

# OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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## First Sunday of Lent

22nd February 2015



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Psalter Week 1

### NEXT WEEKS READING

2nd Sunday of Lent

Readings:

1st Reading :Genesis 22:1-  
2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

2nd Reading: Letter of St  
Paul to the Romans 8:31b-  
34

Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

## Gospel Reflection

Today's terse reading from the short Gospel of St Mark seems not to give us much to bite on, but a little examination will reveal quite a lot to nourish our observance of Lent.

The first thing to note is that our Lord was tempted. From this we can draw the conclusion that temptation is not sin, because our Lord never sinned. But in order to have been tempted, he must have felt in his humanity, at some level, the desire to go along with what Satan proposed. In our own lives, when we feel a powerful attraction to some wrongful action, it is important to remember that this in itself is not sin, but is, on the other hand, a great opportunity for grace and the exercise of virtue. In Lent, we make a greater effort to meet our temptations head on, taking our Lord as our model. Our desert is not a literal desert, with rocks and sand, but a figurative one, with small penances to achieve something of the same effect. And it is in this time of great grace that little victories can be won which, taken together over a lifetime, may win us the war, which is to say, lead us to heaven.

Secondly we should notice the assistance of the angels. We know of our own guardian angels, and we should take comfort that the angels are interested in our struggle for virtue and will help if we ask.

Thirdly, we notice what follows from our Lord's temptation and fast: the purpose behind it was to prepare himself for the mission of announcing God's kingdom. This applies to us, too, because, as someone has said, to be a Christian is to be a missionary, which is to say that we are called to be apostles among our family, our workplace, our friends, even if all we do is pray. And the message? Repent and believe the Gospel.





### Baptisms

Next week Jodie Hall will be baptised.

### Women's World Day of Prayer

Friday 6th March

Praying for the Bahamas

Local Services to be held at:

Douglas Brunton Centre at 10:45am

Oakhall Church, Francis Road, Caterham at 7:30pm

ALL ARE WELCOME



### THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL - VACANCIES

**Teacher of Mathematics**

**Teacher of Science**

**Teacher of English**

**required from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015**

The Governors wish to appoint from 1<sup>st</sup> September 2015 a full time teacher of Mathematics, English and Science who will inspire students to enjoy learning and achieve. They will join a lively team of dedicated teachers in each department.

Application forms and job details are available by downloading via the website on [www.johnfisherschool.org](http://www.johnfisherschool.org) where further information on the school and departments may be found. Completed applications forms should be sent with a covering letter to Mrs Rigby on [jrigby3@suttonmail.org](mailto:jrigby3@suttonmail.org) by the closing date Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015.

Interviews will be held:

Teacher of Mathematics – Monday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2015

Teacher of Science – Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2015

Teacher of English – Wednesday, 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015

### COVER SUPERVISOR

**required to cover maternity leave for up to one year**

**Salary Scale 4/5 - Salary range £20,193 – £24,027 pro rata**

The school is currently looking to employ a Cover Supervisor to supervise whole classes during the short term absence of teachers. The hours are 30 per week, term time only. While the post is a temporary position it may suit a candidate who is looking for a one year contract prior to starting a career in teaching. Application forms (support staff) are available by downloading via the website on [www.johnfisherschool.org](http://www.johnfisherschool.org) where further information on the school may also be found. Completed application forms should be sent with a covering letter to Mrs Rigby, the Office Manager on [jrigby3@suttonmail.org](mailto:jrigby3@suttonmail.org) by the closing date Wednesday, 25<sup>th</sup> February 2015. Interviews will be held week commencing 2nd March 2015.

*The School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and to equality of opportunity. An enhanced CRB will be required.*



### CAFOD - Lent Fast Day – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February

Please give what you can this Fast Day to stand with the world's poorest people as they cope with storms, floods and droughts. All donations to CAFOD's Lent 2015 appeal will be matched by the UK Government which means that for every pound you are able to give, CAFOD will receive an extra pound to help those in need. The Fast Day collection will be taken next Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> March.

Please join the CAFOD Group for a simple soup and cheese lunch in the Centenary Hall on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 12.00-2.00pm (donations to CAFOD). This will also provide the opportunity to find out more about the work that CAFOD does on our behalf. To assist with catering, please sign the sheet in the church porch if you would like to come along.



### COAT

#### QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 7th March 2015 at St Mary's Church Hall

7pm for 7:30pm. Tickets are £7

Bring your own drinks, glasses and nibbles. Light Refreshments with Tea or Coffee.

Prizes, spot prizes, booby prizes and Raffle.

For tickets call Ann Walker on 01883 624773



### Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday (29<sup>th</sup> March) is five weeks away – but reserve the date in your diaries NOW! This year we have made it a truly family-friendly spiritual experience! Not only do we have our normal Palm Sunday 'Day of Recollection' but we also have a Children's Activity Day. Designed for young people from School Years 1 to 8, the Activity Day will be a fun day of story-telling, and creativity. The Day of Recollection will be a day of quiet prayer and thoughtful meditation. The theme for both activities is the disciples' journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus – not only a good story in its own right, but a reflection of our own life's journey - a fitting end to Lent and a preparation for Easter. The day will start after the 10.45 Mass (about 11.45) and will finish about 4.15p.m. – with a 'shared lunch' in the middle. Sign-up *now!* (sheets at the back of the church).


### Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory: £768.38 (Gift Aid £305.70)

Second Collection for the Lourdes Fund: £302.78

## WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 22nd: NO CHILDREN'S liturgy  
Coffee after Mass 

Mon: After Mass Teas & Coffee (Old Hall)

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

Fri: CAFOD Family Fast Day

Sun 1st: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am and 10:45am  
Coffee after Mass

### Calling all children of the Parish

We would like to invite all the children of the parish to make an Easter Garden to bring into Church on Easter Sunday and to be on display throughout Easter week. An Easter Garden usually includes Jesus' tomb and the three crosses but you can add the garden of Gethsemane, an angel, people, grow real grass and flowers in it! They can be made in seed trays, lined cardboard boxes, wide flower pots – it's completely up to you as long as the container is no bigger than A3 size (but can be smaller). For lots of ideas log onto Google images and type in 'Easter Gardens' then let your creativity run wild. Entries can come from individuals, family groups or club groups. All entrants will receive a small chocolate egg. Parents – it can be a lovely, creative, active way to bring Easter to life and the children could add something to their gardens each week during Lent!

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

### Next Children's' Session:

Sun 08/03/15: 9.30am -10.30am, Cent Hall –  
Chp 9 of Book.



It is important that all children make this session as we will be going through what to expect at the Reconciliation Service and taking them into the church. In the meantime, could you please keep practicing; the Sign of the Cross, the Act of Contrition. It would also be useful to talk about the 10 Commandments and the examination of conscience. Could parents please make sure that the book is completed at home before the next session – thank you.

### Dates for your Diary:

Sat 14/03/15: 11.30am – Reconciliation Service in Church (Every child must be accompanied by at least one parent to this service).

Sat 21/03/15: 2pm - Tour of the Church

If you have any queries, please contact **Anne Marie Young** either via email on [fnc.sacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:fnc.sacredheart@gmail.com) or by mobile on **07949 938 984**.

### Catholic Directory

The Catholic Directory has just launched a mobile version of the online Catholic Directory on [www.CatholicDirectory.org](http://www.CatholicDirectory.org). It means people can find the nearest Church or Mass at the click of a button.



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

Parish Women's Group are holding their A.G.M. on Wednesday 4th March in the Centenary Hall at approximately 2 pm. after Lunch Club.

### A Day for the Lord

Pope Francis has asked us to have A Day for the Lord. On 7th March from 10 am to 10 PM the church will be open and priests will be available for Reconciliation with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament all day. We need three people to commit to pray before the Blessed Sacrament each half an hour. Please sign the list on the porch.

### Second Collection

Next Sunday we will have a second collection for CAFOD Lenten Fast Day. This is not eligible for Parish Gift Aid, please do not use your Parish envelopes

### Lent & Easter 2015

The Liturgy Group have produced a lovely booklet for Lent & Easter this year. This booklet will help you keep track of all the services and celebrations over the Lent Easter Period. Please pick up your booklet available from the back of Church.

**You Can Help Your Marriage** – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about, or to register for the next programme commencing with a residential weekend on 20th -22nd March 2015, email [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk); call or text 0788 7296983 or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

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**Chair of Parish Finance:**

Geoff Walker - ghw360@gmail.co

**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 22nd</b>	<i>First Sunday in Lent</i>
9:00am Mass	Mary Berman RIP (Moyra & Rienzie)
10:45am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Agnes Mendonsa Int (D'Souza Family)
<b>Monday 23rd</b>	<i>St Polycarp</i>
10:00am Mass	James Bernard Clouse RIP (C. Abisogun)
<b>Tuesday 24th</b>	
9:00am Mass	Michael Fahy RIP
<b>Wednesday 25th</b>	
10:00am Latin Mass	Eric Mitchell RIP
<b>Thursday 26th</b>	
10:00am Mass	John & Kathleen Saunders (M & R Brohier)
<b>Friday 27th</b>	
7:00pm Mass	Joan Borrás RIP
<b>Saturday 28th</b>	
10:00am Mass	Lawrence Abisogun Ints (C Abisogun)
<b>Sunday 1st March</b>	<i>Second Sunday in Lent</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Josephine Regip (AR Edward)
5:15pm Mass	Akram Al Shiekh (Mrs Al Shiekh)



**Confessions** every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am

**Lauds** Mondays at 9:45 am

**Rosary** Wednesday & Thursday at 9:40am & Friday at 6:40pm

**Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament**

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; Saturdays: 9am – 11am