# **OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER**



# Twenty Eighth Sunday In Ordinary Times 12th October 2014

# Sacred Heart Parish Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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Weekday 28 Year II Morning Prayer Psalter Week 4

Matthew 22:1-14

Jesus said to the chief priests and elders of the people, 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son's wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. "Tell those who have been invited" he said "that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding." But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, "The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding." So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, "How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?" And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth." For many are called, but few are chosen.

# **Gospel Reflection**

We have today another parable of the Kingdom of God. Like the parable we heard last week (the landowner and the rebellious tenants) this week's parable begins with the same theme about warning the Jews that if they do not do something to deserve the Kingdom of God, they will be shut out from it, and it will be given to others. And, again, as last week, we should take note of this and apply it to ourselves lest we, too, be shut out of the Kingdom of God for our negligence. It is never a bad idea to take those criticisms aimed by our Lord at the Jewish race and see if they apply equally to us Catholics, 'the new Israel of God' in our own situation.

This is borne out by the second part of the parable, which describes the situation when those from the highways and byways have been gathered in to the wedding. These new guests correspond to the Gentiles; those despised by the Jews, but now found to be more welcome in the Kingdom of God than they. We find that one of these Gentiles loses the seat at the banquet that he thought he had found. He is astute enough to have taken advantage of the King's invitation, but fails to realise that appropriate behaviour is still expected of him. It is not enough just to be invited. Should he prove ungrateful, he can expect to share the fate of the Jews. This is the meaning of the wedding garment; yes, we Gentiles have been granted this huge grace to become part of God's family, but woe betide us if we treat it lightly, or our host contemptuously.

The Fathers of the Church have likened this wedding garment to all sorts of things, most commonly the white baptismal robe of sinlessness, and the wedding feast to the eternal banquet of heaven, anticipated in the Mass on earth. Those, then, who approach the Eucharist without their white robe (which is to say with serious sins unconfessed) are, like the unwelcome guest in the Gospel, only making trouble for themselves with their most generous Host. Let us take note!

# **First Holy Communion 2015**



# Dates for your diary:

- 06/11/14 (Thursday) 2<sup>nd</sup> Parents Evening, 8pm Old Hall
- **08/01/15 (Thursday) –** 3<sup>rd</sup> Parents Evening, 8pm Old Hall
- 11/01/15 (Sunday) Children's 1<sup>st</sup> Session and Enrolment Mass (10:30am)

Please keep an eye out for any changes in dates.

*Have you registered with the Parish yet?* Forms can be downloaded from the website <a href="www.sacred-heart.co.uk">www.sacred-heart.co.uk</a>, (under Our Parish). There are also some hard copies at the back of the church.

If you have any questions, please contact **Anne Marie Young** either via email on fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com or by mobile on **07949 938 984**.

#### **Drivers required**

Please contact the Parish Office if you would be able to collect a Parishioner for Sunday Masses (for any of the 3 Masses) and return them home again after Mass. We need a driver to collect from Sunny Rise in Chaldon and a driver to collect from Hillcroft Court on Chaldon Road. Many thanks

# **Second collection next Sunday**

There will be a second collection next Sunday for Missio.



# Caterham Overseas Aid Trust - Date for your diary

Barn Dance on Saturday 22nd November 2014 at 7pm



# **Leaven Committee**

As announced by Father Sean at the 9am Mass last Sunday, the 9am Leaven committee meet this Sunday at 10am. If anyone has any points for discussion then please contact one of the Committee members.

# Fr John Oliver - Oxted & Warlingham Parish Priest

Please keep Fr John in your prayers as he recovers from his recent surgery.



## **CAFOD – HARVEST FAST DAY**

Many thanks to those who supported the 'Soup Lunch/Supper' on Harvest Fast Day. £85.75 was raised to support the work of CAFOD.

Diary Date: CAFOD Quiz Night on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November

#### Thank vou

To the members of the Double C Club for the donation to the Parish of £1,000

# **Offertory Collection**

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Offertory - 1,057.83 (Gift Aid £434.40)
Second collection for CAFOD Harvest Fast Day - £578.17.

# Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion ("Eucharistic ministers")

If you are taking Holy Communion from Mass to the sick or housebound, please would you in future observe the following procedure:

On the credence (side table) in the sanctuary there will be a box with unconsecrated hosts. Please place in your own pyx the number of hosts you require and place it on the little tray which will later be brought to the altar at the offertory to be consecrated. You will need to make sure you can identify your own pyx. There is, therefore, no need to leave notes with names on.

Please come to the altar step after Communion to receive the Blessed Sacrament and a blessing, and then leave the church directly.

If you have other duties after Mass, or are ministering at that Mass, please mention this to me beforehand, and I will leave your pyx on the High Altar by the tabernacle for you to collect when you are ready after Mass is over.

God bless you for your kind ministry to the sick.

#### **CAFOD's Concert in Arundel Cathedral**

The distinguished **Weybridge Male Voice Choir** will be giving a concert, which will also feature music from The Opera Bellas on the 1st of November 2014 at 7pm (approximately 2 hours). Tickets are £10 and £5 for under 16s and Professed Religious. Refreshments will be served during the interval. Contact: <a href="mailto:arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk">arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk</a> (01483 898866) for more information or to buy tickets.



#### Sacred Heart Parish Club

The Club will reopen on Friday 17th October and will be open every Friday from 7:30pm to 11pm (children to leave by 9pm) and Sunday from 12pm to 2pm. If you are not a member and would like to join or volunteer on the bar rota please contact club@sacred-heart.co.uk

#### WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 12th: Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:30am Masses

Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass (Old Hall)

(Chris & Eva O'Connor)

Christmas Fayre Meeting after 10:30am Mass

(Bar)

10am Leaven meeting

Mon: Coffee & Tea after Mass (Old Hall)

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

Fri: 7:30pm - 11pm Sacred Heart Club open

Sun 19th: Children's liturgy at 9 & 10.30am Mass

Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass

(M O'Donoghue & A Baker)

12pm - 2pm Sacred Heart Club open 3pm Mass for St Philip Howard: Arundel Cathedral Mass followed by Tea & Coffee.

Karen Rattigan has kindly offered to organise the Christmas Fayre this year which will be held on 14th December 2014. If you would like to help please come along to the meeting after the 10:30am

#### Diocesan Launch of CAFOD's Climate Change Campaign

On the evening of the **21st of October** in St. Mary's Catholic Church, Cassidy Centre, Brighton, we will launch CAFOD's new climate change campaign in our Diocese. The campaign, 'One Climate, One World' will focus on climate change which is threatening countless people in poverty throughout the world. We will have special guests to enlighten and inspire us and we hope to have the local MP, Caroline Lucas in the line-up along with Jesy and Adan from CAFOD's Peruvian Partners, CEAS. Contact arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk (01483 898866) for more information or to let us know you will join us.

The winners of the October draw for the Double C Club are:

£70 John Baron £50 John Watts £30 Eileen Ball

A further cheque for £1,000. was given to Fr Seán from the club to the parish, this is possible by the continued support of the members so" thank you"

We are always looking for new members to join. The cost is £24 per year which is less than 50p per week.

I will be in the porch after Sunday's 5.15 mass if anyone to like to

# **Discovering Priesthood Day:**

An opportunity to explore a vocation to the priesthood with, at the same time, a chance to visit St John's Seminary and meet seminarians. Included in the day is a time for prayer, discussion, relaxation and activities as well as Holy Mass for All Saint's Day. On 1 November at St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford GU5 0QX from 10am-5pm for Men aged 16-50. More information from Fr Terry Martin 07545 576627 orvocations@dabnet.org



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

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



John Fisher School currently have the following vacancies

# **PUBLIC EXAMINATION INVIGILATORS** required as soon as possible

The John Fisher School is currently looking to increase its team of Public Examination Invigilators. You will be required to work for a period of 6 weeks during May and June and to invigilate internal examinations throughout the year. To be remunerated at £8.00 per hour.

Telephone enquiries to Mrs Bourne, Examinations Officer are welcome.

Application forms (support staff) are available by downloading via the website on www.johnfisherschool.org where further information on the school may also be found. Completed application forms should be sent with a covering letter to Mrs Rigby, Office Manager on <a href="mailto:irigby3@suttonmail.org">irigby3@suttonmail.org</a> by the closing date Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> October 2014. Interviews will be held on Thursday, 23 October 2014.

The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and to equality of opportunity. An enhanced disclosure from the Disclosure and Barring Service will be required.



#### **Baptisms**

Next week Darcy Dolce will be baptised.

Jubilee Event ~ Follow Me: Exploring What it Means to be a Disciple of Jesus Today - Speaker Fr Christopher Jamison, Director of the National Office of Vocation and monk of Worth Abbey on Saturday 15th November 10am - 3:30pm at Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Upper Drive, Hove. The day includes Talks, Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation. No booking necessary. Bring a packed lunch. To find out more,

emailadmin@wellspringbrighton.org.uk.



# School application form signing

Fr Seán will sign your School application forms after Sunday Masses. Please complete as much of the form as possible and if you have a reference letter from Fr Kieran please bring this along with you.

# **CONTACTS**

#### Parish Office:

Leila Merrett (Mondays & Wednesdays : 9.30 am - 12.30 pm) info@sacred-heart.co.uk 01883 343241

#### **Baptism Preparation:**

John Baron 0208 763 2144

# **Marriage Preparation:**

(6 months notice required) - Fr Seán

# Journey of Faith (RCIA):

Peter Lovat 01883 345749 peter\_lovat@yahoo.com

# **Chair of Liturgy Group:**

Eliz Wood
elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com

# **Centenary Hall Hire:**

Anne Marie Young 07724 613407 thecenthall@gmail.com

#### **First Holy Communion**

Anne Marie Young 07949 938984 fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com

## Safeguarding:

Dee Hall and Jacqui Voorbach e-mail: safeguardingreps@gmail.com

# Gift Aid:

Peter Kelly 01883 330684 peterf\_kelly@o2.co.uk

#### Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

Kelly Coyne: 07921 030991 kelly.coyne@btinternet.com

#### **Parish Youth Clubs:**

(First Friday during school term. 7pm) Mel Flaherty youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com

# 5th Caterham Scouts

Paul Lovell: 07712 436591

## **Chill Club**

Veronique Wood

#### **Chair of Parish Finance:**

Rayon Brown - raybrown2006@aol.com

# St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler

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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Sunday 12th	Twenty-eight Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am Mass	Lynn Bradbury RIP (Jean)
10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Bridget Ann Carroll RIP (T Moss)
Monday 13th	
10:00 am Mass	Kathleen Woodgate RIP (Mullen Family)
Tuesday 14th	
10.00 am Mass	Frank Hanley RIP (Family)
Wednesday 15th	St Teresa of Jesus
10.00am Latin Mass	The Reverend David Buckley RIP
Thursday 16th	
10.00 am Mass	George Reavey RIP (E Reavey)
Friday 17th	St Ignatius of Antioch
7.00 pm Mass	Beryl Dickenson RIP
Saturday 18th	St Luke
10.00 am Mass	Holy Souls (S Ellis)
Sunday 19th	St Philip Howard
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:30am Mass	Joan Borras RIP
5:15pm Mass	Annie Duffy Ints (Maura)



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am
Lauds Mondays at 9:45 am
Rosary Wednesday at 9:40am & Friday at 6:40pm
Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament
Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; Saturdays: 9am – 11am