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**Newsletter – Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024**  
**Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**

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**Mass Times and Intentions**

Saturday	6.00pm (IC)	Bridget & Christopher Devine RIP
Sunday	9.00am(IC)	The People of the Parish
	11.00am (HG)	David Joyce RIP
Monday	9.30am (HG)	Fr. David Forrester RIP
Tuesday		<b><u>No public Mass today</u></b>
Wednesday	9.30am (IC)	Rose Brisley RIP
Thursday	9.30am (HG)	Michael Wynn RIP
	1.15pm(SL)	Private Intention (PW)
Friday		<b><u>No public Mass today</u></b>
Saturday	10.00am (HG)	The Rt. Rev. Dorrien Davies GE
	6.00pm (IC)	John Corbett Jr. RIP
Sunday	9.00am (IC)	The People of the Parish
(28/1)	11.00am (HG)	The Holy Souls

**This Sunday we will use Preface 1 of Sundays in Ordinary Time & Eucharistic Prayer 2**

**Feasts**

<b>Monday</b>	<b>St. Vincent, Deacon, Martyr</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>St. Francis de Sales, Bishop, Doctor of the Church</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>The Conversion of St. Paul</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>St. Timothy, Bishop, Martyr &amp; St. Titus, Bishop</b>

## **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) –**

Church of the Immaculate Conception, Sandhurst: Saturday 5.15pm – 5.45pm

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

The sacrament is also available by appointment.

**Anniversaries** – The following people's anniversaries will occur during the coming week: Margaret Andrews, Sheila Krawczyk, Janet Archdeacon, Tory Bennett, Canon Daniel Boyle, Wendy Gaffney, Donald Guttridge, Joseph Cannarozzo, Fr. Adrian Walker, Patrick Monaghan, Joan White, Molly McKenzie and Joan Massey. May they rest in peace.

**Refreshments after Sunday Mass** - Refreshments are available after the 9.00am Mass on Sundays so please join us in the Hall at the Church of the Immaculate Conception. The refreshments will be available on a fortnightly basis from 28 January and so on. The refreshments schedule is posted on the notice board. **Please would those kindly providing refreshments always collect the hall keys (in the white envelope) from the sacristy before Mass so that they can open the hall and lock it up again afterwards, as well as reminding the priest to announce that refreshments will be served.**

Refreshments are also served in the Parish Room at the Church of the Holy Ghost each Sunday after the 11.00am Mass.

**Gift Aid** – A reminder to parishioners who are already Gift Aiders. Can you please complete a new gift-aid declaration form which is available at the back of the church, or you can ask the Parish Office for the form. You can also download it at <https://www.crowsand.co.uk/gift-aid>. Since we have changed the charity name (but still same bank account details), we need to have an updated signed form. We must do this in order to be compliant with HMRC. Gift Aid will not be claimed unless a new CDP GAD has been signed. Please send your signed gift-aid declaration form to the Parish Office. Thank you for those who have already sent in their forms.

**Mother Goose Parish Pantomime (27 & 28 January 2024)** – A family pantomime, full of the usual singing, dancing & silliness, is brought to you by the Wokingham Corpus Christi RC Church Panto Group. Mother Goose may have a heart of gold; but she doesn't have two pounds to her name. Her rent is due, the fuel bills are rising and there are more and more mouths to feed. Will Mephisto, the evil magician, corrupt our beloved Mother Goose? In times of financial hardship, we could all do with a goose that lays some golden eggs; but at what cost? Mother Goose, is the 19th annual panto brought to you by the amateur Parish Panto Group from Corpus Christi, Wokingham. Their aim is to spread laughter and good cheer with the songs and silliness of a pantomime and at the same time raise money for a worthwhile cause. Show Times: 3pm or 7pm on Saturday 27 January, 3pm on Sunday 28 January 2024. Online box office: [mothergoosepanto.eventbrite.co.uk](http://mothergoosepanto.eventbrite.co.uk). <http://mothergoosepanto.eventbrite.co.uk/> All tickets £6 - all profits go to Berkshire based children's charity - Daisys Dream

**SAVE THE DATE** – Sunday 17 March 2024. St Patrick's afternoon tea, with the parish Music Group. The Social Committee.

**SAVE THE DATE** – Saturday 15 June 2024 (Provisional). Seaside trip, including meal, to Littlehampton for parishioners. (Free, in accordance with the bequest of the late Fr Kevin Jones.) Those wishing to participate will have an opportunity to register their interest - details to follow soon. The Social Committee.

**Mission Red Box Thank You & Appeal** – Next weekend we will welcome Father Gerry Hastie MHM to give a Red Box Appeal. Missio is the Pope's charity for world mission and through the Red Box we support the Church around the world where it is young and in need. Please consider supporting this important cause by taking a Red Box or signing up to give via Direct Debit.

**Douai Abbey** – The Benedictine monks at Douai Abbey near Newbury are offering a number of retreats and reflection days for Lent. Please see the posters in the church porch for further details.

**Volunteers needed** – We are looking for a few savvy IT parishioners who use and are knowledgeable about Ebay to sell (from time to time) some small items for our church. If you can help, please contact the Parish Office.