

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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Weekday 30 Year II
Psalter Week 2

Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: You must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

Reflection

Mma Ramotwe knew that there was a great deal of debate about morality, but in her view it was quite simple. In the first place, there was the old Botswana morality, which was simply right. If a person stuck to this, then he would be doing the right thing and need not worry about it. There were other moralities, of course; there were the Ten Commandments, which she had learned by heart at Sunday School in Mochudi all those years ago; these were right in the same, absolute, way. These codes of morality were like the Botswana Penal Code; they had to be obeyed to the letter. It was no good pretending you were the High Court of Botswana and deciding which parts you were going to observe and which you were not. Moral codes were not designed to be selective, nor indeed were they designed to be questioned. You could not say that you would observe this prohibition but not that. I shall not commit theft—certainly not—but adultery is another matter: wrong for other people, but not for me.

Most morality, thought Mma Ramotwe, was about doing the right thing because it had been identified as such by a long process of acceptance and observance. You simply could not create your own morality because your experience would never be enough to do so. What gives you the right to say that you know better than your ancestors? Morality is for everybody, and this means that the views of more than one person are needed to create it. That was what made the modern morality, with its emphasis on individuals and the working out of an individual position, so weak. If you gave people the chance to work out their morality, then they would work out the version which was easiest for them and which allowed them to do what suited them for as much of the time as possible. That, in Mma Ramotwe's view, was simple selfishness, whatever grand name one gave to it.

Mma Ramotwe had listened to a World Service broadcast on her radio one day which had simply taken her breath away. It was about philosophers who called themselves existentialists and who, as far as Mma Ramotwe could ascertain, lived in France. These French people said that you should live in a way that made you feel real, and that the real thing to do was the right thing too. Mma Ramotwe had listened in astonishment. You did not have to go to France to meet existentialists, she reflected; there were many existentialists right here in Botswana, Note Mokoti, for example. She had been married to an existentialist herself, without even knowing it. Note, that selfish man who never once put himself out for another—not even for his wife—would have approved of existentialists, and they of him. It was very existentialist, perhaps, to go out to bars every night while your pregnant wife stayed at home, and even more existentialist to go off with girls—young existentialist girls—you met in bars. It was a good life being an existentialist, although not too good for all the other, non-existentialist, people around one.

From *Morality for Beautiful Girls* by Alexander McCall Smith (The Number One Ladies' Detective Agency series)

First Holy Communion 2015



Dates for your diary:

- 06/11/14 (Thursday) – 2nd Parents Evening, 8pm - Old Hall
- 08/01/15 (Thursday) – 3rd Parents Evening, 8pm - Old Hall
- 11/01/15 (Sunday) – Children's 1st Session and Enrolment Mass (10:30am)

Please keep an eye out for any changes in dates.

Have you registered with the Parish yet? Forms can be downloaded from the website www.sacred-heart.co.uk, (under Our Parish). There are also some hard copies at the back of the church.

If you have any questions, please contact **Anne Marie Young** either via email on hfc.sacredheart@gmail.com or by mobile on **07949 938 984**.

Mothers Prayers Talk

There will be a talk on:

Saturday 15th November 2014 at 10am to 4pm

10am Mass at St John the Baptist Church Hall, Dale Road,
Purley CR8 2EF.

Voluntary donations are welcome, please bring a packed lunch.

Please contact Beryl on 020 8406 0604 or
berylmp2014@gmail.com

Drivers required

Please contact the Parish Office if you would be able to collect a Parishioner for Sunday Masses (for any of the 3 Masses) and return them home again after Mass.



We need a driver to collect to and from Sunny Rise, Hillcroft Court on Chaldon Road and a driver to collect to and from Banstead Road. Many thanks

Parish Office

During half term next week the Office will be open on
Tuesday and Friday mornings only.



R.I.P.

Please remember in your prayers the soul, friends and family of Diane Bailey RIP who passed away last week.

St Francis School invite all past and present students and families to join them at the Sacred Heart Centenary Hall on Friday 14 November @7.30pm to say thank you to Mrs Burke for all that she has done at St Francis School. We look forward to seeing you there, children are welcome. The bar will be open to purchase drinks. Please RSVP direct to the School PTA.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory - £842.02 (Gift Aid £375.62)

Second collection for Missio - £305.78

Governors required for St Francis School:

Due to the Government's National Reconstitution requirements for 2015, St Francis will be undertaking their own Governing body reconstitution. There will be opportunities for one Parent Governor and three Foundation Governors to join the Governing Body team. If you are interested in knowing more about becoming a Governor and using your skills to benefit the school, the current members are happy to talk about their roles. Please phone or email the office with your details and someone will contact you - 01883 342005 office@stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk. Further details are also available on the school website.

There will be a performance of Beauty and the Beast, which Caterham Community Church are hosting on Friday 28th November at 7pm at Oasis Academy Old Coulsdon. The performance is by the Saltmine Theatre Company, a professional Christian company, who have a reputation for high quality drama presentations for schools, churches and theatres, suitable for Christians and non-Christians.

They would be delighted if you would like to come. Tickets are £6.50 for adults and £3.50 concessions (under 16s, students, unemployed and seniors) and include interval refreshments.

For more information please phone: 01883 623017 / Email: bowderys@aol.com

Safeguarding

Please note that the safeguarding reps will be in the parish office after the 9am, 10:30am and 5:15pm Masses on Sunday 2nd November.



Diocesan Festival 50 - Volunteers Required

The Diocese is looking for volunteers to help with Festival 50 in 2015. Volunteers are needed on the day and in the preparation of the Festival. Do you have any skills from Event Promotion to Music, from Face Painting to Flower Arranging that you would be happy to offer? Would you like to be a Welcomer and Host on the day? There are many jobs and all offers gratefully received. To offer emailfestival50@dabnet.org or write to Festival 50, DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP. More information on the Diocesan website.



Go Carefully

Please remember to take care at this time of year while walking around the Church and Halls as wet leaves are slippery.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 26th: Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass
(M & S Fanthome— OLD HALL)



Mon: Coffee & Tea after Mass (Old Hall)

Tues: 7:30pm Leaven Group meeting (Sacristy)

Sun 2nd: Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass
(C Agca & C Anderton)
Safeguarding reps will be in the Parish Office
after 9.00am & 10.30am Sunday Masses and
in the Old Hall after the 5.15pm Mass



Now that the clocks have gone back 1 hour
please take care around the parish as it will get
darker earlier.

ENCOUNTER EVENING FOR CATHOLICS AGED 15-30

The ENCOUNTER evenings are a hugely popular event for young Catholics, featuring music, speakers and a chance to meet other young Catholics in a friendly environment. The next event on **Friday October 31st** and we are doing a Catholic take on Halloween. It's called ENCOUNTER: ALL HALLOWS EVE, and there will be a Mass with some great music and then some social time. We are always really excited to welcome new people, so if you haven't been before please don't be afraid. You will be very welcome. Search for 'ENCOUNTER: ALL HALLOWS EVE' on Facebook for more info. John (Jack) Regan | Chaplain

'The next **5.15 Leaven Group** meeting:
Tuesday 28th October 7.30pm, 'Sacristy'.

We welcome, feedback and suggestions on how to sustain and develop our worship and community life. Please speak to a member of the Leaven Group after Mass, write comments on the suggestion sheets in the porch or come along to the meeting. For further details contact Janet D B.
01883 712440

jdoyleblunden@gmail.com or via the parish office

Fr John Oliver - Oxted & Warlingham Parish Priest

Please keep Fr John in your prayers as he recovers from his recent surgery.

Discovering Priesthood Day:

An opportunity to explore a vocation to the priesthood with, at the same time, a chance to visit St John's Seminary and meet seminarians. Included in the day is a time for prayer, discussion, relaxation and activities as well as Holy Mass for All Saint's Day. On 1 November at St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford GU5 0QX from 10am-5pm for Men aged 16-50. More information from Fr Terry Martin
07545 576627 or rvocations@dabnet.org



Your Prayers are requested for the following persons who are ill or housebound.

Pat Knight; Kathleen & John Saunders; Helen Keogh;
Daisy Hill; Connie Cronin; Christopher Browne;
Kit Monk; Krista Thompson; Jane Hill; Rosemary Whale;
Pam Weaver; Jimmy & Bridie Mullen; Jim & 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.

Second collection

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the Retired Priest Fund. If you make donations to the Church via direct debit please use your purple gift aid envelopes to make your donation to this second collection. Thanks you.

ITEM 105 words

HOST is looking for kind, friendly, hospitable people who are inspired by the idea of welcoming an international student at university here, far from his or her own family, to their home. This could be for a day, a weekend or Christmas, and you don't need to live near a university, as students will travel for the privilege of meeting you, learning about real life in this country, and sharing their own culture. HOST is a voluntary activity which makes ambassadors for international goodwill of us all. Please see www.hostuk.org or call HOST Office on 0207 739 6292. Thank you.



Baptisms

Next Sunday Maxwell Treacy will be baptised.

Healthcare Workers' Mass:

All Catholic Doctors, Nurses & other workers in Healthcare are invited to a Mass on Saturday 8th November 12.15pm at The Friary Church, Crawley, RH10 1HR with coffee afterwards in the Friary Hall.

If you would like to know more about this, or any other event we arrange especially for Healthcare Professionals, please contact Susan O'Brien, Dialogue & Unity Adviser on 01293 651162 or susan.obrien@dabnet.org

School application form signing



Fr Seán will sign your School application forms after Sunday Masses. Please complete as much of the form as possible and if you have a reference letter from Fr Kieran please bring this along with you.

CONTACTS

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9.30 am - 12.30 pm)
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Baptism Preparation:

John Baron 0208 763 2144

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(6 months notice required) - Fr Seán

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Dee Hall and Jacqui Voorbach
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Gift Aid:

Peter Kelly 01883 330684
peterf_kelly@o2.co.uk

Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

Kelly Coyne: 07921 030991
kelly.coyne@btinternet.com

Parish Youth Clubs:

(First Friday during school term. 7pm)
Mel Flaherty
youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com

5th Caterham Scouts

Paul Lovell: 07712 436591

Chill Club

Veronique Wood

Chair of Parish Finance:

Rayon Brown - raybrown2006@aol.com

St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler
01883 342005

THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 26th	<i>Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time</i>
9:00am Mass	John Wood RIP
10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Joan Borrás RIP
Monday 27th	
10:00 am Mass	Intensions of the Friends & Relatives of the Mullen Family
Tuesday 28th	<i>Sts Simon and Jude</i>
10.00 am Mass	Lisa Overend RIP (L Leake)
Wednesday 29th	
10.00am Latin Mass	In Thanksgiving to Our Lady of Mediatrix of all graces (Washington & Anelise)
Thursday 30th	
10.00 am Mass	Alfred Edward (AR Edward)
Friday 31st	
7.00 pm Mass	Maureen Killen (D Hunter & family)
Saturday 1st	
10.00 am Mass	W.M. Roe (Foundation)
Sunday 2nd	<i>All Saints</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:30am Mass	Ebenezer Moses RIP (A Aranha)
5:15pm Mass	Tony & Nina Russell RIP (E Hubbard-Brown)

Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am

Lauds Mondays at 9:45 am

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

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament

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

