

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

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Psalter Week 2

NEXT WEEKS READING

Easter Sunday

Readings:

1st Reading : A reading from
the Acts of the Apostles

10:34. 37-43

2nd Reading: A reading from
the letter of St Paul to the

Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Gospel Reflection

Today is unique in the Church's liturgy because it has not one but two Gospels. The first you will only hear if you are at one of the main Masses, because it accompanies the procession with palms that gives today's celebration its name. All four Gospels attest to this remarkable welcome that our Lord received on this occasion, though St John (whose version of the solemn entry of our Lord is given as an alternative to St Mark's today) observes that scripture (Zechariah 9:9) had prophesied it. We might note how the Benedictus of the Mass recalls the cry of the Jerusalemites: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest! The particular poignancy of the event, however, is that we know that so very soon those hosannas will turn to Crucify him! even as in the Mass they precede the same crucifixion presented sacramentally.

And so this is particularly brought out today as the second, long, Gospel is read, usually known as the Passion. What can one say about this that would not be in some sense a trivialization of the most profound event in human history? Only, perhaps, that one should strive to enter into it as deeply as possible; in our churches it is customary for the congregation to say the 'crowd' parts out loud. This brings home to us the tragic fact that it is we ourselves who put our Saviour on the cross. We are every bit as responsible as the Jews of that day. He did not die because some nasty-minded individuals two thousand years ago were determined to do away with him—though that was the ostensible reason—but because you and I sinned, separated ourselves from God; our all-loving Saviour chose to undergo all this torment so that the breach could be healed.

Were the whole realm of nature mine,
That were an offering far too small.
Love so amazing, so divine
Demands my soul, my life, my all.





The Parish Office

Please note that the Parish office will be closed from Monday 30th March and will open again on Monday 13th April.

Italian Students visit

I am looking for homes for Italian Students, aged 11-14, in Caterham, based at the Sacred Heart Church (6-29 July) and Old Coulsdon (2-25 July). We give £17.25 per student per day. If you are interested, I would love to hear from you. Thank you. Rosslyn Hill 01883 381082.

Marist Catholic Primary

A vibrant two form entry school in West Byfleet, Surrey is seeking to appoint a Headteacher for September 2015. Closing date : 15th April. Further details and Application pack can be obtained via www.marist.surrey.sch.uk/recruitment/



There will be **Stations of the Cross** led by the confirmation candidates on Good Friday at 11:00am.

LUNCH CLUB:



Wednesday 1st April at 1pm, in the Centenary Hall; menu this month is fish cobbler, new potatoes and vegetables, followed by pineapple up-side down cake and custard. Coffee or tea and a raffle cost £4.

All welcome to come for good food and company.

The Lunch Club would be grateful for more volunteers to help with the lunches, to cook and/or help on the day, to be able to find more volunteers would be fantastic. If you can help please contact Jo on waitoninnocent@talktalk.net

Appeal from The John Fisher School

One of our 13 year old students, Cori, received treatment at the Royal Marsden last year. He subsequently became ill again and is currently undergoing intensive treatment at St George's Hospital, following which he will need a bone marrow transplant. As well as keeping Cori in your prayers, please consider applying to join the NHS or Anthony Nolan Trust donor registers. Details can be found at <http://www.nhsbt.nhs.uk/bonemarrow/> or <http://www.anthonynolan.org/> If you are not a suitable donor, there are many other ways you can support this life saving work.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Offertory: £1,052.45 (Gift Aid £485.76)

HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday - 9.00am/10.45am/5.15pm

The Palms will be blessed on the Lawn and then we process into church for Mass and the Reading of the Passion.

'We have listened to the Passion of Our Lord and we might ask ourselves, Who am I?
Who am I before the Jesus who enters Jerusalem amid the enthusiastic Crowd? Am I ready to express my joy, to praise him? Or do I stand back?
Who am I before the suffering Jesus?'
From Lent and Easter with Pope Francis

Maundy Thursday

- 6.30pm Washing of the Feet and Agape in the Old Hall
- 8.00pm Mass A celebration of the Last Supper before Jesus died.
- 9.00pm - 11.00pm Watch and Pray at the Altar of Repose.

Good Friday

- 11.00am Stations of the Cross led by Confirmation Candidates.
- 3.00pm Good Friday Service with the veneration of the cross.
- 7.00pm Stations of the Cross with Fr Sean Meditation.

Holy Saturday

- 8.00pm **Easter Vigil** beginning with the lighting of the new fire outside.

There will be a celebration in the Centenary Hall after the Easter Vigil, to celebrate Easter – and Gemma's Baptism and Confirmation. All are Welcome!

Easter Sunday

Mass @ 9.00am/10.45am/5.15pm

We invite the children to bring in their Easter Gardens to the porch before each Mass on Easter Sunday.

TODAY is **Palm Sunday!** If you forgot to sign up, but would like to come to the Retreat, bring a lunch to share and meet in the Centenary Hall at midday. Don't forget, while you come to the adult retreat, your children can have a great time at the Activity Day! Meet in the Old Hall, and they will need a lunch to share, too!



Children's Liturgy

Children's liturgy will return after the Easter holidays on 19th April 2015.



Second Collections

This week we will have a second collection for the Church flowers. This is eligible for Parish Gift Aid, please use your Parish envelopes. There will also be collections on Maundy Thursday for The Poor (not eligible for Parish Gift Aid) and Good Friday for Holy Places (not eligible for Parish Gift Aid). Next week on Easter Sunday we will have a second collection for our Easter Offering (eligible for Parish Gift Aid, please use your Parish Gift Aid envelopes)



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, Chris Norman, Bridget Crook & Baby Tabitha Harrison



Calling all children of the Parish

Don't forget to make an Easter Garden to bring into Church on Easter Sunday. An Easter Garden usually includes Jesus' tomb and the three crosses but you can add the garden of Gethsemane, an angel, people, grow real grass and flowers in it! They can be made in seed trays, lined cardboard boxes, wide flower pots – it's completely up to you as long as the container is no bigger than A3 size (but can be smaller). All entrants will receive a small chocolate egg.



Diocesan 50th Jubilee Celebrations at The Amex Stadium, Brighton 5th July.

This will be a day of activities for everyone. Each parish will be represented. If you and your friends and family would like to join in please add your name to list in the porch and in the next week or so, please take an envelope to be completed and returned to obtain your tickets. There will be 4 coaches costing £10 pp or £20 for a family. Children are free.

CAFOD DIARY DATE

Sunday 3rd May Vintage Afternoon Tea Forget the Ritz or the Dorchester! Come along to a Vintage Afternoon Tea in the Centenary Hall!
All proceeds from this event will be doubled by the Government through the Aid Match scheme.
More details after Easter.

Parish shop

Don't forget your Easter Cards are available in the Parish Shop along with many more items.

Do you have any unused bibles in your house? There is a request from a South African charity. Contact: Eliz & Mike Wood.



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LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANTS

20 hours per week Mon-Fri
Salary S3 £15,156-17,145 pro rata

Mornings, term time only including lunchtime supervision
(1 Year Fixed Term Contracts)

Learning Support Assistants required to work under the direction of the class teacher.

Excellent literacy and numeracy skills are essential.
Graduate applications welcome.

Please email the school office to obtain an application pack. Closing date: 12 noon on 15th April 2015

St Francis' Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children. Such posts will require an Enhanced DBS and Barred List check and references will be taken up prior to interview.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Dates for your Diary:

Next Children's Session: 19/04/15 chps 10-12

If you have any queries, please contact Anne

Marie Young either via email on

fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com



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Chair of Parish Finance:

Geoff Walker - ghw360@gmail.co

Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

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Parish Youth Clubs:

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

5th Caterham Scouts

Paul Lovell: 07712 436591
paul_lovell@rocketmail.com

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 29th	<i>Palm Sunday of The Passion of the Lord</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Bridget Meade (Foundation)
5:15pm Mass	Robert Halpin RIP (D Hall)
Monday 30th	<i>Monday of Holy Week</i>
10:00am Mass	Tom Joyce RIP (E Kelly)
Tuesday 31st	<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>
10:00am Mass	Eamon Quinn RIP
Wednesday 1st	<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>
10:00am Latin Mass	Tope Obebe RIP (C Abisogun)
Thursday 2nd	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>
8pm Mass	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 3rd	<i>Good Friday</i>
3:00pm	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord's Passion
Saturday 4th	<i>Holy Saturday</i>
8:00pm Easter Vigil	Canon Cooksey (foundation)
Sunday 5th	<i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i>
9:00am Mass	Private Intentions (Peggy)
10:45am Mass	Sister Marian Nestor RIP (Flannery Family)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am

Lauds Mondays at 9:45 am

Rosary Wednesday & Thursday at 9:40am

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; Saturdays: 9am – 11am
& Friday at 6:40pm