

Catholic Parish of Crowthorne and Sandhurst

Holy Ghost and the Immaculate Conception Churches

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Newsletter – Sundays 3rd and 10th May 2026
Fifth and Sixth Sundays of Easter
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Mass Times and Intentions

Saturday	10.00am (HG)	Michael O'Toole RIP
	6.00pm (IC)	Ping Stubbs GE and Martin Stubbs RIP
Sunday	9.00am (IC)	Deceased family & friends of the Murphy family
	11.00am (HG)	The People of the Parish
Monday	9.30am (HG)	For Vocations
Tuesday		<u>No Mass today</u>
Wednesday	9.30am (IC)	John Killeen RIP
Thursday		<u>No Mass today</u>
Friday		<u>No Mass today</u>
Saturday		<u>No Morning Mass</u>
	6.00pm (IC)	In Thanksgiving
Sunday	9.00am (IC)	The People of the Parish
(10/5)	11.00am (HG)	Freddy Green RIP
Monday		<u>No Mass today</u>
Tuesday		<u>No Mass today</u>
Wednesday	9.30am (IC)	Jean Hillen RIP
	<u>7.00pm (IC)</u>	Vigil Mass for The Ascension (Intention: Sr. Marie-Therese Troadec RIP)
Thursday	<u>10.00am (HG)</u>	Evan Williams & Grace Tidmarsh RIP
Friday	9.30am (IC)	The well-being of Aleksandra Pachulska
Saturday	10.00am (HG)	Muriel Hammocks RIP
	6.00pm (IC)	Anne Killeen RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) Denis & Hilda Brisley RIP

(17/5) 11.00am (HG) The People of the Parish

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

Feasts

Monday 4th May The English Martyrs (1535 – 1680)

Wednesday 13th May Our Lady of Fatima

Thursday 14th May THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord on Thursday 14th May is a Holy Day of Obligation when Catholics should attend Mass.

The following people's anniversaries will occur during the coming weeks: Richard Diffenthal, Mabel Mackett, Patrick McCann, James Buckley, Roy Foster, Edward Cheung, James McRoberts, Bill Stevens, Anthony Gribble, Carmel Townsend and Frank McVerry and Lourdes Guttridge. May they all rest in peace.

Mission Appeal - At the weekend of 9th/10th May we welcome Father Stephen Kimani Kariuki to the parish to do the annual Mission Appeal on behalf of the St. Patrick's Missionary Society (the Kiltegan Fathers). Father Stephen will celebrate all of the Masses that weekend. If you wish to support the Appeal, please place your kind donation in the box in the church porch after Mass.

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

Afternoon Tea – will be served from 2.00pm – 4.00pm on Wednesday 6th May in the Parish Room at the Church of the Holy Ghost, Crowthorne. We look forward to seeing you.

Save the date – Summer Fundraiser on 27th and 28th 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.

Parking – Our thanks go to Mr. Paul Bird who has put considerable time and hard work into laying new turf around the premises at the Church of the Immaculate Conception in recent weeks. We have noticed that sometimes when people park in the church car park in Sandhurst they drive their cars on to the grass, which churns it up. Please would everyone be careful to avoid driving their cars on to the grass, otherwise we will need to go to the expense of surrounding the car park with a crash barrier. Also, please can we ask that at both churches people park their cars in such a way that they are always within the gates of the of the car park and do not cause an obstruction by blocking the public footpath outside. Thank you for your cooperation.

Save the date - Curry Night 2 Fundraiser will be on Saturday 11th July priced at £15 per person. Tickets will be available from 26th 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 20th 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), at the Bishop's Office.

The 'Eucharistic Miracles of the World Exhibition' is coming to Wokingham from the 23rd May to 7th 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

Plate Collection – for last Sunday: £598 (plus £214.60 for Diocesan Clergy Training Fund) - Standing Orders: £575 - Digital Giving collection: £155.36. 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.