



# Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace and Blessed Margaret Pole

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Sixth Sunday of Easter

10th May 2026

## I will not leave you orphans

### Mass Times

<b>Sat 9th</b>	<b>Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter</b>	12.00	Dennis Flattery+
<b>Sun 10th</b>	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	9.30	Andy Gorman+
		11.00	People of the Parish
<b>Mon 11th</b>	<b>Monday of the Sixth Week of Easter</b>	10.00	Vivian Lydia Bell+
<b>Tue 12th</b>	<b>Tuesday of the Sixth Week of Easter</b>	10.00	Ramon Taniola & Samantha Fiebre
<b>Wed 13th</b>	<b>Our Lady of Fatima</b>	10.00	Anthony & Gladys Berry+
<b>Thu 14th</b>	<b>The Ascension of the Lord</b>	10.00	People of the Parish
		19.00	
<b>Fri 15th</b>	<b>Friday of the Sixth Week of Easter</b>	10.00	Petrona Aga-in+
<b>Sat 16th</b>	<b>Saturday of the Sixth Week of Easter</b>	12.00	Barlow Family Intentions
<b>Sun 17th</b>	<b>Seventh Sunday of Easter</b>	9.30	Rose Kenefick+
		11.00	People of the Parish

Tea & Coffee in the Parish Hall .....after Sunday masses  
 Children's Liturgy (Sign in required)..... Sunday 9.30  
 Holy Hour .....after Wednesday morning mass  
 Confessions.....during Holy Hour Wednesday & at call  
 Choir Practice..... 18.00 Monday in Church  
 Sunday Readings:..... Year A  
 Weekday Readings: ..... Year 2  
 Baptisms.....Contact the Deacon  
 Marriages: .....Contact the Parish Priest  
 Mother's Prayer Group..... 2nd & 4th Fridays 10.30  
 Rosary Group....Fridays 10.30 when no Mother's Prayers  
 Friendship Club ..... 14.00 Fridays  
 Safeguarding & Data Protection Officer  
 ..... Mary Basing 07969 120264

### Cycle of Prayer: Easter

New Members of the Church, Vocations, Human Work, The Right Use of the Media, The Church



The Ascension, Rembrandt 1636

In today's Gospel, Jesus speaks tenderly to his disciples on the night before his Passion. He links love directly to obedience: 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments.' True love for Christ is not merely emotional. It is shown in faithful living according to his teaching.

Yet Jesus does not leave us to struggle alone. He promises the Holy Spirit, the Advocate (Paraclete), who will remain with us forever as the Spirit of truth. The world cannot receive him because it neither sees nor knows him. But we know him, for he lives in us. Most consoling of all is Jesus' assurance: 'I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.'

Even after his Ascension, the Risen Lord remains present through the Holy Spirit. Because he lives, we also live. And one day we will fully realise the profound unity: Christ in the Father, and we in him. This passage prepares us for the great feast of Pentecost. The same Spirit who empowered the Apostles is given to every baptised Christian. He teaches us, reminds us of Jesus' words, strengthens us to keep the commandments, and reveals Christ more deeply in our hearts.

## First Communion



The First Communion mass will be on Saturday 6th June at 12.00. For more information contact Angie on fhcteam.olqp@gmail.com.

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Love does not see with the eyes,  
but with the mind  
and therefore is winged cupid painted blind  
*William Shakespeare*

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## International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians

Each year on the Sixth Sunday of Easter, Christians from East and West unite in a special Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians. This day fosters solidarity between the Latin Church and our brothers and sisters in the Eastern Catholic Churches (Maronite, Chaldean, Melkite, Syriac, Armenian, and Coptic rites) as well as other Eastern Christian communities in communion with Rome.

Eastern Christians have maintained the faith in the ancient lands of the Middle East, North Africa, the Horn of Africa, India, and beyond for nearly 2,000 years; often in the face of great hardship, displacement, and persecution. Many live as minorities in regions affected by conflict, discrimination, and violence. Their rich liturgical traditions, deep spirituality, and unwavering witness enrich the whole universal Church.

- We thank God for the ancient heritage of the Christian East.
- We ask the Lord's protection, peace, and strength for Eastern Christians facing trials.
- We pray for greater unity between Eastern and Western Christians, as Jesus desired: 'that they may all be one'.
- We remember that when one part of the Body of Christ suffers, we all suffer.

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The Lord loveth a cheerful giver.  
He also accepteth from a grouch

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## Sponsored Walk

Thanks for your sponsorship of my 13-mile fund raising walk for Alzheimer/Dementia. Donation link is open till August 1st [www.justgiving.com/page/allan-wheeler-1](http://www.justgiving.com/page/allan-wheeler-1). Contact Allan Wheeler on 07782968593.

## Pastoral Area Children's Liturgy Get-Together

There will be a meeting Saturday 13th June from 10.00-11.30 at Immaculate Conception & St Joseph Parish Centre, Christchurch for those involved in leading or helping with Children's Liturgy of the Word in local parishes to share experiences and ideas, to pray together and see how you may be able to support each other going forward and what other support you might find helpful.

## Marriage Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or anniversary over 60 years? If so, Bishop Philip would like to invite you to a Mass of celebration. This will take place at St Bede's Church in Basingstoke on Saturday 20th June at 11am. It will be followed by a buffet lunch. It is a wonderful occasion to celebrate and witness to Marriage. Please contact the parish secretary if you would like to attend.

## Holding Our Young People in Prayer

Exam season can be a challenging time for many of our young people and, once again, St Peter's school would like to invite you to help support their exam students through your prayers please. How? It's easy: look out for a bowl with slips in, each with the first name of either a Year 11 or Year 13 student on it then please randomly pick a slip and keep that student in your prayers. The written exams start soon and finish on 18th June. We'd also like to offer you the opportunity to write a message of support to your student (or to them all collectively) – just collect a blank slip from the other bowl, write your message and pop it back in the second bowl. The school will then come and collect these messages and display them for all the students to read and see that you are praying. Thank you for 'Holding Our Young People in Prayer' at this very important time in their life. God bless from St Peter's Chaplaincy team

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Pray, hope, and don't worry

*St. Padre Pio*

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## Thy Kingdom Come

Join us as we pray with others throughout the world during the 10 days between Ascension and Pentecost 14th to 24th May. **Saturday 16th May** 11am-6pm: Prayer Tent at Fisherman's Walk during the SOBO Food & Fun Festival 4-6pm: Prayer stations at Our Lady Queen of Peace, 18 Douglas Road, BH6 3ER 6-11pm: Prayer Vigil at Immanuel Prayer Room, 120 Southbourne Road, BH6 3QJ. **Sunday 17th May** 12.30-4.30pm: Prayer stations at Our Lady Queen of Peace. **Tuesday 19th May** 6.30pm-9.15pm: Prayer Walk Starting at St. Nicholas Church, Broadway, Hengistbury Head BH6 4EP and finishing at All Saints Church, Castlemain Avenue.

## Recent Collections

Standing Orders £410, Sunday £292, Contactless £205, with thanks.

## Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

**Readers:** 9.30 J Carr-Jones, R Hernandez 11.00 A Alagbaoso, M-A Jean-Francois **Ministers:** 9.30 S Smith 11.00 N Jean-Francois **n/w Readers:** 9.30 T McCaffrey, L Pritchard 11.00 V Rochford, V Dybka **n/w Ministers:** 9.30 C Allen 11.00 V Rochford

## Forthcoming Dates

Feast of Blessed Margaret Pole ..... 29th May  
First Communion..... 6th June  
Parish Fete..... 28th June  
Father Ryan Browne's First Anniversary .....26th July