OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Psalter Week 2

NEXT WEEKS READING

3rd Sunday of Lent Readings:

1st Reading :Exodus 20:1-3.

7-8. 12-17.

2nd Reading: Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1:22

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Gospel: John 2:13-25

Gospel Reflection

St Mark's account of the transfiguration comes at the very cusp of his Gospel, at the half-way point. Our Lord has been up until now proclaiming the Good News (from which we get our Anglo Saxon word 'Gospel') that the Kingdom of God has begun, by teaching the truth, healing, casting out the power of the devil and forming round him those who would become the Church. Having given all these signs (or, as we might say, dropped all these hints) about who he really was, he asked his disciples who they thought he was. Famously, St Peter spoke up and acknowledged him as the Messiah, (the Christ in Greek) the Son of God. Our Lord then gave his teaching that it was necessary that he suffer and die. It is at this point that he takes Peter, James and John only (perhaps only these had been able either to accept him as Messiah at this point, or else only these had understood the necessity of his death, though St Matthew tells us that Peter was slow on the uptake) and showed them his glory. First faith, then revelation. The Preface of today's Mass tells us that this extraordinary showing of his divine nature was to prepare and strengthen the disciples for the shock that our Lord's passion and death was to be to them, and encourage them to believe that he would rise again.

There is, also, another message in the Gospel. St Paul tells us that our risen bodies will be like our Lord's; in other words, although the transfigured body of Christ was not his resurrected body, we are meant to understand that the one somehow forshadows the other; there is intended to be a link between them. But it ought to give us courage to press ahead with bearing our own cross in Lent, for the glory that is to come. The martyr St Philip Howard carved into the wall over the fireplace of the Beauchamp Tower, in the Tower of London these words which sound as though they come from scripture, but which I have been unable to find: 'the more we suffer for Christ in this world, the more glory with him in the next'. May God give us all such faith, resignation and firm resolution, not just this Lent but throughout what remains of our lives.





Baptisms

Next week Millie Thwaites will be baptised.

Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 6th March Praying for the Bahamas Local Services to be held at: Douglas Brunton Centre at 10:45am Oakhall Church, Francis Road, Caterham at 7:30pm ALL ARE WELCOME



There will be **Stations of the Cross** weekly at 6.30pm on
Fridays. Various parish groups
will also lead the Stations at
other times during the week.
Each group will choose a
different theme. **Today** the
theme will be Justice and
Peace and will be lead by the
CAFOD Group at 3pm in the
Church.

Parish shop

Lent extra. £1, Children's Lent Activity sheet 50p, Games for lent, Daily Lent reading, Stations of the Cross & Easter Cards. These and many more items are available in the Parish Shop.

St Patrick's Parish Breakfast

Tuesday 17th March 2015 at 10:30am The Centenary Hall
Please join us as we celebrate St Patrick's Day,
we will be providing a lovely cooked breakfast

we will be providing a lovely cooked breakfast for Parishioners. Please sign the form at the back of Church if you are able to attend - this will give us an idea of numbers to cater for. For information please contact Karen on 07775 996012.

LUNCH CLUB

Wednesday 4th March at 1pm. Menu; Corned beef casserole with vegetables, followed by rice pudding with fruit puree, coffee or tea and a raffle. Come and join us for the meal and conversation.

Gift Aid

Peter Kelly will be at the back of Church after all of the Sunday Masses to provide you with your new gift aid envelopes. Please don't forget to pick yours up.

COAT - QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 7th March 2015 at St Mary's Church Hall 7pm for 7:30pm. Tickets are £7 Bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles. Light

Refreshments with Tea or Coffee.

Prizes, spot prizes, booby prizes and Raffle. For tickets call Ann Walker on 01883 624773



COLOMA CONVENT GIRLS' SCHOOL

Upper Shirley Road, Croydon CR9 5AS www.coloma.croydon.sch.uk

Full-Time Teacher of Geography for September 2015 or earlier

The Governors are seeking to appoint a dynamic and well qualified teacher of Geography to work in a very successful and committed department. The post is open to experienced Geography teachers as well as NQTs. Candidates must be able to teach across the age and ability range to A-level and have an empathy with the Catholic ethos of the school.

Closing Date: Friday 13th March 2015

An application form and further details are available to download from the school website

or contact Mrs. S. Dawson on 020 8654 6228 ext: 229





Youth Club

There will be no Youth Club in the hall next Friday, 6th March. The next session will be earlier than usual, on Friday 27th March, due to the Easter holidays. It will be an animal handling session, run by Darwin's Kingdom, open to all children in school years 3 to 6 in the Centenary Hall from 7pm to 8.30pm. £2 per person.



Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday (29th March) is five weeks away – but reserve the date in your diaries NOW! This year we have made it a truly family-friendly spiritual experience! Not

only do we have our normal Palm Sunday 'Day of Recollection' but we also have a Children's Activity Day. Designed for young people from School Years 1 to 8, the Activity Day will be a fun day of story-telling, and creativity. The Day of Recollection will be a day of quiet prayer and thoughtful meditation. The theme for both activities is the disciples' journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus — not only a good story in its own right, but a reflection of our own life's journey - a fitting end to Lent and a preparation for Easter. The day will start after the 10.45 Mass (about 11.45) and will finish about 4.15p.m. — with a 'shared lunch' in the middle. Signup now! (sheets at the back of the church).

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory: £830.00 (Gift Aid £341.51)

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 1st: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am and 10:45am

NB LITTLE LITURGY WILL ONLY BE AT 9am

MASS this week

Coffee after 9am & 10:45am Masses

3pm Stations of the Cross

Mon: After Mass Teas & Coffee (Old Hall)

Tues: 9:15am -11:15am Toddler Group (Old Hall)

Wed: 1pm Lunch Club (Cent Hall)

2pm Parish Women's Group AGM 8pm Journey of Faith (Old Sacristy)

Fri: 6:30pm Stations of the Cross (Church)

Sun 8th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am only

9:30am- 10:30am FHC Children's session

10:45am Youth Mass

Coffee after 10:45am Mass

Parish Women's Group are holding their A.G.M. on Wednesday 4th March in the Centenary Hall at approximately 2 pm after Lunch Club.

A Day for the Lord

A Day for the Lord 7th March - sadly this event has had to be postponed. Thank you to those of you who have signed up to take part. A similar event will be planned for the future.

Second Collection

TODAY we will have a second collection for CAFOD Lenten Fast Day. This is not eligible for Parish Gift Aid, please do not use your Parish envelopes

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Next Children's' Session: Sun 08/03/15:



It is important that all children make this session as we will be going through what to expect at the Reconciliation Service and taking them into the church. In the meantime, could you please keep practicing; the Sign of the Cross, the Act of Contrition. It would also be useful to talk about the 10 Commandments and the examination of conscience. Could parents please make sure that the book is completed at home before the next session – thank you.

Dates for your Diary:

Sat 14/03/15: 11.30am – Reconciliation Service in Church (Every child must be accompanied by at least one parent to this service).

Sat 21/03/15: 2pm - Tour of the Church
If you have any queries, please contact **Anne Marie Young**either via email on fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com



Your Prayers are requested for the following persons who are ill or housebound.

Pat Knight; Kathleen & John Saunders; Helen Keogh;
Daisy Hill; Christopher Browne;
Kit Monk; Krista Thompson; Jane Hill; Rosemary Whale;
Pam Weaver; Jimmy & Bridie Mullen; Bernie
Horrocks; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah;
Jenny Rower; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen Lattimore;
Bryan Smith; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard
Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy;
Olive Wood; John Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, Malcolm
Bowen, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Bridget Crook &
Baby Tabitha Harrison

FESTIVAL 5

Diocesan Jubilee on 5th July

Please keep this date free. There will be coaches going from the parish to join all the other parishes in the diocese in celebrating 50 Years of the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton. Help is needed to organise this event for the parish. Please contact Eliz Wood 01883 348081

Calling all children of the Parish

We would like to invite all the children of the parish to make an Easter Garden to bring into Church on Easter Sunday and to be on display throughout Easter week. An Easter Garden usually includes Jesus' tomb and the three crosses but you can add the garden of Gethsemane, an angel, people, grow real grass and flowers in it! They can be made in seed trays, lined cardboard boxes, wide flower pots — it's completely up to you as long as the container is no bigger than A3 size (but can be smaller). For lots of ideas log onto Google images and type in 'Easter Gardens' then let your creativity run wild. Entries can come from individuals, family groups or

club groups. All entrants will receive a small chocolate egg. Parents – it can be a lovely, creative, active way to bring Easter to life and the children could add something to their gardens each week during Lent!



Stress in Your Marriage? - Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This programme has helped 6,000 couples who were experiencing difficulties in their marriage in the past year. For confidential information about or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on 20th -22nd March 2015, the email info@retrouvaille.org.uk; call or text

0788 7296983 or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

CONTACTS

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Parish Youth Clubs:

(First Friday during school term. 7pm)

Mel Flaherty

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5th Caterham Scouts

Paul Lovell: 07712 436591 paul lovell@rocketmail.com

Chill Club

(Last Friday during school term. 7pm)

Veronique Wood

St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler

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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Sunday 1st March	Second Sunday in Lent
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Josephine Regip (AR Edward)
5:15pm Mass	Akram Al Shiekh(Mrs Al Shiekh)
Monday 2nd	
10:00am Mass	Amor Sohawon RIP (Leila)
Tuesday 3rd	
10:00am Mass	Annie & Leonard Balcombe RIP (Peggy)
Wednesday 4th	
10:00am Latin Mass	Mariecella Jamulis (AR Edward)
Thursday 5th	
10:00am Mass	Edgar & Edna Latcham RIP
Friday 6th	
7:00pm Mass	Fr K Gardiner Ints (U Koh)
Saturday 7th	
10:00am Mass	Alf Gallogly RIP (R & G Walker)
Sunday 8th	Third Sunday in Lent
9:00am Mass	Tabitha Harrison Ints (A Harrison)
10:45am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Agustine Mendonsa RIP (D'Souza family)



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am
Lauds Mondays at 9:45 am
Rosary Wednesday & Thursday at 9:40am
Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament
Fundays: Nam. 10am: Saturdays: Nam. 11am

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; Saturdays: 9am - 11am **Stations of the Cross** - Friday 6:30pm