

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



Sacred Heart Parish
Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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13th July 2014



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View from the back of our church

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Weekday 15 Year 2
Psalter Week 3

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Reflection on today's Gospel

Today's Gospel marks the beginning of the third long discourse given by Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew. Over the next few weeks, the Gospel readings will consist of the entire 13th Chapter of Matthew's Gospel, a lengthy teaching discourse.

Throughout this discourse, Jesus will offer several parables to illustrate for his listeners what he means by the kingdom of heaven. He begins with the parable of the sower, which appears rather straightforward—of course seeds grow best in good soil. Seeds that miss the soil, are sown on rocky ground, or are sown among other plants will not grow. The surprise in the parable is the enormous yield of the seed that is sown on good soil.

Jesus then explains his use of parables. Jesus seems to suggest that he uses parables to teach because the meanings of parables are not self-evident. The hearer must engage in some degree of reflection in order to comprehend the message of a parable. In this way, the medium—the parable—models the point of the parable of the sower. Those who are willing to engage themselves in the effort to understand will be rewarded by the discovery of the message and will bear fruit.

To bring home the point, Jesus interprets the parable of the sower to his disciples. The different types of soil in which the seeds are sown are metaphors for the disposition with which each individual hears the teaching about the kingdom of heaven. Some will be easily swayed away from the kingdom of heaven. Some will receive it for a time but will lose it when faced with difficulties. Some will hear the word but will then permit other cares to choke it out. Yet some will receive it well, and the seed will produce abundant fruit.

Commemoration of World War 1.-We Will Remember Them

The church will be open on 3rd August 2pm - 5pm to remember those who suffered during WW1. The 3rd August is the eve of Britain's declaration of war. The Sacred Heart Church was the chapel for the Irish Guards. See the parish website. We hope to encourage members of the local community to join us. Please come in at any time. There will be music playing with a short war poem read every 1/4 hour. You can leave a card with personal names which will be offered at 5.15 mass. Tea and cakes will be in the old Hall.

Please help. We need: people to be around in the church as helper volunteers to serve teas home made cake and biscuits. in the Old Hall. Bring a friend. There will be a display of copies of memorabilia. Have you a photo, newspaper cutting or family story you would like to share? Photo copies only. Please leave in the porch or in the office. Contact: Eliz Wood elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com / 01883 34801

First Holy Communion 2015



If your child will be in year 3 or above by 1st Sept 2014; then he or she can make their First Reconciliation and Holy Communion in 2015. This year the programme for the children will begin in January and it will culminate on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) on Sunday 7th June 2015 (presentation of First Communion Certificates) First Holy Communion day itself will be celebrated in two groups in May 2015 (date tbc), at 10.30am and at 1.30pm. There will be three compulsory meetings for the Catholic Parent on October 9th, November 6th & January 8th at 8 pm, to help you in your role as teachers of the faith, a condition of Baptism that you agreed to when your child was Christened. A register of attendance will be taken. Failure to attend all three meetings will result in your child's name being eliminated from the programme for this year, without refund. Please complete this form and return to the parish office by 30/09/13 with a cheque (payable to Sacred Heart Parish) or cash for £20 which will be your contribution towards the cost of the materials needed throughout the preparation and the flowers for First Communion Day. Families must be registered with the Parish. Please visit regularly the Sacred Heart Parish website (www.sacred-heart.co.uk) and click on Sacraments/Holy Communion for up to date information. ALL DATES TO BE CONFIRMED BY FR. SEAN IN SEPTEMBER.

Second Collection

Today is Sea Sunday. There will be a retiring collection towards the work of the Apostleship of the Sea. Next Sunday there will be a Second Collection for A Day for Life.

R.I.P.

On behalf of her brother and sisters (Keith, Val, Pat, June, Shirley and Karen), Marian Tokarski (Smith) announces the passing of their mother, Elizabeth (Betty) Smith in her native Liverpool on 9th June at the age of 98 years. Betty Smith was a member of the Sacred Heart Parish, having married there and spending over for 40 years in Caterham before returning to Liverpool in 1980. We would kindly ask for your prayers for the repose of her soul.

R.I.P.

Please pray for Louis Caruana who died this week.

SOCIAL TEACHING:

"ARCHBISHOP ROMERO AND THE OPTION FOR THE POOR"

Talk given by the very well-known JULIAN FILOCHOWSKI of the Romero Trust, formerly Director of CAFOD on Monday 21st July at 7.30 pm at St John's, Springfield Road, Horsham. RH12 2PJ. Oscar Romero, the Archbishop of San Salvador, was shot by a hired gunman while saying Mass at the altar of his chapel on 24th March 1980. Format for the evening will be: introductions and talk; break for refreshments; Q & A session. It takes approximately 30 minutes to reach Horsham by car from here. Dual carriageway all the way. All welcome.

Buongiorno

We welcome the 31 Italian Students plus their leaders once again to our community as they remain here to improve their English language skills and visit the historic areas of our capital city and surrounding areas over the next three weeks. They will join us at the Liturgy of the Mass on Sunday 27th July at 10.30 am.

Safeguarding

A safeguarding rep will be in the parish office after the 10.30 Mass today Sunday 13th July. If anyone would like to arrange a time outside of this to arrange DBS or talk to a safeguarding rep please can they email and we will contact to arrange a suitable time.

WANTED

HIGHWAYS PLANNING CONSULTANT!

Do you know anyone (parent, grandparent, friend etc.) who has the necessary skills to assist with St Francis' School's campaign to persuade Surrey County Council to adopt our service road and offer their services for free? If so, please contact Owen Flaherty (owenflaherty@hotmail.com).

Youthgather 2014:

With Bishop Kieran Conry, will take place at St Andrew's School, Leatherhead, on Sunday 28th September, 2014. A day (10 – 5 pm) for young people and families to walk, talk, raise funds for other young people, learn and enjoy good company. Mass, workshops, stalls, food and Fairtrade goods on sale. Sponsor forms and more information from the Youth Secretary on 01293 651161.

John Dunlop

John wishes to express through this newsletter his sincere thanks to all sent get well cards and had Masses said for him during his recent bout of illness. He's back home again.

School Application Endorsements

As I am leaving in September, many Parents have started to express concern that Fr Sean won't know whether they practice regularly or not - a requirement on the school application forms. To offset this worry, I will endorse school applications 2014/2015 with a special stamped and signed letter to be handed to relevant Parents **today 13th July after all Masses**. You will need to bring this letter to Fr Sean on the date he requests for him to sign your actual School form (the letter I give you is for internal use only as Schools may not accept this alone). If you do happen to have the school application form then I will sign that also.

FESTIVAL 50

5th July 2015

The Diocese celebrates 50 years of existence in 2015. To recognise that fact and give thanks to God for all the good things God has done for the Diocese and looking to the future, there will be a major event at Brighton & Hove's football ground, the Amex Stadium in Falmer. Put the date in the diary and watch as more information comes out about fantastic speakers, family activities, entertainment and of course most importantly the Mass of Thanksgiving. To find out more see the Diocesan Website or email festival50@dabnet.org

The Diocese is looking for individuals in parishes who are happy to act as a point of contact in the parish for the Festival 50. They would encourage interest in and attendance from parishes on 5 July 2015. If you feel you can help with this, after speaking with Fr Kieran first, then contact the Festival Office - Email festival50@dabnet.org or write to Festival 50, DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP.

Volunteers are also needed on the day and in the preparation of the Festival. Do you have any skills from Event Promotion to Music, from Face Painting to Flower Arranging that you would be happy to offer? Would you like to be a Welcomer and Host on the day? There are many jobs and all offers gratefully received. To offer email: festival50@dabnet.org or write to Festival 50, DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP. More information on the Diocesan website.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Offertory £837.09 (Gift Aid £396.49)
Peter's Pence: £311.15



Prayers are requested for the following persons who are ill or enfeebled.

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; Tess Gully; 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 & John Wood; John Gilford, Elise O'Connor & John Dunlop.

10.30 Teas/Coffee

Maribel Chambers is stepping down from being the principal organiser of the Teas/Coffee after the 10.30 am Mass on Sundays and we are looking for her replacement. Sheet in porch for your names.

Altar Servers - Enrolling

All our present Altar Servers will be enrolled into the Guild of St Stephen, at their respective Masses on Sunday 20th July. Could I ask that they all be present to receive their certificates. All Servers are asked to stay on the rota until at least you have been Confirmed. It's not uncommon in many of our parishes to have Servers between ages 16-21 serving on the Altar. There has been some misconception here in our parish that you no longer serve when you leave Primary School. We are trying to offset this notion.

New Altar Servers

Today we appeal to those boys and girls who recently made their First Holy Communion to come and join the Altar Servers Guild. Leave your name with the Priest after Mass from today. A training day and time will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Green Card

In the porch from today there is a green card aimed specifically for parents with tiny little ones that come to Mass here. Please take the card and read it and then allow your child(ren) to use the back of the card to doddle etc while mass is on.

The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our Parish is steadily growing. Please welcome them with a smile of encouragement to their parents.

CONTACTS**Parish Office:**

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(6 months notice required) - Fr Kieran

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Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

Kelly Coyne: 07921030991
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Parish Youth Clubs:

(First Friday during school term. 7pm)
Mel Flaherty
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Chill Club

Veronique Wood

Chair of Parish Finance:

Rayon Brown -
raybrown2006@aol.com

St. Francis Primary School:

Interim Headteachers: - Mrs Dorothy
Rollason & Ms Gillian Keaney
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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 13th	<i>Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	Michael McCarthy (foundation)
10:30am Mass	David Byerley RIP (J Thomas)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 14th	
10:00 am Mass	James Barrow RIP (C Barrow)
Tuesday 15th	<i>St Bonaventure</i>
10.00 am Mass	Holy Souls (Rossman Family)
Wednesday 16th	
10:00 am Mass	Ann Leonard RIP (A Bell)
Thursday 17th	
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Friday 18th	
10.00 am Mass	Ruby Gornall int (Brohier)
Saturday 19th	
10.00 am Mass	Harold Howlett RIP (P Howlett)
Sunday 20th	<i>Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:30am Mass	Jack Hickey RIP (A Young)
5:15pm Mass	John Dunlop Ints (B Guildford)



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am

Rosary Thursday & Friday at 9:40am

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; 1pm -2pm ;

Saturdays: 9am – 11am;

HEALING MASS with Benediction every first Friday at 10:00am

