

Catholic Parish of Crowthorne and Sandhurst

Holy Ghost and the Immaculate Conception Churches

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Newsletter – Sunday 12th April 2026
Second Sunday of Easter
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Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 10.00am (HG) The well-being of Angela & David Greenwood

6.00pm (IC) Catherine & James Clarkin RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) Ryan Claydon RIP

11.00am (HG) The People of the Parish

Monday 9.30am (HG) The Holy Souls

Tuesday **No Mass today**

Wednesday 9.30am (IC) Harold Willoughby RIP

Thursday 9.30am (HG) For Vocations

Friday 9.30am (IC) Marjorie & Vincent Desmond RIP

Saturday 10.00am (HG) The well-being of Kitty Cho

6.00pm (IC) Jean Jaouen RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) The People of the Parish

(19/4) 11.00am (HG) The well-being of Carol & Eddy Jacks

IC – Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst

HG – Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne

This Sunday we will use the Preface of Easter 1 & Eucharistic Prayer 1

On Thursday 16th April we will welcome staff and children from Our Lady's Preparatory School to the 9.30am Mass

The following people's anniversaries will occur during the coming week: Maureen O'Sullivan, Jean Palmer, Marina Martinez, Rose Blackburn, Joseph Adlington, Shelagh Brunel-Cohen, Pat Sephton, Eddie Reilly, Frederick White, Ellen Hayes, Peggy Bevins and Ken Moses. May they all rest in peace.

Confessions – The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at the following times:

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst: Fridays at 10.00am; Saturdays 5.15pm until 5.45pm

Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne: Saturdays 10.30am; Sundays after the 11.00am Mass

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

St George's Day - Tickets for St Georges Day afternoon tea Sunday 19th April 3pm to 5pm with music and songs, will be on sale at all Masses this weekend price £5.00.

Save the date - Curry Night 2 Fundraiser will be on Saturday 11 July priced at £15 per person. Tickets will be available from 26 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.

Planned Giving Envelopes - are now available for collection from the church porch by those who contribute to the parish in this way. Please note that your number might have changed and please throw away any unused envelopes from last year. Many thanks to Mr. Edward Brunel-Cohen for preparing them and, indeed, for running the whole Gift Aid scheme for us.

The Music Group "Heaven Above" – Play at the 9.00am Mass at Sandhurst every other Sunday, holidays and commitments permitting. We now have only 3 players: Emma-Lisa on flute, Lee on violin and Tim on guitar. We would welcome players i.e. bass guitar, cello, etc. If you feel you would like to join us, please get in touch with Linda Tranter at 01252 872 589 or contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

Divine Mercy Sunday – Feast 2026 - Celebrations at St Andrews Church, Washington Drive, Cippenham, Slough SL1 5RE on 12 April 2026 at 2:30 pm. The service will be led by Mgr. Sean Healy and will include Enthronement of the Image of Merciful Jesus, Mass, Talk, Chaplet, Adoration and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome to celebrate this glorious feast. Please call Millie on WhatsApp 07957594646 for more information.

Curious about the Catholic faith? You are warmly invited...Are you wondering about the Catholic faith, or feeling drawn to explore something more? Perhaps you're considering baptism, returning to church after some time away, or simply have questions you've never had the chance to ask. We warmly invite you to a relaxed and informal "Come and See" evening on: Thursday 30th April 2026 at 7:30pm, St. Joseph's Hall, Bracknell. Come and meet others, ask questions, and hear a little about the journey ahead - all in a friendly and welcoming space. Whether you are just curious, searching for something more, or feel ready to take a next step, you will be very welcome. This is the beginning of a journey - a chance to explore at your own pace. Open to everyone across our Pastoral Area. If you have any questions, please feel free to get in touch: rcia@bracknellcatholicchurch.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 of 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 please email lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Plate Collection – for last Sunday: £1485.03 (plus £79.58 for Holy Places) - Standing Orders: £575 - Digital Giving collection: £260.54. 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.

Father Marcus would like to thank everyone who so kindly sent cards and gave him gifts for Easter. Your generosity is very much appreciated.