

OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



Sacred Heart Parish
Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

Fourteenth Sunday Year A

6th July 2014



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Sacred Heart Church

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View from the back of our church

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Weekday 14 Year 2

Psalter Week 2

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First Reading

Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord shall come to reign in Zion.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalms 145:1-2, 8-11, 13-14

A prayer of praise to God who is our king.

Second Reading

Romans 8:9, 11-13

Those in whom the Spirit of God dwells must now live according to the Spirit, not the flesh.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 11:25-30

Jesus prays in thanks to God, who has revealed himself to the lowly.

Reflection on the Gospel

Today's reading from Matthew's Gospel comes after a discourse in which Jesus reproaches people who have witnessed his mighty deeds yet still lack belief. In this context, today's Gospel explains the reason for this unbelief and reveals what is necessary for faith.


Today's Gospel also continues to enhance our understanding of discipleship as last week's Gospel did.

Jesus first prays in thanksgiving to God who has made himself known to Jesus' disciples. He praises God who has made himself known to the "little ones" and not to the wise and learned. As in other recent readings from Matthew's Gospel, a contrast is made here between the unbelieving Pharisees, who are wise and learned, and the faithful disciples, tax collectors, and sinners with whom Jesus keeps company.

The second part of this reading calls to our attention the unity between the Father and the Son. God has made himself known through Jesus, and in knowing Jesus, we come to know the Father. In Jesus' life and in his person, God reveals himself to us.

In the concluding sentences of today's Gospel, Jesus' teaching is again contrasted to the teaching of the Pharisees. This common theme of Matthew's Gospel probably reflects tension that existed between Jesus and the Pharisees and between the Pharisees and the community of Christians for whom Matthew wrote. Pharisaic Judaism became the predominant form of Judaism after the destruction of the Temple in Jerusalem about 70 A.D. Here that tension is expressed as alternative paths of holiness. The careful observance of the Mosaic law taught by the Pharisees could be experienced by some as difficult and burdensome. In contrast, Jesus' way of holiness is presented as uncomplicated and even restful.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

- Sun 6th: Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass
(Terry Patterson & Fiona Shipley) 
- Mon: Coffee & Tea after Mass (Old Hall)
Cubs in Old Hall - pm
7.30 pm Parish Finance Committee
- Fri: 7.30 pm - Rev Bob Esdaile - Centenary Hall
- Sat 11.15 am - Meeting of Leaven Groups
combined in the Old Hall.
- Sun 13th: Reference letters for School signed after each Mass.
Safeguarding Rep after 10.30 am Mass
Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass
(Grainne Adamson & Diane Lawless)

Second Collection

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday. There will be a retiring collection towards the work of the Apostleship of the Sea.



St Francis' School play and meet...



Come and meet other new reception
parents and children, all welcome!

Tues 22nd July:

Meeting at Queens park, 9.30am
onwards (for the Arc if wet).

Contact Claire on

07957 196956 or Nathalie on
07725 313955 – please call for
further information/any questions,
otherwise see you there.

Weds 6th August:

Meeting at Queens park, 12pm
onwards (for Henry's Cafe if wet).

Contact Dominique on

07903 335407 or Laura on
07941 508928 – please call for
further information/any questions,
otherwise see you there.



Hold the date:

Friday 17th October, 6-8pm onwards,
St Francis' Welcome Disco.



St Francis' School
Association

SOCIAL TEACHING:

"ARCHBISHOP ROMERO AND THE OPTION FOR THE POOR"

Talk given by the very well-known JULIAN FILOCHOWSKI of the Romero Trust, formerly Director of CAFOD on Monday 21st July at 7.30 pm at St John's, Springfield Road, Horsham. RH12 2PJ. Oscar Romero, the Archbishop of San Salvador, was shot by a hired gunman while saying Mass at the altar of his chapel on 24th March 1980. Format for the evening will be: introductions and talk; break for refreshments; Q & A session. It takes approximately 30 minutes to reach Horsham by car from here. Dual carriageway all the way. All welcome.

9am Mass

The 9am Leaven group met last Sunday.

Items discussed – A resume of what was discussed should appear on the Parish Website.

Wheelchair

The group felt it important that parishioners are aware that a wheelchair is available if needed and is kept where the Altar Servers robes are in the Priest's Sacristy. Please see the Welcomer should it be required.

A talk by Fr Rob Esdaile

Parishes are going to face change in the near future. Pope Francis says "local churches must always be in the process of renewal and reform...". Come and hear what the possibilities are this Friday 11th July in the Centenary Hall 7.30 pm.

Parish Finance Committee

The Parish Finance Committee meet with me for the final time as their Parish Priest tomorrow night, Monday 7th at 7.30 pm in the Presbytery. The plans for the renovation of the Squash Court and the Old Hall will be discussed and hopefully finalised. In keeping with the protocol surrounding the transfer of a Parish Priest, this Committee in its present form will meet once with Fr Sean, shortly after his installation, and then each member will offer their resignation. Fr Sean has the option of asking them to remain on, if that is what they would like to do, or to replace the entire Committee.

Class of 63 Sacred Heart Hammersmith.

If you or anyone you know were in this group we would love to hear from you for a possible reunion. Please contact Carole(nee Agius) on carole.appleford@gmail.com or 07962171695



Weddings during July

Stephen Wren & Sally Lomas;
Richard Wastell & Lisa Martin
Steven Grove & Kayleigh Conway
Darren Nicholls & Danielle Fidge.

School Application Endorsements

As I am leaving in September, many Parents have started to express concern that Fr Sean won't know whether they practice regularly or not - a requirement on the school application forms. To offset this worry, I will endorse school applications 2014/2015 with a special stamped and signed letter to be handed to relevant Parents **on Sunday 13th July after all Masses**. You will need to bring this letter to Fr Sean on the date he requests for him to sign your actual School form (the letter I give you is for internal use only as Schools may not accept this alone).

Baptism

Next weekend I will Baptise Liam Pacitti

Parish Mission Statement

So many of you have expressed deep appreciation for the wording of the Mission Statement. Thanks to the Parish Liturgy Group with the help from the Leaven Groups for this. The artist behind the wonderful display in the porch is Gemma Zerembski to whom I wish to express my sincere thanks also. A portable version is also being made that can be transported to wherever it is required. It would also be good if the words were set to music and it could be sung from time to time in church as a hymn. Appealing to all our composers out there. The wording of the Mission Statement will be engraved in brass and will be blessed and installed onto one of the pillars in the church by Bishop Kieran later in the year.

2nd Collection

Second Collection today for **Peter's Pence**

Flat share/lodger - final week for appeal

We have a male teacher at St Francis School looking for a flat share or lodgings in the local area. If you can help or know someone that is looking to flat share or have a lodger please contact the Parish Office on info@sacred-heart.co.uk. They are looking to move by September 2014 to continue working at the School on a permanent basis. Thank you.

Safeguarding

A safeguarding rep will be in the parish office after the 10.30 Mass next Sunday 13th July. If anyone would like to arrange a time outside of this to arrange DBS or talk to a safeguarding rep please can they email and we will contact to arrange a suitable time.

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Offertory £856 (Gift Aid £353)



Prayers are requested for the following persons who are ill or enfeebled.

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; Tess Gully; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rower; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Diane Bailey; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy; Olive & John Wood; John Gilford, Elise O'Connor & John Dunlop.

10.30 Teas/Coffee

Maribel Chambers is stepping down from being the principal organiser of the Teas/Coffee after the 10.30 am Mass on Sundays and we are looking for her replacement. Sheet in porch for your names.

Altar Servers - Enrolling

All our present Altar Servers will be enrolled into the Guild of St Stephen, at their respective Masses on Sunday 20th July. Could I ask that they all be present to receive their medals. All Servers are asked to stay on the rota until at least you have been Confirmed. It's not uncommon in many of our parishes to have Servers between ages 16-21 serving on the Altar. There has been some misconception here in our parish that you no longer serve when you leave Primary School. We are trying to offset this notion.

New Altar Servers

Today we appeal to those boys and girls who recently made their First Holy Communion to come and join the Altar Servers Guild. Leave your name with the Priest after Mass from today. A training day and time will be announced in next week's newsletter.

Confirmation Group Appeal

In recent years I have tried to encourage some of our post Confirmation Group to join some of the Ministries within the Mass. As a result some have become Eucharistic Ministers, Readers and Greeters and give great witness and encouragement to the other Youth in the Congregation. I appeal once again to those who were recently Confirmed to do likewise. Let Allison Pullen know your intentions please. At present we are short of Eucharistic Ministers at the 5.15 pm Mass

CONTACTS

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(6 months notice required) - Fr Kieran

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Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00:

Kelly Coyne: 07921030991
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Parish Youth Clubs:

(First Friday during school term. 7pm)
Mel Flaherty
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Chill Club

Veronique Wood

Chair of Parish Finance:

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St. Francis Primary School:

Interim Headteachers: - Mrs Dorothy Rollason & Ms Gillian Keaney
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THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 6th

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass

People of the Parish

10:30am Mass

Malcom Wright RIP (T & B Stewart)

5:15pm Mass

Herman Joakim RIP (Family)

Monday 7th

10:00 am Mass

Yves Paya RIP Claude Michel)

Tuesday 8th

10.00 am Mass

Ints of Nora Mbanefo (D Waddington)

Wednesday 9th

St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions

10:00 am Mass

Minnie Howlett RIP (Patricia)

Thursday 10th

NO MASS

Friday 11th

St Benedict

10.00 am Healing

John Dunlop Ints (Joakim)

Saturday 12th

10.00 am Mass

Members of the B.S Guild (foundation)

Sunday 13th

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00am Mass

Michael McCarthy (foundation)

10:30am Mass

David Byerley RIP (J Thomas)

5:15pm Mass

People of the Parish



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am

Rosary Thursday & Friday at 9:40am

Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament

Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; 1pm -2pm ;

Saturdays: 9am – 11am;

HEALING MASS with Benediction every first Friday at 10:00am

