

Sacred Heart Parish

Third Sunday of Easter SACRED HEART CHURCH ESSENDENE ROAD, CATERHAM, CR3 5PA PARISH PRIEST: FR SEÁN FINNEGAN 37 WHYTELEAFE RD, CATERHAM, SURREY CR3 5EG TEL: 01883 343241 priest@sacred-heart.co.uk



Sunday 30th April 2017

THIS WEEKSERVICE MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 30th Third Sunday of Easter 9:00am Mass -John Dunlop RIP (Peter & Terry) 10:45am Mass -People of the Parish 5:15pm Mass -Carl Andrews RIP (J & T Cutler)

<u>Monday 1st</u> St Joseph the Worker **10am Mass -**Philip Mendonca RIP (D'Souza family)

> Tuesday 2nd St Athanasius 10am Mass -Intentions of Mary Churchill

<u>Wednesday 3rd</u> Ss Philip & James **10am Latin Mass** -Bernadette & Charlie Rice Intentions

> Thursday 4th The English Martyrs 10am Mass -Margaret Sore RIP (Peter & family)

> Friday 5th 7pm Mass -Cormac Nolan RIP (J Perera & friends)

> <u>Saturday 6th</u> 10am Mass -Brian Finnegan RIP

Sunday 7th Fourth Sunday of Easter 9:00am Mass -Ann Matthews RIP (Roberts family) 10:45am Mass -People of the Parish 5:15pm Mass -Fairy Butt Ints (R&C Sowa) LUNCH CLUB Wednesday 3rd May. In the Centenary Hall at 1pm all

welcome. Meal this month is Cottage pie with vegetables and gravy. Then treacle tart and custard followed by a raffle and tea or coffee. All this for £4.

Next Sunday there will be an opportunity for you to buy handmade olive wood crafts from the Holy Land after all Sunday Masses.

Welcome again to Fr Richard Biggerstaff, who will be hearing confessions at all Masses today. Fr Richard is currently in charge (as you may remember) of the St Barnabas Society, and spoke to us a few weeks ago about his work. He is scheduled to return to work in our diocese in a few months' time.



Congratulations to Shannon Collins, who was baptised yesterday.

World Communications Day of Prayer 2017: This takes place on Sunday 28 May. The theme this year is 'Communicating Hope and Trust in our Time'. Read the Papal Message for the day at the following link: https://w2.vatican.va/ content/francesco/en/ messages/communications/ documents/papafrancesco\_20170124\_messaggiocomunicazioni-sociali.html We consider living the Faith. Join us – and also for our consideration of the readings for next Sunday. <u>All welcome!</u> 8.00p.m. Wednesday 3rd May.

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Annual National Justice & Peace Conference: 21–23 July 2017 at The Hayes Conference Centre, Swanwick,

Derbyshire on 'A Sabbath for the Earth and the Poor: The Challenge of Pope Francis. For more information contact: Email:

admin@justice-and-peace.org.uk; Tel: 0207 901 4864

Next Sunday there will be a second collection towards the Education of Future Priests. This collection is eligible for Parish Gift Aid, please use your Parish Gift Aid envelopes. If you missed the collection for the Lourdes appeal last week, the envelopes are still available for you to use.

### SVP news

We look forward to welcoming new volunteers at one of our forthcoming meetings in May.
The Sacred Heart SVP Conference can be contacted for support at any time on 07599 890043.
Confidentiality is assured.

#### 9am Welcoming

Last Sunday Pat Magnus made an appeal at the end of 9am Mass for volunteers to join the rota and become Welcomers at the 9am Mass. Ideally she would have liked at least 6 to volunteer. The only response was from 2 parishioners who already are heavily involved with our 9am Mass. No one should do more than one Ministry during Mass. Please give some thought as to whether you could help. It would be once approximately every 6 weeks - Pat always tries to work the rota around Sundays that you are not available and it is also easy to swop with another person. If you are interested either see Pat after 9am Mass today or email her on: johnpatmagnus@gmail.com

#### **Offertory Collection**

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory: £910.09 (Gift Aid: £409.90) 2nd Collection for the Lourdes Appeal : £168.40 The 10.45 Leaven Group will meet after the 10.45 Mass this Sunday 30th April in the Old Hall. Parishioners are very welcome to attend or please pass on any comments relevant to our 10.45 Mass to one of the Welcomers. Thank you.

Margaret Roper Catholic Primary School - Class Teachers required for September 2017. We are looking to appoint two outstanding class teachers to start in September 2017. Closing Date 12 noon, Thursday 18th May 2017. Interviews w/c 22nd May 2017. Both experienced and newly qualified teachers are encouraged to apply. Full details and application forms are available on the school website or via the office 020 8660 0115.

CONTACTS Parish Office: (Mon, Wed 9:30am to 12:30pm) Leila Merrett 01883 343241 info@sacred-heart.co.uk **Halls Manager** Jo Waiton 07724 613407 thecenthall@gmail.com **Baptism Preparation:** John Baron 0208 763 2144 Marriage Preparation: (6 months notice required) - Fr Seán Journey of Faith (RCIA): Peter Lovat 01883 345749 peter lovat@yahoo.com Chair of Liturgy Group: Eliz Wood elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com **First Holy Communion** fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com Confirmation Allison Pullin 01883 382506 al.pullin@ntlworld.com Safeguarding: Jacqui Mullin safeguardingreps@gmail.com Gift Aid: Peter Kelly 01883 330684 peterfkelly67@gmail.com Chair of Parish Finance: Geoff Walker - ghw360@gmail.com Health and Safety **Dominique Sturgess** dominiquesturgess@gmail.com **Tuesday Toddler Group:** kelly.coyne@btinternet.com **Parish Youth Clubs:** Mel Flaherty youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com St. Francis Primary School: Head teacher: Maria Wheeler 01883 342005 SVP: 07599 890043 (confidential)

Psalter Week 3
NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Acts of the Apostles 2:14a,36-41 1 Peter 2:20b-25 John 10:1-10

Morning Prayer every Monday 9:40am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday 9am to 10am Rosary every Wednesday & Thursday 9:40am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturdays: 9am - 10am Confessions every Saturday 10:30am - 11:00am Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour - after Saturday Mass Benediction every Sunday 4:45pm 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; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Pat McCoy, 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, Cathy Linsell, Charmaine Wise, Breda Sharpe, Derek Walker & Richard Sowa.

## WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

	Sun 30th:	Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses
		Coffee and Tea after 10:45am Mass
	Mon 1st:	Teas & coffee after Mass
	Tues 2nd:	9:15am-11:15am Toddler Group (St Thomas' Hall)
	Wed 3rd:	8:30am Ecumenical morning prayer (Whyteleafe Free Church)
		1pm Lunch Club (Cent Hall)
		8pm Journey of Faith (Old Hall)
	Fri 5th:	7pm Hope in a world of Turbulence talk (All Saints Church, Oxted)
	Sat 6th:	11:30am FHC group 27th May - 2 hrs (Old Hall)
1	Sun 7th:	Children's liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Masses
		Coffee and Tea after 9am & 10:45am Mass
		Holy Land craft sale after all Sunday Masses
		4pm Confirmation Session 6 (Old Hall)

# **Gospel Reflection**

Today's Gospel reading is, rightly, one of the most famous and the most beloved of Gospel passages. Once again, there are so many things one might talk about; our Lord's method of catechesis, for instance, first listening, in order to encourage his companions' confidence and friendship, and then teaching what they need to hear. Another element is the initial lack of recognition that is a hallmark of many of our Lord's post-resurrection appearances; his resurrection body is now no longer marked by the consequences of original sin; it shines forth in all its beauty, a beauty which God designed for us all to have. The same, and yet not the same. But perhaps the most important thing not to miss is how our Lord shows the means by which he wishes to be remembered; by the 'breaking of bread', which is the first term used by Christians for what we call the Mass. And indeed, there is much to resemble the Mass in today's Gospel: the disciples confess their confusion, learn from the Prophets and other scriptures, listen to the teaching of the Lord and finally receive him as he breaks the bread for them. And as soon as the bread is broken, he disappears; a sure sign that the bread is his presence now.

The extraordinary privilege that we have of this intimacy, sitting down at table with the Lord (as it were) is something that we should never tire of. That we do is, of course, due to our human frailty, and the sheer difficulty of working up our tired faculties of faith to see in that small host our Lord and God in whom all our hope and our immortal longings are fixed. But this is true if any of the faith is true, and today we can give our Lord heartfelt thanks, praying that he may make our hearts burn within us and make us ever more faith-full as we once more do what he commanded and recognize him at the breaking of bread.

### MAY 12-14TH 2017 - INSPIRE @ WORTH ABBEY: TEENAGE RETREAT FOR YEARS 7-9

This May there will be another retreat at Worth Abbey for young people in school years 7-9. INSPIRE is part of the youth retreat programme at The Open Cloister, which has been running successfully for a number of years. The retreats are run by an experienced team, with the support of the monastic community at Worth, The Wellspring Community and the Diocese. They give young people a brilliant chance to meet other young Catholics and to explore their faith in the beautiful atmosphere of Worth Abbey. There are also games, sports, social activities and much more. The weekend costs £84, but bursaries are available. For more information, or to book,

email <u>toc@worthabbey.net</u> - bookings close May 1st or when the retreat is full. If you have any questions, you are also free to contact the Diocesan Youth Officer, Jack Regan – <u>Jack.Regan@dabnet.org</u>

March for Life UK 2017: This will take place in Saturday 20 May in Birmingham. Life form Conception No Exception. March for Life UK/Lifefest 17 is going to be bigger and better than ever before! Top speakers, top venue, loads of pro-life activities! For a full run down of what they are about visit marchforlife.co.uk

