

**Catholic Parish of Crowthorne and Sandhurst**

**Holy Ghost and the Immaculate Conception Churches**

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**Newsletter – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026**  
**Seventh Sunday of Easter**  
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**Mass Times and Intentions**

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| Saturday  | 10.00am (HG) Muriel Hammocks RIP  |
|           | 6.00pm (IC) Anne Killeen RIP  |
| Sunday    | 9.00am (IC) Denis & Hilda Brisley RIP                                   |
|           | 11.00am (HG) The People of the Parish                                   |
| Monday    | 9.30am (HG) In Thanksgiving   |
| Tuesday   | <b><u>No Mass today</u></b>   |
| Wednesday | 9.30am (IC) The well-being of Rapley, Hill, Gray & Cheunongkla families |
| Thursday  | 9.30am (HG) Ping Stubbs' intentions                                     |
| Friday    | 9.30am (IC) Marina Teperino RIP   |
| Saturday  | 10.00am (HG) Gwyneth Brisley RIP  |
|           | 6.00pm (IC) Judith Frith RIP  |
| Sunday    | 9.00am (IC) The People of the Parish                                    |
| (24/5)    | 11.00am (HG) The well-being of Carol & Eddy Jacks                       |

IC – Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst

HG – Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne

**Feasts**

**Tuesday**                    **Dedication of the Cathedral of St. John, Portsmouth**

**Friday**                    **St. Rita of Cascia, Nun**

The following people's anniversaries will occur during the coming week: Brian Healey and Michael Connolly. Please remember in your prayers Mrs. Sue Short, who passed away recently. May they all rest in peace.

**Parish Office** – The Office is open 9.30am – 12.30pm on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. Nobody is available on Tuesdays.

**Save the date** – Summer Fundraiser on 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> June. “Anything to do with a garden and plants” Donations of items and plants would be most welcome, books and jigsaws too. More details nearer the time.

**Save the date** - Curry Night 2 Fundraiser will be on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July priced at £15 per person. Tickets will be available from 26<sup>th</sup> April at all Masses. We have limited availability so if you are interested and not available to buy the tickets please let Sherrie know in advance 01344 776884 so that places can be reserved. Tickets are non-refundable.

**Significant Wedding Anniversaries Mass** - 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 20<sup>th</sup> June at 11am. This will be followed by a buffet lunch. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to attend and we will send you a form for you to complete and return to Kirsten McGuire ([kmcguire@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:kmcguire@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)), at the Bishop's Office.

**The 'Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition'** is coming to Wokingham from the 23<sup>rd</sup> May to 7<sup>th</sup> June 2026. We invite everyone to visit this exhibition at Corpus Christi Church, Sturges Rd, Wokingham RG40 2HE. Free Entry. See posters in the church porches - more details at [www.corpuschristi-wokingham.org](http://www.corpuschristi-wokingham.org)

**Pilgrimages** - Lourdes (from Monday 6th to Friday 10th July 2026) and another to Assisi & Turin (from Monday 20th to Sunday 26th July 2026) will take place in the company of Bishop Philip. The cost of the pilgrimage to Lourdes is £949 per person (based on two people sharing a room). Single rooms are available at a supplement. Hotel accommodation at the hotel La Solitude is on a full board basis. On our previous pilgrimages, our pilgrims have been very pleased with the hotel, its proximity to the Domain and the plentiful and varied food options with some even making use of the hotel's indoor swimming pool. As before, we hope that the pilgrimage will be supported by the Youth of the Diocese. Those aged 15-35 can volunteer to support the pilgrimage by helping with music, liturgies, companionship for our pilgrims and supporting those in need by pushing those needing wheelchairs. The cost for a youth pilgrim is £895 (based on three sharing). The pilgrimage to Assisi and Turin is based on dual city hotel accommodation with breakfast and evening dinner with all travel included to all the advertised sites. Flights out to Turin and return from Perugia are to and from Gatwick airport. Costs are £1,695 per pilgrim (again, based on two people sharing a room), with single rooms available at a supplementary cost. If you have any questions, or would like further printed copies of the promotional materials, please do get in touch by emailing me at: [lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk)

**Second Collection** – This Sunday marks the 60th World Day of Social Communications. This year's theme is *Preserving Human Voices and Faces*. The second collection on this day supports the work of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, particularly its websites, publications and social media channels. The Bishops' Conference works hard to foster positive relationships with media outlets to communicate the Good News of the Gospel. For more information, and to read Pope Leo's message for World Communications Day 2026, please visit: [www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/wcd). If you wish to contribute, please place your donation in the box in the church porch after Mass or by card on the contactless machine or through online at <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/catholic-communications-network-second-collection>. Thank you for your generosity.

**Mrs. Carolyn Ablett R.I.P.** – Carolyn's funeral will be held at the Mendip Crematorium in Somerset at 11.30am on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May. For those who wish to view the livestream of the service the details they will need are:

**Website:** <https://watch.obitus.com>

**Username:** voye5224

**Password:** 597738

**Plate Collection** – for last two Sundays: £1,382.36 (plus £5 for the Catholic Communications Network and £790.70 for the Mission Appeal) - Standing Orders: £575 - Digital Giving collection: £393.37. Thank you for your generosity. If anyone wishes to donate by cheque to the parish, cheques should be made payable to CDP Crowthorne HG & Sandhurst IC.