

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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Psalter Week 3

Gospel Reflection

The call of the Apostles is a familiar part of the Gospels to us, and I suppose that you share my image of some extraordinary thing appealing to those fishermen on first setting eyes on our Lord that, without a word, as the hymn puts it, they rose up and followed him.

However, the Gospel of St John tells us—indeed we heard it last week—that St Andrew had been a disciple of St John the Baptist, and that it was the Baptist himself who made the introduction to our Lord, and Andrew brought along St Peter at a later date. There had been, then, a process of them getting to know something about this extraordinary new Rabbi before the moment in today's Gospel when they leave their nets to follow him. No doubt those they lived with were not entirely surprised, for they would have seen these two, and James and John, in the company of our Lord and perhaps they were even wondering when they were going to follow him as his full-time disciples.

Acting on impulse is rarely a good idea, and we shouldn't take a misreading of today's Gospel to justify it. As our Lord says, when building a tower, is it not a good idea to sit down and work out the costs first? (Luke 14:28) Otherwise things can go off half-cock. As I was saying in last week's homily, one of the Lord's greatest gifts to us, a 'talent' in the sense of the parable, is the gift of simple common sense and reason which is given to us that we might have a principle of action which is not just impulsive.

'Just do what feels right' is the cry of the world, and in the end this is little better than superstition. How many people have impulsively entered unhappy marriages simply because they thought it 'felt right' at the time?

This applies not just on the individual level, but on greater levels, too. Let us take a topical example. Make no mistake: the work of Christian Unity is a great one, and something that we should pray for and work for. But steadiness, charity, reason, commitment to truth, and prayer are the best ways forward to see progress in this matter. In that way, we will build our house on rock, and not simply see it collapse. In the mid fifteenth century, the Council of Florence sought to end the Great Schism with the Orthodox by a series of simple compromise decrees. Within a short space of time, the 'reunion' was dead and opposition more implacable than it had been before. This must not happen again, and as long as we take it wisely and gently, things will be fine, and we will find that unity for which Christ prayed, and for which we long.



Baptisms

Next week Archie William Ayres will be baptised.

Health & Safety

ICE AND SNOW

Please can we ask you take care around the Church and Halls in the event of ice and snow. Every attempt will be made to grit and/or clear snow however with no volunteers to do this it may not be possible.

The driveway and paths to Church will be given priority, if the car park has not been gritted or cleared then please can we ask that you do not use this. If you do use the car park then please take care and you do so at your own risk.

'Made for More...' -

A Teenage Retreat at Worth Abbey for Teenagers: in School Years 9-13 20th - 22nd February 2015

If you are in school years 9-13, you are invited to come away for a weekend to Worth Abbey in Sussex. Come along to make new friends, play lots of games, ask some of those "big" questions about life, explore your faith and eat lots of cake!

The retreat is run by the Lay Community of St Benedict in collaboration with the monks of Worth Abbey. The cost of the weekend is £78 but **subsidies are available**. For more info and booking forms, please contact Mary Hunt (mary_hunt@hotmail.co.uk).

TODAY

Caterham Churches Together joint service for the week of Christian Unity at St John's Church of England church in Caterham Valley, Sunday 25th January at 6.30pm

Parish Woman's Group

The Parish Woman's Group will meet in the Old Hall on Wednesday 4th February at approximately 2pm after Lunch Club.

Second Collection

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for The Catholic Education Service (this is not eligible for our Parish Gift Aid collection please do not use your envelopes).

SURREY HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY 2015 - 70th Anniversary

On Tuesday 27th January 6:30pm - 8:30pm the University of Surrey, Chairman of Surrey County Council with the kind support of the faiths communities of Surrey will host the first Surrey Holocaust Memorial Day on the 70th Anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz. We hope that you will be able to come and join us for this event.

Please do register for the event.

<http://surreyhmd.splashthat.com>

The CHILL Club

Age 10-14
School
Years 6-9

Last Friday each month

Term Time Only

Upstairs, Parish Social Club, next to church hall

7.30-9.00 pm

A chance to chill with friends

No charge to attend*

Just fill out a registration form on your first visit

All children to be signed in and out at each session

Sessions in 2015

27 February 2015

24 April 2015

26 June 2015

*Please bring a small amount of money if you wish to buy soft drinks +/- crisps

Younger than age 10 / Year 6? - check Info on the Youth Club on the Parish website.

Prayer Novena for the Middle East

The Patriarch of the Chaldean Catholic Church has requested that both Eastern and Western Catholics join his Church in prayer to the Mother of God for the difficult and horrific situation of Christians in the Middle East, especially in Iraq and Syria. Many have been forced out of their homes, and many have been martyred for their faith. This prayer should last nine days from 25 January to 2 February, the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord in the Temple.

I suggest that for these days we end Mass each day with the Hail Holy Queen at our Lady's altar, and I invite you all to join this intention with your own private and communal prayers.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory: £825.67 0(Gift Aid £299.69)

PAX Christi: £430.10

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

- Sun 25th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am Mass only.
10:45am Youth Mass &
FIRST HOLY COMMUNION Enrolment Mass
(Please be aware this will be a busy Mass and
parking may be an issue)
Teas & Coffee after Mass
- Mon: After Mass Teas & Coffee (Old Hall)
- Tues: 9:15 - 11:15am Toddler Group (Old Hall)
- Fri: 7:30pm Chill Club (Committee room)
- Sun 25th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am & 10:45am
Coffee after Mass

The Finance Committee will meet next week on Tuesday 27th January 2015. Please let the office know if you have any points to be raised.

EVENING FOR YOUNG CATHOLICS (AGED 15-35)

The first ENCOUNTER evening of 2015 will be at St. Wilfrid's, Crawley (RH11 8PG) this Friday at 7 pm. The guest speaker will be Fr. Terry Martin and there will be live music, adoration, and a chance to mix with other young Catholics. New people are always welcome and there is no need to book. Entry is free. For more information search 'Two:42 Catholic Young Adults' on Facebook.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

ENROLMENT MASS - 25/01/15 - 10.45am Mass

Please note the First Holy Communion Mass will be held today, 25/01/15 at the 10.45am Mass, where we will be welcoming all the children to the Community.

This will be a Youth Mass, where the Youth choir will be singing.

We have 58 candidates this year and it might be a little busy and parking may be an issue. Please be considerate to your fellow Parishioners.

First Holy Communion Parents:

Could you please bring your children to the Centenary Hall by 10.25am where we will take the register before going over to the church. If your child is doing a reading, you may need to be at the church a little earlier, but you will be advised beforehand.

Next Children's Session:

Sun 01/02/15 - 9.30am - 10.30am - Centenary Hall (chps 4-6 of book) Please bring a photo of your child's Baptism.

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**.



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.



Please remember in your prayers the souls of Chris McCabe and Sean Madden who have died recently.

The funeral of Sean Madden will take place on Wednesday 4th February 2015 at 10am (there will be no Latin Mass)



THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

VANCANCIES

COVER SUPERVISOR

required to cover maternity leave from 23 February 2015 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 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 by the closing date Wednesday, 28th January 2015. Interviews will be held week commencing 2nd February 2014.

PUBLIC EXAMINATION INVIGILATORS

required as soon as possible

The John Fisher School is currently looking to increase its team of Public Examination Invigilators. You will be required to work for a period of 6 weeks during May and June and to invigilate internal examinations throughout the year. To be remunerated at £8.00 per hour. Telephone enquiries to Mrs Bourne, Examinations Officer are welcome. Application forms (support staff) are available by downloading via the website on 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, Office Manager on jrigby3@suttonmail.org by the closing date Tuesday, 27th January 2015. Interviews will be held week commencing 2nd February 2015.

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

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Parish Youth Clubs:

(First Friday during school term. 7pm)
Mel Flaherty
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5th Caterham Scouts

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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

Sunday 25th	<i>Third Sunday in Ordinary Times</i>
9:00am Mass	Jimmy & Bridie Mullen Ints (Jean)
10:45am Mass	William & Elizabeth (H Bissmir)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 26th	<i>SS Timothy and Titus</i>
10:00am Mass	Jimmy Mullen Ints (F Roberts)
Tuesday 27th	
10:00am Mass	Jack Leonard (A Bell)
Wednesday 28th	<i>St Thomas Aquinas</i>
10:00am Latin Mass	Finbar Collins RIP
Thursday 29th	
10:00am Mass	Deryl Robinson RIP (B Robinson)
Friday 30th	
7:00pm Mass	Andy Edward (AR Edward)
Saturday 31st	<i>St John Bosco</i>
10:00am Mass	Robert Leaper RIP (J & F Millmore)
Sunday 1st	<i>Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Times</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Richard Flaherty (O Flaherty)
5:15pm Mass	Walter Masservy (Foundation)



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