The Parish of Bracknell: Holy Trinity with Mosaic

Called together to make Christ known Bulletin



19th January 2025 - 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

Dear Friends,

What are you looking forward to?

January is the time to get the calendar out (how many did you get for Christmas?) and pencil things in.

Here are a few to get you going ...

Christingle: 2nd February, 3.00pm at Holy Trinity

Ash Wednesday: 5th March, 7.00pm at Holy Trinity

All Parish Service: 23rd March 10.00am at Holy Trinity

Mothering Sunday: 30th March at Mosaic (10.30am) and Holy Trinity (8.00 and 9.30am)

Holy Week: - including:

Palm Sunday at Mosaic (10.30am) and Holy Trinity (8.00 and 9.30am)

Maundy Thursday Communion at Holy Trinity (7.00pm)

Good Friday morning Walk of Witness and 3 hour service at Holy Trinity (from 12.00 noon)

Easter at Mosaic (10.30am) and Holy Trinity (8.00 and 9.30am)

And we shall be encouraging everyone to get involved with the Oxford Diocese 'Come and See' adventure find out more at this link ... https://oxford.anglican.org/come-and-see

And don't forget, one last date .. Christian Aid Week 11-17 May ...

We look forward to seeing you

This Week

Sunday 19th January

8.00am Spoken Holy Communion at Holy Trinity

9.30am All-Age Communion at Holy Trinity

followed by refreshments

10.30am Mosaic Church at the

Parks Community Centre

Thursday 23rd January

10.00am Holy Communion at Langley Hall

followed by refreshments

Sparklers

Activities for primary age children at Mosaic: 10.30am - 19th January 2nd February, 16th February, 2nd March

Next Week

Sunday 26th January

8.00am Spoken Holy Communion at Holy Trinity

9.30am Service of the Word at Holy Trinity

followed by refreshments

10.30am Mosaic Church with Communion at the

Parks Community Centre

Thursday 30th December

10.00am Holy Communion at Langley Hall

followed by refreshments

Children's Activities

for primary age children at Holy Trinity: 9.30am -

9th February, 9th March, 13th April

At Holy Trinity there is a collection point for contributions for the ...



Our Foodbank is particularly in need of: Long Life Fruit juice, Microwave rice, Tinned tomatoes, Tinned fruit Aunty's steamed puddings.

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 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.

If you wish to add your child to the list or have any questions, contact Robin on 01344 593622 or email vicar@bracknell-parish.org



Youth Group

Join us again on February 9th at Langley Hall 3.00—4.30pm

Exploring Faith, Games and Cake For anyone yr6 and above

We have changed our Prayer Dairy to make it user-friendly and accessible. By using a 4 week cycle we hope that our prayers will become more meaningful and deeper.

This week we are praying for:

In week beginning 19th January we pray for:

Our Volunteers – those who help with maintenance morning, refreshments, welcoming, service leading, flower arranging, Children's Activities, PCC

Refuge we bring the work of the staff and volunteers of the charity Refuge before God, and give thanks for the many individuals and families helped by Refuge

The Hospitals, Surgeries and the Health Care Staff in our area, we give thanks for all the patients and families supported. We pray for the capacity crisis currently facing the whole NHS

Our Communities and Local Government, our Councillors and Local Authority staff.

Everyone struggling with the cost of living or having to find ways to live with poverty

News: the prospect of a ceasefire in Gaza, the hostages and their families. The many people harmed and affected by the mine tragedy in South Africa, especially those seeking justice in this situation.

We especially pray for: Sue Parker, David Foster, Oscar Taylor, Tania, Alex and Murron Garstang-Sivewright, Patricia Hughes, Ann Green

At Year's Mind: Mary Doreen 'Betty' Shorter, Douglas Henry Montague Saunders, Frederick Leslie Langley, Edward Fielden

Prisoner of Conscience: Yu Wensheng, 57, a lawyer, human rights activist and winner of the Martin Ennals Human Rights Award. He was arrested in 2023 in Beijing whilst meeting with an EU delegation. In October 2023 Yu was sentenced to 3 years imprisonment for 'Inciting subversion to state power'. An appeal was heard, but rejected. Yu's health has seriously deteriorated due to harsh conditions and treatment.

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

Electoral Roll

This year we are having to prepare a new Electoral Roll. This means that everyone has to re-register. If you wish to remail on the roll please ensure that you have completed a form. These are available at Mosaic and Holy Trinity and are on the Parish Website at this link.

Bible Readings

Sunday 19th January, Holy Trinity

1 Corinthians 12:1-11: '...there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit.'

John 2:1-11: 'Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory.'

Sunday 19th January, Mosaic Church

John 11.1-26: 'Everyone who lives in me and believes in me will never ever die.'

Thursday 23rd January,

Holy Communion 10.00am at Langley Hall

Please do not arrive before 9.30am

Acts 9.1-22: '...he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel.'

Matt 19.27-end: '...don't harden your hearts as Israel did when they rebelled...'

Pray for Bracknell Parish

We gather on Zoom at 8.30am on Saturday 18th January to pray for our parish, the work of TCM and t give thanks for all that God has done amongst us

Follow this link:

Parish Prayers







BRF - Bible Study Notes

Study notes for personal Bible Study are available from BRF. Ian Hughes manages our account with BRF and would be very happy to hear from anyone who would like to use these notes. Ian's phone number is 07947 791196 you might like to talk to him about the Christmas Card catalogue—available now.

To find out more visit the BRF website by following this link.



Candles for Ukraine

Have you any candles left-over from Christmas?



Please bring them to Holy Trinity so that they can be gathered together to be made into special light/heat candles for Ukraine.

Thank you



Open Table Network

As part of our work towards developing as an Inclusive Church we are looking to establish and Open Table Network group which will welcome people of any faith, colour or background, and especially people of every gender identity and sexual orientation.

More information about Open Table Network can be found at their website – follow this link

We envisage a group which meets monthly. Meetings will include prayer, worship and, at times, Communion but there can also be other activities such as video or quizzes – plus, of course, refreshments. If you wish to help us get going please contact Robin (vicar@bracknell-parish.org) or Beth (Curate@bracknell-parish.org)

Our first meeting has now been set for 5.30pm on January 26th – just turn up!

Langley Hall Car-Park

There have been a number of occasions recently when the Langley Hall Car-Park has been used by unauthorised vehicles.

PCC is concerned about this and has developed a protocol for locking the Car-Park. We know that several congregation members use the car-park on occasion. It is not our intention to stop congregation members from using the car-park in this way. If you need to use the car-park then please read the Locking Protocol below. Linda, our Parish Administrator, is keeping a list of users. Please contact Linda to be added to the list, she will provide a pass and let you know the padlock code.

The car-park will be open, of course, for church events and services as usual.

Car-Park Locking Protocol.

Wardens will determine periods when car-park will be locked, so the car-park may or may not be locked when you arrive.

If the car-park is locked when you arrive then you should lock the car-park as soon as you have parked. If you are alone then please lock the barrier so that you are 'locked in' and lock again after you leave;

If you are running a meeting or activity session then leave the barrier open for the duration of the session plus a few minutes before and after your hire period for loading etc. You should not arrive early and 'pop into town' leaving the car-park open. If you arrive early then lock the car-park and reopen the barrier for the hire period only.

After your session please check that all attendees have moved their cars before locking the barrier. If there is an unknown car in the car park do not lock it in. Please note that people attending your session must not leave their cars after your session, they must move them.

If the car-park is unlocked when you arrive please do not lock the barrier.

When leaving the barrier up please open the clasp and lock the padlock onto the pillar with the clasp open. This will prevent the lock being lost.

The code will be changed periodically, all legitimate users will be informed of any change. Do not share the code with others, especially attendees at any session/meeting that you host.

This protocol will come into force from January 27th 2025

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