## Sacred Heart Parish



## THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 1st October 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am Mass -Innocent Family Ints (Foundation) 10:45am Mass -Campbell Clark RIP (Clark family) 5:15pm Mass -People of the Parish

<u>Monday 2nd</u> Guardian Angels **10am Mass -**Cathy Linsell RIP (Peggy)

Tuesday 3rd Blessed Martyrs of Sussex 10am Mass - Thanksgiving (O Famori)

Wednesday 4th St Francis of Assisi 10am Latin Mass -Grant & Loretta Lane (Linton family)

Thursday 5th 10am Mass -Cathy Linsell RIP (Moyra & Rienzie)

> Friday 6th St Bruno 7pm Mass-

Saturday 7th Our Lady of the Rosary 10am Mass -Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor RIP (Parish)

Sunday 8th 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9:00am Mass -Maura Collard RIP (L Leake) 10:45am Mass -Gerry O'Connor RIP (Lovat family) 5:15pm Mass -People of the Parish

## Twenty sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Baptisms - Elizabeth Knight, Orla Trumper & Jacob Lester will be baptised her. Please keep them in your prayers.

The Justice and Peace Group welcome you to come and join us every first Friday of the month after Mass at 7.30pm to pray the Peace Rosary and reflect on the need for justice and peace in the many areas across the globe. The next date is Friday 6th October.

What is the New Testament?

Who were the Gospel writers – and why is St John's different? - and what about Paul? Join us for an elucidation of these and more – and of the readings for next Sunday

All welcome! 8.00p.m. Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> October, in the Old Hall A FILM ' Faith of our Fathers' will be shown on Friday 6th October in the Old Hall at 7.30pm after Mass . ALL WEL-COME.

LUNCH CLUB: Wednes day 4th. October at 1pm in the Centenary Hall. This months menu is Cottage pie and vegetables. Treacle tart and custard. Followed by tea, coffee and a raffle. All for £4:50. All welcome

Sign up now for the Parish retreat! Come to Woldingham on the 23rd October. Only £20, and a light lunch and Mass provided! Posters and sign-up sheets at the back of the church. Catch it while there are still places! We have been asked about payment: if you have already signed up, please put your money in an envelope marked 'Retreat' and your name and put it through the office door – or give it to one of the Journey of Faith team.



HOPE 2017 - FESTIVAL DAY FOR 11-14s, WITH RISE THEATRE On Sunday November 19th (2pm to 5.30pm) the diocese is running a festival day for young people aged 11-14 at Arundel Cathedral. The day coincides with the first World Day for the Poor, and will challenge us to think about how we are living Christ's call to serve those in need. The day will include Mass with Bishop Richard, as well as drama from RISE Theatre, and input from CAFOD and others. Spaces are limited, so booking is Contact essential. Jack.Regan@dabnet.org for more information, or to book. We are expecting those attending to be part of organised groups. Young people wanting to attend without accompanying adults must contact Jack Regan

Charity Concert in aid of International Needs - 12th October 7:30pm, St Luke's Church

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for CAFOD Fast Day (CAFOD Gift Aid envelopes are available).

First Holy Communion We remind candidates that they should remain in Mass and not leave for Children's Liturgy. Please also remember to collect your badge and sign in before Mass every week. If you have any queries please email FHC@scared-heart.co.uk

Laleham Lea School -Vacancies- F/T Level 3 Nursery Practitioner Required & Caretaker. Please see notice board for details.

Coloma Convent Girls School, Sixth Form Open Events 2017: Tues 3rd Oct 5.30pm - 7.30pm & all years Sat 14th Oct 9.30am - 11.30am coloma.croydon.sch.uk

Romero - of El Salvador NATIONAL CHURCH TOUR Comes to Caterham 21st October 2017 - Love is a heartbeat...

The true story of Blessed Oscar Romero and the people of El Salvador is brought to life with explosive energy and passion from the RISE theatre team, accompanied

Offertory Collection Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory: £933 (Gift Aid: £389.87) by an original sound track from James Joshua Otto and inspiring graffiti set design by Gage Graphics. For Tickets contact Marion on 07983 384385 or on line at www.ticketsource.co.uk/ boxoffice/select/ EJNDsQQLVMXS

**Candle safety-** Please can we once again reiterate the importance of safety around candles. Children should not be allowed to play near, under or hold onto the candle holders during Mass.

**Parking** - Please remember to park only in marked bays on the Church drive and not on the yellow lines, even those that appear to have been painted out.

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS Isaiah 5:1-7 Philippians 4:6-9 Matthew 21:33-43

Morning Prayer every Monday 9:40am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday 9am to 10am Rosary every Thursday 9:40am Confessions every Saturday 10:30am - 11:00am Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - after Saturday Mass Benediction every Sunday 4:45pm Your Prayers are requested for the following people 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 Mullen; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Elise O'Connor, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Baby Tabitha Harrison, Christine Vernon, Maureen Kelly, Mary Wallace, Don Hancock, Gina Waiton, Joe Kelly, Ian Lester, Fred Ardley, Charmaine Wise, Breda Sharpe, Richard Sowa & Pat Power.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 1st:	Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses
	Coffee & Teas after 9am & 10:45am Mass
Mon 2nd:	Coffee & Tea after 10am Mass
	7:30pm Laudato Si' session 4 (Old Hall)
Tues 3rd:	9:15am - 11:15am Toddler Group (St Thomas' Hall)
	7:30pm Justice & Peace meeting
	8pm Choir practice (Old Hall)
Wed 4th:	8:30am Ecumenical morning prayer
	1pm Lunch Club (Cent Hall)
	8pm Journey of Faith (Old Hall)
Thurs 5th:	7:30pm SVP (Old Hall)
Fri 6th:	7:30pm Parish Women's Group (old Hall)
	7:30pm Peace Rosary (Church)
Sat 7th:	11:30am FHC Session 1a (Old Hall)
Sun 8th:	Children's liturgy at 9am Mass only
	10:45am Scout Mass
	Coffee & Teas after 10:45am Mass

**Gospel Reflection -** One can always change one's mind: that is the good thing about the Christian religion. It is never too late.

Sometimes as a priest one can get a little depressed at the number of parents who cheerfully promise before God to bring their child up as a Catholic Christian at its baptism, intending to do no such thing, or at least interpreting 'bringing up their child as Catholic' in a sense very far from what the Church intends. Reasons, of course, can be manifold. Often there is a real intention that the child 'belong' in some sense to the Catholic Church, a desire that the child's identity, in however inchoate a way, should include at least some fragment of the family's social and religious history; sometimes the baptism is simply to please grandparents; or, lowest on the scale of acceptability, simply provide an occasion to have a party and 'wet the baby's head', welcome it, in other words.

To initiate life in the Kingdom of God, with all that means, and never to follow it through, or worse, to treat it simply as an occasion for a knees-up is truly awful—some might call it blasphemous. However, and it is a big however, we do understand that the sacraments work ex opere operato; which is to say that they 'work' irrespective of the bad dispositions (as long as they are not actually *contrary* dispositions) of those who bring it about. The child truly is a child of God, truly has received sacramental grace, truly is a Christian, and that grace will be available to the child through its life; all that is necessary is that he or she turn to God, make a good confession and start to live the sort of life that the original baptism implied. Which happens quite often, actually.

The message, then, of today's Gospel is that, put simply, the proof of the pudding is in the eating. Or as our Lord says elsewhere, (Matthew 7:21) It is not those who say to me Lord, Lord, who will enter the kingdom of heaven, but those who do the will of my Father.

**CAFOD Evening of Entertainment – Saturday 7th October, 7.00-10.30pm** Please purchase tickets this weekend to assist with catering. (£10 adults, £5 children) Available after Mass or telephone 01883 345749

At the recent Parish AGM it was agreed that we would try to reinstate the Parish Taxi Drivers Rota that was previously organised by the Knights of St Columba to bring people with mobility problems to Sunday Mass. The Catenians are trying to take this forward and as a first step they need to identify a sufficient number of volunteer drivers. Would anyone able to commit themselves to this service, on say a monthly basis, please contact John Baron on 0208 763 2144 or johndavidbaron@gmail.com.

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