

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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Weekday 33 Year II
1st Vespers of the
following Sunday
Psalter Week 1

The Parable of the Talents: Mt 25:14-30

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of Heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out.

'The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

'Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made."

'His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness."

'Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to every one who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."

Reflection

Talents are something that we all have. In God's eyes, even having no talents is a talent: a talent is something that that can be turned to good but requires our co-operation to achieve that good. Having no talents can make someone very great in acquiring humility and love of God.

It seems that there are three degrees of talent: those of grace; the natural; and the material—the goods and gifts that we receive in life. Among the first are the various things that God has given us in the supernatural order: our calling in life, for instance—and this would include being a spouse or a parent—as well as the graces of the sacraments we have received. These graces will not function unless we are in a 'state of grace', with serious sins confessed and absolved; this, too is part of good stewardship.

The natural talents speak for themselves; an ability with mathematics, or public speaking, or natural charm, or a gift for cookery..... there are so many possibilities that are individual to each person. In some ways they are the best illustration of the fact that if one makes use of one's talents, they do redouble, just as we read in the Gospel Parable. And it is no different with the talents of grace: our faith is increased by our exercise of faith, by our practice of it. If one metaphorically buries it in the ground, then it will diminish and even vanish in time.

The use of our material 'talents', our wealth, our homes, our food, our free time—the proper use of these speaks for itself and suggests that we should exercise good stewardship in giving to charity what we can spare. As I commented a week or two ago, a generous person always has more than he or she needs, whereas a grasping person never has enough.

First Holy Communion 2015



Dates for your diary:

8/1/15 - 3rd Parents Evening

11/1/15 - Children's 1st Session and Enrolment Mass

If you have any queries, please contact Anne Marie Young either via email fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com or by phone 07949 938984.

Advent Group

Wednesday mornings through Advent.

Meet at 10am in the Old Hall. Beginning 26th November, 3rd, 10th and 17th December.

Prayer and Reflection Program by the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

Thursday evenings through Advent.

Meet at 7.30-9pm in the Old Hall. Beginning 27th November, 4th, 11th and 18th December.

'Reflections in the Baubles'. Course designed by Spiritual Director Helen Warwick.

Please see poster in the church porch.

Sunday evenings through Advent.

Meet at 7.30-9pm Godstone RH9 8JF. Beginning 23rd November, 30th Nov, 7th and 14th December.

Prayer and Reflection Program by the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

Please find the sign-up sheets with details in the church porch.

CAFOD QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 28th November

Please note that this event has been postponed until the Spring.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

As a result of a combination of external funding and staff vacancies, the following employment opportunities currently exist within the diocese:

Diocesan Inclusion Adviser (part time)

Project Officer (part time, fixed term 2 year)

Christian Education Centre Coordinator (full time)

For further details please see our website www.dabnet.org

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory - £1,018.50 (Gift Aid £397.85)

Second Collection for the Retired Priest's Fund - £461.19



Help needed for the Older Children's Liturgy please!

We are looking for someone to do the administration for the

Older Children's Liturgy from January. The role involves doing a rota three times a year, making sure the box is equipped occasionally and putting any notices into the newsletter from time to time.

You would work closely with the Little Liturgy co-coordinator to do this and you would not actually have to take part in doing the Liturgy yourself.

Also, we are always looking for more volunteers to lead the session. The commitment is to lead one session a term (3 a year). You get lots of support material to do this and another adult to help you in the session.

If you want to know anymore about either role or to volunteer please talk to any of the liturgists or contact Mirella on mdm99@tesco.net. Many thanks.



BARN DANCE

with the Odd Sock Doo Dum Band

In aid of Caterham Overseas Aid Trust (COAT)

on Saturday 22nd November

7:15pm for 7:30pm

Sausage & chip supper (Vegetarian optional) followed by delicious home made sweets.

Tickets are £12 (Children £6)

Tickets from Ann Walker 01883 624773.

Welcome Mass

This Friday, 21st November, at 7pm, there will be a Mass of welcome for Fr Seán as Parish Priest. You are warmly invited to this, and to a celebration in the Centenary Hall afterwards.

On Saturday 22nd November at 5pm to 6:30pm there will be the first meeting of a new group for secondary-school age young people, featuring talks about our faith, discussion, chance to ask important questions, activities and more. Joe Kelly will be speaking at each Mass today to give you more information.

Driver needed

Would you be willing and able to collect and return 2 Parishioners from



Sunny Rise, in Chaldon. They would be happy to attend any Mass at any time, so long as they can attend one Mass a week they would be very grateful. If you can help please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

- Sun 16th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9 & 10.30am Mass
Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass
(B Keeler, G Adamson & AM Young) 
- Mon: Coffee & Tea after Mass (Old Hall)
- Tues: 9:15am - 11:15am Toddler Group (Old Hall)
- Thurs: 8pm 2nd Baptism Preparation Class (Old Hall)
- Fri: 7pm Fr Seán's Mass of Welcome
7:30pm - 11pm Sacred Heart Club open
- Sat: Journey of Faith Retreat.
5pm - 6:30pm New Secondary-School Youth Group Meeting (Committee Rm (above Bar))
- Sun 23rd: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9 & 10.30am Mass
Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass
(F Shipley, H Steptoe)

Parish Christmas Panto 2014!

Sunday 7th December 2014 at 2pm

Tickets are £5 per person

(free for under 2s)

ON SALE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES TODAY

All children must be accompanied by a paying adult.



Welcomers

Tash Palmer has kindly volunteered to co-ordinate welcomers for Requiem Masses. It would be very much appreciated if Parishioners would kindly volunteer to act as welcomers at these Masses, giving people the orders of service and directing them as needed. It is an easy and charitable job which would make things much easier. Please contact Tash on tashpalmer@hotmail.com if you are able to help.

Thank you.

Pilgrimage to Rome

We have an opportunity to join pilgrims from the Parish of the Nativity of the Lord on a pilgrimage to Rome which will take place from Monday the 14th to Friday the 18th of September 2015. Fr Aaron Spinelli will be the Spiritual Director.

Those interested are invited to attend an information evening at 20.00 on November 18th 2014 in St Joseph's Centre, 122 Ladbroke Road, Redhill, Surrey RH1 1L at which a representative of Pax Travel will take us through the planned itinerary and costs.

Alternatively to receive an information pack please contact Sean McGettrick, who is co-ordinating the pilgrimage on behalf of PNL, on 01737 767352 or via email at sean.mcgettrick@btinternet.com.



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; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy; Olive Wood; John Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, Malcolm Bowen & John Gilford.

Second collection

Today there will be a second collection for the The Cathedral Maintenance Fund. If you would like to make a donation please use your purple gift aid envelopes to make your donation to this second collection.

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the National Catholic Fund (this is not a Gift Aid collection).

Thank you.

The Christmas crib 2014... where are all those God given talents?



This is an appeal for volunteers; all those with creative/ artistic ability, good at making things or maybe those that could be instructed & have a little time to help. Could you put your details at the back of the church on the list or see me Gemma Zarembski. Those that put their names down will be notified of what needs to be done. I would love to have a pool of talented people that could help in these arty situations. Even if you can't help, maybe you can collect the things we need e.g.. old newspaper, pva glue, flour (to make paste) old emulsion paint (earthy tones and grey, nothing bright), old sheets of plywood or mdf, fairy lights, large amount of dark blue or black fabric. There will be a cardboard box for the items at the back of the church.

Thank you.



Baptisms - Next week Elizabeth-Ann Monery will be baptised.



Fr John Olliver RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Fr John Olliver, parish priest of Oxted and Warlingham, who died on Thursday, after several weeks of illness borne bravely and faithfully.

May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen.

CONTACTS**Parish Office:**

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(6 months notice required) - Fr Seán

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Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

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Parish Youth Clubs:

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

5th Caterham Scouts

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Chill Club

Veronique Wood

Chair of Parish Finance:

Rayon Brown - raybrown2006@aol.com

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Head teacher: Maria Wheeler
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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 16th	<i>Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	Bert & Elizabeth Bailey RIP (Denton Family)
10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Ann Walker (E & M Tully)
Monday 17th	
10:00am Mass	Mary Matthews RIP (E Hubbard-Brown)
Tuesday 18th	
10:00am Requiem	Requiem Mass for Anne Montague
Wednesday 19th	
10:00am Latin Mass	Fr Michael Sewell RIP
Thursday 20th	
10:00am Mass	John Wood RIP (Ruby)
Friday 21st	<i>The Presentation of the BVM</i>
7:00 pm Mass	Mass of Welcome for Fr Seán
Saturday 22nd	<i>St Cecilia</i>
10:00 am Mass	Veronica Lane-Ryan RIP (P Howlett)
Sunday 23rd	<i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:30am Mass	Florence Flaherty RIP (Flaherty Family)
5:15pm Mass	Eileen & John Marjoram RIP (Bridie)

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

