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Our church will be open for public Masses on Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. All daily Mass will still be celebrated, and can be watched on line at

www.churchservices.tv/caterham
Please note that the Sunday and weekday
Masses are all recorded for watching at any
time afterwards.

Please note that the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.

Today there will be a second collection for the Catholic Communication Network (not eligible for Parish Gift Aid)

Psalter Week 3

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7,12-13 John 20:19-23

# Spiritual Communion during Mass:

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most holy Sacrament.

I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.

I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you.

Amen

# SUNDAY 16TH May 2021

SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

# SUNDAY 16TH

Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:00AM -

Andrew Koh RIP (U Koh)

**10:45AM-** People of the Parish **5:15PM** -

Gloria Conroy RIP (Parish)

# Monday 17th

10:00AM -

Bina Bowen RIP (E Deane)

### Tuesday 18th

10:00AM -

Alban Donnelly (Foundation)

# WEDNESDAY 19TH

St Peter Celestine / St Dustan

**10:00AM Latin Mass** - Grace Allesandro RIP (C Lunn)

### THURSDAY 20TH

St Bernadine of Siena

10:00AM -

John Monk RIP (J Cutler)

### FRIDAY 21ST

St Christopher Magellanes &c

7:00рм -

Mary Fahy RIP

# SATURDAY 22ND

10:00ам-

Fr Cyril Scarborough RIP

# Sunday 23rd

Pentecost

9:00AM -

Matthew Hepburn RIP (U Koh)

10:45AM -

John Caffery RIP (J Watts)

5:15рм -

People of the Parish

Your Prayers are requested for the following people who are ill or housebound:
Jimmy Mullen; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; John Gilford; Tabitha Harrison; Joe Kelly;
Charmaine Wise; Richard Sowa; Val Williams; Emma Newton; Charley Lunn; Ursula Koh; Fr John
Hartley; Maribel Chambers; Patricia Howlett; Reef Albert; Peggy Wheeldon; John Monk; Liz Leake;
Sandra; Pascal Périssat; Holly Osman; Edmond Kelly; Julian Gavin; Emma Cook; Susie; Shirley Clarke;
Colin Fields; Mary Power, John Lowrie, Pat Boyle, Breda Sharpe, Malcolm Harmes & Mary Froom.

### BIDDING PRAYER

We pray for ourselves, that we may, through God's grace, use modern media judiciously, so that our horizons may be expanded and we may grow in empathy with others, especially those who are most vulnerable. Lord in your mercy.

### COMMUNICATIONS DAY COLLECTION

The theme for this day is 'encountering people where they are'. The Bishops Conference works to forge positive relationships with media outlets to communicate news relating to every aspect of the life of the Catholic Church. The collection will help to support this work.

### CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

### Laudato Si WEEK

In 2015 Pope Francis published an encyclical Laudat Si which encouraged all to take care of world of the environment. This was a great inspiration to believers and non-believers. This week the Bishops have asked us to respond in prayer and action to the urgent climate change issues we are all facing.

A Novena has been prepared as a preparation for Pentecost 16th May. To take part either say the prayer below every day for the next week or follow the link to the Novena on the Bishops Conference website <a href="https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/the-church/the-pope/pope-francis/encyclical-laudato-si/">https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/the-church/the-pope/pope-francis/encyclical-laudato-si/</a>

### PRAYER FOR EARTH AND FOR HUMANITY

Loving God,

Creator of Heaven, Earth, and all therein contained.

Open our minds and touch our hearts, so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.

Be present to those in need in these difficult times, especially the poorest and most vulnerable.

Help us to show creative solidarity as we confront the consequences of the global pandemic.

Make us courageous in embracing the changes required to seek the common good. Now more than ever, may we all feel interconnected and interdependent.

Enable us to succeed in listening and responding to the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor. May their current sufferings become the birth-pangs of a more fraternal and sustainable world. We pray through Christ our Lord, under the loving gaze of Mary, Help of Christians.

### What can we do?

Here are some ideas to reduce our carbon footprint:

- To walk or take public transport for local journeys rather than drive.
- To choose fruit & vegetables grown in this country to reduce our food miles or the distance our food has to be transported.
- To buy fruit & vegetables loose as much as possible to reduce our use of plastic, making use of paper or cotton bags where available.
- To reduce our meat intake.

The land footprint used to produce the UK food supply is made up by 62.7% grasslands for animal agriculture, 21.8% for cropland grown for animal feed and 15.5% for crops grown for direct human consumption.

# Madaba Parish Foodbank

At last numbers of newly infected covid sufferers in Jordan are dropping fast.

Fr Firas has opened the church and Mass is said every day. Now that parishioners are able to move more freely the work on the base for the foodbank has progressed at great speed.

Fr Firas is confident all is ready and the local bishop is visiting to officially open the foodbank on Sunday. We are promised photographs for next week's newsletter.

## THE SOCIETY OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL (SVP) - A REPORT ON THE LAST 12 MONTHS

SVP members of the Sacred Heart Conference have continued to offer a range of support for those in need during the last year, in spite of the challenges presented by the pandemic. We would like to thank parishioners for the many ways in which you have made this possible. Your support for our face-covering project and sponsored walk, as well as Quiz Nights, coffee mornings, raffles and Christmas Fairs in previous years have enabled us to continue our SVP work in the parish and beyond in the local area. We have provided bedding for a family in need, offered food vouchers to struggling families, paid an outstanding energy bill for a family in debt and a school uniform when a mother was unable to afford it. With the help of our contacts in local schools, we have also been able to supply five tablets to families with children who were unable to fully access home-learning over many months. SVP funds have also allowed us to provide a fridge-freezer for a disabled lady who was in desperate need, and to help with transport to school for two local children who would otherwise have had to stay at home. Most recently we have made a contribution to allow a pupil at a Caterham school to participate in a Yr6 school trip which is beyond the financial resources of the family. Aware that some areas of the country are in greater need, we were delighted to be able to support the work of an SVP conference in Southport to enable them to give Christmas food boxes to families in need.

The skilled and prolific members of our knitting club have been very busy in the last year and have made large donations of children's knitwear to Mother Teresa's Sisters of Charity, who run a home for mothers and babies in London. Wool to help with this project is always welcome! As life begins to open up in the coming weeks and months we hope to be able to meet again in friendship at Film Club, IT Club and Knitting Club. We also look forward to visiting the housebound again, after many months during which only regular phone calls were possible. We have been very grateful to those of you who kindly supported our 'shop and drop' service during the pandemic. This made a big difference to a number of our more vulnerable parishioners.

Our SVP conference is surprisingly small in number, with about a dozen active members, but we have a list of several others who are always willing to give a helping hand when we need it. Please do consider joining us. You will be most welcome. We have done our best to respond to need in the last year, but sadly like all charities, our opportunities to seek your support through fundraising endeavours have been a little limited. Since our coffers are now rather diminished, we very much hope that we can continue to rely on your support in the next year. Donations to support the work of the SVP are always welcome.

### Introduction to the Catholic Faith

Are you new to the Catholic Church or would you like to learn more about your faith? If so, you would be very welcome to join our 'Introduction to the Catholic Faith' group which meets each Wednesday evening from 8-9pm via Zoom. Everyone is welcome.

To find out more, see <a href="mailto:sycamore.fm">sycamore.fm</a>. To find out more about the group or to get the Zoom link, please email Roy Peachey - <a href="mailto:roypeacheyuk@gmail.com">roypeacheyuk@gmail.com</a>

### JOURNEY OF FAITH

Pentecost! Join us to consider the Holy Spirit and us Time: May 19th, 2021 8:00 - 9.00 PM London Meeting ID: 698 625 3866 Topic: Journey of Faith Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6986253866

### GIFT AID ANNUAL STATEMENTS

Annual statements of your Gift Aid donations for the tax year 2020/21 will be e-mailed to all donors in the first week of May. If you have not received yours, then it is because we do not have your e-mail address or you have not given your consent for e-mail statements. If you have not received yours and would like it by e-mail, please contact the Parish Gift Aid Organiser at <a href="mailto:peterfkelly67@gmail.com">peterfkelly67@gmail.com</a>. All remaining statements will be sent out by Royal Mail at the end of May. Please note that these statements do not include any donations made via the parish MyDona website, nor via our contactless machines. Statements for these donations are emailed to you at the time of donation and need to be retained. Thank you to all Gift Aid donors for your generous support over this last, difficult, year which has yielded more than £12,000 extra to the Parish on top of the donations made.

### WEEKLY OFFERING

If you would like to make your weekly offering (though of course there is no obligation or expectation to do so), you are welcome to save it up until you are able to come to Mass, or you may put your envelope through the Parish Office door. Alternatively, you can donate online. This donation page works across browsers, on mobile, desktop and tablet devices. <a href="https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=27">https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=27</a>

#### BAPTISM & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please contact Fr Seán directly (<a href="mailto:priest@sacred-heart.co.uk">priest@sacred-heart.co.uk</a>) if you would like to book a date for Baptism, please give 2 date options. Available dates are: Sunday 30th May, 3pm, Sunday 13th June, 3pm, Sunday 27th June, 3pm & Sunday 4th July, 3pm.

Up to three infants can be Baptised at a time and dates will be allocated on a first come first served basis. If parents have not already attended the two Baptism Preparation classes in the last 6 years, please let Fr Seán know. Classes will be held via zoom on the following dates (parents need to complete Session A and B to finish the course. Sessions can be mixed and matched between May and June):

Session A - Monday 17 May - 8pm Session A - Thursday 3 June - 8pm Session B - Monday 24 May - 8pm Session B - Thursday 10 June - 8pm

Each family will be allowed a maximum of 10 guests, including parents and godparents (to adhere to Government restrictions of 30 guests at religious ceremonies). Hopefully we will be able to return to the previous practice of Baptisms soon, once the restrictions are lifted.

### CAFOD - 2021 A YEAR OF OPPORTUNITY

An online talk with Christine Allen, Director of CAFOD - 26th May at 7.30 pm, Cost £5

This year the UK will host two major international gatherings: the G7 and the Climate Conference (COP26). Christine Allen will explore ways in which these events could make a difference to our world, especially to the lives of people who live in poverty. She will reflect on the impact of COVID-19 and draw lessons for the future for our interdependence with one another and with our natural world as we seek to recover and heal after the pandemic. You can book online or T: 01428 642161

### PLANT SALE

With the weather warming up (hopefully!), it is time to fill your garden with lovely vegetable plants that you can enjoy. The proceeds from our plant sale will this year be shared between the **Beavers' Crocus Project, Madaba, and the Missionaries of Charity nuns (Mother Theresa's Order) in London**. At the present time David & Chris Frith (01883 343404) have a selection of peas, French beans, tomatoes, carrots, beetroot, peppers, courgettes, onions and rocket. Rienzie & I have chillies, kale, runner beans, tomatoes, courgettes, peppers, lettuce, parsley, basil, Coleus & Nasturtium bedding plants and a selection of Marmalade, Jams & Chutneys.

Sales have been slow so far and these plants need to be planted out as soon as possible. We hope to have a table outside church next Sunday (23 May) when the restrictions have been lifted if this is permitted. The full list of plants available, with information re varieties etc is now on the Parish website. If you have problems accessing the website, just ring me and I will be happy to email it to you. So have a look and contact us to reserve your plants and help us to make a success of our Plant Sale, support 2 very worthy charities, the Beaver Crocus Project, enjoy eating your own home produce and find a home for these plants. Moyra Brohier 01883 342928

### ADORE

ADoRE Online spiritual mini-retreat morning. May 22nd, 10.00-13.00 with Mass, Adoration, Reflection, Praise, Talk, Prayer and Discussion. Theme: "Praying for Baptism in the Holy Spirit" - Baptism in the Spirit re-ignites the graces already given to Christians through the Sacraments. And it's also a new, fresh experience of the Holy Spirit which brings our faith alive, inspiring and empowering us to live our Christian life to the full. Speaker: Fr Anthony Meredith. Please register in advance at <a href="https://documents.org/bit.ly/ADOREMAY2021">https://documents.org/bit.ly/ADOREMAY2021</a>

ADoRE is offering confidential prayer for healing by telephone - ring 07579 824523 Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm. Experienced prayer ministers will pray with you confidentially for healing of physical, emotional and spiritual problems.

## POLITE REMINDER

- Unique track and trace household number required for admission to the church (email the parish office before arriving at Mass to obtain your unique number <a href="mailto:info@sacred-heart.co.uk">info@sacred-heart.co.uk</a>. It will not be possible to register on the day. Although we have a government QR code this is not sufficient for parish entry.
- Noses and mouths to be covered before entry
- Everyone to sanitise hands immediately after entry.
- 2 metre distance from all other parishioners to be maintained
- The directions of our stewards to be followed at all times. Please stay in the pews at the end of Mass and wait to be stewarded out.