

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTE

Sacred Heart Parish

Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

Sunday 3rd July 2016

14th Sunday in Ordinary Times

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Psalter Week 2

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Deuteronomy 30:10-14 Colossians 1:15-20 Luke 10:25-37

Gospel Reflection

That rather puzzling first reading (sometimes a little embarrassing to the reader) refers to the consolation of Jerusalem. Politically, the Holy Land has always stood in something of a busy corridor. Since there is desert on one side and the Mediterranean sea on the other, it was the only practical route for trade between the great Eastern nations and powers—Persia, Bablylon, Syria and North Africa, most particularly Egypt. Consequently, it was frequently fought over by all these powers, and spent most its time being dominated by one or the other, since whoever controlled the Holy Land controlled the trade routes. So Jerusalem was used to war. Coupled with this was that political oppression was usually combined with religious oppression too. By the time of our Lord, Israel had endured its two most recent occupations; the first by the Greeks—first Alexander the Great, then one or another of the dynasties founded by his generals—, a brief period of relative independence, then domination by the Romans.

The promise of consolation, then, was an important one. The Messiah would come and save the people. As we know, however, his salvation would not be a political one, for his kingdom is not of this world, but a spiritual one. He 'taught us to live in this passing world with our eyes set on the world that is to come', as the liturgy puts it.

The sending out of the disciples is a kind of foretaste of the Church. The Good News is heralded to the Jews—to be brought by Christ himself later. But note that it is a true proclamation of the Kingdom of God, for from the very beginning of his ministry, our Lord has begun to initate that Kingdom which he was to seal with his blood. By his practice of righting wrongs, of healing the sick, by teaching truth, by doing good of all kinds, he proclaims the Kingdom of God where evil has no place.

The last comment in the Gospel, 'do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, rejoice rather that your names are written in heaven' makes the point that the healings and other miracles are not the reason our Lord came, nor the reason the Church exists. Rather, he came, and the Church exists for the purpose that our names, too, might be written in heaven. And, I suppose that one sign of that 'predestination' (correctly understood) is our willingness to begin making this world correspond to that Kingdom of which we became citizens when first we believed and were baptized.

Double C Club

Have you ever wondered Who, Where. When, the draw for the Double C Club is made.

Please come and have a coffee after the 9am Mass on Sunday and see what happens, and maybe I will be writing your name on a cheque. If you would like to join I will have application forms for you to complete and then maybe next month your name will be in and drawn and you could be one of the three lucky winners.

Special Collection - Next Sunday there will be a collection for The Apostleship of the Sea. This collection is **not** eligible for Parish Gift Aid

Dementia Friends Information Session –

7.30pm, Friday 8th 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 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

Open Caterham - A MASSIVE THANK YOU to Eliz Wood and her fantastic team (too many to name individually) for the amazingly tasteful opening of our beautiful Church. The event was a success and pictures will be posted on the website and in the porch shortly.

Thank you to those of you that attended the Parish Meeting last Friday. We hope you found it useful. If you were not able to attaend, a copy of the minutes will be available in the porch.

Grandparents Day of Reflection - "Is Modern Life Toxic for Children?" A day to explore the pressures on children growing up in a techno centric world and how we as Grandparents can best support them. Led by Sue Palmer, international speaker and author of 'Toxic Childhood' - a ground breaking book studying the effects of contemporary childhood on child development. On Saturday 10th September, 10 am to 4 pm at The Christian Education Centre (DABCEC), 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, RH10 6RP. Drinks provided - Please bring a packed lunch. To book your place contact Katherine Bergin, Marriage & Family Life Adviser t: 01293 651152 e: katherine.bergin@dabnet.org.



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

Safeguarding

The safeguarding reps have recommenced doing DBS (safeguarding checks). The diocese is now up and running with doing electronic applications, however the first stage of application still requires form filling and paperwork checks with your safeguarding reps. Dee and Jacqui will be available next Sunday (10th July 2016) after the 9am mass, before and after the 1045 mass by appointment. For anyone requiring a check please

email <u>safeguardingreps@gmail.com</u> to arrange an appointment on this date or to set up an alternative date to undertake. Thanks

10am on Saturday 9th July from The Ramblers Rest, Outwood Lane, Coulsdon (Chipstead) CR53NP. Please inform John Baron on 0208 763 2144 if you want to go

"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

See also <u>www.passage.org.uk</u> It will not be possible to purchase tickets at the Abbey. All proceeds in aid of The Passage."

Would you be willing to host our visiting priest from Italy for a week or so? Please contact the office if you can. Many thanks

<u>Day of Reflection</u> for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Led By Bishop Richard, the day includes Theological and Practical talks, Eucharistic Adoration and Mass. Taking place at St Wilfrid's, Burgess Hill, on Sat 1st October from 11 am to 4 pm. Bring a packed lunch.

Booking essential - contact Ruth Gerun t: 01293 651164 e: ruth.gerun@dabnet.org

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.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory: £1042.76 (Gift Aid: £618.13) Second Collection - Peter's Pence's: £249.87

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK



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

Mon: Tea & Coffee after Mass (Old Hall) Tues: No Toddler Group until September

Wed: 1pm Lunch club (Cent Hall)

8pm Journey of Faith

Thurs: 7:30pm SVP meeting (Old Hall)

Fri: 7:30pm Parish Women's Group Meeting (Old

Sun 10th: Children's liturgy at 9am and 10:45am Mass

Tea & Coffee after 10:45am Mass

SVP Coffee Morning and Cake Sale - Sunday 3rd 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 3rd 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 or 07736 070455



Raptisms - Charlotte & Jacob Rhatigan, Elena Haria, Elija Bourne & Arthur Pletts will be Baptised next week. Please keep them in your prayers.

Independent Diocesan Academies Board Member:

The Diocesan Academies Strategic Board is seeking to appoint a practising Catholic with a strong and demonstrable background in either Financial Risk or the Financial Services industry. An understanding of the education sector would be helpful. In order to be considered for this role you need to be a practising Catholic.

If you wish to know more about this role please contact Mrs Carole Ann Roycroft via the Education Service on 01293 511130 or via Gill Sajnog, DASB clerk, gill.sajnog@dabnet.org

Candidates should submit a full Curriculum Vitae setting out your experience and skills electronically or by post to Mrs Carole Ann Roycroft, Chair of the Diocesan Academies Strategic Board via DABCEC, Crawley. Please include referees, one of whom should be your parish priest. References will be taken up before interview. Closing date for applications is Friday 15th July 2016. Interview date Thursday 8th September 2016, at DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, RH10 6RP.



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)

LUNCH CLUB: Wednesday 6th July in the Centenary Hall at 13.00pm. Menu this month is; Quiche, salad and new potatoes, followed by fruit crumble and custard. Tea/coffee and a raffle, all for £4. All welcome.

Health & Safety

III First Aiders - in the event of an emergency during Mass it an sometimes be necessary to call on the help of experts. If you are medically trained and would be happy to lend a III hand please could you let the office know so that this in-III formation can be passed on to the welcome groups. Thank you

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Main Church Doors - If the main Church doors are open III please take care as if you use the steps. A ramped access with a hand rail is available at the side of Church.

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Year of Mercy Walking Pilgrimage: Arundel Cathedral to the Holy Door, Shrine of our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead. Saturday 16th July to Sunday 17th July 2016. A walking pilgrimage in the beautiful South Downs, a journey through the Holy Door at West Grinstead and a chance to join the Diocesan gathering & mass celebrated by Bishop Richard. There are 13 tickets available. If you would like to go please contact the office. The deadline is 7th July 2016 for confirmation.

The Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Ecumenical Walking

Pilgrimage: From Winchester to Canterbury from Saturday 13th - Sunday 28th August 2016. More information see www.thepilgrims.org.uk

CONTACTS

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12:30pm) Leila Merrett

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Parish Youth Clubs:

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

Paul Lovell: 07712 436591 paul_lovell@rocketmail.com

St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler

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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
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
Monday 4th	Saint Elizabeth of Portugal
10am Mass	Bridie Anderson RIP (Haugh family)
Tuesday 5th	
10am Mass	Kate Abbott RIP (Gwen)
Wednesday 6th	Consecration of the Sacred Heart Church
10am English Mass	New Secular Priest Common Fund
12pm Latin Mass	Lilian & Ted White RIP
Thursday 7th	
10am Mass	James O'Shea RIP (J Horrocks)
Friday 8th	
7pm Mass	Milo Kelly RIP (Mullen family)
Saturday 9th	Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions
10am Mass	Minnie Howlett RIP (P Howlett)
Sunday 10th	15th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	David Byerley RIP (J Thomas)
5:15pm Mass	Intentions of C Roofe

Confessions every Saturday 10:30am – 11:00am **Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament** Saturdays: 9am – 11am