

THE YEAR OF SAINT MATTHEW  
ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN


THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - YEAR A

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Psalter Week 4*



*BETTER TO LIGHT THE CANDLE  
THAN TO CURSE THE DARKNESS.*

# 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 and Bereavement Support Group, offers support and home visits to the sick, the housebound, the lonely and the bereaved. We visit you at home with Holy Communion if required. If you, 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.

**PARISH REGISTER – Have you registered you and/or your family on the parish register yet? If not, please go to the website [www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org](http://www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org) drop down “Parish Life” and click on “Parish Registration”, this is a secure database and very important for our parish and parishioners especially when applying for any of the Sacraments.**



**LITURGICAL CALENDAR – February:** 2<sup>nd</sup> The Presentation of the Lord, 5<sup>th</sup> St Agatha, 6<sup>th</sup> St Paul Miki & Companions, 10<sup>th</sup> St Scholastica, 14<sup>th</sup> St Cyril & St Methodius, 22<sup>nd</sup> The Chair of St Peter, 26<sup>th</sup> **ASH WEDNESDAY**.



Thank You!!!

**MASS OFFERINGS: £2257.27; CATHEDRAL: £189.13**  
**SECOND OFFERING FOR FEBRUARY: 8<sup>th</sup>/9<sup>th</sup> Racial Justice**  
**THANK YOU FOR YOUR KINDNESS AND GENEROSITY**

Please make cheques payable to (full name) **“PRCDTR Bracknell St Joseph”**.

“General Gift Aid” envelopes and **Banker’s/Standing Order** forms available in the porch, please complete and return all forms and general Gift Aid envelopes to the parish office.

Registered Charity No. 246871 (Diocese of Portsmouth)

**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 during term time in the hall.

**\*KEEP FIT:** Every Tuesday 2pm during term time 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

**RCIA:** Thursdays 7:30pm-9pm in the hall.

**\*Cancelled for “Requiem Mass” and “No Mass”**

**CHOIR PRACTICE:** Thursdays 7:30pm-8:30pm in the church. All are welcome.

**\*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.**

**\*SOUP & ROLL FRIDAYS:** Every Friday after 12.10pm Mass

**\*Cancelled for “Requiem Mass” and “No Mass”**

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

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET:** **Sunday 19 January** 2.30 pm at St Francis of Assisi, Ascot.



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

**Mondays: 11.30am – 1.30pm:** St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1BE **AND By Appointment:** St Paul’s Church, The Square, Ralphs Ride, RG12 9LP

**Tuesdays: 12noon – 2.00pm:** St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1BE

For more information, please contact Reception 01189-585803 or email [reception.cslberks.org.uk](mailto:reception.cslberks.org.uk) Monday-Friday 10am to 2pm

**Wednesdays: By appointment** Crown Wood School, Opladen Way, Bracknell RG12 OPE

**Thursdays: By appointment** Holy Trinity Church, The Langley Hall, The Ring, Bracknell RG12 1HD **AND 1.30pm – 3.30pm** The Look-In Café, Gt Hollands Square, RG12 8UX

**Fridays: 12noon – 2.00pm** St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, 39 Braccan Walk, RG12 1BE

**Last Friday of the Month: 9.00am to 3.00pm** Market, Princess Square, Braccan Walk, Bracknell, RG12 1BE



## SOUTH BERKSHIRE PASTORAL AREA

**Co-ordinating Pastor: Fr Danny McAvoy**, St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow, Bracknell, RG12 1BE 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

**Canon Simon Thomson**, Corpus Christi, Wokingham, RG40 2HE Tel: 0118 9780348

## 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, Peter Dossett, Ena Stanton, Inge Walker, Eddie Moore, Peggy Pendergast, Ann Newton, Joyce Newland, Bridie Maughan, Angelina Ediale, Josephine Timms, 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 Torode, Dorcas Innes-Grant, Veronika Jastrzebski, Doreen Gladwin, Tobin, Rico Morales, Reynalita Leysan, Marie Hughes, Jenny Bashford, Phyllis D’Souza, Donal Hanley, Jim and Frances McEvoy, Mary Murray, Thelma Briggs, Margaret Pearce, Brenda Hook, Simon Brennan, Audrey Lam, Pam Savage, Marie Swash, Terri Landmann, Jennie Tucker, Vilma Taborda, Zac Hoy

If you would like to add a name to this list with consent, or if you want a name removed, please contact the Parish Office.

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

**FR DANNY UPDATE:** Fr Danny is recovering from recent extensive dental surgery, therefore, weekday Masses are cancelled until further notice. This weekend Fr Richard Maniak will be celebrating the 6.00pm Mass on Saturday and Fr Leszck Buba will be celebrating 8.30am and 10.30am Masses on Sunday, please give Fr Richard and Fr Leszck a warm welcome to the parish. Please keep Fr Danny in your prayers.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF: MARY GRANT, RIP

Mary's Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow Church on **Friday 7 February 2020 at 12.00noon** followed by a Service at Easthampstead Crematorium at 2.00pm. Please pray for Mary and all her family.

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



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF: DAVID MALCOLMSON, RIP

David's Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph & St Margaret Clitherow Church on **Wednesday 12 February 2020 at 10.30am** followed by a Service at Parkside Cemetery, Gerrards Cross at 1.00pm. Please pray for David and all his family.

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



### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF: PAULINE McSHANE, RIP

Arrangements for Pauline's funeral will be made known as soon as they are confirmed. Please pray for Pauline and all her family.

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

**CAR PARK – FUNERAL GATE:** We politely ask you not to park in the spaces at the town centre side of the car park after 12noon the day before a Requiem Mass at the Church. This is to enable us to lock the funeral gate to secure the area for the hearse and family mourners' cars to turn and park at the church for the Requiem Mass. Thank you.



### YOUTH ALPHA - (ages 13-17):

Next meeting **Friday 7th February** in the Church Hall from 7pm to 9pm

### IGNITE! Youth Group - (ages 10-12):

Join us for our next meeting on **Friday 14th February** in the Church Hall - 7pm to 9pm

For more details about any of our youth activities please email us at [youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org](mailto:youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org)

### ASH WEDNESDAY – 26 February 2020: Times of Masses 1200 noon and 7.30pm



### CHILDREN'S LITURGY - Restarting at 8.30am Sunday Mass after Easter

Thank you to everyone who came forward after last week's appeal for more volunteers. However, we still need many more volunteers to come forward if we are to maintain Children's Liturgy at the 10:30 Mass and also provide this wonderful ministry for the younger members of our 8:30 Mass congregation. We are planning to have everything in place to begin Children's Liturgy at 8:30 Mass after Easter but of course we can only hope do this with your help and support...

Please contact [youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org](mailto:youth@bracknellcatholicchurch.org) for more details of how to volunteer for this wonderful opportunity and support the younger members of our Parish community. Thank you.

**VOLUNTEERS URGENTLY NEEDED** - The parish is looking for volunteers to count the offerings after the 10:30 Mass on Sundays. This is an important role and if you are happy working with numbers and are willing to commit 1-2 hours for this task every 4 or 5 weeks please contact the parish office.

### INVITATION FROM BISHOP PHILIP TO ALL ENGAGED COUPLES

If you are under instruction preparing for marriage in church in 2020, either in UK or abroad, Bishop Philip invites you to a special Engaged Couples Breakfast and Blessing at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth on **Saturday 15th February 2020** at 9.15am to 11.45am, please contact Kirsten McGuire on [kmcquire@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:kmcquire@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) for an attendance form.

### SINGING FOR JOY



We are a parish singing group sharing the love of Christ, through song, to the local Care Homes, all are welcome to join us at the following venues and dates:

**ASTBURY MANOR, RG12 7AU:** Sunday 8 March at 2.15pm  
**BRACKNELL CARE HOME, RG12 7DN:** Wednesdays 26 February; 11 March and 1 April at 1.45pm  
**CLEMENT HOUSE, RG12 2GH:** Sundays 23 February and 19 April at 2.15pm  
**EDMUNDS COURT, RG12 2HP:** Wednesdays 5 February and 25 March at 2.15pm

**DEMENTIA FRIENDS:** If you would like to become a Dementia Friend, there is a Dementia Friends Information Session on Wednesday 11 March at 11am in the Church Hall.



**CHRISM MASS, CATHEDRAL PORTSMOUTH – Tuesday 7 April 2020** at 11.00am at the Cathedral. We want to offer a "mobility impaired" accessible coach for able-bodied and mobility impaired parishioners who wish to attend this beautiful Mass. **Meet at St Josephs at 7.30am to leave at 7.00am prompt, arriving back at 4pm.** We will only book this coach if there are enough parishioners signed up to travel on the coach, please contact the parish office on 01344 425729 or email [stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:stjb@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) **closing date Friday 14 February to put your name on the coach passenger list.** No charge but donations are very welcome as the coach is expensive.

**BRACKNELL RESPITE HOLIDAYS** – Are organising a week's holiday in Norfolk 11<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> September for the less abled, sick or someone you know would benefit from a holiday, nurses and helpers in attendance for assistance and companionship. For more details contact David Lumsden on 01189 774951, email [davidlumsden@talktalk.net](mailto:davidlumsden@talktalk.net)

# TIMES OF MASSES AND MASS INTENTIONS

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Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Parish Intentions
Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Ferdi and Stella Dsouza, Thanksgiving
		10.30am	Mass	Michael Robinson, RIP
Monday	3 <sup>rd</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>		
Tuesday	4 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>		
Wednesday	5 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>		
Thursday	6 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>		
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>12.00noon</b>	<b>REQUIEM MASS</b>	<b>– Mary Grant, RIP</b>
Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>No Mass</b>		

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR A

Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Mass	Parish Intentions
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Bill Docherty, RIP
		10.30am	Mass	Tess and Ernie Johnson, RIP

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*Wednesday & Thursday: 9.10am Morning Prayer*  
*Thursday: After Mass Novena to Mother of Perpetual Help*  
*10.15 am Mother's Prayers*  
*Saturday: 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month 9.30am Pro-Life Rosary*  
*Confessions: Every Saturday at 10.45am or prior appointment*

**THESE WILL BE CANCELLED FOR "REQUIEM MASS AND "NO MASS"**

*Parish Office: 39 Braccan Walk, Bracknell, Berkshire, RG12 1BE*  
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*Please make cheques payable to (full name): PRC DTR BRACKNELL ST JOSEPH*

*Parish Priest: Fr. Daniel McAvoy*

*Deacon: Rev. Aidan Lynch*

*Parish Secretary: Elizabeth Fisher*

*Pastoral Assistant: Mary McNab*

*Safeguarding Representatives: Sarah Birch, Marion McGuire, Paula Read*

*Safeguarding email: [safeguarding@bracknellcatholicchurch.org](mailto:safeguarding@bracknellcatholicchurch.org)*

**PARISH OF ST JOSEPH and ST MARGARET CLITHEROW, BRACKNELL**