

Parish of the Sacred Heart,



Caterham

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Our church is open daily.
All Mass are streamed and recorded and can be
watched on line any time at
www.churchservices.tv/caterham

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: every
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Sat-
urday 9AM to 10AM

Daily Rosary:

12:00PM Monday to Friday &
1:00PM Saturday & Sunday

Confessions:

every Saturday 10:45AM – 11:15AM

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual

Succour:

after Saturday Mass

What's on this week at a glance

Sun: Coffee & Teas after 10:45am Masses
Mon: Coffee & Tea after Mass
Tues:
Wed: 8am Morning Prayer (St Mary's)
Thurs:
Fri:
Sat:
Sun: Coffee & Teas after 10:45am Mass

Our next collection will be our Christmas
Offering, this collection is eligible for Parish
Gift Aid, please use your blue envelopes.
As always we thank you for your generosity.

MASS COLLECTIONS

Our QR code will take you to the
donations page.



SUNDAY 24TH DECEMBER 2023

FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

Psalter Week 4

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 24TH

Fourth Sunday of Advent

9:00AM -

Jimmy Mullen RIP (F Roberts)

10:45AM -

Richard Sowa RIP (T Patterson)

5:15PM - No Mass

CHRISTMAS VIGIL MASSES

6:00PM - Fr Seán Ints

9:00PM -

Betty Creton Int (T Patterson)

CHRISTMAS

MONDAY 25TH DECEMBER

MIDNIGHT MASS -

People of the Parish

9:00AM CHRISTMAS DAWN MASS -

Simon Soler RIP (C Lunn)

10:45AM CHRISTMAS DAY MASS

Bert & Elizabeth Bailey RIP
(C Denton)

TUESDAY 26TH

St Stephens

10:00AM -

Modesto Amora RIP (A Bosley)

WEDNESDAY 27TH

St John

No MASS

THURSDAY 28TH

Holy Innocents

10:00AM -

Margaret Sore RIP (Sore family)

FRIDAY 29TH

St Thomas of Canterbury

7:00PM -

James O'Connor RIP

SATURDAY 30TH

10:00AM -

Bridget, Thomas & Mary Collins RIP
(M Treacy)

SUNDAY 31ST

The Holy Family

9:00AM -

John & Namie Neary RIP
(O Neary)

10:45AM -

John & Mary Peden (D Welsby)
5:15PM - People of the Parish

Your Prayers are requested for the following people who are ill or house-bound: Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; John & Brenda Gilford; Tabitha Harrison; Joe Kelly; Charmaine Wise; Ursula Koh; Maribel Chambers; Patricia Howlett; Reef Albert; Liz Leake; Sandra; Holly Osman; Julian Gavin; Emma Cook; Susie; Shirley Clarke; Pat Boyle, Sue Ellis; Jean Joakim, Ryan Baker, Theo, Betty Creton, John O'Gorman, Paul Rowen, Pam Jones, Rita Paris, Monica Meenehan, Anne Harrison, Eddie Cannon, Emma Wood, Laurence Daniels, Terry Patterson, Anne Moran, Margaret Cook, Adam Merrett, RB, Emilia De Marinis, Lucy & Phil Bawden & Mike Wood.



Dear friends; I am very aware that it has been quite a while since we have met, and I'm not yet sure when I will be back with you, but I cannot let this opportunity pass without sending you my greetings, prayers and best wishes for Christmas and the New Year. At the darkest time of the year, the sign from God of a child's birth—light coming into the world, as St John reminds us on Christmas morning—is our pledge of better things to come. God so loved the world that he sent his only Son not to condemn, but to redeem that world; there is hope, even at the darkest times; our Christmas trees covered with light; candles in windows on Christmas Eve all speak to us of that better world that Christ came to bring. I pray that this Christmas will bring you, your friends and family, many blessings for this season and for the year to come.

I remain grateful to all of you who have done so much in the parish; you won't have to sit through my interminable list of thanks this year, but know that I am thanking you anyway for making our parish the wonderful one that it is; I would like to mention in particular some of those who have helped to keep things going during my absence, especially Mgr Benny, Canon Jim, Mgr Richard, Fr Gus of course, and also Leila in the office and Gareth—all of you have been great; thank you very much. God willing, this strange state of affairs won't go on much longer. And in the meantime, my love and prayers to you all in this holy season.
Your parish priest,
Seán



Please pray for the soul of Mary Ann Burns RIP who all passed away recently. May her soul rest in peace.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

As always your Christmas Offering is gratefully appreciated as it forms the largest part of our parish priest's income. During Fr Seán's time of recovery we have been fortunate enough to have wonderful retired priests cover all of our weekday and Sunday Masses. It seems sensible that this year the Christmas offering should be shared with our visiting priests in gratitude for their support in recent months.

5TH CATERHAM SCOUTS

Our Scouts will now be meeting on Wednesday evenings in St Thomas' Hall, starting from 10th January. Girls and boys 10½ - 14 years old are all very welcome to join us. Not sure what the Scouts do? Then come along and find out or email Matt Cornwell: gsl@5thcaterham.org.uk

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME 2024

The First Holy Communion Programme for 2024 is now full. You will have been sent an email to confirm your child is enrolled.

Please note that due to safeguarding requirements places are limited. We are looking for volunteers to help with the sessions to try and avoid this. Please email FHC@sacred-heart.co.uk if you are able to help and willing to have a DBS check.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word will start up again on 7th Jan.

NEW YEAR'S DAY CELEBRATION

The SVP have arranged for a small celebration to be held in the Canon Roe Hall after the 10am Mass on New Year's Day. All are welcome to join in teas, coffees and cakes.

PASTORAL PLAN

Bishop Richard has written a new Pastoral Plan for the Diocese which will be released in the New Year: 'The Word Who is Life: The Call to Mission'. As society becomes more secular our parishes must be ever-clearer beacons of light guiding people to Christ. The new Plan highlights how our community of faith can embrace this important time of renewal, forging diocesan parishes into communities of saints and strong, lively, and welcoming schools of discipleship. The Pastoral Plan will be released on the diocesan website on Tuesday 2 January: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/pastoral-plan with hard copies available to read in each parish.

Bishop Richard met with members of Clergy earlier this week and will be hosting a Pastoral Plan Webinar for people across our diocesan community on Wednesday 10 January at 7.30pm. Please use the following link to join the webinar: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86457734895>.

THE PARISH OFFICE

The Parish office will now close until Wednesday 3rd January.

SUNDAY 31ST DECEMBER 2023

38TH WEEK OF THE YEAR

First Vespers of the Holy Family

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY 31ST

The Holy Family

9:00AM -

John & Namie Neary RIP
(O Neary)

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People of the Parish

MONDAY 1ST

Mary, Mother of God

10:00AM -

Agnes Quinn RIP

TUESDAY 2ND

Sts Basil and Gregory

10:00AM -

Holy Souls in purgatory

WEDNESDAY 3RD

NO MASS

THURSDAY 4TH

10:00AM -

Marian Smith RIP (G Adamson)

FRIDAY 5TH

7:00PM -

Louisa Bergin RIP (AM Young)

SATURDAY 6TH

10:00AM -

Neel Uberoi RIP (J Uberoi)

SUNDAY 7TH

Epiphany of the Lord

9:00AM -

John Neary RIP (O Neary)

10:45AM -

People of the Parish

5:15PM -

Thomas Finnegan RIP