

Parish of the Sacred Heart,



Caterham

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- LIVE @ : www.churchservices.tv/caterham

Today there will be a collection for The Cathedral Maintenance Fund (this is eligible for Parish Gift Aid, please use your purple envelopes).

Next week there will be a second collection for The Aid to the Churches in Need Appeal. This is not eligible for Parish Gift Aid.

Thank you.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

- Sun 26th: **11:30AM - 3PM Christmas Market**
Children's liturgy - all morning Masses
- Mon 27th: Coffee & Tea after 10AM Mass
2pm SVP Film Club (Old Hall)
- Tues 28th: 9:30AM Toddler Group (St Thomas' Hall)
8PM Choir practice (Old Hall)
- Wed 29th: 8PM Journey of Faith (Old Hall)
- Thurs 30th: 8:30AM Ecumenical morning prayer (St John's, Caterham)
7:30pm SVP meeting (Old Hall)
- Sun 3rd: Children's liturgy - all morning Masses
Coffee & Teas after 10:45AM Mass

Morning Prayer every Monday 9:40AM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday and Saturday 9AM to 10AM

Rosary every Thursday 9:40AM

Confessions every Saturday 10:45AM – 11:15AM

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - after Saturday Mass

Benediction every Sunday 4:45PM

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory: £943.15 (Gift Aid: £392.80)

Second collection (Day for the Poor): £667.85



Sacred Heart Parish
Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

**Sunday 26th November
2017**

Christ the King

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sunday 26th

9:00AM -

Con McCarthy RIP
(B McCarthy)

10:45AM -

Florence Flaherty RIP
(Flaherty family)

5:15PM -

People of the Parish

Monday 27th

10:00AM -

George & Kathleen Watts RIP
(J Watts)

Tuesday 28th

10:00AM -

John Martin RIP
(T Meenaghan)

Wednesday 29th

10:00AM Latin Mass -
The faithful departed

Thursday 30th

St Andrew

10:00AM -

Eddie Rowen RIP
(Moran family)

Friday 1st

7:00PM -

Agnes Mendonca RIP
(D'Souza family)

Saturday 2nd

10:00AM -

Pat McCoy (T McCoy)

Sunday 3rd

First Sunday in Advent

9:00AM -

Beryl Quérée (Cutler family)

10:45AM -

Pat & Bill Webber RIP
(Kelly family)

5:15PM -

People of the Parish

On the First Sunday of Advent, 3rd December, we begin Year B, the Year of Mark in our Sunday Reading Cycle.

From then until June or so, we plan to hold a series of talks and dis-

cussions about the holy Scriptures. There will be visiting speakers through the season, but the first two will be led by Fr Seán. The sessions will take place twice, intended to help those

who can only make mornings or evenings.

Introduction to the Holy Scriptures 1

Tuesday 5th December at 11.00AM in the Old Hall and Tuesday 12th

December at 7.30pm

Introduction to the Holy Scriptures 2

Tuesday 19th December at 11.00AM and again at 7.30PM

St. Francis' School Association
St. Francis' RC Primary School

Christmas Fayre

Sunday 3rd December
12pm – 3pm



Cash raffle prizes £125, £75, £50
Lots more prizes ★ Christmas shopping stalls ★ Bottle stall
Christmas crafts ★ Mulled wine & mince pies ★ Festive food
Lots of fun games ★ Face painting ★ Santa's Grotto
Entry £1 per adult, children free

Kindly sponsored by:
E.A. Jones

St. Francis' RC Primary School, Whyteleafe Road, Caterham, Surrey CR3 5ED

PARISH CHRISTMAS MARKET – TODAY SUNDAY 26TH NOV 11.30AM - 3.00PM

We all look forward to a great day, so don't miss it! Please bring family and friends!

Cakes may be dropped off in St Thomas' Hall from 6.00PM on Saturday or at any time on Sunday morning.

All proceeds from the Christmas Market will be shared between CAFOD, the SVP, Madaba and the Parish Scout Group.

Christmas Market

Sun. 26th November 2017
11.30 am - 3.00 pm
Sacred Heart Parish
Centenary Hall,
Essendene Road, Caterham
CR3 5PA



Art and Craft
Cakes
Toys
Preserves
Jewellery
Decorations
Gifts
Bar
Tombolas
Lucky dip
Light lunch / snacks
and much more!

(With thanks to CAFOD for free display)

PARISH SHOP



Christmas cards, Advent rings and candles, Advent Calendars and a number of new books are now

available in the shop.

Don't forget your copy of Advent Extra a magazine with ideas for all the family to prepare for Christmas only £1.50.

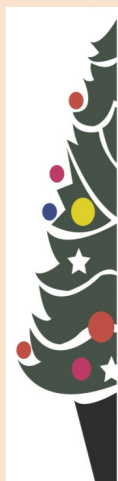
CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH AT THE DOUGLAS BRUNTON CENTRE

Will you or someone you know in the Parish be without company on Christmas Day? Would you like to enjoy a Community Christmas Lunch at the Douglas Brunton Centre? You are warmly invited to come along and **celebrate** the joy of Christmas with others. Transport will be provided. More information next

week.

Drivers: Can you make a gift of a little time on Christmas Day to help with lifts for guests to or from the Douglas Brunton Centre? (around 11.30am and 3.30/4.00pm). There is a list in the Church porch for names and contact details. Please telephone the Parish Office for further information.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



At St Lawrence's Church, Caterham

The Guild of Friends of St Lawrence's Church is hosting a Christmas Tree Festival in St Lawrence's, Caterham Hill today - 26th November between 10:30AM and 5PM.



What happens at Mass? Why? Find out with an outline of the Mass. Join us for this and Advent thoughts with the readings for next Sunday

All welcome!

8:00PM Wednesday 29th November, in the Old Hall

SVP FILM CLUB – MONDAY 27TH NOVEMBER AT 2.00PM IN THE OLD HALL



Our November film will be the 2015 'The Von Trapp Family: A Life of Music'. Solid performances by the principal cast, lovely imagery, and a heart-warming tale

bring this more dramatic version of the classic musical The Sound of Music to life. Based on the real-life events described in Agathe Von Trapp's autobiography, the movie highlights characters and details new to viewers.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

The Children's Choir meet every Sunday after the 10:45AM Mass, around 12noon (in the choir pews by the organ). We are mainly singing carols at the moment and we hope to have the Children's Choir perform in a service by Christmas, ideally at Christingle. Any age and stage (as long as they can concentrate for at least 30 minutes!) are welcome to join, and there's currently no age limit. Please contact Shona Fenion, our Director of Music, on music@sacred-heart.co.uk for further information.

THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL
CHRISTMAS BONANZA. FRIDAY 1ST DECEMBER 7PM THE SCHOOL HALL



The John Fisher Music Department presents a variety of Christmas music from instrumental ensembles and choirs. Wear your Christmas jumper and Santa hat and join us for festive fun! £3/£1 concessions

OF INTEREST...

WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES

Bishop Richard invites you to join him for the World Meeting of Families in Dublin with the Holy Father, Pope Francis: 21-26 August 2018 sees the arrival of the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland. The Diocese is making the most of this wonderful opportunity by organ-

ising a pilgrimage for those who would like to attend. It is open to families of all shapes and sizes, from tiny tots to Grandparents. We will be staying together in Dublin City University accommodation and travelling to events together by coach. A three day congress will be fol-

lowed by a Festival of Families and a Solemn Eucharistic Celebration with Pope Francis. If you would like more information about the event visit www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/. If you would like to join us on pilgrimage, please speak to your parish

priest about how he can support you financially, and for a booking form. Alternatively you can contact Lizzie or Katherine of the Diocesan Pastoral team wmof2018@dabnet.org

INVITATION TO PARISHONERS TO BECOME A COLOMA CONVENT GIRLS' SCHOOL GOVERNOR - CLOSING DATE: MONDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2017



Coloma is seeking to appoint Governors who have expertise in any of the following: Finance / Marketing / Fund-raising / Estate Management.

The Governor's role (which is voluntary) is very valuable and rewarding. The Board of Governors are responsible collectively for the overall strategy of the school, including its ethos, vision and strategic aims, agreeing plans, policies and targets and making creative use of resources. The Board of Governors also acts as a 'critical friend' by monitoring and evaluating performance.

All Governors attend a minimum of one Board Meeting and one sub-committee meeting per term, which are held in the early evening at the school. Some availability to visit Coloma during the day would also be advantageous.

If you would like to have an informal conversation concerning the role, or would like to volunteer, please contact the Clerk to the Governors, Sallie Trembath, on strembath@coloma.croydon.sch.uk or 020 8654 6228. It would be helpful if you could also attach your CV.

LALEHAM LEA SCHOOL - VACANCY
EYFS NURSERY PRACTITIONER (NQ3) REQUIRED - F/T



Closing Date: Thursday November 30th. Application pack available from Mrs Edwards. secretary@lalehamlea.co.uk 020 8660 3351. Laleham Lea School, 29 Peaks Hill, Purley, Surrey CR8 3JJ

CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON TUESDAY DEC 19 AT 7 PM

St John Clareville Road Caterham Valley welcome you to sing Christmas carols on Tuesday December 19th at 7PM There will be

refreshments after the service. If you would like to join the choir for this service please contact Shona Fenion or John Wood-

house johnwood-housecat@gmail.com 0790 8888 586 by text. The final rehearsals for this service will be on Fri-

day Dec 15 at 7 in St John's church and on Dec 19th at 6:15PM. All singers welcome!


Your Prayers are requested for the following people 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; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; 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, Charmaine Wise, Breda Sharpe, Richard Sowa, Ann Walker, Val Williams & Patrick Eade.

BAPTISMS


Robert Dolce will be baptised here next week. Please keep him in your prayers.

WEDDINGS


We pray for Naomi Young & Scott Leader who will be married here this week.



Prayers please for the soul of Pat Power, known to many of you, who died on Thursday night. May he rest in peace.

Proper Psalms
NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Isaiah 63:16b-17,19b;64:2-7

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

Mark 13:33-37

GOSPEL REFLECTION
Christ the King

The ability of the media to make or break a person has long been noted, and nowhere is this more true than in politics. Consider, for instance the adulation once given to Tony Blair, and the way the media turned on him and ensured that the country did so too. The media, rightly or wrongly, can make somebody look like a cross between a film star and a messiah, but it won't be long before they start fault-finding because, sadly, virtue doesn't sell newspapers.

And this is a good illustration of why we can be glad that we have pinned our hopes not on the kingdom of this world, but on the Kingdom of God. The kingdom of this world is never going to match up to the eternal kingdom, however hard it tries. Even in the most explicitly Christian states, horrors happen, as history has shown time and time again, because human beings are involved, and no fallen human can really be trusted with absolute power over others.

Does this mean, then, that Christians should dissociate themselves from the kingdom of this world entirely? Many think so: the Amish, and other Protestant groups for years refused to get involved in politics. But surely getting involved in politics is, or ought to be, an operation of the virtue of charity. To seek the betterment of our neighbour by whatever legitimate means is not just an option; it is a duty. And if we Christians were to make our voices heard more, then politicians might conclude that extreme views on abortion were vote-losers, and modify those views accordingly.

Catholic Action in the past was a real force to be reckoned with: in the 50s and 60s many of the famous union leaders were Catholics who had been inspired by the Church's social teaching to try and make the world a better place through engaging in politics, bringing about, as far as they could, the social reign of Christ.

Young Catholics should seriously consider a career in politics, and for those less young, there are local councils on which to serve. And I do think, as I suggested above, that these opportunities are real occasions to do good to our neighbour, as suggested in today's Gospel. If the country is in a mess, there remains the question which asks what we, personally, have done to make it any better.

In the end, that is what it is about. The kingdom of this world will never equal the Kingdom of God, but we can make it more alike than it is now, and that will always be true.

FOR YOUR DIARY
MINISTERS

There will be a Mass on **Saturday 9th December** at 10.00AM for all Ministers of Communion, Readers and Welcomers followed by refreshments in the Old Hall and possibly a croissant!

NEW YEARS' LUNCH

Our annual New Years' Lunch will be held on Saturday 13th January 2018 (12:30PM for 1PM). Please complete and return the forms in the porch if you are able to attend.