

Sunday 25th September 2016
26th Sunday in Ordinary Times

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Psalter Week 2

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4

2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14

Luke 17:5-10

Gospel Reflection

Mission, first and foremost is, of course, the bringing of the Good News of Jesus Christ and his salvation, the announcement of the Kingdom of God. But there is also the other side, that the Gospel has to be lived by and among those people to whom it is brought.

And that means that one cannot preach a Gospel without living out its implications. Care for the soul is not a great deal of use without there being a corresponding care for the body. As St James reminds us, faith without good works is dead (James 2:14-17):

"Take the case, my brothers, of someone who has never done a single good act but claims that he has faith. Will that faith save him? If one of the brothers or one of the sisters is in need of clothes and has not enough food to live on, and one of you says to them, 'I wish you well; keep yourself warm and eat plenty' without giving them these bare necessities of life, then what good is that? Faith is like that: if good works do not go with it, it is quite dead."

So, in supporting the missions, we are not just underwriting the living expenses of missionaries, but also positively giving help to those who need it directly. Giving through the missions is a good way to reliably ensure that our money really does go to the places where it is needed, where it will be ethically used, and where there is a spin-off of being connected directly with the spread of the Gospel.

You might care to consider supporting the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (A.P.F.); you will receive a small red plastic box into which you can dump all that monetary detritus that gathers in pockets and the bottom of handbags. While solving your loose change problem, the money steadily mounts up, and the box will be collected from time to time, opened, counted, banked, and the proceeds sent to the missions. Almost without effort, we have helped those worse off than ourselves, and furthered the Gospel. If one says an Our Father for the missions as one shoves the coins in, even more good is achieved.

Remember, that to most of the world, we in the developed west really are like that rich man in the Gospel. We need to take action now lest we share his fate. We can truly say that the needy are by our gate if we see them on the television. Don't let us pass them by.



Harry Gaut

It is with great sadness, that we ask you to remember in your prayers the soul of little Harry Gaut who lost his battle with Leukaemia this week, aged 6. Please also keep his loving family in your prayers.

The death of a child is, in this world's terms, just about as bad as it gets. I, in the name of our parish, would like to express our most profound sympathy and prayers to Harry's family at this sad time. Harry himself is fine; at six years old he died before he could ever really hurt God or his neighbour, and now our Lord has taken him to heaven. We who are left below must, as the funeral liturgy says, comfort one another with words of faith until we all meet with Jesus and Harry in heaven.

At this time we have several people in our parish battling cancer. Please keep them in your daily prayers.

A reminder....You are warmly invited to the next Chilworth Abbey Study Day, 'Does God exist? Why does he allow evil? Is the Church at war with science?' given by Fr John Seddon OSB, on Sat, 1st of October, 2016. The day begins with Mass at 9.00 am. Three talks will divide the Day, with refreshments Midday Prayer and lunch, and departures at 4.30 pm. Come to part, or all of the day, as it suits you. If you can, encourage a friend to come with you. Bring a packed lunch. Tea and coffee is provided. St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Near Guildford. GU4 8QR Online information: www.chilworthbenedictines.com

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 2 October. 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.



Thomas More Catholic School -

Russell Hill Road, Purley, CR2 8XP
Open Evening for year 7 2017 entry:
Thursday 6 October 2016 6pm to 9pm



Oakwood School

59 Godstone Road, Purley, CR8 2AN
Open Day Saturday 8 October 2016 10am - 1pm



First Holy Communions

Registration for the First Holy Communion programme for those in academic year 3 will be available shortly. In preparation for this please can we ask that those interested in registering for the programme ensure that their family details are up to date on the Parish Register. If you are unsure if your details are on the register the registration form can be downloaded from the parish website and once completed returned to the Parish Office. Full information on the programme will be given at the first parents meeting (date tbc) however for your planning purposes and in considering whether to register for the programme please be aware that classes will be held on Saturdays from 11am. All children undertaking the programme will be expected to attend all classes as well as weekly mass.

References: A note from Fr Seán. Please, if you ask me to be a referee for you, for any purpose, please do not assume that I can always put a face to a name. It is vitally important (quite apart from simple courtesy) that you contact me *before* giving my name to third parties for a reference. Otherwise I will simply have to reply that I do not know the person. This week again I have received requests for people I do not recognise: it is perfectly possible that they come to Mass every day and outdo Mother Teresa in good works, but if I cannot put a face to a name, or know why they may be suitable for some job, there is nothing I can do. A simple email, preferably with a photo, and a few sentences saying what the reference is for and why you are suited to it—this is all that is needed. Thank you for your understanding.

The Marriage Anniversaries Mass with Bishop Richard Moth will take place on Saturday 8 October at Our Lady of Ransom, Eastbourne BN21 4EU. Booking is essential. To apply for places and for more information contact Rosie Read on 01293 651161 or email rosie.read@dabnet.org.

St Bede's prayer meeting-

We will be praying on the second Tuesday of each month. Dates for the remainder of the year will be:

Tuesday 11 October, Tuesday 8 November, Tuesday 13 December, Tuesday 10 January, Tuesday 7 February, Tuesday 14 March, Tuesday 9 May, Tuesday 13 June and Tuesday 11 July. Please make a note in your diary!

We would love to invite anyone with a heart for prayer for our community here at Saint Bede's and a passion for developing the Christian Ethos to join us from 18:00 to 19:00. Refreshments available from 17.30.

Thank you and we look forward to you joining us in prayer. Any queries to Mr L J Jackson (use the contact page)

Hebrews 10: 24-25: "Let us consider how to spur one another on to love and good deeds. Let us not neglect meeting togetherbut let us encourage one another...."

Sue Ellis and Family would like to thank all the kind people that have sent Mass Cards and messages of condolences for Bernard Ellis, beloved husband and father. No words can express our loss and sorrow for such a wonderful man.



John Fisher School - vacancy for a Clerk to Governing Body and for an for Exam Invigilators. Please see notice board for further details

New PA to Financial Secretary Wanted: There is a vacancy for a part-time PA to the Diocesan Financial Secretary. Closing date 30 September. For more information see Diocesan Website. Please contact Sarah Kilmartin: telephone: 01273 859705 or email: finance@dabnet.org for an application form and job description.

Parish Christmas Market – Sunday 20th November

Plans are now well underway for this event! Over the next couple of months we will need everyone's support with providing the goods for successful stalls. As you leave Mass this Sunday you will be given a little slip showing when to bring in donations. This will help stallholders to sort and prepare in plenty of time. There will also be weekly reminders in the newsletter. Please check through cupboards this week because we will be most grateful to receive **new unwanted gifts, and cuddly toys & Christmas decorations that are no longer needed, next weekend.** There will be a box in the church porch to receive your donations. Thank you for your support.

Mass for Deaf & Hard of Hearing: The next monthly Mass will be held on Saturday October 1st at 1pm in St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. Diocesan Coordinators and Communicators for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People: Mr Peter Booker and Mrs Maria Booker, c/o DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 6RP. Email: mag.booker@gmail.com. Mobile: 07970428601 (sms [text] only) Tel: Mr Jim Mortell on 01273 552159.

Parish Day Retreat at Woldingham. Sunday 23rd October. Led by Sister Sheila Moloney (Currently chaplain at Mayday Hospital). Cost £20. Lunch and Mass included. Please contact Peter Lovat for further detail.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Offertory: £790.17 (Gift Aid: £233.48)

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK



Sun 25th: Children's liturgy at 9am and 10:45am Mass
Tea & Coffee after 10:45am Mass
Mon: Tea & Coffee after Mass (Old Hall)
2pm SVP Film afternoon (Old Hall)
Tues: 9:15am - 11:15am Toddler Group (St T. Hall)
Wed: 8pm Journey of Faith (Old Hall)
Sun 2nd: Children's liturgy at 9am and 10:45am Mass
Tea & Coffee after 9am & 10:45am Mass



Needs You! Could you spare a few hours, on a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday, every couple of weeks to volunteer at Caterham

Foodbank? Would you like to help local people in our communities? We would love to hear from you!

For an application form please email

info@caterham.foodbank.org.uk or write to Caterham

Foodbank, 4 Beechwood Road, Caterham. CR3 6NA

www.caterham.foodbank.org.uk Registered Charity

St Philomena's catholic girls' school

in Carshalton open mornings between 9.00 am and 10.45 am from

Monday 26th September to Friday 30th September for prospective year 7 children in 2017. Contact Mrs Flannery on 020 8642 2025 ext 266 to register interest.



Do you enjoy a good film? If so, the SVP is starting a monthly Film Club - Come along at 2.00pm on **Monday 26th September**

to enjoy our first film, 'Suffragette' followed by tea and cake. This film was released in 2015 and widely acclaimed as 'a masterpiece' and 'the best film of the year'. The SVP's new venture will take place at 2.00pm on the last Monday of each month in the Old Hall. We are hoping to have sufficient comfortable chairs for everyone, but please feel free to bring a cushion. There is no need to book and there will be no charge. If anyone would like a lift to the Film Club please telephone the Parish Office.

Windows from St Thomas Church

We are pleased to report that the windows removed before St Thomas' Church was demolished have now been successfully reinstated at Our Lady of Lourdes in Thames Ditton. The windows look fantastic and are in keeping with the Church. A dedication Mass was held last week but you are welcome to visit the Church for Mass at any point.



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; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Pat McCoy; John Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Baby Tabitha Harrison, Christine Vernon, Maureen Kelly, Mary Wallace, Don Hancock, Gina Waiton, Joe Kelly, Ian Lester, Fred Ardley, Cathy Linsell & Charmaine Wise.

Merciful like the Father

Exploring the theme of Mercy in the Gospels through paintings, with art expert Fr. Geoff Wheaton, S.J. Among the images are ones of the Prodigal Son, the raising of the son of the widow from Nain and the Crucifixion. Friday 7th October at 7.30 p.m.



What is the Old Testament?

How many books and what are they? We read extracts each Sunday – where do they come from?

Join us for an elucidation of these and more – and of the readings for next Sunday **All welcome!**

8.00p.m. Wednesday 21st September, in the Old Hall

Sacred Heart's New Year's Eve Party - We are looking for some volunteers to help out on the night. Tickets will be on Sale in about one months time so please put it in your Diaries so you do not miss out this year. We have already booked an outstanding professional DJ so should be a great night. Contact Mark: 07736750085

Bar Staff required

The Parish club are looking for bar staff for both daytime and evening events. The positions are ad hoc and remunerated under the PAYE scheme however an element of voluntary work is required at parish events. For further information please contact Jo Waiton on waitoninnocent@talktalk.net.

Schools forms after Sunday Masses. Applications for St Bedes & Coloma, who don't use a form, must also see Fr Seán.

Baptisms - Sebastian Byrne, Kieran Doshi, Molly Turelove & William Munnery will be Baptised here next weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.



SVP - Cash4Coins: Here is a great opportunity to make a little money for the SVP out of those old coins and banknotes and leftover holiday

currency which is not worth exchanging for pounds. Working with Cash4Coins, a currency service for charities, the SVP can collect all foreign coins and banknotes, any old British and Irish money and even obsolete currency! 50% of the funds realised will go to our Caterham Conference and 50% to national SVP funds.

There will be a clearly labelled large plastic bottle in the Church porch for you to deposit your donations. Thank you.



St Vincent
de Paul Society
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(First Friday during school term 7pm)
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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 25th	<i>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Myra Massey (foundation)
5:15pm Mass	Celebrant's Intentions
Monday 26th	<i>Sts Cosmas & Damian</i>
10am Mass	Dr Body-Novy Ints (T&P Patterson)
Tuesday 27th	<i>St Vincent de Paul</i>
10am Mass	Maura & Mike Moore RIP (B McCarthy)
Wednesday 28th	<i>St Wenceslas</i>
10am Latin Mass	Seán & Eileen Finnegan RIP
Thursday 29th	<i>Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael</i>
10am Mass	Jimmy & Sue's Ints (Mullen Family)
Friday 30th	<i>St Jerome</i>
7pm Mass	Maura Nolan RIP (P & B Lovat)
Saturday 1st	<i>St Thérèse of Lisieux</i>
10am Mass	Innocent Family Ints (foundation)
Sunday 2nd	<i>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	Bernie Ellis (V Williams)
10:45am Mass	Cora Duggan RIP (U Hendron)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish

Morning Prayer every Monday 9:40am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday 9am to 10am
Rosary every Wednesday & Thursday 9:40am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturdays: 9am – 10am
Confessions every Saturday 10:30am – 11:00am
Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour after Saturday Mass
Benediction every Sunday 4:45pm