

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



Sacred Heart Parish
Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Psalter Week 3



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The Catenians

The Catenian Association is a non-political international Association of practising Catholic business and professional men. It exists to provide mutual support to its members and their families, to maintain benevolent funds and to help young Catholics in their choice and pursuit of a career. Catenians are known to each other as "brother" and this is symbolic of the way in which they view and help each other. In the early 20th century, there were fewer than two million Catholics in England and many were still viewed with a certain amount of distrust by their neighbours. In 1906, the government had declared that it was going to banish voluntary schools, many of which would have invariably been Catholic. The Bishop of Salford, Louis Casartelli, had been encouraged by the fact that more and more Catholics were entering the middle classes and he knew that education was a major component in this. He was appalled by the government's proposals and decided to take action. He was a popular bishop and his stance was applauded by the vast majority of Catholics. In 1906, he formed the Catholic Federation, in order to oppose the measures, and he and the members were eventually successful. Many of those who had joined the Federation found real fellowship and a sense of purpose there and in 1908, they formed another organisation known as The Churris Benevolent Association. In 1910, the name was changed to the Catenian Association, taking its title from the Latin word for chain, catena. Today there are 10,000 members in the following countries: Great Britain, Ireland; Australia; Malta; South Africa; Zambia; Zimbabwe and in recent years India. Each group is part of a circle and these circles are grouped into provinces. Each province has a director who serves on the Grand Council and from these a Grand President is elected annually. Prayer is very important to the Catenians and every meeting begins and ends with prayer. The Association has three patron saints: St Peter, St Paul and St Thomas More. Their motto is: "strengthening family life through friendship and faith". Their logo depicts a Maltese Cross, chosen as it is a sign of the Catholic order, the Knights of Malta, inside a chain comprised of strong links. Each year, groups choose a local charity to support, and although they are not a money raising group, they regularly manage to raise three quarters of a million pounds for these local charities. The Catenians also administer a Bursary Fund, which began officially in 1991. This gave grants to young Catholics between the ages of 16 and 24 to take part in community based projects at home and abroad; helping those who are in need. One area the Catenians are very strong in their belief and support is that of vocations to the Priesthood. Every Catenian province in the country has a liaison officer, who maintains contact with the local diocesan vocations director and every year a donation is made towards this work. Prayers are said for vocations at every meeting and every circle is given a date on which they are encouraged to hold a Mass for Vocations. This means that in almost every day of the year, a Mass is being said somewhere for vocations to the Priesthood by the Catenians. There is no doubt the Catenians do much valuable work on behalf of the Church. However there is also time for socialising and it is important that members regularly meet in order to share fellowship and bring their families together. A conference is held every year in different venues around the country. Wives and partners go along and there is much laughter and talk, as new friendships are formed and old ones revitalised. There is also a Catenian Golf Society. In addition there is a Catenian Caravanning Fellowship and this is enormously popular with members and their families. The Catenians regularly visit Walsingham and every other year, a trip to Rome is undertaken. The Catenians began as a response to times in which the Catholics were often isolated. Thankfully those days are passed but there are new pressures i.e. trying to live a life of faith in an increasing secular society. The Association allows men to come together, to form bonds of fellowship and to support the needs of the Church and her clergy.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun: Children's Liturgy 9am & 10:30am
Teas/Coffee after 10.30 am (H Steptoe & C Bentley)

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

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

Wed: 10:00 am Ash Wednesday Mass
8pm Ash Wednesday Mass

Fri: Parish Social Club open from 7.30 - 10.30

Sun: Children's Liturgy 9am
10:30am Youth Mass
Teas/Coffee: after 10.30 Mass (I Labonte & E Labonte)

Women's World Day of Prayer

This will be held in the Brunton Centre at 10.45 am and here at 7.30 pm this Friday 7th March. The theme is "Streams in the Desert" - Praying for Egypt - and the speaker is Ann Lardeur. All welcome to attend.



Altar Servers

We are planning to attend the National Mass for Altar Servers at Westminster Cathedral (Victoria) on Saturday 15th March at 2.30pm. (change of date). We will go up as group by train to Victoria. To get an idea of numbers can you let

Chris O'Connor know: sacredheart.servers@hotmail.co.uk 0208 660 4304 if your child can attend and also is you can help as a parent on the day. This Mass is open to anyone who may wish to come along.

Lunch Club



Lunch Club will meet on Wednesday 5th March at 12:30pm in the Old Hall. The menu is Fish Cobbler and Eve's Pudding.

WANTED: Do you have a Hostess Trolley they no longer need? The Lunch Club would be most grateful if you would like to donate it to them.

Items for next week's newsletter should reach the Parish Office no later than midday on Thursday please.

New Head Teacher

We are delighted to report that the Governors of St Francis, Primary school has appointed Mrs Maria Wheeler as the new Head Teacher, commencing in September of this year.

Healing Mass with Benediction

Healing Mass with Benediction this Friday at 10 am.

Gift Aid

Gift Aid envelopes for the coming tax year are available for collection in the Porch. This year there are envelopes for standing order-only donors (numbers 200 onwards) too. So could ALL Gift Aid donors please collect a set of envelopes. Any queries, please contact Peter Kelly.

The Parish Women's Group

Parish Women's Group will hold their A.G.M. on Wednesday 5th March 2014 in the Bar Lounge after the Parish Lunch at about 2.15 pm.

9 am Teas/Coffee

We had a very generous response of help to this appeal from last weekend. There will be Tea/Coffee following the first and third Sundays of every month.

Lenten Reading



The shop has a collection of books and pamphlets for Lenten Reading as well as games books and mobiles for children.

The Lenten "Day by Day" - Readings for the Mass - is now for sale in the porch - £1

HOLY COMMUNION

CHILDREN'S SESSIONS

The next session will be Sunday 16th March at 9.15am – 10.15am in the Centenary Hall.

Children's Session 4 (Chapters 7-8 of book)

See website for full list of dates


If you have any questions, please contact Anne Marie Young either via email on

fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com or by mobile on 07949 938 984.

Thanks

Sincere gratitude and thanks to Mrs Canning for the generous donation of a TV to the Chill Club. The next Chill Club will be Friday 28th March from 7:30 - 9pm in the Committee room.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent with the placing of ash on our foreheads at the 10am and 8 pm Masses. It's a day of Fast & Abstinence.  The Children at St Francis will also receive ash on Wednesday in the school. It is hoped that many who are able, will make a special effort throughout Lent to avail of the daily Mass and other spiritual exercises and liturgical services that will be announced. Throughout the Fridays of Lent at the 10 am Mass we concentrate on the Stations of the Cross, focusing our minds on three stations at a time, starting on Friday 14th March. The Parish Liturgy Formation Group have produced a neat little booklet outlining some of the Lenten programmes which will be handed to you today. Confessions are available on the Saturdays of Lent from 10.30 - 11.00. The children making their first Communion will make their first Confessions on Saturday 29th March at 11.00 am.

Lenten Groups

There are quite a variety of dates, times and venues to choose from, so there should be a reasonably good response. Dei Verbum continues on the first four Mondays of Lent at 10.30 am in the Old Hall. The Ecumenical Lenten discussion Groups with the U.R.C. Harestone Valley are on Monday evenings and Thursday mornings and the Parish Lenten Groups meet at various venues. The full list of all the venues etc is in the porch awaiting your signature.

Pre-Confirmation Preparation Programme

The Pre-Confirmation Preparation course starts next Sunday at 6 pm until 7 pm in the Old Hall and will continue throughout the Sundays of Lent. Applications have been received from the following:

Luca Anastasi; Harry Callanan; Charlie Crowe; Thomas Daly; Ellie Dodd; Emma Doyle; Andrew Fanthome; Amelia Ford; Morgan Gayle; Daniel Hall; Joshua Joseph; Laura Maton; Christopher Moloney; Katherine McMillan; Isabella Reynolds; Cheryl-Anne Turner; Harrison Webber; James Weech & Matthew Weech.



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; Leon Kozlowski; Pam Weaver; Jimmy & Bridie Mullen; Jim & Bernie Horrocks; Margaret Robertson; Tess Gully; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rower; Ken Archer; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Diane Bailey; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Ian Lester; Christopher Miles & Pat McCoy; Olive & John Woods.



The Parish Shop

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IRISH NIGHT SAT. 15th MARCH

Tickets are now available for this annual event to raise funds for CAFOD (£10 adults, £5 children/young people, to include a 2-course supper). Please come along to this informal and relaxed evening of music and dancing with an Irish theme, in honour of the Feast of St Patrick. Tickets on sale after Mass this weekend or telephone Biddy (345749).



Rite of Election

The following are being sent from our parish to Bishop Kieran next Saturday for the Rite of Election: at Arundel Cathedral.

Samantha van Dalen; Ann Jones; Stacey Rose; Keith Burn & Vanessa Waite. They will all be received into the Church at Easter

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Offertory £805.50 (Gift Aid £357.41)

CONTACTS

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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 2nd	<i>Eight Sunday in Ordinary Times (Year A)</i>
9:00am Mass	Amor Sohawon R.I.P. (Leila)
10:30am Mass	Michel Labonte R.I.P. (Suzie)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 3rd	
10:00am Mass	Annie & Leonard Balcombe RIP
Tuesday 4th	
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Ash Wednesday	
10:00am Mass	Phil & Isadore's Ints
8:00pm Mass	In Thanksgiving Intentions (M Kennedy)
Thursday 6th	
10:00am Mass	Holy Soul (Radford & Roy Family)
Friday 7th	
10:00am Mass Healing Mass	Andrew Koh RIP (Ursula)
Saturday 8th	
10:00am Mass	Therese Corteling RIP (Brohier)
Sunday 9th	<i>First Sunday of Lent (Year A)</i>
9:00am Mass	Jimmy & Bridie Mullen Int (Gilford)
10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Bernard & Sue Ellis (Gilford)



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am

Lauds Mondays at 9.45am

Rosary Thursday & Friday at 9:40am

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; (1pm -2pm returns after Easter) ;

Saturdays: 9am – 11am;

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

