

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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The Most Holy Trinity

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Proper Psalms



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Reflection for Trinity Sunday

No matter how hard you look in the Gospels, you won't ever find an explicit teaching on the Holy Trinity. But there are many hints (some to be found even in the Old Testament) which, taken together, and interpreted by the divinely guided Tradition and authority of the Church help us to understand that this is what the Scriptures are talking of. And the authority (in this matter anyway) is accepted by almost all those communities that call themselves 'Christian'. Almost all believe in the Trinity.

We must understand that the concepts of 'persons' (as in the three 'persons', of Father, Son and Holy Spirit) in the Godhead was not entirely new. The philosopher Philo of Alexandria, a contemporary of our Lord, (and not nearly well enough known as he deserves) had already applied a mystical version of the philosophy of Plato to the Old Testament and come up with, distinct from God the Father, 1) a Creator of the world, God's communication, whom Philo called the Word; and also 2) a Spirit of God who was the principle of life— and a lot more besides. Philo thought of these things as a hierarchy, however, descending in importance from the Father, and not as being equal to each other, as we believe the Trinity to be, though he, more perceptively, thought that each lower being (Word and Spirit) flowed out of, proceeded from (as we say in the Creed), the higher. With this background from Philo, it is easier to read, for instance, the prologue to St John's Gospel (In the beginning was the Word...and the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us). When St John used the term 'Word', his readers would immediately have understood this as a reference to Philo. Jesus, then, is the Word of God; God's self-communication.

It is in the teaching of our Lord himself that we understand where Philo was right and where he was wrong. I and the Father are one, he said. (John 10:30). And the baptismal formula our Lord prescribes in today's Gospel ('in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit') argues a radical equality between the three Divine persons. We also understand that the relationship between the Divine persons is one of love and not merely of power. If the Trinity is to be seen as a model for our earthly relationships, especially our close ones, then we could do a lot worse than to meditate on the profound self-giving which is at the heart of the Trinity, and reflect on the profound selfishness which is at the heart of most of our relationships.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Please say a special prayer for the following children, some of whom made their First Holy Communion yesterday and the others who will make their First Holy Communion on Saturday 06 June 2015. The children have been wonderful and hopefully enjoyed themselves over the last nine months. We would like to say thank you to all the teachers and parents who helped them on their spiritual journey and without whom we would not have been able to do it.

Benjamin Anderson
Felix Atkinson
Dexter Babler
Summer Burton
Mia Cassar
Amelia Chan-Lok
Emily Cheung
D'arcy Crowe
Sebastian Davies
Oliver Dennis
Bonnie Edwards
Tavis Emery
Tamsin Filipe-Harrington
Kiera Giacalone-German
Olivia Giacalone-German
Grace Giblin
Lily Goodwin
Emma Guntrip
Harrison Hayman
Aidan Healy
Evalyn Henley
Seamus Holton
Layla James
Harrison Jarrett
Emma Jones
Zofia Kalinowska
Emilia Kavanagh
Aidan Kemp
Beyonce Kiroro
Emily Lee
Evie Linsdell
Grace McCabe
Conor Maguire
Joseph Michel-Cliffe
James Murphy
Maya Nadotti
Christian Neale
Emma O'Grady
Kathleen O'Sullivan
Scarlett O'Sullivan
Adam Ogunremi
Caitlin Prior
Christopher Raj
Ellie Rann
Benicio Rookard
Luke Routledge
Samuel Simpson
Katherine Smith
Thomas Smith
Aimée Sturgess
Sinéad Tanner
Isaac Taylor
Harry Thomas
Archie Voorbach
Elena Wilden-Labonté
Wesley Wood
Hannah Younan

FESTIVAL 50

Festival 50 Diocesan Jubilee at the
AMEX Stadium - 5th July

Please check your name is on the list at the back of Church.

There are a few places left on the coaches.

First Holy Communion Celebration Breakfast

If you would like to celebrate with the candidates, please join us at a very special Mass on **Sunday 14 June 2015 at 10.45am.**

This is a celebration for the First Holy Communion children with the community, where the children also get a second chance to wear their special Holy Communion outfits. There will then be a celebration breakfast afterwards, in the Centenary Hall with cakes and goodies to share.

'Justice and Peace' is a way of describing the Church's call to witness to gospel values in society. If you would like to explore how our parish can show this witness in our area, and how we can speak up for justice and peace in a local, national and international way, come along on **Thursday 4th June at**

7.30pm to the **Old Hall** to meet others and hear speaker

Aidan Cantwell, DABCEC's J and P Advisor

ALL WELCOME. Further details please see notices or contact the parish office

Arts and Crafts – have you entered yet?

There's an opportunity for everyone to contribute to the Festival 50 Art & Crafts show that is taking place at the Amex on 5 July. It is in celebration of the significant place art and crafts

have held in the Church over the centuries and there is a place for all. Paintings, needlework, embroidery, calligraphy, sculpture, carving, ironwork, felting tapestry etc Individual works or Parish projects. For more details and entry forms are on the diocesan website, available from DABCEC or at

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COLOMA CONVENT GIRLS' SCHOOL

www.coloma.croydon.sch.uk



The Governors are looking to appoint the following vacancies

- **Full-Time Teacher of Drama and Theatre Studies** ●
(To cover Maternity leave from September 2015)
- **Full-Time Business and Economics Teacher** ●
(To cover Maternity leave from September 2015)
- **Part-Time, experienced HR Administrator – must be numerate** ●
(To start – as soon as possible)

Closing Date: As soon as possible


An application form is available to download from the school website or contact Mrs. S. Dawson on 020 8654 6228 ext: 229

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:

Offertory: £802.29 (Gift Aid £353.67)

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 31st: NO CHILDREN'S liturgy
Teas & Coffee after 10:45am Mass
Mon: Teas & Coffees after Mass (Old Hall)
Tues: 9:15am - 11:15am Toddler Group (Old Hall) 
Wed: 1pm Lunch Club (Cent Hall)
Thurs: 7:30pm Justice & Peace meeting (Old Hall)
Sat: 11am and 2pm First Holy Communion
Sun 7th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9am & 10:45am Mass
Teas & Coffee after 10:45am Mass

Second Collections

TODAY there will be a second collection for The National Catholic Fund - this collection is not eligible for Parish Gift Aid. Please do not use your envelopes for this collection.

Feast of Pentecost

Last Sunday a large World Map was displayed in the porch on which we plan to show the different nationalities represented in our parish community. As you leave Mass please follow the guidance so you can be included.

Parish shop

We have a lovely selection of cards and gifts for First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Baptism available in the church shop. Please come and have a look.

Gift Aid Annual Statements

If you have not yet collected your Gift Aid annual statement, they are available in the Sacristy before and after all Masses. Alternatively, if you would like to have your statement e-mailed to you, then please send a note to the Organiser at peterf_kelly@o2.co.uk or call him on 01883 330684.

LUNCH CLUB

Wednesday 3rd June: Menu is chicken pie, vegetables and new potatoes, followed by bread and butter pudding, tea or coffee and a raffle. All welcome.



Iraqi Christians In Need

Carl Bahoshy will be giving a lunchtime piano & organ recital at St. Matthew's Church (RH1 1DL) on Thursday, 4th June 2015, 1:10pm, in aid of the UK-registered charity 'Iraqi Christians In Need' (www.icin.org.uk) which is providing direct financial relief to displaced refugees under the care of the churches in northern Iraq. Free Admission (retiring collection). All welcome.



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 Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy; John Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, Malcolm Bowen, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Bridget Crook, Baby Tabitha Harrison, Christine Vernon, Peggy Sisman, Bruno Louis-Joseph & Maureen Kelly.

Message from Fr Seán

I have a couple of visitors for my jubilee Mass on 12 June who will need accommodation: would any kind parishioners be prepared to help, please? I promise they are all house-trained.

Silver Jubilee

Fr Sean's Silver Jubilee celebration, 12th June.

A reminder to all parishioners who plan to attend please sign the list in the porch to assist with the numbers for catering. Thank you.



Baptisms

Lydia Gulhanim Agca and Olivia Hopkinson will be Baptised this week.



United Reformed Church Flower festival

Caterham and District Churches together and other groups at the United Reformed Church Harestone Hill

June 5th, 6th and 7th. 10.30am to 5pm

Theme: 'LET THE WHOLE WORLD IN EVERY CORNER SING' Light refreshments available. Admission free. Donations appreciated.

World Youth Day 2016: Anyone who is interested in joining Pope Francis and millions of young Catholics in Krakow, Poland, next year should contact Jack Regan, Diocesan Youth Adviser for further information or to receive an application pack. Applicants should be aged between 16 and 35 as at 24th July 2016. Phone 01293 651158 or email jack.regan@dabnet.org

Centering Prayer – intensive retreat 13th – 22nd June – at the Convent of the Poor Clares, Arundel. More details from Sr Clare Ruva – clareruva1@gmail.com

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Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

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

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Chill Club

(Last Friday during school term. 7pm)
 Veronique Wood

St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler
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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 31st	<i>The Most Holy Trinity</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Kevin Belford RIP (Nessie)
5:15pm Mass	Frank Kippin Ints
Monday 1st	<i>St Justin</i>
10:00am Mass	Secular Priests Common Fund
Tuesday 2nd	
10:00am Mass	Astrid Austin Andrew Ints
Wednesday 3rd	<i>St Charles Lwanga & Companions</i>
10:00am Latin Mass	Diane Bailey RIP (Mullen Family)
Thursday 4th	
10:00am Mass	Private Intentions (K Rattigan)
Friday 5th	<i>St Boniface</i>
7:00pm Mass	Margret Sore RIP (Peter and Family)
Saturday 6th	
10:00am Mass	Mary Turner (Foundations)
Sunday 7th	<i>The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ</i>
9:00am Mass	People of the Parish
10:45am Mass	Thanksgiving (Mrs Famori)
5:15pm Mass	Herman Joakin RIP (Jean)



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; Friday at 6:40pm