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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Sunday 15th	Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:30am Mass	Kemp Family Int
5:15pm Mass	Margaret Hughes R.I.P. (E Kelly)
Monday 16th	Sts Cornelius and Cyprian
10:00am Mass Fr Liam	Armando Aurora Int (Gardiadelli)
Tuesday 17th	St Robert Bellarmine
10.00 am Mass Fr Liam	Jack Dalton RIP (A Bell)
2:00 pm	Requiem service - Audrey Shutler RIP
Wednesday 18th	
	NO MASS
Thursday 19th	St Januarius
10:00am Mass Fr Ken McCarthy	Patrick Higgins RIP (A Bell)
Friday 20th	
10:00am Mass Fr Ken	Ceinwein Jeremiah Int (Peggy)
Saturday 21st	St Matthew
10:00am Mass Fr Ken	June Bell RIP (B Sharp)
Sunday 22nd	Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
9:00am Mass	Enny Martin Int (G & W Orton)
10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	James Barrow RIP (E Wood)



Lauds Mondays at 9.45am

**Rosary** Thursday & Friday at 9:40am **Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament** 

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; 1pm -2pm; 8pm- 9 pm Saturdays: 9am - 11am;

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

# SACRED HEART PARISH NEWSLETTER



# 15th September 2013



Week 49 in the Year of

Faith

# **Home Mission Sunday**

#### Sacred Heart Church

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As practicing Catholics, what can we do to reach out to those who are estranged from or perhaps just uninterested in the Catholic Church? While this question has many possible answers, it will be helpful to review some basic principles that should form the foundation of any outreach to lapsed Catholics. There may be certain generalities regarding why many Catholics have left, or lessened, the practice of their faith, it would be a disservice to each one to simply stereotype "the lapsed Catholic." It is important that we recognize the uniqueness of each person we are attempting to invite back to the Church, but it is even more vital that we focus on what exactly it is we are inviting them back to. A fallacy I've observed in many parishes is the assumption that being a good Catholic means being an involved parishioner involved in committees, ministries and parish outreaches. Although there are many valuable groups in every parish, God calls each person to holiness, not busyness. Remember that we are leading people primarily to a Person, not simply some human institution. We are each called to encounter Christ directly and let ourselves become, as St. Paul often said, "like Christ." In practical terms, this means that our focus should not be on someone's involvement in the parish, but instead on their relationship with Christ .So the emphasis must be on Confession, Eucharistic adoration, the Rosary and other activities that draw them closer to our Lord. After they have developed a deeper spiritual life, they can determine if they want to join the parish organisations of one sort or another. For years, "experts" have been telling us that the only way to attract young people is to minimize any moral or "hard" teaching of the Church, yet the most popular religious figure among young people over the past 30 years is Blessed John Paul II, who over and over called them to the great and sometimes difficult adventure of the uncompromised Catholic faith. So it is the call to a life that is transcendent that makes Catholicism attractive .A final principle that we can remember when inviting lapsed Catholics back to the fold is that an activity doesn't have to be explicitly religious to bring people closer to Christ. Our Lord is present throughout our lives — in work, in play, in family life — and parish events can encompass all these aspects, too. It's amazing how many in recent years became Catholic through forming friendships through our Parish Club. There are many means at our disposal for inviting people back to the Church, but all of our actions must begin — and end — in prayer. Nothing we do to attract others to Catholicism will be effective if it is not grounded in prayer. St. Monica understood this better than anyone. Her husband was a pagan and her son, St Augustine, was a lapsed Catholic. She pleaded with them both to embrace the Catholic Faith as she did. But more importantly, she prayed incessantly for them. And like the persistent widow in the Gospel, her prayers were answered, making her an ideal patron of lapsed Catholics. We should ask this powerful intercessor to pray for the lapsed Catholics in our lives and parish to return to the Church.

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

Sun: Final day for First Communion Applications
Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:30am
Tea & Coffee after 10:30am Mass. (Sue & Mark
Fanthome)

12-2 pm The Club is open

Mon: Tea/Coffee after the 10 am Mass in Old Hall

7pm Cubs in Old Hall

Tue: 9.30 am - 11.00 am Mother & Toddler

Group in Old Hall.

6.30 pm Beavers in Old Hall7.30 pm Scouts in Old Hall.

Fri: 10 am Card Making Craft in Old Hall 7:30pm -11 pm The Club is open

Sat: 9:30am - 12:45pm Glow Drama club

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

Tea & Coffee after 10:30am Mass (Linda Hill & Donna Carter)

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#### **Glow Drama Club**

NEW! Drama, music and dance classes for 5-8 year olds commencing Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September in the Old Hall.

Class 1 (9:30am-11am), Class 2 (11:15am-12:45) For further details please contact Natasha Palmer

07766547529 email <a href="mailto:tashpalmer@hotmail.com">tashpalmer@hotmail.com</a>

Sacred Heart Youth Choir are always keen to recruit new members. If you play an instrument or enjoy singing and are aged between 5 and 18 years old please contact



Jane Hannan email <a href="mailto:comeragh@btinternet.com">comeragh@btinternet.com</a> or Natasha Palmer 07766547529 or come and speak to a leader at the first Youth Choir on 22nd September.

#### R.I.P.

Please keep in your prayers the soul of Audrey Shutler who died last week. Her Requiem Service (not Mass) is this Tuesday 17th September at 2 pm.

# Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity. Last Sunday: £889 (Gift Aid £347)

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#### First Communion - 2014

Today is the final day for applications for First Holy Communions 2014.

The first of three Parents meeting is on Thursday September 26th in the Old Hall at 8 pm.

#### **Second Collection**

Second Collection today towards the work of Home Mission as requested by the Bishops of England & Wales

#### **Parish Social Events**



At the recent meeting of the Parish Social Committee, the following events are planned.

27th September Macmillan coffee morning 9am

TBC - Cheese & Wine + Silent Auction

26th October - Irish Night - music provided by a 5 - piece live Band.

31st October - Children's "Hello-Ween" Party

Other events already planned

24th November -Parish Christmas Fave

8th December - Children's Pantomine

21st December - Christmas Carol Concert with Medway Brass Ensemble.

More details for each event to follow as the get nearer their date.

What we do need badly, is a list of volunteer helpers with social events, helping to set up and clear up afterwards and generally being available to call upon when required.

Sign up list in porch from today..



Day for Eucharistic Ministers. There will be two days at St Cuthmans on 29th September or 27th October. The day will be from 10.30 - 4.30 and in-

Cludes lunch at £10 pp. Still waiting for 10.30 am Ministers to sign up!!



Carvery Lunch - Sunday 29th Sept
12.30 & 1.00 pm sittings
£10 Adults; £5 Primary School Kids
Book through the Parish Office.
Guests welcome.
Those that attend say the food is
absolutely delicious.

#### **Primary School Parents**

Date: Thursday 26th September Venue: The Club

Time: 9.15 am

Theme: "Raising Faith Filled Kids"

#### **FOOD BANK UPDATE - FOOD BANK WEBSITE**

Take some time out to visit our Caterham Foodbank Website - <a href="https://www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk">www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk</a> - and find out more about how the project works and how you can help.

VOLUNTEERS' INFORMATION EVENING

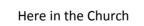
All those interested in volunteering are invited to an information evening on Monday, 23 September at Caterham Baptist Church, Beechwood Rd, Caterham. The evening consist of two sessions - 7pm to 8pm and 8pm to 9pm - you can choose the time that suits you best. The evening will include a presentation about the food bank concept and then details about the many ways to become involved. It is a good chance to meet other volunteers, and to identify where and how you would like to be involved. If you are coming along,

#### A.C.T.A.

please could you email Kate Spillett (kspillett@talktalk.net)

so that we can have some idea of numbers.

Date: Saturday 28th September



Time: 2pm-5 pm

Venue:

Refreshments

Theme: "Sustaining the spirit of Vatican 11"

Guest Speaker: Tom O'Loughlin.

Vigil Mass for Sunday 5 pm

All welcome and encouraged to attend

Tea/Coffee provided

#### Missio

Welcome back to Fr Liam and I thank him for filling in while I take my summer holidays. Following the 5.15 pm Mass today - (6.30 pm) he will give a short talk with refreshments in the Old Hall for all red box holders, annual members and anyone else who might be interested in hearing Fr Liam's Missionary experiences.

# Your Prayers are requested for the following persons.

Pat Knight, Kathleen & John Saunders, Helen Keogh, Daisy Hill, Connie Cronin, Christopher Browne, Kit Monk, Krista Thompson, Jane Hill, Rosemary Whale, Michael Labonte, Leon Kozlowski, Pam Weaver, Jimmy & Bridie Mullen, Jim & Bernie Horrocks, Margaret Robertson, Tess Gully, Heather Tordimah, Jenny Rower, Ken Archer, Jenny Trumper, Elizabeth Daley, Mary Tanner; Peter Hanley; Eileen Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Diane Bailey; Nicholas Crapp, Rose Knight, Oliver Farrell, Bridie Anderson; Richard Richardson; Enny Martin.

Faith is journey to God.... Why don't you continue your journey with us by coming to "Journey of Faith"

We welcome everyone whether you are an experienced pilgrim or just thinking about starting to explore the faith. We have something for you.

Meeting 8pm this Wednesday September 18th in the sacristy by the Old Hall (entrance by The Office ).

Please come along.

#### Youthgather 2013: Sponsored Walk:

Sunday 29th September at St Wilfrid's School,
Crawley RH11 8PG from 9:30am to 5:30pm. Mass
with Bishop Kieran, live music, interactive and
static displays, lively, interactive workshops and
hot food. Help us raise money for our two wonderful charities! Contact Ray Mooney on 01293
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## Coloma Convent Girls' School, FOR ENTRY IN SEPTEMBER 2014

New Year 7 (11+) Open Evening

Tuesday 17th September, 2013, 7-9pm

Post 16 (Sixth Form) Open Evening

Tuesday 1st October, 2013, 7-9pm

For those unable to attend the above Open Evenings, there will be a joint

New Yr.7 and Post 16 Open Morning on

Saturday 5th October, 2013, 10-12noon.