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Newsletter – Sunday 25th January 2026
Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday 10.00am (HG) Rose Brisley RIP
6.00pm (IC) Teresa Lloyd RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) The People of the Parish
11.00am (HG) Michael Wynn RIP

Monday 9.30am (HG) The intentions of Ping Stubbs

Tuesday **No Mass today**

Wednesday 9.30am (IC) Elizabeth Manweiler RIP

Thursday 9.30am (HG) Martin Stubbs RIP

Friday 9.30am (IC) Jim & Valerie Lovett RIP

Saturday 10.00am (HG) Monica & Eddie Cheung RIP
6.00pm (IC) Helen & Stuart Porter RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) The well-being of David Mackie
(1/2) 11.00am (HG) The People of the Parish

IC – Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst HG – Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne

Feasts

Monday St. Timothy, Bishop, Martyr & St. Titus, Bishop

Wednesday St. Thomas Aquinas, Dominican Friar, Doctor of the Church

Saturday St. John Bosco, Founder of the Salesians

This Sunday we will use Sunday Preface 1 and Eucharistic Prayer 1

The following people's anniversaries will occur during the coming week: Patrick Monaghan, Joan White, Molly McKenzie, Joan Massey, Thomas Speirits, Nellie Rees, Brenda Clark, Vincent Gorman, Dave Fordree, Elizabeth Manweiler, Martinus de Klerk and Isabella Fordham. 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.

Parish Quiz Night – Friday 30th January at Sandhurst Day Centre. Doors open at 6.30pm. Quiz starts at 7.00pm till 10.00pm. Tickets will be sold after Mass each weekend until then. Please bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Afternoon Tea – will be served from 2.00pm – 4.00pm on Wednesday 4th February in the Parish Room at the Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne. We look forward to seeing you.

Lourdes pilgrimage - Join a pilgrimage to Lourdes travelling overnight by luxury coach from 9 to 14 February 2026, leaving Slough and Ealing Broadway on 9 Feb 2026 and departing Lourdes on 13 February for a visit to the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal in Rue de Bac, Paris on 14 February morning and arriving in London later on 14 February. Full board and devotional programme, including the Blessed Sacrament Procession of the Sick, the Candlelight Marian Rosary Procession and the International Mass on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes, followed by Stations, Confessions and Adoration with Hour of Mercy. Travel, full board and program cost £590. Call Millie on 07957594646 for more info.

Open Afternoons at Farnborough Hill Girls School are taking place on Friday 6th February and Friday 24th April 2026, starting at 1.30pm, and everyone is warmly invited to attend. Please check their website <https://www.farnborough-hill.org/join-us/admissions/admissions-process> for lists all the important dates and the outlines of their admissions process in more detail.

Online marriage programme - Does your marriage need some tender loving care? Need help with communication and trust? Retrouvaille helps marriages. It can bring hope and healing to relationships. Next date: 12th February 2026. www.retrouvaille.org.uk Tel: 07887 296983

(Incidentally, Sunday 25th January is the Feast of St. Dwynwen, a Welsh equivalent of Valentine's Day. The folktale is that Dwynwen was a Welsh princess with whom a young man named Maelon fell in love. Dwynwen rejected him because her father had already promised her to another and she prayed that he would fall out of love with her. An angel appeared and presented Maelon with a potion which turned him to ice. Dwynwen then prayed that Maelon would be restored, that God would protect all true lovers through her intercession, and that she herself would remain unmarried. She eventually became a hermitess on a tidal islet called Ynys Llanddwyn off the coast of Anglesey. An interesting tale, but not one worth going to the stake for...

Second Collection – This weekend we are required to hold a Second Collection for the Cathedral of St John in Portsmouth. A message from Canon James McAuley: *Our cathedral is situated in the most deprived part of the Diocese of Portsmouth. The parish collection covers just over half of the ordinary running costs of £5,000 per week. I fully appreciate the financial pressures we are all experiencing, but I would appeal to you to support the Second Collection for the Cathedral on 25 January. Never has this annual collection by parishes for the Mother Church of the Diocese been more critical or needed. Your support is vitally important to us. Thank you.* For more information about how you can also support the Cathedral 150 Appeal, please follow this link: <https://portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/cathedral150-appeal/>. Online donations for the Second Collection can be made at the following link: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/st-johns-cathedral-second-collection-2026> or by the contactless card payment machine in the church porch or by scanning the QR code below with a Smart Phone



Plate Collection – for last Sunday: £694.33 (plus £324.08 for Crib Offerings) - Standing Orders: £575 - Digital Giving collection: £139.62. 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.