

Parish of the Sacred Heart,



Caterham

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Today we will collect your contributions for CAFOD (Lent Fast day and other donations to CAFOD). CAFOD have provided their own Gift Aid envelopes. Thank you ** PARISH GIFT AID** If you are signed up for Parish Gift Aid, your envelopes will be available for collection today. If you would like to join please speak to Peter Kelly.

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK.

Sun 25th: Children's liturgy after morning Masses
Coffee & Teas after morning Masses
4PM Confirmation session 7 (Old Hall)

Mon 26th: Coffee & Tea after 10AM Mass
2PM SVP Film Club (Old Hall)

Tues 27th: 9:15AM-11:15AM Toddler Group (St T's Hall)
7:30PM Choir (Old Hall)

Wed 28th: 8:30AM Ecumenical morning prayer
(Caterham United Reformed Church)
8PM Journey of Faith (Old Hall)

Fri 2nd: 11:15AM Stations of the Cross
7:30PM Peace Rosary

Sat 3rd: 1:30PM FHC session 6B (Old Hall)

Sun 4th: Children's liturgy after morning Masses
Coffee & Teas after morning Masses
4PM Confirmation session 8 (Old Hall)

Morning Prayer every Monday 9:40AM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every
Tuesday and Saturday 9AM to 10AM

Rosary every Thursday 9:40AM

Confessions every Saturday 10:45AM – 11:15AM

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour -
after Saturday Mass

Benediction every Sunday 4:45PM

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Collection: £ 827.61 (Gift Aid £352.77)

SUNDAY 25TH FEBRUARY 2018

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sunday 25th

9:00AM -
Giuseppe Nelli (Anna)

10:45AM -
Bert & James Glynn RIP
(M Flanagan)

5:15PM -
People of the Parish

Monday 26th

10:00AM -
Pat Power RIP (Ruby)

Tuesday 27th

10:00AM -
Fr David Weston RIP
(Wood family)

Wednesday 28th

10:00AM Latin Mass -
Niki Handover Ints

Thursday 1st March

St David
10:00AM - Bridie Mullen RIP
(Mullen family)

Friday 2nd

7:00PM -
Amor (Amy) Sohawon RIP
(Leila)

Saturday 3rd

10:00AM -
Wellbeing of Ben Webber
(MA Kelly)

Sunday 4th

Third Sunday in Lent

9:00AM -
Madalena Nelli (Anna)

10:45AM -
Mary Bohan RIP (M Hogan)

5:15PM -
People of the Parish

PARISH



Two topics this week! A video on the Eucharist – Or The Creed – the first part. **Join us** – and also for our consideration of the readings for next Sunday, with ideas from the Lent booklet. **All welcome!**

8.00PM Wednesday 28th February, in the Old Hall

MADABA PARISH LINK

Please sign an Easter Card for a family of Mosul refugees currently living in Madaba.

A brief goodwill message and your signature are all that is needed. The cards are on the table in the church porch.

They will be taken to Jordan by Parishes for Peace in mid March.

These cards are greatly valued by the Iraqi families as an indication that they are not forgotten.

LENT - IT'S HERE!

Do something positive! It's hard to be positive about giving something up, so instead, join a Lent group! This year there is a selection of times and topics to suit everyone. Take your pick and go for it! Sign-up sheets at the back of the church!

APF RED BOXES



Would all promoters please collect the contents of the red boxes from their members and either leave it in the presbytery clearly marked with your name and a phone number or hand it to me by 2 April. Would any one in the parish who has a red box but does not have a promoter to collect their money please contact me. Moyra Brohier 342928.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - FRIDAY 2ND MARCH 2018

The women of SURINAME, South America welcome you to local services for 2018 to be held at; Douglas Brunton Centre, Caterham CR3 5TA - 10:45AM Whyteleaf Free Church 157A Godstone Road CR3 0EH - 7:30PM All are welcome, women, men & young people.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT 26 FEBRUARY - 11 MARCH & SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY 11TH MARCH - MOTHERING SUNDAY

When trade is fair and just it has the potential to improve the lives of the farmers and workers who grow our food. When trade is fair, it can make the world a better place. Together we have that power to get involved and be part of the difference. It's a shocking fact that millions of poor farmers who produce the food we love still don't earn enough to feed their own families, yet they are our neighbours, our sisters and our brothers, equally loved by God. It's time for this injustice to end. When we choose to buy Fairtrade, we are treating our neighbours more fairly, helping people to have a better life. Through Fairtrade, millions of poor farmers and workers are already coming together to demand a change. They are working hard to close the door on exploitation and transform their communities, supported by Fairtrade.

Our next **Fair Trade stall is after Mass on Sunday 11th March - Mothering Sunday**; an opportunity to support the many women and men who earn their living as Fair Trade producers. Please come along and take a look and enjoy refreshments together.

WAYS IN WHICH TO OBSERVE LENT

Fridays in Lent

11:15AM Stations of the Cross
12.00PM soup, bread and cheese lunch. In the Old Hall Proceeds to CAFOD. Would you like to help set up, cook or serve the lunch?
Eliz Wood:
elizabeth.wood11@btinternet.com

Lent Discussion Groups

Sunday @ 7.30PM
Monday @ 11.00AM
Wednesday @ 7.30PM, 8.00PM
Thursday @ 7.30PM
See the lists in the porch for venues and further details.

Books and activities for all the family are available in the shop.

Lent Extra has daily recollection, articles and children's activities - £1.25

SVP FILM CLUB - MONDAY 26TH FEBRUARY AT 2 PM IN THE OLD HALL



A special film for the Season of Lent – 'Babette's Feast'. *Babette's Feast* is set on the coast of Denmark in the late 19th century in a virtuous but strict Protestant community. Two sisters, members of this community, take in a distressed Frenchwoman as their servant, who then repays their kindness by cooking an extraordinary meal for the community, and in so doing, brings joy and kindness where there had been dissension and quarrelling. The film is in Danish with English subtitles, but is easy to watch and very moving.

ST THOMAS' CHURCH

A couple of years ago, when we were talking about the sad closure of St Thomas' church, we discussed getting a statue of St Thomas to go into the Sacred Heart as a permanent memorial. I have approached a high-quality woodcarver in

Northern Italy, and am told that a new statue, about 1 metre high, hand-carved and painted would cost us in the region of €5000. Would anyone like to make a contribution towards this, perhaps in memory of a loved one, or

simply in memory of St Thomas' church? We could find a way to commemorate the names of significant donors if wished.

The woodcarvers' site is here:
www.giuseppetuflessier.it

CATECHESIS

I am looking into a different approach to catechesis for our young, pre-first communion, children which may suit us quite well. There is a new (to us) catechetical method called the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, which is based on the Montessori system, helping children grow in their faith up to about the

time of first Holy Communion. It is also said to be very beneficial for the catechists themselves, with a thorough training being part of the process. It is said to help children greatly in developing their faith and understanding of the Mass. You can read an article on it here:
<http://www.ncregister.com/blog/simcha-fisher/a-little->

about-catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd. This would suit very well parents doing catechesis already, or those involved in Children's Liturgy of the Word. This could, I suspect, be a very good model to adopt for Children's Liturgy, if people like what they see. Please have a look, have a think, and let me know if you're interested in this project.

Would those who attended the course for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion please be prepared to receive their commissioning on Sunday 11th March at whichever Sunday Mass they choose. Please advise the office as soon as convenient which Mass you will attend. If you can't make that day, another commissioning can be arranged privately with Fr Seán.

OF INTEREST...

THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN DUBLIN

Bishop Richard invites you to join him for the World Meeting of Families in Dublin with the Holy Father, Pope Francis: 21-26 August 2018 sees the arrival of the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland. The Diocese is making the most of this wonderful

opportunity by organising a pilgrimage for those who would like to attend. It is open to families of all shapes and sizes, from tiny tots to Grand-parents. We will be staying together in Dublin City University accommodation and travelling

to events together by coach. A three day congress will be followed by a Festival of Families and a Solemn Eucharistic Celebration with Pope Francis. If you would like more information about the event visit

www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/
If you would like to join us on pilgrimage, please speak to your parish priest about how he can support you financially, and for a booking form. Alternatively you can contact Lizzie or Katherine of the Diocesan Pastoral team wmof2018@dabnet.org

Saltmine Theatre Company present 'Darkness Falls' - a re-telling of John's Gospel on Friday 16th March at 7.30 PM, hosted by Caterham Community Church and Caterham Baptist Church at Oasis Academy, Coulsdon, CR5 1ES. Suitable for 12 years and over. Tickets £6.50 Free interval refreshments. Box office 01883 330162; email: caterhamcommunitychurch@gmail.com For more information please phone 01883 623017; email: bowderys@aol.com

ADOREMUS - NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE AND CONGRESS

Adoremus - National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress - Liverpool 2018: Adoremus ("let us adore") is the title being given to an initiative of all the bishops of England and Wales to create a special opportunity for us to reflect on

the centrality of the Eucharist in our lives.
From 7th to 9th September 2018 there will be a National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool called Adoremus. Through this event, and all the preparation taking place

before it, we seek to rejuvenate Eucharistic adoration in our parishes as the source of strength for our lives and for our mission, that of making present the love and compassion of Jesus in our society. You can read more about the

Eucharistic Congress here.
A&B Diocesan contact is Canon Tom Treherne whom you can contact via his assistant for the event Liz Fitch on 01424 420815 or by email office.admin@parishofgoodshepherd.co.uk

Days on the Eucharist - Preparation for Adoremus and World Meeting of Families: In order to give a flavour of Adoremus - National Pilgrimage and Eucharistic Congress, Liverpool 2018, and the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, the diocese is hosting a final morning session focusing upon the Eucharist within a family setting. Come and join Bishop Richard for a series of talks and workshops revolving around the theme of the Eucharist, with particular focus on its relevance to us within our family lives. All are welcome, whether you hope to go to the events or just want to find out more about the topic. Woking, Saturday 24th March and Holy Cross Priory, Heathfield, 14 April.

EASTER RETREAT FOR 18-35S AT WORTH ABBEY

Worth Abbey and The Well-spring Community invite young adults (ages 18-35) to celebrate the Easter Triduum (29th March-1st April) with a retreat at Worth Abbey. Over the Easter Triduum young adults from across the UK will be

gathering to celebrate the Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The retreat will be centred around participation in the Triduum liturgy from Maundy Thursday to Easter Sunday, with a programme of talks by the monks, discussion, prayer

& reflection and fellowship. Leading up to the retreat, you are welcome to be part of a 'Cross Walk' - a group of young adults and monks who will walk to Worth from Arundel, across the beautiful South Downs, carrying the cross. We will begin the walk on Palm

Sunday (25th March) and arrive at Worth on Maundy Thursday (29th March). Booking forms are now available. Please contact TOC@worthabbey.net or fcarbonate@wellspringbrighton.org.uk. You can also find more information via Facebook.

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 14th March 2018, celebrating the feast of St. Patrick. £599 per person sharing. Price includes flights with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £50. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia anytime on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

EVENINGS OF REFLECTION WITH BISHOP RICHARD, 2018

In 2016 and 2017, Bishop Richard invited Confirmation candidates to join him at Evenings of Reflection held around the Diocese. Bishop Richard will be

doing the same thing in 2018. The dates and locations are now available so that parishes and Confirmation co-ordinators can factor them

into their planning.
Saturday March 3rd - St John's Seminary, Womersley
Saturday March 10th - St Mary Magdalene's, Bexhill.

All evenings run from 7PM to 9PM. BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL. Contact Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

St. John Vianney Group: A group for men, aged 18-45 who wish to explore whether they have a calling to the priesthood. The next meeting takes place from 4-7.30PM on Sunday 4th of March at The Presbytery, Ireland's Lane, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 1QX. For more details contact the Fr. Con Foley - 01932 842643 or email foleycon@gmail.com


Your Prayers are requested for the following people 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; Elise O'Connor, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Baby Tabitha Harrison, Christine Vernon, Maureen Kelly, Mary Wallace, Gina Waiton, Joe Kelly, Ian Lester, Fred Ardley, Charmaine Wise, Breda Sharpe, Richard Sowa, Val Williams, Patrick Eade, Peter Sore, Emma Newton, Charley Lunn, Ursula Koh & Riche Ahearne.

BAPTISMS


Thomas Dixon will be baptised here next week-end. Please keep him in your prayers.

Psalter week 1

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Exodus 20:1-17

1 Corinthians 1:22-25

John 2:13-25

GOSPEL REFLECTION

St Mark's account of the transfiguration comes at the very cusp of his Gospel, at the half-way point. Our Lord has been up until now proclaiming the Good News (from which we get our Anglo Saxon word 'Gospel') that the Kingdom of God has begun, by teaching the truth, healing, casting out the power of the devil and forming round him those who would become the Church. Having given all these signs (or, as we might say, dropped all these hints) about who he really was, he asked his disciples who they thought he was. Famously, St Peter spoke up and acknowledged him as the Messiah, (the Christ in Greek) the Son of God. Our Lord then gave his teaching that it was necessary that he suffer and die. It is at this point that he takes Peter, James and John only (perhaps only these had been able either to accept him as Messiah at this point, or else only these had understood the necessity of his death, though St Matthew tells us that Peter was slow on the uptake) and showed them his glory. First faith, then revelation. The Preface of today's Mass tells us that this extraordinary showing of his divine nature was to prepare and strengthen the disciples for the shock that our Lord's passion and death was to be to them, and encourage them to believe that he would rise again.

There is, also, another message in the Gospel. St Paul tells us that our risen bodies will be like our Lord's; in other words, although the transfigured body of Christ was not his resurrected body, we are meant to understand that the one somehow forshadowes the other; there is intended to be a link between them. But it ought to give us courage to press ahead with bearing our own cross in Lent, for the glory that is to come. The martyr St Philip Howard carved into the wall over the fireplace of the Beauchamp Tower, in the Tower of London these words which sound as though they come from scripture, but which I have been unable to find: 'the more we suffer for Christ in this world, the more glory with him in the next'. May God give us all such faith, resignation and firm resolution, not just this Lent but throughout what remains of our lives.

YOUTH & SCHOOLS
**DAY FOR YOUTH LEADERS AND CATECHISTS -
INSPIRE 2018**

On Saturday May 12th, there will be a day for youth leaders, Confirmation catechists and young adult ministers, as well as anybody who is interested. The day will be delivered 'TED Style' with six great speakers each giving a short 20-minute talk. We're delighted to have Will Desmond from Sion/ theASCENT, Father Nick Crowe from the Dominicans, Lizzie Wakeling, Toby Harman, and others. A fantastic line-up! Bishop Richard will also be with us for the first part of the day. It's all happening at St Joseph's Church, Redhill on Saturday May 12th from 10AM to 3.30PM. Tickets are £10 with parish group discounts available. To book, or for more information, Email YMBookings@dabnet.org.

I am looking for homes for Italian Students, aged 11-14, in Caterham (4-27 July), based at the Sacred Heart church, and Old Coulsdon (5-28 July). We give £18.25 per student per day and the students have a fully organised programme from Monday to Saturday. If you are interested, I would love to hear from you. Thank you.
Rosslyn Hill 01883 381082.
rosslynhill@hotmail.com

London SW Catholic Young Adults is a social group for young Catholics which meets every month. Our next social evening is on Saturday, 3rd March from 7.30PM at The Alexandra, Wimbledon SW19 7NE. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242

