HG Tel: 01344 620591

**Fr Marcus Brisley** Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst, GU47 9BS and Holy Ghost, Crowthorne, RG45 6JG, Tel: 01252 876820

**Fr David O'Sullivan**, Corpus Christi, Wokingham, RG40 2HE Tel: 0118 9780348

**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 reaching across lighted candles wearing loose clothing, etc. It is important to remember that they can be the cause of major fires and serious injury.

### WE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY WHO ARE SICK, HOUSEBOUND OR IN HOSPITAL AND FOR THOSE WHO CARE FOR THEM.

Brenda Theobald, Olga Maguire, Betty Winn, Peter Dossett, Ena Stanton, Inge Walker, Lilijan Rodenburg, Robert Mulcahy, Eddie Moore, Peggy Pendergast, Ann Newton, Joyce Newland, Bridie Maughan, Angelina Ediale, Josephine Timms, Una Gilligan, Freda Edgington, Anne Hardy, Patricia Holmwood, Evie & Ruby Shallom, Blanche Shap, Mike Garnham, Ethna Sweeney, Mary King, Mary Phelan, Mary Sol Faulkner, Tony Andrews, Derek Alexander, Margaret Clark, Shaun Howard, Sally Tarode, Babs White, Tess Johnson, Dorcas Innes-Grant, Veronika Jastrzebski, Doreen Gladwin, Manuela Maria Barros, Jerry Tobin, Rico Morales, Reynalita Leysan, Marie Fielding, Marie Hughes, Jenny Bashford, Phyllis D'Souza, Donal Hanley, Jacqui Rawstron, Jim and Francis McEvoy, Mary Murray, Jane Rodrigues Thelma Briggs, Margaret Pearce, Bessie Smith, Brenda Hook.

## LOOK WHAT'S HAPPENING.....



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF:

**PETER MAUGHAN, RIP** whose Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph and St Margaret Clitherow Church on **Wednesday 19 June 2019 at 12.30pm**, followed by a Service at 2.30pm at Easthampstead Park Cemetery. Please pray for Peter and all his family.

**PIUS BABALOLA, RIP** whose Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph and St Margaret Clitherow Church on **Friday 26 July 2019 at 12.30pm**, followed by a Service at 2.30pm at Easthampstead Park Cemetery. Please pray for Pius and all his family.

*May their souls and the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.*



**CAR PARK SUBSCRIPTION RENEWAL** – The 2019-2020 car park subscription forms will be available in the porch from **Saturday 1 June 2019** for parishioner renewals and new subscriptions. The new subscription period will be from **Monday 1 July 2019** until **Tuesday 30 June 2020**. Please complete the form and return it to the parish office along with your payment, cash or cheque. The subscription forms will NOT be emailed to existing subscribers. The new windscreen sticker will be orange this year, please be aware that you can be challenged if you park in the car park without displaying a valid sticker. In accordance with new GDPR guidelines all 2018 subscription forms will be shredded.



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** This year the children will be receiving First Holy Communion at all weekend Masses (including Saturday morning Mass) from **Saturday 18 May 2019** onwards. They will be with their families in small groups to celebrate receiving this beautiful Sacrament. Please pray for them and their families.



**ABLAZE! (age +13)** - Next meeting - **Friday, 28th June** in the Church Hall, 7pm - 9pm.

**JOINT YOUTH GROUP SOCIAL EVENT** - Outdoor Adventure Raft Building - Rescheduled to **Friday 5th July**

For further details contact: [youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org](mailto:youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org)

New to either of the youth groups? Want to make some new friends and have fun? Get yourself registered on our Parish website and come along. We'll look forward to welcoming you! For further information please contact [youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org](mailto:youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org)



**CATHOLIC VOICES** – An organisation seeking to inform people about issues affecting the Church and also helping them to explain the Church's teaching. This season of presentations will begin with a 'Workshop Day' on 'How to defend the Faith without raising your voice', on **Saturday 8 June** at the Immaculate Conception Church, Yorktown Road, Sandhurst GU47 9BS from 11.00am to 3.00pm. After that the programme will be a series of talks from 7.30-8.30pm on the following evenings:

**Monday 10 June** – Never again: The legacy of clerical sexual abuse

**Tuesday 18 June** – Freedom and Equality: partners, not rivals

**Wednesday 26 June** – The Church on the Frontier: populations and the migrant crisis

**Thursday 4 July** – Lights at the end of the road: resisting assisted suicide



### THE TIME IS NOW!

"The earth, our home is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth" Pope Francis. In his encyclical 'Laudato Si' Care for our Common Home Pope Francis urges us to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to take action. Climate Change is the biggest threat to our planet, and we are calling on everyone to tell their MPs that the time to act is NOW! Please join us on **Wednesday 26th June** for the **Time is Now** Lobby of Parliament. For more information and to sign up go to <https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby>



**CLOTHES BANK** - The next Clothes Bank Giveaway, held every quarter in St Joseph's Church Hall and coordinated by St Mark's Church Binfield, will be on **Wed 26th June**. The ClothesBank would appreciate donations of **new children's pyjamas, underwear and socks** and **good quality used clothes for children** of all ages and **children's trainers**, especially sizes 10 – 2. Please contact St Mark's Binfield direct to arrange drop off of donations. Help will be needed with sorting of clothes at St Mark's Binfield on **Mon 24th June**, from 9.30am and with setting up at St Joseph's on **Wed 26th June** from around 9.15am ready for the Giveaway to start at 10.15am, finishing at 1pm. If you would like to donate or volunteer on either of those days please contact Giselle on 07724 889169.

**PLEASE NOTE: If you and/or your family would benefit from help of this kind, please contact the parish office to receive a ClothesBank voucher.**



**SMC FESTIVAL ON THE FIELD** - Join us for our first ever Festival on the Field on **Saturday 29 June** at St. Margaret Clitherow School, 3pm-9pm. Music from 4pm – Band "Project 7", Red Tape Resistance, Platinum Floyd. Festival stalls, food, licensed bar, inflatables and entertainment. Tickets from school office or online <https://smc-festival-on-the-field.eventbrite.co.uk> or after 10:30am Mass on **9th of June**.



**SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES 2019** - Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or Anniversary over 60 years? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of Celebration. This will take place at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on **Saturday 6th July 2019**. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage.

If you would like to come, please send an email to [anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:anniversaries@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) please note this address is not monitored daily and you may have to wait for a reply, or contact the Parish Secretary at St Bede's on 01256 465214.



### GOLF DAY IN AID OF CAFOD 12TH JULY

The Catenians of Province 11 are organising a Golf Day to raise funds for CAFOD on **Friday 12th July** at Weybrook Golf Club in Basingstoke. After the golf there will be a dinner for golfers and their non-golfing partners which will include a speaker from CAFOD head Office. For more information please contact Pat Murphy on [pfm190654@outlook.com](mailto:pfm190654@outlook.com)

## **TIMES OF MASSES AND MASS INTENTIONS**

### **PENTECOST SUNDAY – YEAR C**

|           |                  |                |      |                             |
|-----------|------------------|----------------|------|-----------------------------|
| Saturday  | 8 <sup>th</sup>  | 6.00pm         | Mass | Sydney Egan, RIP and Family |
| Sunday    | 9 <sup>th</sup>  | 8.30am         | Mass | Richal Pais                 |
|           |                  | 10.30am        | Mass | Parish Intentions           |
| Monday    | 10 <sup>th</sup> | <b>No Mass</b> |      |                             |
| Tuesday   | 11 <sup>th</sup> | <b>No Mass</b> |      |                             |
| Wednesday | 12 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30am         | Mass | Patrick Lowes and Family    |

### **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, the ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST, Feast**

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|----------|------------------|---------|------------|--|
| Thursday | 13 <sup>th</sup> | 9.30am  | Mass       |  |
| Friday   | 14 <sup>th</sup> | 11.00am | Exposition |  |
|          |                  | 12.10pm | Mass       |  |
| Saturday | 15 <sup>th</sup> | 10.00am | Mass       |  |

### **THE MOST HOLY TRINITY – YEAR C**

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|----------|------------------|---------|------|-------------------------|
| Saturday | 15 <sup>th</sup> | 6.00pm  | Mass | Parish Intentions       |
| Sunday   | 16 <sup>th</sup> | 8.30am  | Mass |                         |
|          |                  | 10.30am | Mass | Nivin Family Intentions |

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Wednesday & Thursday: 9.10am Morning Prayer, except when Requiem Mass is celebrated
Thursday: After Mass Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help,
10.15 am Mother's Prayers
Saturday: 1st Saturday of the month 9.30am Pro-Life Rosary.
Confessions: Every Saturday at 10.45am or prior appointment.

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Deacon: Rev Aidan Lynch

Parish Secretary: Elizabeth Fisher

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