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Newsletter – Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time (C)

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## **Mass Times and Intentions**

Saturday 10.00am (HG) The well-being of Ping Stubbs

6.00pm (IC) Catherine Menezes RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) Alma Woulfe RIP

11.00am (HG) The people of the parish

Monday 9.30am (HG) The well-being of the Wilson family

Tuesday No Public Mass

Wednesday 9.30am (IC) Private intention

Thursday 9.30am (HG) Maureen Russell RIP

2.00pm (IC) Requiem Mass for Maureen Russell

Friday 9.30am (IC) Private intention

Saturday 10.00am (HG) Anthony Bosquit RIP

6.00pm (IC) James Egan RIP & Patricia Egan RIP

Sunday 9.00am (IC) The people of the parish

(31/8) 11.00am (HG) The well-being of Richard & Moira Taylor

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

#### **Feasts**

Monday St. Louis IX, King of France

Tuesday Blessed Dominic Barberi, Priest

Wednesday St. Monica, Widow

Thursday St. Augustine of Hippo, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Friday The Passion of St. John the Baptist

Saturday Ss Margaret Clitherow, Anne Line & Margaret Ward, Martyrs

### This Sunday we will use Sunday Preface 1 & Eucharistic Prayer 3

# 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

<u>Anniversaries</u> – The following people's anniversaries will occur during the coming week: Ivan De Rebello, Maria D'Allenger, Marissa Chimino, Betty Vogel and Stefan Krywonos. May they all rest in peace.

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

<u>Refreshments after Sunday Mass</u> – Refreshments will not be available after the Sunday Mass in Immaculate Conception Church during the month of August. The refreshments will resume on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September.

<u>Parish BBQ</u> – This will be on Sunday  $7^{th}$  September in the church grounds in Sandhurst, 1.00pm - 4.00pm (doors open from 12.30pm). Please bring your own drinks and glasses. Tickets will be on sale from this weekend in the church porch after the Saturday evening and Sunday Masses, price £5.00.

<u>CAFOD</u> – Donations made through CAFOD to help the suffering people in Gaza have been a vital lifeline. CAFOD's partner, Caritas Jerusalem, delivers essential medical treatment to displaced persons and is providing medicines to treat chronic illnesses. CAFOD has helped 1,400 households with cash to buy supplies in the last month and is currently feeding 2,000 people with new stocks of flour and rice. Despite the restrictions on aid coming into Gaza, local partners are working tirelessly to help people. More can be found about how help can be given in Gaza at cafod.org.uk. Cardinal Pizzaballa, the Catholic Patriarch of Jerusalem, has said "Christ is not absent from Gaza. He is there – crucified in the wounded, buried under rubble, and yet present in every act of mercy, every candle in the darkness, every hand extended to the suffering".

A Thought to Conjure With — Father Marcus writes: We have people who are very much part of our Parish Community and who, while not actually being Catholics, attend Mass regularly with us for all sorts of reasons. We have a process by which people in this situation could, if they should choose, be prepared to come into membership of the Catholic Church and to receive the sacraments. The same process can also be used to prepare adult Catholics for Confirmation if they did not have the opportunity to receive the sacrament earlier in life. Please can I invite anyone who might be interested in this possibility to give it some prayerful consideration over the summer and, if they would like to discuss it further, to contact me. I will be very pleased to help them.

**Quiz** – The Parish of St. Joseph & St. Margaret Clitherow in Bracknell will be holding a Quiz Night on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September from 7.15pm – 9.45pm. Tickets cost £5 per person and entry is for individuals or groups (max of 6). For more information please contact office@bracknellcatholicchurch.org or ring 01344 425729.

<u>Afternoon Tea</u> – This will be served from 2.00pm – 4.00pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September in the Meeting Room at the Church of the Holy Ghost in Crowthorne. All are very welcome to attend.

<u>March for Life</u> - A coach is going to the March for Life in London on Saturday 6th of September from the Church of St. William of York in Reading, where there is parking. Please contact David Joyce at <a href="mailto:spucreading@gmail.com">spucreading@gmail.com</a> or use <a href="https://tinyurl.com/spuccoach2025">https://tinyurl.com/spuccoach2025</a>. The important thing is to go: the contribution to the cost is not.

<u>Plate Collection</u> – for last Sunday: £736.94 Standing Orders: £575 - Digital Giving collection: £73.75. 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.