

Sunday 26th June 2016  
13th Sunday in Ordinary Times

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Psalter Week 1

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

*Isaiah 66:10-14c*

*Galatians 6:14-18*

*Luke 10:1-12,17-20*

## Gospel Reflection

"Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God"

These are challenging words for anyone who has commitment difficulties; and having commitment difficulties is just about the defining malaise of our age. Only last week, Pope Francis went as far as to suggest that most marriages were invalid because those taking their wedding vows had no notion of what lifelong commitment was all about. His remark caused a certain amount of stir on the internet. One sincerely hopes that he didn't mean his words to be taken literally! But he is right that we live in an age where yes does not mean yes and no does not mean no, but rather yes means yes until I change my mind.

I think this is because we have become very self-centred; commitment means devoting oneself to the service of another, for better for worse, for richer for poorer. And some who marry do so thinking in terms of a 'wedding' in order primarily to 'celebrate their love', one wonderful day to share with their family and friends how happy a particular relationship has made them. That's great, of course, and nobody would want to take that away, but marriage is much more than that, and in particular it is lifelong.

It isn't just marriage of course; there was that famous campaign: 'a dog isn't for Christmas, it's for life!' And then there is priesthood or religious life: it suffers from the fear of lifelong commitment to something when one simply doesn't know how one will feel in a year's time.

Of no less a commitment is the commitment made for us at our baptism by our parents and godparents. That is not just a lifelong commitment, but an eternal-lifelong commitment. It is why I sometimes give new parents a bit of a hard time persuading them of the importance of the vows they are taking on behalf of their child, and the importance of bringing the child up to respect those vows and live them out.

Of course, I know that I am preaching to the choir, as they say: if you are reading this, the chances are that you do respect that baptismal vow. But all of us can do it better, and I'm addressing myself here, too.

### Coffee and Cake with CAFOD

Please join us for coffee and cake on Saturday 2nd July at St Joseph's Church hall, St Margaret Drive, Epsom KT18 7JQ from 10:15 to 12:30pm. Come along for an update on CAFOD's work, meet others and discover ways in which you can get involved. Contact Martin or Jo on 01483 898866 or [arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk) for more info and to book your place.

**Special Collection** - Today there will be a collection for Peter's Pence. This collection is **not** eligible for Parish Gift Aid

**St Aidan's Catholic Primary School** Coulsdon CR5 3DE- Headteacher - Required for January 2017 or later subject to negotiation with suitable applicants For further information and an application pack please e mail Mrs Jennifer Blackburne at [clerk@st-aidans.croydon.sch.uk](mailto:clerk@st-aidans.croydon.sch.uk)

### Dementia Friends Information Session – 7.30pm, Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July (Old Hall)

This session will provide the opportunity to learn a little more about what it's like to live with dementia and the small ways that we can help. It will be run by a specialist in the area of dementia and will last for about an hour. All are welcome, so please come along to ensure that we are doing our best to create dementia friendly communities.

### School open days:

**The John Fisher School** - Tuesday 28th June, Thursday 30th June & Tuesday 5th July - please contact the school.

**St Philomena's Catholic High School for Girls** - Tuesday 5th July 2016 from 3:30pm to 8pm

**St Bede's School** - Wednesday 6th July 2016, from 5:30 to 9pm



**APF Red Boxes** - There are a number of Red Boxes (some of them from October 2015) at the back of the church. Would all box holders please collect their boxes, which are behind the Welcomers. Our total for 2016 is down, compared to this time last year, and if we are to continue with the important work of Missio we need all holders to ensure that their boxes are collected and filled. If for any reason, you are unable to continue, please let me know so that I can dispose of the box as they make the back of the church tidy. Moyra Brohier, Local Secretary, Tel: 01883 342928



**The John Fisher School Rugby & Cricket Camp 2016**  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2016 – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2016  
To be held at The John Fisher School. For further information please contact [jmccann13@suttonmail.org](mailto:jmccann13@suttonmail.org)



Please note that due to flood damage, the St Thomas' Hall and the Bar area are closed until further notice.

### Safeguarding

The Safeguarding Office (SO) have now given the go-ahead to commence DBS (CRB) rechecks. If you currently volunteer in a role in the Parish where you work with children or adults at risk you should hold a current DBS check. We will be doing the rechecks in small batches and will be having some sessions over the next couple of months to get the checks up to date. We will be doing this **by appointment only**. Can you please email our reps Jacqui and Dee at [safeguardingreps@gmail.com](mailto:safeguardingreps@gmail.com) to see if you have a current check and if not we will let you know the dates we will be doing the checks. In order to speed things up you will be asked to complete all the forms at this appointment and we would ask that you bring along your **original** ID together with a photocopy which we can send to SO.

Thank you.

"Please support the excellent work which The Passage does for homeless people in Central London, by attending The Passage annual Garden Party in the beautiful and historic College Garden, Westminster Abbey on Friday 15 July, from 6.00 pm to 8.30 pm. Tickets at £35 each, include wine, soft drinks, buffet supper, prize raffle, and live music.

Tickets are available from The Passage, St Vincent's Centre, Carlisle Place, London SW1P 1NL.

Tel: 020 75921856.

Email: [tickets@passage.org.uk](mailto:tickets@passage.org.uk)

See also [www.passage.org.uk](http://www.passage.org.uk) It will not be possible to purchase tickets at the Abbey. All proceeds in aid of The Passage."

### Year of Mercy Pilgrimage for New Catholics Led by Bishop Moth

- For adults who have been baptised, confirmed or received into the church since 2012, along with their families, friends, sponsors, godparents, catechists and parishioners
  - Enter through the Holy Door
  - Celebration of a Mass of Thanksgiving
  - Tea and cake, and an opportunity to meet Bishop Richard Sunday 3rd July at 3.00pm Arundel Cathedral
- Bishop Richard looks forward to meeting you!  
Please give us an indication of numbers for catering purposes  
email: [ruth.gerun@dabnet.org](mailto:ruth.gerun@dabnet.org) or phone: 01293 651164

### Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory: £750.96 (Gift Aid: £326.70)

Second Collection - Day for Life £285.54

## WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK



Sun 26th: Children's liturgy at 9am and 10:45am Mass  
Tea & Coffee after 10:45am Mass  
Mon: Tea & Coffee after Mass (Old Hall)  
Tues: 9:15 - 11:15am Toddler Group (Old Hall)  
Wed: 8pm Journey of Faith  
Thurs: 7:30pm (10:45am Mass) Leaven Group Meeting (Old Hall)  
Fri: 7:30pm Parish Women's Group Meeting (Old Hall)  
Sun 3rd: Children's liturgy at 9am and 10:45am Mass  
Tea & Coffee after 9am & 10:45am Mass  
Cafod cake sale after 10:45am Mass (Cent Hall)

**SVP Coffee Morning and Cake Sale – Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July** - The Sacred Heart Conference of the St Vincent De Paul Society warmly invites parishioners to tea, coffee and cake in the Centenary Hall after the 9.00am and 10.45am Masses on Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July. Delicious homemade cakes will be on sale and there will be an opportunity to find out more about the work of the SVP in the Parish. Offers of cakes will be greatly appreciated!

**WANTED - equipment and furniture for Youth Club at St Thomas' Hall** - We are after foldable table tennis, snooker and table football tables and 2 x 3-seater sofas (max length 2.2m) for use and storage in the new St Thomas' Hall. Please contact Mel Flaherty [youth-clubsacredheart@gmail.com](mailto:youth-clubsacredheart@gmail.com) or 07736 070455

### Candle Safety

Please can we remind Parishioners that children should always be accompanied whilst lighting candles before, during or after Mass.

**Baptisms** - Livi Turner, William Scott, baby Ward, Jessica Lloyd and Daisy Dolce will be Baptised next week. Please keep them in your prayers.

We remember Bernard Ellis RIP who passed away last week. Please remember Bernard's wife Sue, his Children & Grandchildren in your prayers.

Bernard's requiem Mass will be held here on Friday 1st July 2016 at 10am. May he rest in peace.

Dioceses pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation at West Grinstead, with Bishop Richard on Sunday 17th July 2016. There are 13 tickets available. If you would like to go please contact the office.



## 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, Harry Gaut & Ian Lester.



Do you know someone who would like to find out about being a Catholic – or who is a Catholic and would like to deepen their faith? Perhaps you are that someone! - the "Journey of Faith" is for you!

Contact us NOW! (See newsletter, or Fr Seán - 01883 343241, Gemma - 01883 342508, Peter - 01883 345749)



## Children's Liturgy - Update Some reminders about Children's Liturgy (running Term time only)

**There will now be ONE Liturgy for all children between the ages of 1 to 7 years old (children who have NOT made their first Holy Communion)**

### Pre-school children

- Only one adult per family should accompany the children to the liturgy.

- There will be a collection at every session.

### Children age 5 - 7 years (pre First Holy Communion)

- Please ensure your child does not bring anything other than themselves through to the hall.

### Notes for all

- Children who have made their First Holy Communion should remain in the Mass. If parents really feel their child will benefit from attending the session please mention this to the Liturgist before Mass.

- Your seat in the Church can be reserved by picking up a sign from the table with the Hosts on.

- Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the Month at 10.45am there will be a Youth Mass instead of an Children's Liturgy. The children will do the roles of Welcoming, Offertory, Reading / Bidding prayers and choir at these Masses.

- All children who have made their First Communion can volunteer to become Altar Servers if they wish to or can join the Children's Choir.

**We are always looking for volunteers to join the Liturgy teams. If you are interested in helping please contact Nina Morro or Nicky Leaker at [nickyleaker@live.co.uk](mailto:nickyleaker@live.co.uk)**

## CONTACTS

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(6 months notice required) - Fr Seán

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### Chair of Parish Finance:

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### Tuesday Toddlers 9.30am-11.00am:

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### Parish Youth Clubs:

(First Friday during school term 7pm)  
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### 5th Caterham Scouts

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### St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler  
01883 342005

## THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 26th	13th Sunday in Ordinary Times
9:00am Mass	Thanksgiving (V Williams)
10:45am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	May Darby RIP (C Roofe)
Monday 27th	Saint Cyril of Alexandria
10am Mass	Fr Jim Maguire RIP (D Waddington)
Tuesday 28th	Saint Irenæus
NO MASS	-----
Wednesday 29th	Saints Peter & Paul
10am English Mass 12pm Latin Mass 7pm English Mass	Terry & Bridget Crook RIP (Jean) Col Edward Freely Ints (M & K Sheriff) People of the Parish
Thursday 30th	Saints Roman Protomartyrs
10am Mass	Levita Almeida Welfare (Mr & Mrs D'Souza)
Friday 1st	Consecration of Arundel Cathedral
10am Requiem NO 7PM MASS	Requiem Mass : Bernard Ellis RIP -----
Saturday 2nd	St Oliver Plunket
10am Mass	Margret Sore RIP (Peter & family)
Sunday 3rd	14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am Mass	Frank & Mary Russell RIP (G Bratza)
10:45am Mass	Sr Margaret Mary Petterson RIP (T Dodington)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish

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

**Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament** Saturdays: 9am – 11am