

ALL SAINTS

FREE TO SERVE OTHERS

Sunday 1st November 2026

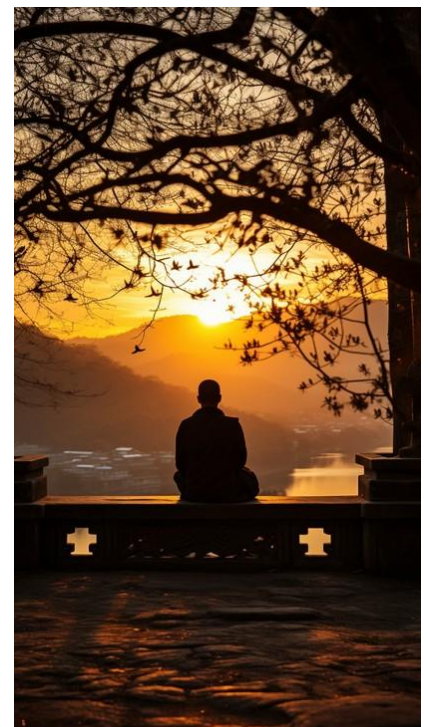
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German theologian Dorothee Sölle (1929–2003) describes how seeing with God's eyes, hearing with God's ears, and acting with God's passion for justice is a truly liberating experience that benefits the entire community. Sölle writes:

In the sense of theology that liberates, the soul that is united with God sees the world with God's eyes. That soul, like God, sees what otherwise is rendered invisible and irrelevant. It hears the whimpering of starving children and does not let itself be diverted from real misery, becoming one with God in perceiving and understanding as well as in acting. For people in the slums, redemption does not consist of some great and far-removed actor ending the misery of the oppressed. Rather, in coming so very close, that far-near one acts in and through those who have become one with that actor. In liberating movements, the mystical eye sees God at work: seeing, hearing, acting, even in forms that are utterly secular. In the contingency of literacy programs, or collaboration in building a school, God's action is manifest. It is a mysticism of wide-open eyes. . . .

What happens really in the soul's union with God in terms of liberation and of healing? It is an exercise in seeing how God sees, the perception of what is little and unimportant; it is listening to the cry of God's children who are in slavery in Egypt. God calls upon the soul to give away its own ears and eyes and to let itself be given those of God. Only they who hear with other ears can speak with the mouth of God. God sees what elsewhere is rendered invisible and is of no relevance. Who other than God sees the poor and hears their cry? To use "God's senses" does not mean simply turning inward but becoming free for a different way of living life: See what God sees! Hear what God hears! Laugh where God laughs! Cry where God cries!

*Allowing God to fully inhabit our senses does not mean we close ourselves off from the world but open ourselves more fully to it. We are free to be fully ourselves but not to exist only for ourselves. We are free to become Christ in the world to the same extent that we recognize the Christ in others, especially the last and the least. Reference: Dorothee Sölle, *The Silent Cry: Mysticism and Resistance*, trans. Barbara and Martin Rumscheidt (Fortress Press: 2001), 283–284, 293*



Insights from our Parish Contemplative Movement

"For the souls who have gone before us..."

*May the blessings of light be upon you, Light without and Light within.
And in all your comings and goings, May you ever have a kindly greeting
From them you meet on the road." - A Celtic Eulogy Poem*



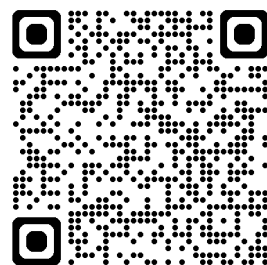
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**STANDING
WITH
BAMENDA**

Never Alone. Never Forgotten.



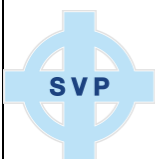
This weekend is Bamenda Sunday, a celebration of a partnership between our two dioceses where we learn, pray and support each other. An important part of the link has been the support we have sent over the years. Your generosity has made a huge impact on the lives of many of the poorest and most vulnerable people in Bamenda, and it most sincerely appreciated by them. You can read how your donations have supported Caroline and Stephen in the Bamenda Sunday newsletter: <https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/Bamenda-Sunday-Newsletter-2026.pdf>. Please give as generously as your contributions really do transform lives. Use the QR code to see the different donations options and gift aid if you can. Thank you.



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School are hosting a teacher-led, adults only line dancing evening on **Saturday 14th November**, from 7pm-9pm, at the school (RG12 9AP) to raise funds. Tickets are £10 and you will need to bring your own refreshments- nuts not permitted. To purchase, please visit: <https://pay.collctiv.com/line-dancing-night-60379>



The SVP have been offered a significant piece of land to continue the food share programme, where people will be able to grow enough fruit and veg for themselves, to support the food share initiative, and to raise funds to support the SVP.



**St Vincent
de Paul Society**
England and Wales
Turning Concern into Action

Anybody with the time to offer their gardening skills or tools is being asked to get in touch with the local SVP branch on 07731 862349 to help make a big difference in our local community- thank you!

Wreath-Making Workshop

On **Saturday 21st November** at 11am, we will be hosting a Christmas wreath-making workshop in the hall, kindly led by Angela Lansley. Tickets are £20. To register (places limited) please complete the following form:

<https://stjosephandstmargaretclitherow.churchsuite.com/-/forms/6vr0al5b>



Mass for the Bereaved

On **Saturday 7th November**, at 10am here at the church, there will be a Mass especially dedicated to those who have been bereaved. Please arrive early if you wish to light a candle or place a photo of your loved one on the Altar. Tea and cakes will be served in the hall afterwards.



Mass of Anointing

On **Saturday 7th November** at 10.30am, Corpus Christi Wokingham will celebrate a Mass of Anointing. The Mass is intended especially for those experiencing physical or mental health difficulties, those in need of spiritual support, and those of advancing years. We will come together in prayer, asking for healing, comfort and strength for ourselves and one another.



Tea and coffee will be available in the Keenan Rooms after Mass, and everyone is welcome to stay. If you need a lift to attend, please contact the SVP on 01182 114130 and leave a message, or email suzettesymons@gmail.com.



Laying on of Hands

The laying on of hands after the weekend's Masses will be resuming as normal this weekend. Please stay behind after Mass if you would like to participate.

Daily Rosary on Zoom

The Knights of St. Columba Parish Fatima Devotions Group prays the rosary over Zoom each weekday at 1:30pm. Next week's access ID (2-6/11)
Zoom Access ID: 884 1809 0166 Password : *rosary*



Parish Events	When?	Where?
RCIA	Thursdays, 7:30pm-9pm	Church Hall
Cuppa & Chat (60+) ☺	Every Tuesday (term time only), 2pm-3pm	Church Hall
Children's Liturgy (please pre-book) 👤👤	15/11, 29/11	Church Hall
Soup & Roll	13/11, 12:45pm	Church Hall
Parish Prayer Group 🙏	03/11, 7pm	Church Hall
Monthly Filipino Mass	01/11, 5pm	St. Joseph's Church
Orthodox Mass	01/11, 12:30pm-2:30pm	St. Joseph's Church



We pray for the repose of the soul of John Richardson. The Requiem Mass for John will be on **Thursday 5th November** from 12:30pm here at church, followed by a burial at Easthampstead Park Cemetery at 2pm.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory. 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	
Ann D'Ambrosio	Cliff Nicholls	Cherrilyn Clyne	Mary Sullivan	Susan Tobin
Ann O'Sullivan	Colleen McCormack	Pat Sutton	Patricia Holmwood	Terri & Andy Landmann
Anne Hardy	Debbie Hanley	Jean Lovejoy	Paula Sandford	
Arthur Hardy	Dorcas Innes-Grant	Judith Newman	Peggy McCullough	Veronika Jastrzebski
Audrey Lam	Douglas Hunt	Margaret Finnieston	Raf Roberts	Vivienne Halfpenny
Bridget Riordan	Dymphna Slade	Marie Swash		
Carole Mayes	Emma & Rico Morales	Mary King	Rita Hayes	
Charles Beard	Edmund & Kate Carroll		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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Email: office@bracknellcatholicchurch.org **Website:** <https://www.bracknellcatholicchurch.org>

MASS TIMES

ALL SAINTS

Saturday	31 st	6pm	Mass	<i>Colin Collier RIP</i>
Sunday	1 st	8:30am	Mass	Parish Intentions
		10:30am	Mass	<i>Maria & Felix Vilhermosa RIP</i>

Commemoration of ALL SOULS

Monday	2 nd		NO MASS	
Tuesday	3 rd	10am	Mass	<i>Ann Blake RIP</i>
St Charles Borromeo, Bishop, memorial				
Wednesday	4 th	10am	Mass	<i>George and Stella Lansley RIP</i>
Thursday	5 th	12:30pm	Requiem Mass	<i>John Richardson RIP</i>
Friday	6 th	11am	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		12 noon	Mass	<i>Frances Dyson RIP Flora Matthews</i>
Saturday	7 th	10am	Bereavement Mass	
		11am	Confessions	

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Saturday	7 th	6pm	Mass	Parish Intentions
Sunday	8 th	8:30am	Mass	<i>All the O'Driscoll families, living and dead</i>
		10:30am	Mass	<i>Healing prayers for Charmie Ann Talata Paguio</i>

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

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://www.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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