

ST. JOSEPH and ST. MARGARET CLITHEROW
THE YEAR OF LUKE THE YEAR OF MERCY
THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

PASSIONDALE

13 November 2016 - Psalter Week 1 – Missal Page 164

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The ancient emblems of Christ's death
have become now strangely shrunk.
The forest whence the cross was hewn is no more:
a treeless, birdless, muddy waste stands in its place;
its wood cut into shorter pit-prop lengths
to hold the weight of sandbag and of earth.
The nails are now recast in two-inch lengths
that hug the sides of rifled tubes.
The lance, truncated as a bayonet,
is fit not just for the piercing of a lifeless corpse
but for the cut and thrust of hand-to-hand combat.
Pilate's placard that proclaimed Christ King is blasted from its perch and lost to mud.
All these are, I say, reduced, excepting only this:
the Crown of Thorns –
now grown barbarous in length, industrial in
strength,
line after wretched line of wire, wreathing half a
continent in blood.
The young lions stagger, weighed down not by
wooden beams
but by the heavy packs decreed by donkeys
safely in the rear.
Their backs are lacerated not by whips but by
the modern scourge
of withering machine-gun fire.
Here they find their Calvary; not this time a hill
but just as much a place of skulls, these
Flanders' fields.
And here dies Christ, not once but a million
times and more,
in those impaled and draped upon the wire,
and more agonisingly in those condemned
to live a whole life long, remembering
this inhuman passion and the crucifixion of their hope.



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REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Saturday	12 th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Patrick Walsh, RIP
Sunday	13 th	8.30am	Mass	Sylvia Miranda, RIP
		10.30am	Mass	Philomena Boyle, RIP
Monday	14 th	NO MASS		
Tuesday	15 th	9.10am	Morning Prayer	
		9.30am	Mass	Phelan and Delaney Deceased Family

ST EDMUND OF ABINGDON, Bishop

Wednesday	16 th	9.30am	Communion Service and Morning Prayer	
Thursday	17 th	9.30am	Mass	Ann Perkins, RIP
Friday	18 th	11.00am	Exposition (until 12.00noon)	
		12.10pm	Mass	Hilary Weatherley
Saturday	19 th	9.30am	Rosary	
		10.00am	Mass	
		10.45am	Confessions	

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, UNIVERSAL KING

Saturday	19 th	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Celine Crilly
Sunday	20 th	8.30am	Mass	Marie-Claire Ducasse, RIP
		10.30am	Mass	James and Johanna Moriarty, RIP

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, Bridget Tanner, Ena Stanton, Peggy O'Sullivan, Peggy Malone, Winnie Justice, Inge Walker, and Yvonne Gantzer, Jadwiga Butcher, June Cooper, Lilijan Rodenburg, Marjorie Brown.

Those who are unwell or in hospital: Bill Guilfoyle, Geoff Hallett, Una Gilligan, Una Mair, Freda Edgington, Esther Brophy, Anne Hardy, Nora Cronin, Patricia Holmwood, Fr Vincent Convery, Teresa Bullock, Maria Bishop, Peggy Pendergast, Evie & Ruby Shallom, Serafina Delmundo, Veronica Jastrzebski, David McCann, Brian Mecklenburg, Ann Newton, Bridie Maughan, Shaun Howard, Francis Robinson, Tom Corridan

DATES AND NEWS

PLEASE PRAY – For the repose of the souls: Sue Beasley's funeral will take place at Easthampstead Park Cemetery and Crematorium on **Friday 18 November 2016** at 1.30pm. Frances Dyson's Requiem Mass will be celebrated at St Joseph's on **Tuesday 22 November 2016** at 10.30am. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

BEWARE: LIGHTING CANDLES – Adults must accompany all children at the candle trays when lighting candles. Please ensure your children are not playing 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.



THE PARISH NEEDS – OFFERING VERIFIERS - We need 2 more male volunteers to join the team who meet at the parish office every Monday morning from 9.30am to 11.30am to verify the offering count. This will be on a rota basis. If you can spare 2 hours on Monday morning to join this very important team we will be delighted to welcome you, training will be provided.

WELCOMING TEAMS - We need people of all ages to join the **Welcoming Teams** at all weekend Masses. Welcome's greet and assist those arriving for Mass, give out books and newsletters, check off Readers and Eucharistic Ministers and assist with 2nd Offerings. If you would like to volunteer for this ministry, please contact the parish office or speak to one of the Welcoming Team at the Masses.

PASTORAL CARE – We need volunteers who are willing to visit or offer help and support to those who are unwell or in difficulty. Please contact the parish office with your name and contact details.

ASCOT & BRACKNELL ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY – Cannot accept donated furniture at present due to a lack of storage facilities. We will do our utmost to secure storage as soon as possible. If you have any ideas suggestions please contact us on **07731 862349 with thanks for your continued support.**

WEBINAR SERIES ON THE ESSENTIALS OF THE FAITH - The Formation for Mission Team is running its first Webinar series on Tuesday evenings from 7.00 to 8.00pm, starting on **Tuesday 15th November 2016**. The course will cover the following topics: Faith and Revelation, the Blessed Trinity, Jesus Christ, Redemption, the Human Person and the Church over six evenings. This webinar is open to everyone, but the places are limited, so registration is required. You can find more details and register at www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/formation/webinar/#register

BRACKNELL FOREST FAITH & BELIEF FORUM – Invites you to celebrate Interfaith Week 2016 in St Joseph's Church Hall on **Wednesday 16th November 2016**, 7.00pm to 9.15pm. Representatives of different faiths will share perspectives from their faith traditions on "Sharing the earth's resources". As we are hosting this community event, it would be wonderful to see our parish community well represented.

CAFOD PORTSMOUTH MASSES OF REMEMBRANCE – On **Saturday 19 November 2016**, 4.45pm at St Mary's, Belle Vue Road, Aldershot GU12 4RX. Also at St Joseph's, Queens Road, Aldershot GU11 3JB on **Sunday 20 November 2016** at 10.30am. If you would like the name of a loved one to be included in our Book of Remembrance, please let us know via portsmouth@cafod.org.uk or 01252 329385 by **14 November 2016**.

TRAIN TO TEACH WITH ENCOMPASS LEARNING ALLIANCE – Interested in becoming a primary school teacher and have a degree 2.2 or above? Come along to the Open Morning on **Tuesday 22 November 2016** at 10.00am at St Francis Catholic Primary School, Coronation Road, Ascot, Berks, SL5 9HG, chat to teachers and trainee teachers about this rewarding career. To book your place contact Lynne Ringshaw, l.ringshaw@stfrancisprimary.org.uk or telephone 01344 622840.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY – Will resume at all weekend Masses on the weekend of **26th and 27th November 2016**. Thank you for your patience while we review procedures following the recent Health & Safety and Safeguarding assessment.

DEATH CAFÉ, CROWTHORNE - After 2 successful Death Cafe Crowthorne events where more than 50 people have now experienced Death Cafe - another one looms on the horizon. **Tuesday 29th November** at Beaton's Tea Rooms. It is an opportunity to talk about Death and Dying and all matters around the subject of LIVING. Deathcafe.com is an international movement "to increase awareness of death to help people make the most of their (finite) lives. Please see the poster in the porch for more details.

ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS FAYRE – At St Joseph's School
Friday 2 December 2016, 3.30pm to 6.00pm. Please support the school and the children.

ST MARGARET CLITHEROW CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL - CHRISTMAS FAYRE – At
St Margaret Clitherow School **Saturday 3 December 2016**, 12.30pm to 3.00pm. Raffle tickets will
be on sale after all weekend Masses.

CAFOD RETREAT - PROCLAIMING THE MERCY OF GOD - Saturday 3 December 2016. As this Year
of Mercy draws to a close, join CAFOD for a special retreat at St Mary's parish hall, 59 Normandy Street,
Alton, Hampshire GU34 1DN from 10am to 4pm where we will explore how each of us can continue to live
out Pope Francis' call to be "witnesses of mercy" in our families, communities and in our world. The day will
allow you to take time out from everyday life to reflect on your own faith journey, explore the Scriptures and
Church teaching and be inspired by stories from CAFOD's campaigning and work overseas. Booking is
essential via 01252 329385 or portsmouth@cafod.org.uk

BRACKNELL FOREST CATENIANS FAMILY CHRISTMAS EVENING – **Tuesday 6 December 2016** at
The Hilton Hotel, Bracknell. We meet at 7.00pm for 7.30pm dinner, there will be readings and carol singing
throughout the evening. The cost of the 3-course meal is £24 per person. All are very welcome, to book
please contact Richard Taylor on [01344 566956](tel:01344566956), we need to ensure your meal prepared and ready for you!

CHRISTMAS BELLS - Thames Voyces Chamber Choir invite you to an evening of Christmas carols and
readings with them. Interval drinks and mince pies available and we hope that you will join in with the
audience carols! The concert is on **Saturday 10 December 2016** at 7.30pm (after 6.00pm Mass). Tickets
£12 or £10 (concessions) U16's free, available on the door or our website www.thamesvoyces.org.uk

ST JOSEPH & ST MARGARET CLITHEROW JOINT CAROL SERVICE - Our two primary schools will be
gathering on **Wednesday 14th December 2016** at 6.00pm for a Carol Concert outside the Church, town
centre. Please come and support our children as they embrace the final part of their Advent journey.

PENITENTIAL SERVICES – Will be held at Corpus Christie Church, 60 Sturges Road, Wokingham, RG40
2HE on **Wednesday 14 December 2016** at 7.30pm and at Immaculate Conception Church, 63-67
Yorktown Road, Sandhurst, GU47 9BS on **Thursday 15 December 2016** at 7.30pm.

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET – **Sunday 20 November 2016** at 2.30pm

GOSPEL CHALLENGE – Meeting on **Monday 14 November 2016**, 7.45pm at 27 Ardingly. We are an
informal, friendly group who meet to reflect on the Sunday Gospels and their relevance in our daily lives.
All are welcome to join us.

KEEP FIT OVER 50's CLUB – Every Tuesday in the hall 2.00pm to 3.00pm.

TODDLER GROUP – Every Tuesday in the hall, 9.30am to 11.30am during term time.

PRAYER GROUPS -The Evening Prayer Group 7.45pm - 9.30pm 1st/3rd Tuesday Church Hall. Daytime
group 10.30am - 11.30a.m. 1st/3rd Wednesday Church Hall.

CRAFT GROUP – The Craft Group meets in the hall 11.00am to 12 noon on 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of
the month. Next meetings **23rd November and 14th December 2016**.

RCIA – Sessions every Thursday 7.30pm to 9.00pm in the Hall.

SOUP & ROLL – After 12.10pm Mass every Friday during term time.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERING – *Thank you.* Total amount £1586.47. Bamenda 2nd Offering £1344.29
thank you for your generosity. Please make cheques payable to "PRCDTR Bracknell St Joseph".



A BIG THANK YOU for your amazing generosity for the Bamenda 2nd
offering last weekend, it is very much appreciated.