OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



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Sacred Heart Parish Caterham Whyteleafe Godstone

Parish Website Address: www.sacred-heart.co.uk

> Weekday 23 Year 11 Morning Prayer Week 3

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First Reading Ezekiel 33:7-9 The Son of Man is appointed as guardian of Israel.

> Responsorial Psalm Psalm 95:1-2,6-9 Song of praise to God, our salvation.

> > Second Reading Romans 13:8-10

The Law is summarized in the commandment to love your neighbour as yourself.

Gospel Reading Matthew 18:15-20

Jesus teaches his disciples how to settle disputes in the Church.

Background on the Gospel Reading

Today's Gospel reading is taken from a chapter of Matthew's Gospel, which is sometimes called the "discourse on the Church" or the "church order" discourse. In this part of Matthew's Gospel, Jesus speaks more directly about matters of Church discipline and order. In today's reading we find one of only three instances in which Jesus uses the word church in Matthew's Gospel. In Matthew's record of Jesus' teaching, we can hear echoes of the kinds of issues faced by the early Christian community.

In the first part of the "discourse on the Church" (Matthew 18:1-14), Matthew addresses the Christian community's concerns about rank. Jesus responds to the disciples' question about who is greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Jesus indicates that those who wish to enter the kingdom of heaven must be like children, and he cautions those leaders who might lead these "little ones" astray. He also responds with the parable of the lost sheep, indicating how God will seek out and bring back those "little ones" who have strayed.

In today's Gospel reading, Matthew 18:15-20, Jesus addresses a common occurrence in the Christian community: a dispute between two members of the Church. Jesus outlines a procedure for settling such matters fairly. The victim should privately address the offender and attempt to resolve the dispute without outside involvement. If that fails, then the victim should bring two or three witnesses and confront the offender again. If the dispute is still unresolved, the matter should be brought to the attention of the entire community. If the offender refuses to adhere to the reparations prescribed by the community, then Jesus suggests that the offender may be expelled from the Church.

First Holy Communion 2015



Please complete the application form and return to the parish office by **30/09/13** with a cheque (payable to Sacred Heart Parish) or cash for £20 which will be your contribution towards the cost of the materials needed throughout the preparation and the flowers for First Communion Day. Families must be registered with the Parish. Please visit regularly the Sacred Heart Parish website (www.sacred-heart.co.uk) and click on Sacraments/Holy Communion for up to date information.

Driver wanted

Would you be willing to collect a lady for Sunday Mass in the Hillcroft area that is Blind? Please contact the Parish office is you can help.

Thanks

'May I take this opportunity through the parish newsletter, of thanking both Sharon and John Andrews who have retired from both work and scouting. They have both been a tremendous asset to Scouting and their absence will be a considerable loss. They will be very much missed by both the Leaders and the children of the Group, Caterham District and Surrey County.' - Paul Lovell, Group Scout Leader.

Squash Court/Old Hall

The Diocese finally gave permission for us to proceed with the renovation to the Squash Court and the upgrade to the Old Hall. However, the work per se won't fully begin until the end of September and it's estimated that it will take approximately 6-8 weeks to compete. This will certainly ease the pressure on the Old Hall and provide a welcome space for the various Youth Organisations to feel they can "kick" a ball without fear of breaking something. The Old Hall when compete will be used entirely for catechetical and sacramental preparation programmes with the added extra of a parish library and resource centre.

Second Collection

Next Sunday at all the Masses there will be a Second Collection towards the Seminary Fund. This collection is Gift Aided, please could all those that make contributions via bank transfer use their purple envelopes for this collec-



It is with sadness that we announce the death of Mr John Wood, a staunch parishioner here for years and former Headmaster, husband to

Olive and father to their children, Dominic, Joanna, Timothy & Andrew. No details of John's funeral were available at the time of printing. Please refer to parish website.

Reader's Day

There are spare places on the Readers Day of recollection at the Catholic Bible School, Nutbourne. **Anyone** who would like to come is very welcome you dont have to be a reader. Transport is available.Please contact Eliz Wood: 01883 348081/ <u>elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com</u>

A New Disciple – ready and willing?

Come and take part in an afternoon of dialogue and reflection about discipleship and mission.

There is one meeting in three venues : Sat 20th September The Friary Hall, Crawley RH10 1HR,

Saturday 4TH October, Our Lady of Ransom, Eastbourne BN21 4EU, Saturday 18TH October Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge KT13 8JD

These meetings all follow on from last years AC-TA Meeting with Fr Tom OLoughlin and the recent talk by Fr Rob Esdaile. Contact Eliz Wood for more information. 01883 348081

PERSONAL ASSISTANT/CARER REQUIRED

PA required to assist with all areas of personal care, daily living and companionship to support a parishioners retired mother living with Parkinsons based in Caterham. Job would suit a mature carer or health professional with an empathetic and serene disposition. More than one person sought therefore times and days to be discussed. Competitive rate of pay: £8-12 per hour depending on shift worked. For more details see job 768 posted on www.pafinder.org.uk or contact Surrey Independent Living Council (Silc) on 01483 306017 quoting reference MEZ. Applications to be submitted by 19 September

2014. Please pass on details of this job vacancy to those who may be interested.

Journey of Faith

We start again on the 17th September at 8.00 p.m. in the Sacristy by the Old Hall. (behind the church)

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory £709 (Gift Aid £304.06)

5th July 2015

FESTIVAL 5+

The Diocese celebrates 50 years of existence in 2015. To recognise that fact and give thanks to God for all the good things God has done for the Diocese and looking to the future, there will be a major event at Brighton & Hove's football ground, the Amex Stadium in Falmer. Put the date in the diary and watch as more information comes out about fantastic speakers, family activities, entertainment and of course most importantly the Mass of Thanksgiving. To find out more see the Diocesan Website or email festi-

val50@dabnet.org

Gutterings

Seamless gutterings have now been installed throughout the whole of the church to prevent any further rain seepage, which was penetrating through the walls of the church, causing corrosion, that fell down inside as white dust-like particles. A very kindly and generous parishioner made a donation of £5000 towards the overall cost.

10.30 am Teas/Coffee

Next week it's the turn of Julia Wadworth & Claire Bentley. Could we ask the other volunteers to pick up your rotas plz from the porch if your haven't already received it

Fr Kieran's Farewell



Fr Anthony Hale continues to supply until Saturday 20th. Fr Kieran says his farewell Masses next Sunday 14th. At each of the Masses he will be presented with the cheque and a surprise gift for the total amount you so generously donated

to him as part of his farewell. You can still use the brown envelope or send your donation to him directly at 37, Whyteleafe Road, Caterham Surrey CR3 5EG. Fr Kieran expresses his sincere thanks to all who sent him cards of farewell and their lovely words contained there-in. He is truly hum-

bled by your kindness to him at this time.

Fr Sean Finnegan will commence his duties as the new Par-

ish Priest on Sunday 21st September. Having spent 10 years in Shoreham, he too will have mixed emotions by this move. It's not just the physical stress involved in moving, there is also the wrench of leaving ties of friendship behind and moving on. Please continue to



remember them both in your prayers.



Your Prayers are requested for the following persons who are ill or housebound.

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; 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 Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, Malcolm Bowen.

Mass Stipends

We are starting to run low on Mass Intentions. If you wish to have a Mass said for a relative who is deceased or someone who is ill or has an intention, please use one of the Mass Intention envelopes in the porch or put it in writing what your request is and place the envelope through the

Parish Office or Presbytery door. The agreed stipend is now £10 which can be Gift Aided. Remember these can be Gift Aided too. If you are already a Gift Aider then you only need to write your Gift Aid number (or name) on the envelope and it can be recorded. Or, if you are not but still a tax -payer, you can use one of the yellow one-off Gift Aid envelopes. Every little helps.

Youth Club

As in previous years, Youth Club will not return until the **first Friday in October (Friday 3rd October** - we'll be visiting Godstone Fire Station, more details nearer the time).

However, there will be a meeting for Youth Club adult helpers (existing and anyone else able to help out occasionally or regularly) to discuss the year ahead. If you'd like to come along, we'll be in The Caterham Arms at 8.30pm on <u>Friday 12th September</u>. If you're not able to come along but would like to get involved, have some ideas for the club or would like to be added to our mailing list, please let us know.

Sacred Heart Youth Club is open to all children in school years 3 to 6 inclusive with activities co-ordinated by a team of volunteer helpers. It usually runs for an hour and a half to two hours from 7pm, depending on the event, on the first Friday of the month during term time. In the past we have run a variety of fun sessions including outings to the Splash Disco at Tandridge Leisure Pool, a visit to Kenley Observatory, a dance workshop, Christmas parties, film nights and outdoor Summer sports.

Contact Mel Flaherty at youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com

CONTACTS	THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Parish Office:	Sunday 7th	Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Leila Merrett (Mondays & Wednesdays : 9.30 am - 12.30 pm) info@sacred-heart.co.uk	9:00am Mass	May Farrell R.I.P. (Angela)
01883 343241	10:30am Mass	Patrick Higgins R.I.P. (A Bell)
Baptism Preparation: John Baron 0208 763 2144	5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish
Marriage Preparation: (6 months notice required) - Fr Kieran	Monday 8th	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Journey of Faith (RCIA): Peter Lovat 01883 345749 peter_lovat@yahoo.com	10:00 am Mass	Mary Bowley RIP (Peggy)
Chair of Liturgy Group:	Tuesday 9th	St Peter Claver
Eliz Wood elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com	10.00 am Mass	Gina White RIP (Family)
Centenary Hall Hire: Anne Marie Young 07724 613407	Wednesday 10th	
thecenthall@gmail.com	10.00 am Mass	Michael & Hilda Henderson (Jean)
First Holy Communion Anne Marie Young 07949-938984	Thursday 11th	
fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com		NO MASS
Safeguarding: Dee Hall and Jacqui Voorbach e-mail: safeguardingreps@gmail.com	Friday 12th	The Holy Name of Mary
Gift Aid:	10.00 am Mass	Robert (Bob) Tomlin RIP (Family)
Peter Kelly 01883 330684 peterf_kelly@o2.co.uk	Saturday 13th	St John Chrysostom
Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00: Kelly Coyne: 07921030991 kelly.coyne@btinternet.com	10.00 am Mass	Hilda Henderson RIP (P Jones)
Parish Youth Clubs:	Sunday 14th	The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
(First Friday during school term. 7pm) Mel Flaherty youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com	9:00am Mass	Michael Madigan RIP (Mullen)
5th Caterham Scouts	10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
Paul Lovell: 07712436591 Chill Club Veronique Wood	5:15pm Mass	Patrick McKeon RIP (L Leake)

Chair of Parish Finance: Rayon Brown - raybrown2006@aol.com

St. Francis Primary School: Headteacher: Marie Wheeler 01883 342005

