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Holy Ghost and the Immaculate Conception Churches

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Newsletter – Sunday 27th April 2025
Second Sunday of Easter (of Divine Mercy)
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Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 10.00am (HG) The well-being of Carol and Eddie Jacks

6.00pm (IC) Vera & Finlay Whelan RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) John & Stella FitzPatrick RIP

11.00am (HG) The People of the Parish

Monday 9.30am (HG) Pauk Harker RIP

Tuesday **No Public Mass**

Wednesday 9.30am (IC) Peggy and Bob Leslie RIP

Thursday 9.30am (HG) Ping Stubbs GE & Martin Stubbs RIP

1.15pm (B) In Thanksgiving

Friday 9.30am (IC) Josie Fordree's intentions

Saturday 10.00am (HG) Bridie, Denise & Charlie O'Shea RIP

6.00pm (IC) Michael O'Toole RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) The People of the Parish

(4/5) 11.00am (HG) The well-being of Wilson family

IC – Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst HG – Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne
B – Broadmoor Hospital (Mass not open to the public)

This Sunday we will use Preface 1 of the Resurrection of the Lord and Eucharistic Prayer 1

Feasts

Monday ST. GEORGE, PATRON OF ENGLAND (Feast transferred)

Tuesday St. Catherine of Siena, Patron of Europe

Wednesday St. Pius V, Pope

Thursday **St. Joseph the Worker**

Friday **St. Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church**

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) –

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst: Friday after 9.30am Mass; Saturday 5.15pm – 5.45pm

Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne: Saturday 10.30am; Sunday after 11.00am Mass

Anniversaries – The following people’s anniversaries will occur during the coming week: Chrisna Smith, Arnett Eastwood, James Leahy, Michael Hounsome, Tess Phelan, Joshua Aidoo-Sarkodie, Maureen Coolican, Pat Godwin, Catherine Heron, James Doyle, Martin Stubbs and Richard Diffenthal. May they all rest in peace.

Thank you – Our thanks go to Linda, Caroline, the Choir, and musicians, John and the servers, the ladies who arranged the flowers, and all who worked so hard to enable our Holy Week and Easter services to happen this year. Father Marcus would also like to thank everyone who gave him cards and gifts. Your generosity and kindness are much appreciated.

Save the date - 18th May - The Social Committee would like you to join them for a nostalgic game of Bingo on Sunday 18th May 3.00pm-5.00pm in the parish hall. Tickets £5, which includes 8 full houses with cash prizes and light refreshments, will be on sale nearer the date. So, eyes down for a full house. Tickets will be on sale from this weekend at all masses.

Romanian Orthodox Easter – Because this year the Western and Eastern celebrations of Easter coincided, the Romanian Orthodox community were given use of the Church of the Holy Ghost for their Holy Week and Easter services. When Father Marcus called there on Holy Saturday afternoon to prepare a few things for Easter Sunday he found that the church had been transformed for Orthodox worship. Very considerably, they had also completely covered the floor in plastic sheeting so as to avoid candle wax falling on to the carpet. It seems that for their Easter service that night 500 people were packed into the church ! Nonetheless, when Father Marcus went there early on Sunday morning, wondering what he might have to do to clear up and prepare the church for our own Mass, he found that everything was in complete order. Nobody would have known that the Romanians had been there ! We wish Father Dragos and his community a very happy Easter season. Hristos a înviat ! Adevarat a înviat ! Christ is risen ! Truly He is risen !

Afternoon Tea 2.00pm – 4.00pm Wednesday 7th May in the Parish Rooms at the Holy Ghost church. If possible, please be prompt as at 2.15pm. Julie Susel, a Retired Police Officer, is coming to give us a talk on “ SCAMS - How to recognise them and keep yourself SAFE”. Any queries, please ring Pat Wilson 01344 774746

Plate Collection for last Sunday: £1,603.38 - Standing Orders: £575 - Digital Giving collection: £189.74. Thank you for your generosity. If anyone wishes to donate by cheque to the parish, the cheques should be made payable to CDP Crowthorne HG & Sandhurst IC.

Easter Anthem to Our Lady – During Eastertide we recite this at the end of those Masses when no hymns are sung:

**Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia !
for He whom thou didst merit to bear, alleluia !
has risen as He said, alleluia !
Pray for us to God, alleluia !**

**Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia !
for the Lord has truly risen, alleluia !**