OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



Fifteenth Sunday Year A 20th July 2014



Sacred Heart Church

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Weekday 16 Year 2 Psalter Week 4

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Background on the Gospel Reading for today's Mass

In today's Gospel, Jesus offers three parables to describe the Kingdom of Heaven. He also explains why he speaks to the crowds in parables and interprets the parable of the sower for the disciples. This reading is a continuation of Jesus' discourse that we began reading last Sunday. All three parables use commonplace experiences to describe aspects of the Kingdom of Heaven. The first parable is longer and more detailed than the next two, and it alerts us to the two-fold reality of the Kingdom of Heaven. The beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven can be found in this world. The fruition of the Kingdom of Heaven, however, will not be realized until the final judgment. In the meantime, as Jesus' explanation to the disciples cautions, any effort to judge the progress of the Kingdom of Heaven is premature.

Only God, in the final judgment, will distinguish the fruit of the Kingdom of Heaven and offer its reward.

The second and third parables call to our attention the abundance that will result from the small beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven. Just as a mustard seed—the smallest of all seeds—will become a large bush, so too God will bring his Kingdom to full bloom. As a small amount of yeast will leaven the entire batch of bread, so too God will bring about the expansion of his Kingdom. In each case the image is of the superabundance that God brings out of even the smallest of signs of the Kingdom.

Contained within these parables are words of caution as well as words of consolation. In the parable of the sower we are warned against judging others. To judge and uproot the "weeds" prematurely will harm the wheat; final judgment rests with God. In the parables of the mustard seed and the yeast, we are consoled by the message that God can work wonders and produce abundance from even the smallest beginnings of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Commemoration of World War 1.-We Will Remember Them

The church will be open on 3rd August 2pm - 5pm to remember those who suffered during WW1. The 3rd August is the eve of Britain's declaration of war. The Sacred Heart Church was the chapel for the Irish Guards. See the parish website. We hope to encourage members of the local community to join us. Please come in at any time. There will be music playing with a short war poem read every 1/4 hour. You can leave a card with personal names which will be offered at 5.15 mass. Tea and cakes will be in the old Hall.

Please help. We need: people to be around in the church as helper volunteers to serve teas home made cake and biscuits. in the Old Hall. Bring a friend. There will be a display of copies of memorabilia. Have you a photo, newspaper cutting or family story you would like to share? Photo copies only. Please leave in the porch or in the office. Contact: Eliz Wood elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com / 01883 34801

First Holy Communion 2015



If your child will be in year 3 or above by 1st Sept 2014; then he or she can make their First Reconciliation and Holy Communion in 2015. This year the programme for the children will begin in January and it will culminate on Sunday 14th June 2015 (presentation of First Communion Certificates) First Holy Communion day itself will be celebrated in two groups on Saturday 6th June 2015 (vigil of Corpus Christi) at 10.30am and at 1.30pm. There will be three compulsory meetings for the Catholic Parent to help you in your role as teachers of the faith, a condition of Baptism that you agreed to when your child was Christened. The first parents meeting will be held on Thursday 9th October 2014 at 8pm, where details of the programme and dates will be handed out. A register of attendance will be taken. Failure to attend all three meetings will result in your child's name being eliminated from the programme for this year, without refund. Please complete this form and return to the parish office by 30/09/13 with a cheque (payable to Sacred Heart Parish) or cash for £20 which will be your contribution towards the cost of the materials needed throughout the preparation and the flowers for First Communion Day. Families must be registered with the Parish. Please visit regularly the Sacred Heart Parish website (www.sacred-heart.co.uk) and click on Sacraments/Holy Communion for up to date information.

Second Collection

Today there will be a Second Collection for A Day for Life. - where this year we call upon young people in particular to protect and cherish life from conception to natural life. The proceeds from today's collection goes to the Anscombe Bioethics Centre and other pro-life related activities supported

We Will Remember Them

On 3rd August, the church will be open 2pm -5pm to commemorate those who suffered during WW1. Come at anytime and leave a card with your family's names on and light a candle in their memory. 5.15pm Mass will be said in their memory. There will be tea and cakes in the Old Hall throughout the afternoon.

Newsletter

If there are any items you wish to include in the newsletter, re forthcoming events, please include them in next week's newsletter as there will be no newsletter printed

Squash Court Plans

Today in the porch are the plans for the redevelopment of the Squash Court. We are still waiting permission from the Diocese to give the go ahead and also Tandridge Council for the planning permission to include two windows and a storage area. This building project is in conjunction with the upgrade to the Old Hall at a total cost of £80,000 which is budgeted from the legacy of Mary Matthews

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CLERK TO THE GOVERNORS Required for September 2014

Core hours 120 per year, Salary S6 £20,124-£23,135 pro rata

The role requires attendance at all Governing Body meetings (some evenings) including preparation and distribution of documentation. Good written and oral communication skills essential.

Please email school office to obtain an application pack.

St. Francis' Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Such posts will require an Enhanced DBS and Barred List check and references will be taken up

Baptism

Next Sunday I will Baptise Ralph Richard Winder.

WANTED IT SCHOOL GOVERNOR!

Do you know anyone (parent, grandparent, friend etc.) who is experienced in information technology and would be prepared to consider becoming a Governor at St Francis' School in Caterham. If so, please contact Owen Flaherty (owenflaherty@hotmail.com).

Youthgather 2014:

With Bishop Kieran Conry, will take place at St Andrew's School, Leatherhead, on Sunday 28th September, 2014. A day (10 – 5 pm) for young people and families . Sponsor forms more information from the Youth Secretary on 01293 651161.

The Parish Club is now recruiting new Bar Staff. Experience would be an advantage but not essential. Contact Karen 07775 996012 for further details.

School Application Endorsements

If there are any outstanding school application forms to be signed or you still require the letter of confirmation re practice of your faith, please see me after Masses today.

End of Term Mass

The Children from St Francis will celebrate their end of term mass here on Tuesday at 10.00 am. The Blessed Sacrament will be deposed at 9.45 am as the children will start arriving into the church around this time.

The winners of the Double C Draw for July are £70 P & S Townsend £50 W & I Jones £30 D Horne

Well done to the above and welcome to the new members who have recently joined. Anyone who requires any information please contact Sue on 01883 346399



5th July 2015

The Diocese celebrates 50 years of existence in 2015. To recognise that fact and give thanks to God for all the good things God has done for the Diocese and looking to the future, there will be a major event at Brighton & Hove's football ground, the Amex Stadium in Falmer. Put the date in the diary and watch as more information comes out about fantastic speakers, family activities, entertainment and of course most importantly the Mass of Thanksgiving. To find out more see the Diocesan Website or email festi-

val50@dabnet.org

The Diocese is looking for individuals in parishes who are happy to act as a point of contact in the parish for the Festival 50. They would encourage interest in and attendance from parishes on 5 July 2015. If you feel you can help with this, after speaking with Fr Kieran first, then contact the Festival Office - Email festival50@dabnet.org or write to Festival 50, DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP. Volunteers are also needed on the day and in the preparation of the Festival. Do you have any skills from Event Promotion to Music, from Face Painting to Flower Arranging that you would be happy to offer? Would you like to be a Welcomer and Host on the day? There are many jobs and all offers gratefully received. To offer email:

festival50@dabnet.org or write to Festival 50, DABCEC, 4

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory £873.08(Gift Aid £396.60)

Ap. of the Sea: £347.28



r 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;
Pam Weaver; Jimmy & Bridie Mullen; Jim & Bernie
Horrocks; Margaret Robertson; Tess Gully; Heather
Tordimah; Jenny Rower; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen
Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Diane Bailey; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy; Olive & John Wood; John Gilford, Elise O'Connor & John Dunlop.



Parish Family BBQ

FRIDAY 25 JULY 2014, 6.00pm - 11.00pm

All the family welcome to join in the fun. Bring your own BBQ to cook. (Bar will be open).

5th Caterham Sacred Heart Scout Group

The 5th Caterham (Sacred Heart) Scout Group is an outgoing, friendly and vibrant Group, and has been a Church Group since 1988 and meets at the Church during school term time, and hold its Church Parades once a term at the Church.

Beavers (aged 5 3/4 - 8) Tue 6.15pm - 7.15pm

Cubs (aged 8 - 10 1/2) Mon 6.15pm - 7.45pm

Scouts (aged 10 - 14) Tues 7.30pm - 9pm

If you would like your child or children to join, or if you are aged 14 and over and would like to volunteer to help, please contact the new Group Scout Leader Paul Lovell on 07712436591 or email paul_lovell@rocketmail.com

During August the period before the 10 am Mass on Mondays will be a quiet time for private prayer & devotions which replaces Morning Prayer (Lauds).

Green Card

In the porch there is a green card aimed specifically for parents with tiny little ones that come to Mass here. Please take the card and read it and then allow your child(ren) to use the back of the card to doddle etc while Mass is on. The presence of children is a gift to the Church and they are a reminder that our Parish is steadily growing. Please welcome them with a smile of encouragement to their parents.

Day for Readers

Please sign up for the Day for Readers on 27th Sep 2014 at The Catholic Bible School in Nutbourne, Essex .It is a beautiful place for a quiet day (sheet in porch).

CONTACTS

Parish Office:

Leila Merrett (Mondays & Wednes-

days: 9.30 am - 12.30 pm) info@sacred-heart.co.uk

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Baptism Preparation:

John Baron 0208 763 2144

Marriage Preparation:

(6 months notice required) - Fr Kieran

Journey of Faith (RCIA):

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Safeguarding:

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Gift Aid:

Peter Kelly 01883 330684 peterf_kelly@o2.co.uk

Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

Kelly Coyne: 07921030991 kelly.coyne@btinternet.com

Parish Youth Clubs:

(First Friday during school term. 7pm) Mel Flaherty

youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com

5th Caterham Scouts

Paul Lovell: 07712436591

Chill Club

Veronique Wood

Chair of Parish Finance:

Rayon Brown -

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St. Francis Primary School:

Interim Headteachers: - Mrs Dorothy Rollason & Ms Gillian Keaney 01883 342005

THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Sunday 20th	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:30am Mass	Jack Hickey RIP (A Young)
5:15pm Mass	John Dunlop Ints (B Guildford)
Monday 21st	
10:00 am Mass	Sister Assumpta & Family Ints (R Knight) Beryl Dickenson R.I.P.
Tuesday 22nd	St Mary Magdalene
10.00 am Mass	Holy Souls (Carey Family) John & Eileen Marjoram R.I.P.
Wednesday 23rd	St Bridget
10:00 am Mass	Ruby Gornall Ints (Pattersons)
Thursday 24th	
	NO MASS
Friday 25th	St James
10.00 am Mass	Marie Kenney RIP (T Carey) Joan Borras R.I.P.
Saturday 26th	Sts Joachim & Anne
10.00 am Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday 27th	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am Mass	Francis Gornall RIP (Ruby & Family)
10:30am Mass	Leslie Barton RIP (E Barton)
5:15pm Mass	Sally & Paddy Creton RIP (Family)



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am **Rosary** Thursday & Friday at 9:40am Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament



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