

# OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



Sacred Heart Parish  
Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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## Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time 20th September 2015



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Psalter week 1

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Twenty-sixth Sunday in  
Ordinary Time

Readings:

Num 11:25-29

Ps 19:8, 10, 12-13, 14

Jas 5:1-6

cf. John 17:17

Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

### **Scripture Reflection**

#### **25th Sunday of the Year**

The cryptic remark at the beginning of today's Gospel, 'after leaving the mountain' is a reference to what has happened between last Sunday's Gospel and this reading. The compilers of the lectionary have omitted the account of our Lord's transfiguration, presumably because the event has a feast of its own at the beginning of August, and also a Sunday reading in the middle of Lent. As we have remarked before, this marks a change of tone in the Gospel of St Mark. The Kingdom has been proclaimed, Our Lord has been acknowledged by St Peter, his glory has been shown, and now our Lord begins to teach his infant Church the things it urgently needs to know. The first urgent thing concerns our Lord himself. They have seen him in his glory, now they must understand that this glory will not prevent him suffering and dying; however there will also be a resurrection. Somehow this goes over the disciples' heads—why wouldn't it?—and they were nervous of questioning our Lord.

Our Lord now begins to tell his disciples how life in the Kingdom of God, in the Church, is to be lived out. In the Roman world, prestige, called dignitas was hugely important. It was earnestly pursued, and a discussion such as the disciples had should not be heard with our modern ears. They would not necessarily have thought of self-effacement as a virtue, but our Lord, as so often, turns their presuppositions on their head and tells them to be like a little child.

This is, I think, different from the retiringness of Buddhism which seeks total dissolution of the self, essentially for selfish ends, to enlighten oneself. The self-diminishment which our Lord teaches is profoundly social; it tells us that by reckoning ourselves unimportant, and by serving others, that in fact we are most like our Lord himself, and by following him to his cross, we will also share his resurrection. Christianity sets aside worldly prestige and aims for service of others, not to lose ourselves, but to find ourselves, and others too. In this way we find out who we truly are.

### Liturgy day with Catherine Christmas

10th Oct 10.00 - 5.00 at St Ambrose, Warlingham.

The day is aimed at readers in the morning and musicians in the afternoon.

If you are interested in taking this opportunity which is so close to home contact Eliz Wood at [elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com](mailto:elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com).

Catherine Christmas is the Liturgy Advisor for the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: a date for your diaries. There will be an afternoon of reflection at Woldingham School on Saturday 14th November, beginning at 2.30 and ending with Mass, hopefully to end at 6.30pm or so. Communion ministers from throughout the deanery are warmly encouraged to attend.

It has come to our attention that Parishioners are no longer getting lifts to Mass who once were. We have tentatively approached East Surrey Dial-a-Ride to see whether they can organise a minibus specifically to bring Parishioners to Mass. People using the service would need to pay a yearly subscription to Dial a Ride (about £7), and then pay, approx. £2.20 a mile, though round-trip. The details are still unconfirmed but we would like to know how many of you would use this service. Please could you contact the office if you would be interested in this. Many thanks.

On Sunday 11th October, Bishop Richard will be coming to our parish to celebrate the 5.15 Mass, remembering Fr John Gwynne, on the centenary of his death in the First World War. The scouts and some children from St Francis' school will also be present. Fr Gwynne was chaplain to the Irish Guards, and was based here in Caterham for a while; there is a memorial to him in our church. You can read more about him on our website, at <http://www.sacred-heart.co.uk/public-information/history/fr-john-gwynn/>

Thank you to those who offered to help with moving the old altar and font up from St Thomas': in the end it has all been already sorted, and the items are now here at the Sacred Heart. Now we need to think what to do with them.

Called by Name - Exploring the call of Christ: Young Adults Retreat (18-35s) @Worth Abbey 23-25 October. For more info, contact A&B Vocations via: [admin@ewellspringbrighton.org.uk](mailto:admin@ewellspringbrighton.org.uk) or call 07595761483

### School forms

Fr Seán will be signing school forms after Sunday Masses. Please bring the appropriate documentation with you.

### Youth Club update and Christmas Eve Mass



Sacred Heart Youth Club is for children in school years 3 to 6 inclusive and usually meets on the first Friday of the month, term-time, at Centenary Hall, cost £1. However, the sessions planned for the rest of 2015 are all outings, two of which had to be arranged before the summer break and are already fully subscribed (Science Museum sleepover on Saturday 10th October and Panto at Redhill on Friday 11th December). The November session will be a visit to the Splash Disco at Tandridge Leisure Pool, for children aged 8-11, further details to follow. We are very much looking forward to the opening, hopefully next Spring, of the new St Thomas' Hall in the old squash club, which will enable us to hold Youth Club meetings in our own dedicated space. In the meantime, if your child is now in year 3, 4, 5 or 6 and would like to be involved in the Youth Club, please join our emailing list by contacting Mel Flaherty at [youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com).

**This year's 6pm Christmas Eve Mass nativity story will be re-enacted by Youth Club members, so please do register asap.**

### Parish shop

**St Elizabeth's Convent** - if you were unable to come on Saturday there are items from St Elizabeth's Convent on sale in the shop.

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please tel. 0161 941 3498, visit the website [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk) or email [info@catholicsingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicsingles.org.uk)

ARISE @ Worth Abbey 16-18 Oct. A weekend for teens in school years 10-13. The weekend will include: inspiring talks; lively discussions; an insight into the Monk's life as we join them for prayer; praise and worship; silly games; creative activities; lots of yummy food; chill out time; opportunities to enjoy the beautiful surroundings! For more information and/or to book, contact [TOC@worthabbey.net](mailto:TOC@worthabbey.net)

Marriage Anniversaries Mass 2015: This year's Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Richard Moth on Saturday, 17th October, 12 noon, at Arundel Cathedral. All couples celebrating a landmark or significant anniversary are invited to apply for places. Please contact Katherine Bergin email: [katherine.bergin@dabnet.org](mailto:katherine.bergin@dabnet.org) or 01293 651152.

Annual Altar Servers Mass: This will take place at Arundel Cathedral on Saturday 26 September at 12 noon with Bishop Richard Moth presiding. All welcome.

### Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory: £902.60 (Gift Aid £314.09)

Second collection: £225.90

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

Sun 20th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses  
Teas & Coffee after 9am & 10:45am Mass

Mon: Teas & Coffees after Mass (Old Hall)

Tues: 9:15am to 11:15am Toddler Group.

Fri: 7:30pm to 11pm Parish club open

Sun 27th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses  
Teas & Coffee after 9am & 10:45am Mass  
Deadline for APF box return



**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 Mullen; Bernie Horrocks; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy; John Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, Malcolm Bowen, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Bridget Crook, Baby Tabitha Harrison, Christine Vernon, Peggy Sisman, Maureen Kelly, Sheila French & Val Williams.

### APF Red Boxes



Would all promoters please collect the contents of the red boxes from their members and either leave it in the presbytery clearly marked with your name and a phone number or hand it to me by 27 September. Would any one in the parish who has a red box but does not have a promoter to collect their money please contact me. Moyra Brohier 342928, Local Secretary, APF Red Boxes.

### Save the date!

The Parish Christmas Panto has been booked for Sunday 29th November 2015 at 2pm. Tickets will go on sale a few weeks before. Keep a look out in the newsletter for further information.



### Second Collections

Today we will have a special collection for the Syrian Refugees - this collection is eligible for Parish Gift Aid. Please use your blue envelopes.

Next week there will be a second collection for The catholic Agency for Support of Evangelisation. This is **not** eligible for Parish Gift Aid

### Baptisms



Dylan Kirk and Enzo Reid will be Baptised next week. Please keep them in your prayers.



You say the Creed every Sunday. Have you ever considered it? Do you know what it means?

Incarnation? Consubstantiation?

Join us for an elucidation of this and more – and of the readings for next Sunday

All welcome!

8.00p.m. Wednesday 23rd September, in the Old Sacristy (next to the Old Hall)

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2015 /2016

Dear Parents / Carers,  
Please note that all Catholic children who will be in Year 3 or above in September 2015 will be eligible to make their First Holy Communion in 2016. Registration forms will be available after Mass **next** week.



Your children will need to be baptised and your family must be registered with the Parish.

**Have you registered with the Parish yet?** Forms can be downloaded from the website [www.sacred-heart.co.uk](http://www.sacred-heart.co.uk), (under Our Parish). There are also some hard copies at the back of the church.

If you have any questions, please contact Anne Marie Young via email on [fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com).

## BIKE & BUGGY SALE

Saturday 17th October 2015

9am-11am Centenary Hall, Essendene Road, Caterham on the Hill, CR3 5PB



Park your unwanted bikes, scooters & buggies with us and help support the Syrian Refugees

100% of sales going to the Refugees

### DONATIONS WANTED:

Bikes for all ages (in good working order please) • Scooters • Buggies • Prams • Ride-ons • No car seats

Donations to be Dropped off:  
8-10pm Friday 16th October or  
8-8.45am Saturday 17th October

Buyers entry from 9am, 50p adult (children free)  
Come early to avoid disappointment  
Tea/coffee available from 8.30am for the queue



Bike & Buggy Sale – Caterham | E: [bikeandbuggysale@gmail.com](mailto:bikeandbuggysale@gmail.com)

Any questions call 07725 313955 or 07920 188603

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**Marriage Preparation:**

(6 months notice required) - Fr Seán

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**Chair of Parish Finance:**

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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**

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  
 01883 342005

**THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<b>Sunday 20th</b>	<i>Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	Les Hickson RIP (Cutler family)
10:45am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Jim Horrocks RIP (Bernie)
<b>Monday 21st</b>	<i>St Matthew</i>
10:00am Mass	Matthew Feighery RIP (T Moss)
<b>Tuesday 22nd</b>	
10:00am Mass	Patrick O'Driscoll RIP (Mullen family)
<b>Wednesday 23rd</b>	<i>St Pius of Pietrelcina</i>
10:00am Latin Mass	Margaret O'Neill Ints (R Knight & family)
<b>Thursday 24th</b>	<i>Our Lady of Walsingham</i>
10:00am Mass	Celebrant's Intentions
<b>Friday 25th</b>	
7pm Mass	Myra Massey (foundation)
<b>Saturday 26th</b>	
10:00am Mass	Bridie Mullen RIP (Jean)
<b>Sunday 27th</b>	<i>Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Seán & Eileen Finnegan RIP
5:15pm Mass	Jim Horrocks RIP (Bernie)



**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