The Parish of Bracknell: Holy Trinity with Mosaic

Called together to make Christ known

Bulletin

22nd November 2026 The Sunday Next before Advent

In our Gospel reading for this week, Matthew 25:31–46, Jesus gives us a powerful and challenging picture of what it means to live out our faith. He reminds us that our love for God is reflected in the way we treat others, particularly those who are hungry, thirsty, lonely, sick, vulnerable or in need.

The message is both simple and profound: whenever we offer kindness, compassion, hospitality, or practical help to someone in need, we are doing it for Christ himself. Equally, when we turn away from another person's suffering, we risk turning away from him.
This Gospel invites us to look beyond ourselves and recognise Christ in the people we meet every day. Faith is not simply about what we believe or what we say, but about how we put God's love into action.

As we go about our daily lives, may we have eyes to see those who need our care, hearts ready to respond and hands willing to serve. In doing so, may we make Christ known through our words and actions.

This Week Sunday 22nd November
8am Service of The Word at Holy Trinity

9.30am All Age Communion at Holy Trinity
Ephesians 1: 15-23, Matthew 25: 31-46

10.30am Communion Service at Mosaic
1 Peter 1:3-9

Thursday 26th November – 10.00am
Holy Communion at Langley Hall
Please do not arrive before 9.30am.

Next Week Sunday 29th November
8am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity

9.30am Sung Communion at Holy Trinity
Isaiah 64: 1-9, 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9, Mark 13: 24-37

10.30am Service at Mosaic
Luke 1:26-38

Thursday 3rd December – 10.00am
Holy Communion 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.

Pray for our Parish

We gather online at 8.30am on Saturday 21st November to give thanks for our blessings and pray for needs in our parish
Follow this link: Parish Prayers.



Richard Gibbs 1926 – 2026

Richard's funeral will be held at The High Street Methodist Church, (King Street. SL6 1EF) on Tuesday 1st December at 12 noon.

As car parking at the church is very restricted. The nearest car park is in West Street (2 minutes' walk away, according to Google) OR in the Nicholson's Centre.



At Holy Trinity there is a collection point for Bracknell foodbank

Our Foodbank is in need of:

- Cornflakes, Weetabix, Frosties
- Shampoo
- Orange juice or squash
- Small jars instant coffee – 100g
- Tinned rice pudding

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.

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Could You Help Us Make Someone's Special Day Even More Special?

Join our Baptism, Wedding and Funeral Welcomers Team at Holy Trinity, Bracknell

Do you enjoy meeting people? Are you friendly, approachable, and keen to make others feel welcome?

At Holy Trinity, we want everyone who comes through our doors to experience a warm welcome, whether they are regular churchgoers or visiting us for a special occasion.

We are looking for a few friendly and reliable people to join our **Verger Team,** helping to welcome and support families and visitors attending baptisms, weddings, and funerals.

What would be involved?

- **Baptisms:** Usually held on Sundays between 11.30 am and 12.30 pm. This is a voluntary role, and an opportunity to help families feel at ease as they celebrate an important occasion.
- **Funerals:** Usually held during the week, offering a welcoming and reassuring presence to bereaved families and their guests.
- **Weddings:** Held during the week or on Saturdays, helping couples and their guests feel welcome as they celebrate their special day.

What can we offer?

- An opportunity to be part of a friendly and supportive team.
- Flexible, occasional involvement to fit around your availability.
- Payment of £80 per service for weddings and funerals.
- The satisfaction of making a genuine difference to people at important moments in their lives.

You don't need any previous experience – just a friendly manner, a willingness to help and a little time to spare.

Could this be something for you?

If you would like to find out more, and obtain more details with no obligation, please email Beth at curate@bracknell-parish.org.uk or have a chat with Beth, Russell, or Les.

A warm welcome can make all the difference. Why not join us and help make Holy Trinity a welcoming place for everyone?

Prayer Diary – Week Beginning 22nd November

This week we bring before God the following:

Our Volunteers

We give thanks for all those who generously give their time, energy, and talents to support the life of our parish. We pray for everyone involved in maintenance mornings, refreshments, welcoming, leading services, flower arranging, Children's Church, Sparklers, Youth Group, our choir, music directing, and the many other voluntary tasks that help keep our churches active and welcoming. May they know that their contribution is valued, and may God continue to bless and encourage them in all that they do.

Our Nominated Charities – Shelter and Mind

We pray for the staff and volunteers of two of our nominated charities, Shelter and Mind, giving thanks for their dedication and compassion. We remember all the individuals and families who turn to these charities for help and support, particularly those facing homelessness, mental health challenges, or difficult circumstances. May these organisations continue to offer hope, practical help, and reassurance to those who need them most.

Hospitals and Healthcare

We pray for our local hospitals: Frimley Park, Wexham Park, the Royal Berkshire and Prospect Park. We give thanks for the dedication, skill, and compassion of all who work there, and pray for patients receiving treatment and for their families and friends.

We also remember our local GP surgeries, pharmacies, dental practices, opticians, physiotherapists, podiatrists, and all healthcare professionals working within our community. May all who provide care and support be strengthened in their work, and may those who are unwell find healing, comfort, and reassurance.

Our Communities and Local Government

We pray for our local council, councillors and everyone working within our local authority. We give thanks for those whose often unseen work helps our communities function and flourish. We remember refuse collectors, street cleaners, those who maintain our parks, recreation grounds and green spaces, social workers, health visitors and all who work to improve the lives and wellbeing of others. May their efforts be recognised and valued, and may they be guided by wisdom and compassion.

Those Struggling with the Cost of Living

We remember everyone experiencing financial hardship, particularly those struggling to heat their homes, put sufficient and nutritious food on the table or meet their most basic needs. We pray for families under pressure, older people living alone and all who face difficult choices each day. May they find practical support, kindness, and generosity from those around them.

We Especially Pray For

Sue Parker, Patricia Hughes, Jemma Evans, Mavis Handley, Patsy Theobold & Hilary Winterbottom. We ask God to surround them with His love, give them strength and courage, and bring them comfort, peace, and healing.

Those Who Have Recently Died

We remember Peter Evans, Richard Gibbs, Shayan Cooper & Richard Briggs and all those who have died recently. We hold Peter's, Richard's and Shayan's families and friends in our prayers, together with all who are grieving the loss of someone they love. May they find comfort in their memories, strength in the support of others and peace in the knowledge of God's unfailing love. May all who mourn know His presence alongside them in the days ahead.

At Year's Mind

We remember with love and thanksgiving: Leonard Jackson, Dorris Cottle, Dorothy Jones, Shirley Ann Tucker, Isobel Howieson Muir, and Frederick William Rance. We give thanks for their lives and for all that they meant to those who knew and loved them. May they rest in God's eternal peace and may their families and friends be comforted by precious memories.

Prisoner of Conscience – Nayereh Arjaneh

We pray for Christian convert Nayereh Arjaneh, who was arrested at her home in Garmsar, northern Iran, in July 2025, following her attendance at a Christian seminar in Turkey earlier that year. She was sentenced to a combined ten years in prison, comprising two five-year terms to be served concurrently, and began serving her sentence in Semnan Prison in December 2025.

We pray for Nayereh's safety, strength, and courage as she faces imprisonment because of her Christian faith. May she know God's presence and sustaining love in the midst of uncertainty and hardship. We remember her family and all those who are working for freedom of religion and the protection of those persecuted for their beliefs. May justice, compassion, and religious freedom prevail.

The full Prayer Diary can be found at this link on the parish website

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