



Church of Our Lady Queen of Peace and Blessed Margaret Pole

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Seventh Sunday of Easter

17th May 2026

Father, glorify your Son

Mass Times

Sat 16th	Saturday of the Sixth Week of Easter	12.00 Barlow Family Intentions
Sun 17th	Seventh Sunday of Easter	9.30 Rose Kenefick+
		11.00 People of the Parish
Mon 18th	Monday of the Seventh Week of Easter	10.00 Romilly Meager (ill)
Tue 19th	Dedication of the Cathedral	10.00 Hazel Dawkins+
Wed 20th	Wednesday of the Seventh Week of Easter	10.00 Fiona Lambert
Thu 21st	Thursday of the Seventh Week of Easter	No Mass
Fri 22nd	Friday of the Seventh Week of Easter	10.00 Genevieve Fiebre+
Sat 23rd	Saturday of the Seventh Week of Easter	12.00 Thanksgiving for the birth of Teddy Pritchard
Sun 24th	Pentecost Sunday	9.30 Mayra Irwin
		11.00 People of the Parish



The Chi Rho Symbol
from an Early Christian Sarcophagus, Vatican Museum

Tea & Coffee in the Parish Hallafter Sunday masses
 Children's Liturgy (Sign in required)..... Sunday 9.30
 Holy Hourafter 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 GroupFridays 10.30 when no Mother's Prayers
 Friendship Club 14.00 Fridays
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Cycle of Prayer: Easter

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

In today's Gospel, Jesus says, 'This is eternal life: that they may know you, the one true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent' (John 17:3). This verse meant a great deal to Father Francis Jordan, our founder. He returned to it again and again because of that simple but profound word, 'know.'

At first, we might think of knowledge as information. We might think of knowing about God, knowing about Jesus, and knowing what he taught. But in the Gospel of John, 'to know' means something much deeper. It is not just understanding. It is relationship. It is to live in communion with God, to recognise his presence, to trust him, and to share in his life.

Jesus is not speaking about a distant or abstract knowledge. He speaks of a living relationship, like the relationship he himself has with the Father. 'I in them and you in me.' This is a knowing that changes us from within. And this is eternal life. It is not only something we hope for in the future. It begins now, as we come to know the Father through the Son. This was at the heart of the mission of Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan. He wanted people not only to learn about God, but to come to know him, to enter into that living relationship which is already the beginning of eternal life.



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.

**A house is built by hands,
but a home is built by heart**

A Prayer by Thomas à Kempis

Grant to us, O Lord,
to know that which is worth knowing,
to love that which is worth loving,
to praise whatever pleases you most,
to esteem whatever is most precious to you,
and to dislike whatever is evil in your eyes.
Do not let us judge
merely by what we see with our eyes,
nor to decide based on what we hear
from ignorant men,
but to discern with true judgment
between things visible and spiritual,
and above all to search out and to do
what is well pleasing to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Acquire the habit of speaking to God
as if you were alone with Him,
familiarly and with confidence and love**

St Alphonsus Liguori

Pastoral Area Children's Liturgy Get-Together

There will be a meeting on 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. It would be good if as many of our Children's Liturgy leaders as possible could attend.

Garden Fete

The Garden Fete will take place on Sunday 28 June 2026. It will be a fun afternoon for all the family. Of course, it takes a lot of organisation in advance. Nicola is looking for some volunteers to help in the weeks leading up to the Fete and on the day. If you would like to be involved, please contact Nicola on 07966 222463.

Thank you for the Music, Mary Rickard!

There will be a presentation in Church, after 11.00 Mass today Sunday 17th May, to give thanks for Mary's long-term dedication to this Parish as its organist. Please join Mary and her daughter for refreshments in the Hall or Garden afterwards, weather permitting.

Marriage Anniversary Mass

Are you celebrating a 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th or anniversary over 60 years? If so, you are invited to a Mass of celebration at St Bede's Church, 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.

Thy Kingdom Come

Join us as we pray with others throughout the world during the ten 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.

**You can't control the length of your life,
but you can control
the width and the depth of it**

Holding Our Young People in Prayer

Exam season can be a challenging time for many young people and, once again, St Peter's school would like to invite you to help support exam students through your prayers please. There is a bowl at the back of the Church with slips in with the first name of either a Year 11 or Year 13 student on it. Please randomly pick a slip and keep that student in your prayers. 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, just collect a blank slip from the other bowl, write your message and pop it back in that bowl. The school will 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. God bless from the Chaplaincy team.

St Peter's Year 5 Information Evening for Entry into Year 7 September 2027 – See poster in porch

Recent Collections

Standing Orders £410, Sunday £213, Contactless £125, with thanks.

Readers and Eucharistic Ministers

Readers: 9.30 T McCaffrey, L Pritchard 11.00 V Rochford, V Dybka **Ministers:** 9.30 V Brooks 11.00 L Hanson **n/w Readers:** 9.30 B Nanovo, S Smith 11.00 C Wright, L Goodall **n/w Ministers:** 9.30 J Happe 11.00 N Jean-Francoise

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