# **Catholic Parish of Crowthorne and Sandhurst**

# Holy Ghost and The Immaculate Conception Churches

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# **NEWSLETTER – SUNDAY 21st NOVEMBER 2021**

# Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

#### **Feasts**

Monday - St. Cecilia, Virgin, Martyr

Tuesday – St. Clement, Pope, Martyr

Wednesday - St. Andrew Dung-Lac & Companions, Martyrs in Vietnam

#### **Mass Times and Intentions**

Saturday	6.00pm (IC)	People of the Parish
Sunday	9.00am (IC)	Sister Veronica, Carmelite, RIP
	11.00am (HG)	Dec'd Brothers of the Bracknell Forest Catenian Circle (Foundation Mass)
Monday	9.30am (HG)	Jenny Spalding RIP
Tuesday		No public Mass today
Wednesday	9.30am (IC)	Carmel Davitt RIP
Thursday	9.30am (HG)	Gwyneth Brisley RIP
	1.15pm (SL)	In honour of the Sacred Heart
Friday	9.30am (IC)	Gwyneth Brisley RIP
Saturday	10.00 (HG)	Patricia McConville GE
	6.00pm (IC)	Ed Condon RIP
Sunday	9.00am (IC)	Maggie Wordingham GE
21/11	11.00am (HG)	People of the Parish

**Anniversaries** – The following people's anniversaries will occur during the coming week:

Sheila Kennedy, Patricia Harvey, Theolinda McFarlane, Elizabeth Wheeler, Ella Phillips, Blake Parsons-Kilburn, Glen Hayes, Eric Cresswell. Ellen Hayes, Susan Marshall, Anne Inglis, Leslie Knapp, Arnold Brierley, June Abbett, Mary Eskdale, Rene Cherbonnel, Margaret Furlong, David Bevan, Mac McCaig, Bernard Pluzemore and David Hamblin. May they rest in peace.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Mrs. Margaret Pearce, Mrs. Doreen O'Toole, and Mr. Pat Brown who passed away recently.

# <u>BUMPER CHRISTMAS RAFFLE FOR THE CHURCH ROOF FUND</u> – 1st Prize £75.00 + more than 20 other varied and amazing prizes

Tickets £1.00 each. Please indicate on an envelope your name, phone number and amount enclosed and bring it to either church on 27/28th November + 4/5th December + 11/12th December to be collected after Mass by Sherrie and Pat who will - to avoid congestion - allocate the raffle tickets the following week. The Draw takes place on the week beginning 13th December and you will be notified directly to collect your prize.

Please feel free to donate a Prize or a Bottle but most importantly DO purchase Raffle tickets for yourselves, family and friends. Please also advise any parishioners not yet returning to Mass or receiving the newsletter via email. The roof is so important. Thank you!

Any donations or queries Sherrie to 01344 776884 or Pat 01344 774746

<u>Knitted Christmas Angels</u> - as part of the preparations for Christmas, the Crowthorne Churches Together aim to make 500 small knitted Angels to be hidden in the high street shops for children, or adults, to find. Each will be labelled with the Christmas message.

Can you help to boost the numbers by the end of November? I have patterns for knitted or crocheted Angels. If interested please contact Angela Greenwood on 01344 774254 or at angelagreenwood@hotmail.com

The Passage Working with Homeless People – The Passage, a Christian Charity working with homeless people, is holding a fundraising concert at the Royal Festival Hall on Thursday 25 November on the theme Bohemian Rhapsody, featuring popular works by Dvořák, Mahler and Smetana. The performers includes Andrei Ioniță, Cello; Anush Kovhannisyan, Soprano; Streetwise Opera; Toby Purser, Conductor; and the Orion Orchestra. Full details and booking at https://passage.org.uk/night-under-the-stars-2021/ or telephone 020 75921856.

<u>Pianist needed</u> – Mr. Patrick Dundas, who has played the electric piano so faithfully for us at the 9.00am Mass on Sundays, is planning to move with his family to pastures new in the coming months. We hope to have him with us until into the New Year, but we are immensely grateful for his music ministry over the years (and especially during the pandemic). Patrick's departure means that we will badly need to recruit the services of somebody else who is willing to play the electric piano on a fortnightly basis at the 9.00am Mass, so if anyone can help, please have a word with Mrs. Linda Tranter or Father Marcus.

# Sacrament of Reconciliation -

Church of the Immaculate Conception

Fridays after the 9.30am Mass Saturdays 5.15pm – 5.45pm

Church of the Holy Ghost

Saturdays after the 10.00am Mass Sundays after the 11.00am Mass The Sacrament continues to be available also by contacting Father Marcus to make an appointment for other times.

<u>St Teresa's Catholic Academy Open Day</u> – St Teresa's Catholic Academy in Wokingham will be holding an Open Day on Thursday 2nd December for all parents who are interested in their child joining our Pre-School or main School. Sessions are at 9.30am or 7pm – please visit the school website for the link to the booking form.

For any queries please contact admissions@st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk or check out our school website at www.st-teresas.wokingham.sch.uk.

<u>Christmas cards</u> – We have a limited supply of Christmas cards on sale in the porches of our two churches. They are sold in support of the Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need.

### Wokingham Catenians Association -

Who are we?

We are an association of Catholic laymen who are committed to their faith, their families, to those in need and to each other.

Our primary purpose is to develop our network of friends, enhance our family life, strengthen our faith and support one another in difficult times.

Our friendships are developed through meeting monthly and taking part in a varied programme of social events together with our families, widows of members and members and families from other circles.

How can you find out more?

Please visit http://www.wokcat.org

**Sunday Minibus facility** – The 'Church Run' on a Sunday morning was the very first regular use of the minibus when the charity started, back in 1988.

Although we have had two new drivers join the team this year, we still need two more to ease the load more equitably.

If you, or someone you know, would be able to commit to the occasional Sunday morning then I would be extremely grateful to hear from you.

It is straight forward in that it is essentially the same group of people each week, so there is a standard pickup route. Also, there are no fares to collect as the churches give us annual payments.

For more information, please contact Peter Hattersley at 01344 775995 or <a href="mailto:peterhattersley@btinternet.com">peterhattersley@btinternet.com</a>. Crowthorne Community Minibus (Registered Charity No. 298176)