

Sunday 13th November 2016  
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Times

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Psalter Week 1

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

Christ the King

2 Samuel 5:1-3

Colossians 1:12-20

Luke 23:35-43

**Gospel Reflection**

The destruction of the Jerusalem temple in AD70 by the Roman armies, here foretold by our Lord, is itself the foreshadowing of the end of the world, when, we believe, our Lord will return to judge all mankind. In between these two events, our Lord warns us, there is much that the faithful Christian must expect to endure for since the world has persecuted our Master, we, his servants can expect no less, if we are faithful. We are left with the rather chilling notion that popularity with God will not necessarily make us popular with our neighbours all the time, and may sometimes lead us into difficulties. And yet, says our Lord, it is precisely at these times that we are being most like our Master and, as he says in today's Gospel, ultimately we will lose nothing by our endurance and our faithfulness but rather his grace will amply support us in our trials, and we are promised eternal life as reward for our faithfulness. Although we may sense in the world around us here in Britain, a certain coldness towards our faith, there are many parts of the world where to be a Christian is truly to risk persecution and even death. There have been many martyrdoms recently in Iraq, in Syria, in the Sudan, in Nigeria, in Indonesia and elsewhere, besides much oppression and persecution. We should never fail to support these our brothers and sisters with our prayers and concern and show that we, at least, care what is happening, even if the media and the government do not.

On the other hand, it is possible to compromise with the world in order to keep it happy, and, of course, this is what all of us do to a greater or lesser extent. But this is to fail to be true to our Lord, and it will not make us saints. Ultimately, the saints are those who truly live according to the standards of the Kingdom of Heaven and have ceased to regard as important the kingdom of this world, despite the terrible things that this world can do. If we might describe a kingdom, any kingdom, as a place where a particular ruler and a particular rule is obeyed, then the Kingdom of Heaven exists where the rule of the King of Heaven holds sway, and where he is obeyed. We would do well, in this week leading up to the feast of Christ the King, to consider to what extent we do in fact live in the Kingdom of Heaven, and be determined to be true and loyal citizens of this eternal kingdom.

### **SWEETS AND CHOCOLATE DONATIONS PLEASE**

The parish Youth Club and Chill Club are running a sweets and chocolate tombola at the Christmas Fair. Please leave any donations in the box at the back of the church this weekend (it will be collected on Monday 14th November).

**Magnificat** - There are copies of Magnificat available for sale in the shop. This booklet contains all the mass readings and devotional readings for a month. It is pocket size and is very popular.

### **First Holy Communions**

Thank you to all those who have now registered for the First Holy Communion programme 2016/17. You should now all have received an email detailing dates and requirements so far. If you believe you have registered but have not received an email please contact the team as soon as possible on [fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com).

**Please remember that Children should now stay in Church for the whole Mass and not go out for Children's Liturgy.**



### **The Dawn From on High - Advent Retreat - Young Adults (18-35).**

27<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> November at Worth Abbey

Prepare for the coming of Christ

Talks-Prayer- Reflection- Friendship

**For more information or for a booking form please contact:**

[TOC@worthabbey.net](mailto:TOC@worthabbey.net) or call 01342710318

Booking Deadline: 20th November – but please book ASAP as places are limited! Cost: £62 for the students/unwaged and £102 for the waged

### **Saturday 31st December**

#### **New Years Eve Disco**

8.00pm until 1.30am

Bring your friends and family to celebrate the New Year

Professional DJ and finger buffet

£10.00 per adult, £5.00 per child (upto 14 years)

£25.00 family ticket (2 adults and 2 children)

£40.00 group ticket (5 adults)

Tickets available after 10.45 Sunday Mass

or contact [sue.fanthome@gmail.com](mailto:sue.fanthome@gmail.com)

### **COAT**

#### **Barn Dance with the Odd Sock Doo Dum Band**

SATURDAY 3rd DECEMBER 2016 7:15pm for 7:30pm



Tickets £12 (children £6) from

01883 380104 / 07905 718346 or Ann Walker

01883 624773.

Sausage and chips included (vegetarian option if booked in advance) and puddings! Bar in the hall



Next week there will be a Second Collection for The Cathedral Maintenance Fund. This is eligible for Parish Gift Aid please use your purple envelopes.

Saltmine Theatre Company, the Christian professional theatre company, present Sleeping Beauty on Sunday 4th December at 4pm at Oasis Academy, Coulsdon, CR5 1ES. Tickets £8; £4 concessions (under 16s, students, unemployed and seniors) including interval refreshments.

Box office 01737 551161 ext 0

For more information phone 01883 623017;

email: [bowderys@aol.com](mailto:bowderys@aol.com)



### **St Francis' Primary, Caterham**

The school has an open morning on Tuesday 22nd November for any prospective parents of children starting primary school in September 2017.

The Headteacher will speak at 9.30am, tours will begin at 9.45am and finish at 10.30 am. Please telephone the School Office on 01883 342005 to confirm your attendance. We look forward to welcoming you.

### **Double C Club**

Well done to the winners of the November Draw of the Double C Club

£70 Julia Pereira

£50 John Watts

£30 Sue Faulkner

Memberships are still available for £24 per year which is £2.00 per month which is less than a coffee in Costa or Marks. If you would like to join please ring me (Sue) on 01883 346399 and may be your name will appear in the Newsletter as a winner.

### **St Mary's, Caterham Christmas Fair**

Saturday 19th November

There will be lots to see and do; cake stall, tombolas, beer tasting and sale, produce and outside sellers, who will take Christmas orders and offer samples, competitions and gifts, refreshments etc.

### **CHILL CLUB - FRIDAY 18th NOVEMBER**

Chill Club is a place for those in school years 7 to 11 inclusive to catch up with friends. The next session will be at St Thomas' Hall from 7pm to 8.30pm, entry £1, and in December we are planning a visit to the Splash Disco at the pool in Oxted. All children must be signed in and out by an adult unless they have completed a consent form. Contact Mel Flaherty at [chillclubsacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:chillclubsacredheart@gmail.com) for further information.

**Baptisms** - Aimée Pell will be Baptised this week. Please keep her in your prayers.



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Calling all tax-payers – who are not already a member of our Gift Aid scheme.

Maybe you have recently moved into the parish, or maybe you've just not got around to it. But by joining our Gift Aid scheme,

25p is added to every £1 you put in the weekly offertory. And last year this enabled the parish to collect an extra £12,000 from HMRC – very useful when lots of hefty expenses for church maintenance are cropping up.

To join is very simple. Fill in a form from the little Gift Aid box in the porch at the back of the church and pass it to the Parish Office. If you want to continue with weekly plate offerings then you will get a set of weekly envelopes. Or if you would like to donate by standing order, then there is a form to sign (or, easier, set up via your Internet banking – details from the Gift Aid Organiser). Please make the most of your generous donations to the Parish. If you have any questions, contact Peter Kelly, Gift Aid Organiser, at [peterfkelly67@gmail.com](mailto:peterfkelly67@gmail.com) or 01883 330684.

### **Offertory Collection**

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory: £1,001.41 (Gift Aid: £507.77)

Second collection (Retired Priests Fund): £413.95 (Gift Aid: £242)

## WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK



Sun 13th: Children's liturgy at 9am Mass only  
10:45am Youth Mass - Remembrance Parade  
Tea & Coffee after 10:45am Mass  
Mon: Tea & Coffee after Mass (Old Hall)  
Tues: 9:15-11:15am toddler group (St T's Hall)  
Wed: 8pm Journey of Faith (Old Hall)  
Thurs: 8pm Baptism Preparation (Old Hall)  
Fri: 7pm Chill Club (St T's Hall)  
Sat: 11:30am FHC Group A (Old Hall)  
Sun 20th: Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Mass  
**11:30am Christmas Market (Cent Hall)**

### Books to South Africa

*When the parish hymn books were replaced last year Fr. Seán kindly agreed to donate the previous supply to a parish in KwaZuluNatal in South Africa.*

*They arrived in Durban with our container of about 14000 children's books a few weeks ago. A catechist, Maria Somai, at the parish of The Most Holy Rosary, xwKwaduza has sent an appreciative email thanking us for the hymn books and some second hand bibles donated from St Francis School which she uses with her catechism class.*

*St Francis School organised an amazing collection of used children's books (well over 1000) now distributed to various school libraries in the Kwaduza area. We thank them and all parishioners who donated books.*

Children's books no longer needed are always welcome and enormously appreciated by children in South Africa starved of reading material.

Mike and Eliz Wood([mjw@litnum.com](mailto:mjw@litnum.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 Mullen; Bernie Horrocks; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Pat McCoy; John Dunlop, 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, Cathy Linsell, Charmaine Wise & Breda Sharpe.

### Parish Christmas Market – Sunday 20th November



With just one week to go, all that is needed now is a big turn-out next Sunday! Please remind family, neighbours and friends that there are many bargains to be had this year – don't miss the beautiful art and craft items, fabulous jewellery, brand new toys at knock-down prices, delicious cakes, jams and chutneys, as well as tombolas to suit everyone. There will be a lucky dip for the children, 'Bits & Bobs' for a rummage, and tasty burgers, hot dogs and homemade cakes to enjoy at lunchtime. The Bar will be open throughout the Market, which starts directly after 10.45am Mass. Don't miss it!

**Cakes may be dropped off at the Centenary Hall on Saturday evening from 6pm or early on Sunday morning.**

### The Journey: A Teenage Retreat for Advent 2nd - 4th December. For all in years 7-9.

Join us at Worth Abbey this Advent to explore what Christmas is really all about! Like the wise men journeyed to meet Jesus after his birth, this advent each of us can make our own journey to meet Him. Over the weekend we will be thinking about what Christmas really means for us! This is an invitation to put aside the Christmas lists and to go back to basics. It will be a weekend of fun and games, prayer, arts and crafts and much more!

This retreat is for all those in years 7-9 and will be running at Worth Abbey from 2-4th December. The weekend costs £84 but bursaries are available.

Email [toc@worthabbey.net](mailto:toc@worthabbey.net) for more information. Booking closes on 18<sup>th</sup> November.

### ADORE (Alton Day Of REnewal) – Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2016 11.00-4.00

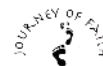
You are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day (or morning/afternoon) of spiritual refreshment and renewal, focussing on the Year of Mercy. **Please note venue:** at St. Andrews Hall, Medstead. GU34 5LX. 11.00am Rosary; 11.30am Mass; 12.15 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 1.00pm Shared lunch; 2.00pm Praise & Worship; 2.30 Talk by David Beresford of the Catholic Bible School "You feed them- sharing Christ's compassion"; 3.30 Reconciliation and Prayer for healing; and Tea. We end about 4pm. There is no need to register in advance, and no charge (though a collection will be taken to cover costs). For more information and directions, see poster or website:

[www.altonrenewal.com](http://www.altonrenewal.com) Or telephone Deacon John Foley on 07769 251747.

Where do our prayers come from and what do they mean? Explore the prayers we say every day, for greater depth and satisfaction!

**Join us** for this and more – and of the readings for next Sunday

**All welcome! 8.00p.m. Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> November, in the Old Hall**



### Christmas is coming!

A great way of preparing spiritually for the great feast of Christmas is to use the diocesan Advent booklet – either alone, or better still with other members of the parish. Booklets can be bought from the repository at the back of the church, and there are a number of venues and times which can be found on the sheets at the back of the church. Sign up today!

**Kimilili Link** - We are now in regular contact with St Leo the Great parish in Kimilili. Fr John and Fr Willis send greetings to all Sacred Heart parishioners.

We have asked them to pray for our sick during November.

They in turn ask us to pray for their deceased parishioners and primary and secondary pupils who are taking end of year examinations.

These intentions will feature in the bidding prayers once a month. Please remember the people of Kimilili in your own prayers. Mike Wood

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**St. Francis Primary School:**  
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## THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<b>Sunday 13th</b>	<i>33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	Elizabeth Ogunremi Ints (Ogunremi family)
10:45am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Mark Blackwell (Adamson family)
<b>Monday 14th</b>	
10am Mass	Vocations (Tandridge Catenians)
<b>Tuesday 15th</b>	<i>St Albert the Great</i>
10am Mass	Bill Jones RIP (Jones/Crispin family)
<b>Wednesday 16th</b>	<i>St Edmund of Abingdon</i>
10am Mass	For the intentions within the Book of the Dead
<b>Thursday 17th</b>	<i>Sts Hilda of Whitby &amp; Hugh of Lincoln</i>
10am Mass	Lynda Parker RIP (T Roche)
<b>Friday 18th</b>	<i>Dedication of Basilica of Sts Peters &amp; Paul</i>
7pm Mass	Bernard & Winifred Kelly RIP (Kelly family)
<b>Saturday 19th</b>	<i>Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>
10am Mass	Fr Michael Sewell RIP
<b>Sunday 20th</b>	<i>Christ the King</i>
9:00am Mass	Bert & Elizabeth Bailey RIP (Denton family)
10:45am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Relatives & friends of P Jones

**Morning Prayer** every Monday 9:40am  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** every Tuesday 9am to 10am  
**Rosary** every Wednesday & Thursday 9:40am  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** Saturdays: 9am – 10am  
**Confessions** every Saturday 10:30am – 11:00am  
**Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour** after Saturday Mass  
**Benediction** every Sunday 4:45pm