

THE YEAR OF SAINT MATTHEW - On Earth as it is in Heaven
EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD
solemnity with Octave

EASTER BLESSINGS

Sunday 5th April 2026

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HE HAS TRULY RISEN!

Insights from our Parish Contemplative Movement

"At the side of each of you there will always be Mary, as she was present among the apostles, frightened and confused at the time of trial. And with her faith she will show you, beyond the night of the world, the glorious dawn of the Resurrection."

St. John Paul II, 2004



GIVE Campaign Update #118



Thank you for supporting the Easter offering in the manner you did. £386.19 was the total raised, which will go a long way in adorning the church beautifully.



The Spring ClothesBank giveaway will be held on Tuesday 28th April 2026 from 10.15am to 1pm at St Mark's Church, Popeswood Road, Binfield, RG42 4AH. We are once again providing vouchers for the ClothesBank to those in need, so please contact the office should you need a voucher. If you need transport to the ClothesBank, a free minibus shuttle courtesy of Newbold College will be operating between Bracknell train station and St. Mark's Church, and will leave from the train station at 10am, 10:30am, 11am, 11:30am, and 12 noon. Please let us know in advance if you intend to travel using the minibus so a seat can be reserved.



**Save
the
Date**



New and exciting Parish outings are as follows:

-Sat 11th April 2:30pm @ Windsor Theatre: Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat (performed by a youth group)

-Wed 17th June 7:45pm @ South Hill Park: One Night in Dublin, £29

-TBA July: Boat Trip in Windsor (40 mins/£13, 2 hours /£20)

-Thursday 15th October 2:30pm @ Windsor Theatre: The Mousetrap, £36

Please call or text 07395 077913 (Rita) to register your interest, or to discuss future events.

Life in the Spirit Seminars - starting in April



Life in the Spirit Seminars are a guided, community-based journey into a deeper experience of the Holy Spirit, rooted in Catholic teaching and Charismatic Renewal. You'll attend a series of talks, discussions, and prayer sessions, mainly online, designed to help you experience a renewed relationship with God through the Holy Spirit. The sessions are run by our Diocesan Charismatic Renewal team, and are widely encouraged within the Catholic Church, from Pope Francis onwards.

The seminars are designed to help you understand God's love, rediscover salvation and the core Gospel message, experience new life in Christ, become open to the gifts of the Holy Spirit, receive prayer for a "Baptism in the Holy Spirit" (a deeper release of the Spirit) and learn how to grow and live a Spirit-filled Christian life.

This year world-renowned speakers have been secured to inspire us around these topics, including Fr Chris Thomas, Daniella Stephens, Gerry Penfold, Ros Powell and Allegra Mutanda, amongst others.

This year, they start at 7.15pm on Thursday 23rd April, and continue most Thursdays until 18th June. They will be delivered via Zoom, aside from the Holy Spirit Day.

Registration is now open, scan the QR code with your smartphone or head to <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/Ontyh8dxTF6b72BXv1LByg#>- please join us if you can!



Formation Morning for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Fr Anthony Fyk, Director of Liturgical Formation and the Liturgy Formation team invite you to a formation morning at St Peter's Pastoral Centre, Winchester on Saturday 9th May 2026 commencing with Mass at 9 am. There will be a welcome session from Fr Anthony, a talk focusing on the Eucharist in the sacred scriptures as well as a session on Lectio Divina: "Living a Eucharistic life – what does it mean to live out the eucharist?". All Eucharistic Ministers, experienced and new, are very welcome to attend. If you wish to attend, please register via liturgy@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk.

Parish Events	When?	Where?
Gospel Outreach with Music	10/04, 1:45pm-3pm	Bracknell Care Home, RG12 7DN
Gospel Outreach with Music	17/04, 1:45pm-3pm	Bickerton House, RG12 2JB
Gospel Outreach with Music	22/04, 1:45pm-3pm	Bracknell Care Home, RG12 7DN
Children's Liturgy (please pre-book) 🧒🧒	12/04 & 26/04	Church Hall
Cuppa & Chat (60+) ☕	Every Tuesday (term time only), 2pm-3pm	Church Hall
New Parent Coffee Morning	TBA	Church Hall
Soup & Roll	10/04, 12:45pm	Church Hall
ALPHA	2 weeks off	Online
Parish Prayer Group 🙏	07/04 7pm	Church Hall
Monthly Filipino Mass	05/04, 5pm	St. Joseph's Church



We pray for the repose of the souls of Joseph Rice and Ursula Docherty. The funeral service for Joseph Rice will take place on Thursday, 16th April 2026 at 1:30pm here at church, followed by cremation at Easthampstead Park Crematorium at 3pm.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

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

Amanda Killestein	Claire Berry	Evelyn Caruso	Mary Phelan	Sarah Flemming
Angela Dossett	Claire Hose	Inge Walker	Mary Stocking	Stan & Margaret Aburn
Ann D'Ambrosio	Colleen McCormack	Jacqueline Marshall	Mary Sullivan	Susan Tobin
Ann O'Sullivan	Debbie Hanley	Janet Read	Patricia Holmwood	Terri & Andy Landmann
Anne Hardy	Dorcas Innes-Grant	Jean Lovejoy	Paula Sandford	
Arthur Hardy	Douglas & Bernadette Hunt	Judith Newman	Peggy McCullough	Vilma Taborda
Audrey Lam	Dymphna Slade	Margaret Finnieston	Raf Roberts	Vivienne Halfpenny
Brenda Lynch	Eamon McNeill	Marie Swash	Rico Morales	
Bridget Riordan	Edmund & Kate Carroll	Mary King	Rita Hayes	
Charles Beard	Eileen Tanner	Mary Murray	Sally Torode	

To add or remove a name to this list with consent, please contact the Parish Office.

If you or your relative is housebound, or because of illness cannot come to Mass and wish to receive Holy Communion at home, call the office on 01344 425729 or email office@bracknellcatholicchurch.org

PARISH OF ST JOSEPH and ST MARGARET CLITHEROW, BRACKNELL

Parish Priest: Fr. Daniel McAvoy **Deacon:** Rev. Aidan Lynch

Parish Administrators: Francis Barton and Donna Mody

Safeguarding Team: Marion McGuire, Sarah Birch, Paula Read

07712 048695 safeguarding@bracknellcatholicchurch.org

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MASS TIMES

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD, <i>solemnity with Octave</i>					
Saturday	4 th		8pm	Mass	<i>RCIA Candidates</i>
Sunday	5 th		8:30am	Mass	<i>Thanksgiving Mass for the McDougalls</i>
			10:30am	Mass	Parish Intentions
Monday	6 th	Easter Octave		NO MASS	
Tuesday	7 th	Easter Octave	10am	Mass	
Wednesday	8 th	Easter Octave	10am	Mass	
Thursday	9 th	Easter Octave	10am	Mass	<i>Dennis O'Sullivan- Health</i>
Friday	10 th	Easter Octave	10am	Mass	<i>Vizy Barreto RIP</i>
		Easter Octave	11am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
Saturday	11 th	Easter Octave	10am	Mass	
			11am	Confessions	
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER of Divine Mercy					
Saturday	11 th	Easter Octave	6pm	Mass	<i>June and John Ellerton RIP</i> <i>Diamond Wedding Anniversary</i>
Sunday	12 th		8:30am	Mass	<i>John Spooner</i>
			10:30am	Mass	Parish Intentions

ALL MASSES ARE LIVESTREAMED <https://www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org/watch-live>

New to our parish or not yet registered?

<https://www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org/parish-life/parish-registration>

Pastoral Care 01344 425729

office@bracknellcatholicchurch.org

Are you lonely? Are you ill and in need of prayer and/or support? Perhaps you have not had contact with the Catholic Church for a while. Whatever the reason, please do get in touch for a chat.

Bereavement Support

07852 497 218 / 07851 200 987

bereavement@bracknellcatholicchurch.org

Are you in the land of loss & would appreciate a chat with someone in our group? If so, do not hesitate to get in touch.

SVP Call IN CONFIDENCE 07731

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If you are struggling financially and need practical assistance, the local Society of St Vincent de Paul (SVP) may be able to help. Do call us in confidence for a chat.

DONATIONS TO PARISH FUNDS Online, Bank Transfer, DD, <https://bracknellcatholicchurch.org/give/>

BANK DETAILS: Account Name: CDP Bracknell St Joseph Sort Code: 30-93-04; Account Number: 00875520

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO: **CDP BRACKNELL ST JOSEPH**

JOBS AVAILABLE IN THE DIOCESE: <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs>

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