



The Parish of Bracknell: Holy Trinity with Mosaic

Called together to make Christ known

Bulletin



18th October 2026 20th Sunday after Trinity

In this week's Gospel, some Pharisees try to trap Jesus with a seemingly simple question: "Is it lawful to pay taxes to Caesar or not?" Whatever Jesus answers could be used against him.

Jesus responds by asking them to look at the coin. It bears Caesar's image and inscription., he says, "Give back to Caesar what is Caesar's, and to God what is God's."

There is much more to Jesus' answer than a clever way of avoiding a difficult question. The coin may bear Caesar's image, but **we bear God's image**. We belong to God, and therefore our whole lives are to be offered to him.

We rightly have responsibilities to our families, our communities, and our society. But Jesus reminds us that these responsibilities must never become more important than our relationship with God.

Perhaps, then, the question for us this week is not simply, "What do I owe?" but **"What do I owe to God?"**

Let us offer God not merely a part of our time or possessions, but our hearts, our gifts, and our daily lives, seeking to reflect his image in all that we say and do.

This Week Sunday 18th October
8am Said Holy Communion at Holy Trinity

No 9.30am Service at Holy Trinity

10.30am

Joint Service at Mosaic

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10, Matthew 22: 15-22

Thursday 22nd October – 10.00am

Holy Communion at Langley Hall

Please do not arrive before 9.30am.

Next Week Sunday 25th October - Bible Sunday
8am Said Holy Communion at Holy Trinity

9.30am Service of The Word at Holy Trinity
Colossians 3: 12-17, Matthew 24: 30-35

10.30am Communion Service at Mosaic
Exodus 20:15-17, Luke 12:13-21

Thursday 29th October – 10.00am

Service of The Word at Langley Hall

Please do not arrive before 9.30am.

Morning Prayer

During the cooler months we
are meeting for informal
Morning Prayer in Langley Hall
on a Tuesday at 8.30am

All are welcome.

*Please bring your mobile phone, if you have
one, and download the 'Daily Prayer' app.*

Joint Service at Mosaic on Sunday
18th October

**No 9.30am Communion Service at
Holy Trinity**

**There will be an All-Parish Service
at 10.30am at Mosaic, The Parks
Community Centre. RG12 9QN**

The fire Doors on the north side of Langley hall are currently out of use as a common thoroughfare and are likely to remain out of use for some time (they function as an emergency fire exit). The recommended route walking from church to Langley Hall is via the public footpath. If you choose to walk across the grass at the front of Langley Hall it should be understood that you do so at your own risk.

At Holy Trinity there is a collection point for



Our Foodbank is in need of:

- Washing powder or liquid
- Orange juice or squash
- Custard tinned or tetrapak
- Biscuits
- Milk semi skimmed – long life

Fresh food is available for collection between 1pm and 2.30pm on Friday afternoons at the Share Bracknell pop-up at St Andrew's, Priestwood.



To find out more please go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/sharebracknell>

If you are seeking admission for your children to Ranelagh it is essential that you read the Admissions Policy available on the school's website

You must ensure that you sign in each time you attend church – Mosaic or Holy Trinity

If any parents are signing the Ranelagh Admissions sheets for children wishing to start in September 2029 please could they ensure that they have completed the Ranelagh Initial Admissions Form found at the back of the book with their details, email address and telephone number. Children cannot be registered unless we have this information. Parents should not sign in any children wishing to start in 2030 or later years as this information is not recorded yet.



Ranelagh School
VALUES - TRADITION - VISION - EXCELLENCE

The years mind list is now very large and some of the names on the list died very many years ago. I intend to streamline the list and remove all names of those who died before 1970. (The names will be retained on a master list but not published yearly in the Bulletin). If you have a relative or friend who died before 1970 and would like them remembered in the Year's Mind list, please let me know their name and the date of their passing. Many thanks.
Les Allen Churchwarden

Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals Welcomers (Vergers) – Holy Trinity

Do you have a friendly disposition and enjoy meeting and greeting?

Are you interested in offering a warm welcome, supporting those who don't often come to church and sharing God's love?

Are you available occasionally during the week and a little extra money would be helpful? Or on a Sunday after church?

We are looking for people to join a team to welcome and support at baptisms, weddings and funerals at Holy Trinity on an occasional basis.

Baptisms usually take place at 11.30 am – 12.30 on a Sunday. **This is on a volunteer basis.**

Funerals take place during the week, and weddings during the week or Saturdays.

For **weddings and funerals** there is **payment available of £80 per service** (as fees are charged for these services)

If you are interested in finding out more, please email Beth: curate@bracknell-parish.org.uk or speak to Beth / Les.

Bible Sunday 25th October

If you are coming to one of our services on 25th October, at Holy Trinity or Mosaic, we will be celebrating Bible Sunday. If you have a bible that is special to you, please bring it with you.



<https://bibleproject.com/>

<https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/resources/go-deeper-with-the-bible>

All Souls Memorial Service

Sunday 1st November at 3 pm at Holy Trinity

A precious time to stop, reflect and give thanks to God remembering loved ones - do join us.

For names of loved ones to be included in the service, please email admin@bracknell-parish.org.uk or complete a slip at the back in Holy Trinity.

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Prayer Diary – Week Commencing 18 October

Our Parish

We pray for Holy Trinity and Mosaic, our Town Centre Mission, and our administrators, Linda and Sally. We especially pray for our curate, Beth, and for all those who give their time, gifts, and energy to help our parish function. We give thanks for their commitment, dedication and service to our churches and the wider communities we seek to serve.

Christian Aid, MSF, and Save the Children

We pray for all those working with Christian Aid, Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) and Save the Children, particularly those working in areas where poverty, disease, and conflict place vulnerable people at great risk.

We especially remember the work in Northwest Nigeria, where a major diphtheria vaccination campaign vaccinated more than 486,000 children between 20 and 24 June this year. We give thanks for all those involved in this vital work, which will help protect many children from this serious and potentially fatal disease.

Charities and Those in Need

We pray for the many people who work tirelessly for charities, especially Share and The Food Bank. We remember those who have been forced to rely on charitable support because of the continuing pressures of the cost of living. We pray that these valuable organisations will continue to have the resources they need to support those who are struggling.

We also give thanks for all those who generously donate their time, money, and resources to support these charities and enable their important work to continue.

Those in Need of Our Prayers

We especially pray for:

Linda and Darren Edwards, Andy Taylor, Jean and Brian Sturges, Laura Chase, Rosalind Willatts, Richard Gibbs, Jemma Evans, Ray Hobbs, Peter Hughes & Richard Curtis.

We Remember

We remember Jackie Pugh, Peter Evans and all those who have died recently. We pray for Jackie's and Peter's family and friends, and for all who loved them as they grieve their loss. May they, and all who mourn, know God's comfort, peace and loving presence in the days ahead.

Year's Mind

We remember with thanksgiving and prayer:

Christine Gillian Clarke, William Grey, Dennis Taber, Phyllis Jackson, Margaret Elizabeth Bruce (Peg) Mertens, and John Lacey Ireland.

Prisoner of Conscience – Marwa Arafa

We pray for **Marwa Arafa**, an Egyptian human rights activist and translator who has been arbitrarily detained for almost six years in connection with her peaceful human rights work, including supporting relatives of people held in detention.

Her trial takes place this month, we pray for justice, truth, and compassion.

We especially remember that Marwa's health has significantly deteriorated during her imprisonment and that she has reportedly been denied adequate medical care despite her worsening condition.

We pray that she will receive the medical attention she needs, that her rights and dignity will be respected, and that those responsible for her care will act with humanity and compassion. We pray for all prisoners of conscience throughout the world who are detained because of their beliefs, principles, or peaceful work for others.