OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Third Sunday of Easter



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Sacred Heart Parish
Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

Psalter Week 3

NEXT WEEKS READING

Fourth Sunday pf Easter Readings:

1st Reading : A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

2nd Reading: A reading from the letter of St John 3:1-2

Gospel: John 10:11-18

Gospel Reflection

David Jenkins, a former Anglican Bishop of Durham was famous for his provocative approaches to fundamental Christian doctrines. Having been an academic theologian before his appointment, no doubt he was used to challenging the preconceptions of his students, sometimes not a bad thing to do. I remember seeing him on the television news being interviewed while in the procession to celebrate the Christmas morning communion service in the Cathedral; his vestments, and those of the men filling the roles of deacon and subdeacon would not have disgraced the Brompton Oratory, but he cheerfully gave what he, no doubt, would have called a more nuanced approach to the doctrine of the virginal conception of our Lord than those vestments seemed to imply. Others, less charitably, might say that he denied the doctrine outright. More famously, he also said on another occasion that the Resurrection was 'more than a conjuring trick with bones'. Now of course if one takes his words literally he is quite right; the bodily resurrection of our Lord is certainly a great deal more than a conjuring trick with bones, but I do not think that was the way he meant it; he meant that the resurrection was not corporal, but something 'deeper', whatever that might imply.

And that has been a popular line over the past few years, encouraged heartily by, especially, the television; either Jesus did not die on the cross, but only swooned, or else the body was stolen, or lost, or else the evangelists made the story up to express how near they felt him and how strongly his teaching had made an impression on them, and in theory his body might still be found somewhere in Jerusalem.

In the light of all this it is very encouraging that Tom Wright, a later Bishop of Durham has written a book in which he states unambiguously that it is all very well holding those views, but they run counter to the evidence. All the New Testament writers are completely united in the certainty that our Lord both died on the cross and physically came back to life again. Had he merely swooned, how could a man in his ravaged condition free himself from his shroud and roll back a heavy stone all on his own? And why should St Luke in today's Gospel go out of his way to tell us that our Lord was no ghost and ate a piece of grilled fish to prove it?

In the end, it all stands or falls on the Resurrection. As St Paul says: (ICor 15:17-22)

If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all men most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.



<u>Inaccurate Press Article about St Francis'</u> Catholic Primary School

Recently, you may have read in the press about a planned expansion for St Francis' Primary School. Articles suggest that the school is going to increase its capacity by a further 105 places. We wish to inform parents and parishioners that these articles are inaccurate.

We assure you that the school has no plans to increase the school capacity further. As requested by Surrey, four years ago, the school increased its (PAN) number of places from 45 to 60. This means that the school has already moved from a one and a half form to a two form intake.

The recent planning permission, agreed by the council, is for two additional classrooms to improve facilities for the existing children. In addition, it provides improved access and further parking places in the cul-de-sac. This will benefit parents and visitors to all three schools on the site and ease some of the current congestion on surrounding roads. This completes the final stage of the original Surrey plan.

Mrs M Wheeler Mrs M O'Donoghue Headteacher Chair of Governors

A one-off 'Massive' Catholic Pilgrimage starting at Arundel Cathedral on Friday 3rd July to arrive at the Amex for the 50th Jubilee Celebration of the Diocese on Sunday 5th July 2015. Have you ever thought what it might be like to do a pilgrimage as our medieval forbears did, walking the journey in prayer, fun and fellowship though a lovely example of God's creation, a path that has been used by pilgrims for centuries. You may join the pilgrimage along the way if you cant manage 2 days. Details: Cost £50*. Includes food, overnight sleeping in Halls, luggage transported in a van, a barn dance, a swimming pool on route and showers available both evenings.

For more details: http://thepilgrims.org.uk or contact John Doyle through the Parish Office

Surrey Hills Newman Circle

Martin Brown (CAFOD Organiser for the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton) will speak on the history, work and needs of CAFOD at 4pm on Sunday 19 April in the parish room

All Saints, Chichele Road, Oxted, RH8 0AA

All welcome

Appeal from The John Fisher School

One of our 13 year old students, Cori, received treatment at the Royal Marsden last year. He subsequently became ill again and is currently undergoing intensive treatment at St George's Hospital, following which he will need a bone marrow transplant. As well as keeping Cori in your prayers, please consider applying to join the NHS or Anthony Nolan Trust donor registers. Details can be found at http://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/bonemarrow/ or http://www.anthonynolan.org/ If you are not a suitable donor, there are many other ways you can support this life saving work.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory: £879.33 (Gift Aid £338.83)



Some reminders about Children's Liturgy (running Term time only)

Liturgy for younger children aged 1 – 4 years of age

- Only one adult per family should accompany the children to the liturgy.
- There will be a collection at every session.
- Your seat in the Church can be reserved by picking up a sign from the table with the Hosts on.
- Every 2nd Sunday of the Month at 10.45am there will be a Youth Mass instead of an Children's Liturgy.

Liturgy for the Older Children from Reception age 5 - the end of Year 3

- Children who have made their First Holy
 Communion should remain in the Mass. If parents
 really feel their child will benefit from attending the
 session please mention this to the Liturgist before
 Mass.
- Please ensure your child does not bring anything other than themselves through to the hall.
- Every 2nd Sunday of the Month at 10.45am there will be a Youth Mass instead of an Older Children's Liturgy. The children will do the roles of Welcoming, Offertory, Reading / Bidding prayers and choir at these Masses.
- All children who have made their First Communion can volunteer to become Altar Servers if they wish to or can join the Children's Choir.

We are always looking for volunteers to join the Liturgy teams. If you are interested in helping please contact Charlotte Torre charlottetorre@yahoo.com (age 1-4's) or Michelle Anderson (age 5-yr3)



Baptisms

Blake & Mason Whyte and Alec Wegorek will be baptised today.



Mrs Ingrid Phillips,
diocesan chair of the
Society of
St Vincent de Paul
will be speaking
about the
establishment of our
new Conference next
Sunday, 26th April, at
all Masses.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 19th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses

Teas & Coffee after 10:45am Mass (Cent Hall)

9:15am First Holy Communion Session

Mon: After Mass Teas & Coffee (Old Hall)

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

Thurs: St Georges day - Tea & Coffee in the

Centenary Hall after Mass

8pm Churches together open evening (St

Paul's Centre, St Mary's Church)

Sun 26th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses

Teas & Coffee after 10:45am Mass (Old Hall)

Driver needed

Would you be willing and able to collect and return a Parishioners from Coldstream Road for Sunday morning

Mass? If you can help please contact the Parish Office info@sacred-heart.co.uk. Thank you.

Second Collections

This week we will have a second collection for the Education of Future Priests

SAVE THE DATES

Sacred Heart Parish Club Events

Fri 08/05/15 - Family Disco Night & Sat 18/07/15 - BBQ & Band Night. Please watch this space / noticeboards for more details.



Diocesan 50th Jubilee Celebrations at The Amex Stadium, Brighton 5th July.

Jubilee coaches - Thank you for your support for the event. There are still places on 2 coaches. Please collect an envelope from the porch and return it to the parish office. If your child is in the St Francis choir your envelopes must be returned to the Parish Office.

Tickets will only be given out with payment.

St George ' day 23rd April



To celebrate there will be tea coffee and pastries after 10.00am mass in the Centenary Hall. Please join us.

Do you have any unused bibles in your house? There is a request from a South African charity. Contact: Eliz & Mike Wood.



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 & Bridie Mullen; 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, Chris Norman, Bridget Crook &

Baby Tabitha Harrison



Easter Gardens

Fr Sean and all the Parishioners would like to say a very special thank you to all the children and families who created the Easter Gardens, that have been

decorating the porch since Easter Sunday. The time and effort that went into them all is wonderful and they have been a pleasure to look at. To acknowledge all your work we would ask that anyone who has made one collects their garden at the end of mass and they will receive a certificate and an Easter Egg as a thank you.

Vintage Afternoon Tea (CAFOD) Sunday 3rd May

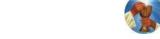
Sandwiches, homemade scones and cakes served on vintage china, as well as a constantly refilled teapot, can be enjoyed in style in the Centenary Hall on Sun. 3rd May (arrival time of either 2.30pm or 3.30pm). At a fully inclusive price of £6 for adults or £3 for Primary-aged children, this represents excellent value for money, and would make a lovely birthday, anniversary or just Bank Holiday treat for everyone. Tickets available after Mass this weekend or phone Biddy (01883 345749). Please book as soon as possible to help with catering arrangements. All proceeds to CAFOD (doubled through government Aid Match Scheme).



Please remember in your prayers the soul of Fred Hudson a former Parishioner who died recently. His funeral will be on Friday 24th April at 11am at All Saints Church, Oxted.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Dates for your Diary:



Next Children's' Session: TODAY chps 10-12

PLEASE NOTE: 25th April 2015 session CANCELLED

If you have any queries, please contact Anne Marie Young either via email on fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com

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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

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5th Caterham Scouts

Paul Lovell: 07712 436591 paul lovell@rocketmail.com

Chill Club

(Last Friday during school term. 7pm) Veronique Wood

St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler

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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Sunday 19th	Third Sunday of Easter
9:00am Mass	Hondra Ryres (foundation)
10:45am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Edward Caffrey RIP (J Watts)
Monday 20th	
10:00am Mass	Kathleen Donnelly (Foundation)
Tuesday 21st	
10:00am Mass	Geraldina Prudente (A Donnelly)
Wednesday 22nd	
10:00am Latin Mass	Felicia Ogbebar (J Eziashi)
Thursday 23rd	St George
10:00am Mass	Gina White RIP (Family)
Friday 24th	
7:00pm Mass	Mark Mackenzie RIP
Saturday 25th	St Mark
10:00am Mass	Agnes & John Fahy RIP
Sunday 26th	Fourth Sunday of Easter
9:00am Mass	Private Intentions (Peggy)
10:45am Mass	Bill Jones RIP (Sutton Catenians)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am Lauds Mondays at 9:45 am Rosary Wednesday & Thursday at 9:40am Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; Saturdays: 9am - 11am & Friday at 6:40pm