# **OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER**



Sacred Heart Church Essendene Road, Caterham, CR3 5PB

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Weekday 32 Year II 1st Vespers of the following Feast Proper Psalms

## Reflection

Today is really a bit of a liturgical tangle, but if we had to find one thread that links the various elements, it might be communion with others. Today's liturgical feast is that of the Consecration of the Lateran Basilica. It is also Remembrance Sunday. Yet again, we find ourselves within the week following the feast of All Souls, and so our own dead are very much in our minds.

We can all (I suppose) see the point of celebrating the consecration of our own church (we will celebrate our consecration in early July); It says all sorts of things about us; it celebrates the presence of the Church in our locality, and represents the place where, most closely, we (as it were) touch the hem of God's garment. 'Behold, this place is holy, and I knew it not', said Jacob, 'How awesome is this place: this is nothing less than the house of God and the gate of heaven!' (Genesis 28:16-17). We keep also the feast of Arundel Cathedral, because that represents the entire gathered Church of the diocese—the same thing, only on a larger scale. The Basilica of St John on the Lateran Hill in Rome is the Pope's cathedral (not St Peter's as is often supposed), and so our celebration of this feast represents our worldwide Catholic Church; all those in communion with the successor of St Peter, Pope Francis.

In November, of course, we celebrate also our communion with those who have died. I recall that until modern travel was possible, emigration (such as that of so many Irish over the centuries) was to all intents and purpose to their families akin to a death; there was an awareness that a meeting again in this life was highly unlikely. To a Christian perspective, death is something like this; we bid farewell, as to someone on a journey, meaning that they are alive, albeit in a different way, and simply in a place with which we have no easy communication. Our meeting place with them is where we are 'in communion'; above all at Mass. And we have the reassurance of meeting once again in that place in which there will be no more partings.

And today, we remember particularly all those who have died as a result of war. While honouring those who have died a military death in what is often a noble cause, we also pray for those who died simply having got in the way, one way or another, and are in a real sense the greater tragedy of war. We pray today especially for those parts of the world where war is a present and immediate reality.

### First Holy Communion 2015

Dates for your diary: 8/1/15 - 3rd Parents Evening 11/1/15 - Children's 1st Session and Enrolment Mass

If you have any queries, please contact Anne Marie Young either via email fhc.sacredheart@gmail.com or by phone 07949 938984.

#### **Advent Group**

Wednesday mornings through Advent. Meet at 10am in the Old Hall. Beginning 26th November, 3rd, 10th and 17th December. Prayer and Reflection Program by the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

Thursday evenings through Advent. Meet at 7.30-9pm in the Old Hall. Beginning 27th November, 4th,11th and 18th December.

'Reflections in the Baubles'. Course designed by Spiritual Director Helen Warwick. Please see poster in the church porch.

Sunday evenings through Advent. Meet at 7.30-9pm Godstone RH9 8JF. Beginning 23rd November, 30th Nov, 7th and 14th December.

Prayer and Reflection Program by the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

Please find the sign-up sheets with details in the church porch.

### **CAFOD QUIZ NIGHT** Friday 28th November

Tickets are now available at £10 each (to include supper). Please purchase tickets after Mass or telephone Chris (343404) or Biddy (345749).

Why not get a group of 8 together to make a table? The proceeds will help CAFOD to reach out on our behalf, to the poor of the developing world.



Please remember in your prayers the souls of Akram Hanna Shaikh, Bill Jones, & Ann Montague.

May they rest in peace and their families be comforted.

Diane Bailey's funeral will be on Wednesday 12th November, 11.00am at Holy Family Church, Sanderstead.

Bill Jones' Requiem Mass will take place here at the Sacred Heart on Thursday, 13th November, at 12.30pm.

Ann Montague's Requiem Mass will take place here at the Sacred Heart on Tuesday 18th November, at 10.00am.

## **Offertory Collection**

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory - £790 (Gift Aid £305.88)

## **Governors required for St Francis School:**

Due to the Government's National Reconstitution requirements for 2015, St Francis will be undertaking their own Governing body reconstitution. There will be opportunities for three Foundation Governors to join the Governing Body team. If you are interested in knowing more about becoming a Governor and using your skills to benefit the school, the current members are happy to talk about their roles. Please phone or email the office with your details and someone will contact you - 01883 342005 office@stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk . Further details are also available on the school website.

> Today at 3pm: Blessing of graves in the Cemetery.

## Day of Prayer and Healing

You are warmly invited to the next Day of Prayer and Healing at Chilworth Abbey, on Saturday 15th of November 10.20 am to 4.20 pm.

The Day includes Holy Mass, opportunity for Confession, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the Sacrament of Healing and Keynote Speaker Sr Maria Natella, OP. Please bring a packed lunch, tea and coffee is provided. St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Near Guildford. GU4 8QR Web site: chilworthbenedictines.com



# BARN DANCE

with the Odd Sock Doo Dum Band In aid of Caterham Overseas Aid Trust (COAT) on Saturday 22nd November 7:15pm for 7:30pm Sausage & Chip supper (Vegetarian optional) followed by delicious home made sweets. Tickets are £12 (Children £6) Tickets from Ann Walker 01883 624773.

On Saturday 22nd November (late afternoon/early evening) there will be the first meeting of a new group for secondaryschool age young people, featuring talks about our faith, discussion, chance to ask important questions, activities and more. More details next week!



#### **Musicians and Singers!**

Calling all musicians and singers! There will be a meeting in the bar after the 10.30 mass on Sunday, 9th November.

The purpose of the meeting is to gather ideas for how the Youth Choir and the Folk Choir should progress and also to plan the music for the Advent and Christmas period. If you would like to join the choir, either as a singer or as a musician please feel free to come along.

#### WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

- Sun 9th: 10.30am Scouting Mass Remembrance Day Parade
  CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9 & 10.30am Mass Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass (J Wadworth & C Bentley)
  Mon: Coffee & Tea after Mass (Old Hall)
  Tues: 9:15am - 11:15am Toddler Group (Old Hall)
  9:15 am St Francis RC School open morning
  Thurs: 8pm 1st Baptism Preparation Class (Old
- Hall)
- Fri: 7:30pm 11pm Sacred Heart Club open
- Sun 16th: CHILDREN'S liturgy at 9 & 10.30am Mass Coffee & Teas after 10:30am Mass (B Keeler, G Adamson & AM Young)



Parish Christmas Panto 2014! Sunday 7th December 2014 at 2pm Tickets are £5 per person (free for under 2s) ON SALE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES NEXT WEEK All children must be accompanied

by a paying adult.

#### Fr John Oliver - Oxted & Warlingham Parish Priest

Father John is still under intensive nursing care- reflecting his continued poor health. He is in good spirits and is sustained by our prayer and good wishes. He will still not be able to receive visitors for some time yet but please do keep him in your prayers.

Well done to the winners of the November Draw of the Double C Club

> £70 W and I Jones £50 Alison Maxwell £30 Anne Earl

Come a join us of coffee after the first 9am Mass in December and see the draw for the December winners being made.

#### **Pilgrimage to Rome**

We have an opportunity to join pilgrims from the Parish of the Nativity of the Lord on a pilgrimage to Rome which will take place from Monday the 14th to Friday the 18th of September 2015. Fr Aaron Spinelli will be the Spiritual Director.

Those interested are invited to attend an information evening at 20.00 on November 18th 2014 in St Joseph's Centre, 122 Ladbroke Road, Redhill, Surrey RH1 1L at which a representative of Pax Travel will take us through the planned itinerary and costs.

Alternatively to receive an information pack please contact Sean McGettrick, who is co-ordinating the pilgrimage on behalf of PNL, on 01737 767352 or via email at sean.mcgettrick@btinternet.com.



# 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; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy; Olive Wood; John Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, Malcolm Bowen, John Gilford & Rowland Ralph.

#### Second collection

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the The Cathedral Maintenance Fund. If you make donations to the Church via direct debit please use your purple gift aid envelopes to make your donation to this second collection. Thank you.

#### St Francis RC Primary - Open Morning

Tuesday 11th November 2014. The Headteacher will address parents at 9.15am, followed by tours of the school until 10.15am. Any prospective parents who wish to attend should contact

the school office.

#### Tuesday 11th November 2014

There will not be a Mass here on Tuesday as we will celebrate the Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy at St Joseph's Church, 122 Ladbroke Road, Redhill RH1 1LF at 10am. You are warmly encouraged to come along. The coffee bar will be open after Mass.



**Baptisms** - Next week Oliver James Frith and Sadie Rose Waiton will be baptised.

'Journey of Faith - Plus' is meeting this week on Wednesday 12th November 2014 at 8pm.

#### Jubilee Event

Follow Me: Exploring What it Means to be a Disciple of Jesus Today - Speaker Fr Christopher Jamison, Director of the National Office of Vocation and monk of Worth Abbey on **Saturday 15th November 10am - 3:30pm at Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Upper Drive, Hove.** The day includes Talks, Mass, Adoration and Reconciliation. No booking necessary. Bring a packed lunch. To find out more, email admin@wellspringbrighton.org.uk.

We have been having a number of funerals recently in the parish, and there are a few more to come. It would be very much appreciated if some people would kindly volunteer to act as welcomers on these occasions, giving people the orders of service and directing them as needed. It is an easy and charitable job which would make things much easier. Perhaps one kind person might volunteer to act as co-ordinator. Please contact the office.

# CONTACTS Parish Office: Leila Merrett (Mondays & Wednesdays : 9.30 am - 12.30 pm) info@sacred-heart.co.uk 01883 343241 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

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Safeguarding: Dee Hall and Jacqui Voorbach e-mail: safeguardingreps@gmail.com

Gift Aid: Peter Kelly 01883 330684 peterf\_kelly@o2.co.uk

Tuesday Toddlers 9.30-11.00: Kelly Coyne: 07921 030991 kelly.coyne@btinternet.com

Parish Youth Clubs: (First Friday during school term. 7pm) Mel Flaherty youthclubsacredheart@gmail.com

**5th Caterham Scouts** Paul Lovell: 07712 436591 **Chill Club** Veronique Wood

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

**St. Francis Primary School:** Head teacher: Maria Wheeler 01883 342005

THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Sunday 9th	Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
9:00am Mass	Mary Searle (T & B Searle)
10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Rev Peter Rolph RIP
Monday 10th	St Leo the Great
10:00am Mass	Gretta Brennan (L Chambers)
Tuesday 11th	St Martin of Tours
NO MASS	Deanery Mass for Deceased Clergy - Redhill
Wednesday 12th	St Josaphat
10:00am Latin Mass	Eileen Lattimore's Ints (Mullen Family)
Thursday 13th	
12:30am Requiem	Requiem Mass for Bill Jones
Friday 14th	
7:00 pm Mass	Harry Roberts RIP (M Copley)
Saturday 15th	
10:00 am Mass	Kathleen Freeley RIP (PJ Ryan)
Sunday 16th	Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:00am Mass	Bert & Elizabeth Bailey RIP (Denton Family)
10:30am Mass	People of the Parish
5:15pm Mass	Ann Walker (E & M Tully)



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am Lauds Mondays at 9:45 am Rosary Wednesday at 9:40am & Friday at 6:40pm Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; Saturdays: 9am – 11am