

Parish of Effingham and Fetcham
Our Lady of Sorrows and Church of the Holy Spirit

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A Very Warm Welcome to Parishioners and Visitors

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays: Cycle C Weekdays: Year II 30 October 2022



dedicated themselves to Christ in this world and now reign with Him for ever in heaven.

But for the rest of the month we focus on praying for the Holy Souls in purgatory. Why? Simply because we love them. That's why we pray for people while they are alive: we want God to bless them with His good gifts—most of all, to fill them with His grace to help them live holy, happy and fulfilled lives here on earth and find everlasting happiness with Him in heaven. God wants this too! And God delights to listen to our prayers, and to allow our love to have a real share in the saving power of His infinite love.

And none of this needs to come to an end just because our loved ones have died. Quite the reverse! God's saving love continues to forgive, to heal, to bless and to sanctify our loved ones—all the way to heaven. And we are privileged and grateful to have a continuing share in this wonderful work.

May God Bless you,

Fr Stephen

This Week

The feast of All Saints is this Tue 1 November, and is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Masses will be at 9.15 am at OLOS and 8.00 pm at HS.

Wed 2 Nov is All Souls' Day. It is not a day of obligation, but it is a wonderful day to come to Mass again to pray for all those who have died.

Fri 4 Nov Mass will be at 12.00 noon (not the usual 6 pm) at HS, because of the fireworks event at Oakfield School that evening.

Please remember in your prayers **Maggi Cooke** and **Edwina Vardey**, both of whom have died recently. Please also pray for their families.

November – Lists of your deceased loved-ones. If you would like, please take an envelope from the back of the church, fill in the enclosed sheet with names of those for whom you would like prayers, then return the envelope and place in the special box provided. Any money you enclose will go towards Holy Souls Masses throughout the year. Thank you.

First Holy Communion and Reconciliation – Last chance to enrol your child for First Holy Communion in 2023. Please take a yellow form from the back of the church (or print one off at https://www.effinghamandfetcham.org.uk/uploads/4/0/8/9/40894629/fhc_applicationform_v2022.pdf). Children should be in school year 3 or above. Please complete it and return it with your child's baptismal certificate to Fr Stephen or Deacon Ian after Mass **by Sun 30 Oct**.

Next Week

Special Collection next weekend: Retired Priests' Fund to assist with the accommodation and welfare of diocesan priests in retirement. *Regular parish Gift Aiders please use a YELLOW envelope. One-off Gift Aiders please use a WHITE envelope.*

Coming Soon

Blessing of Graves: Saturday 12 November at 2.30 pm at OLOS cemetery followed by tea and cake in the hall. Everyone is welcome, especially those who have loved ones laid to rest in our cemetery.

ANNUAL PARISH REVIEW. You are all invited to meet on **Thursday 17 November** in St Alphege Hall at 7.30 pm, for a review of what has been going on in our parish recently, what we are planning, and how you can get involved. There will be opportunities to ask any questions and make suggestions. There will also be a **buffet supper** – so please sign up on the lists at the back of the churches to give us an idea of numbers for catering purposes.

Prayer for Priests – Mon 7 Nov at 11.30 am. A monthly prayer group, before the midday Mass at HS, to pray for priests and support them in their wonderful but often challenging work. Do join us in this new endeavour which will include at least one decade of the rosary, and could also include particular prayers that you hold dear.

General

Parish Walking Group. Our next walk is THIS Saturday 5 Nov, 2.00 pm at Polesden Lacey. You do not have to be a National Trust member to walk in the grounds outside the gardens, but NT members have free parking. If you are planning to join the walk, please e-mail me (annette.turner3@btopenworld.com) and **let me know whether you are a NT member or not** – this way we will be able to share lifts so that no one has to pay for parking. Suitable clothing and footwear required as always!

Foundation Governors at St Peter's Catholic Primary School. St Peter's would be pleased to invite anyone who is interested in joining their Governing Board as a Foundation Governor. A Foundation governor is responsible for making sure the school provides a good quality

education for all pupils, raising educational standards in school. They promote effective ways of teaching and learning when setting school aims and policies whilst preserving and developing the Catholic ethos of the school. It is a highly rewarding role and if you are interested please [click here](#) for further information on the Diocese website.

Missio Red Boxes. If you are a Red Box holder in the parish, please could you bring them in for counting by the end of October. If you cannot get into church, then please contact Penny Osborne (for OLOS, Effingham) on 01372 453088 or Heli Bravery (for HS, Fetcham) on 01372 452537 and they can arrange for them to be collected.

Food donations for those needing support can always be left in the box in the porch of each church, for onward distribution. Many thanks.

Chilworth Abbey Study Day, Sat 5 Nov. Led by Fr John Seddon using Bishop Barron's 'Catholicism', Episode 3, 'The Ineffable Mystery of God'. Mass 9.00am, Talk 10.15am-3.30pm. Bring a packed lunch, and a friend if possible. See www.chilworthbenedictines.com for details.

Taizé Prayer at St Lawrence Effingham, Sun 6 Nov at 6.00 pm. You are warmly invited to this reflective, quiet, contemplative service of Bible readings, prayer and praise in the style of the Taizé Community. For further details contact Helen Overell at helen@bayleaf.org.uk.

A Call to Holiness: A series of online talks for young adults (18-35). The series continues with a session on 'Everyday Discernment': discovering ways that we might be able to live according to God's will in our day-to-day decisions and actions. Don't worry if you missed the first talk. You can still join us on 14 November at 7.30 pm on zoom. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for info.

Ministry of Consolation. Do you feel that you have a listening ear and are able to offer support to those who are experiencing loss or bereavement in their lives? Is there a Pastoral need for support and accompaniment in your Parish? We have a trained team of bereavement supporters across the diocese who share the consoling hand of Christ during these difficult times. Would you like to join the team? Our next training course will be running on Wednesdays through January and February 2023 via Zoom. To learn more please email simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk before Monday 14 November to find out what's involved and the way forward in this beautiful Ministry.

Homes for Ukraine Matching Service. Caritas Social Action Network, an international Catholic charity, has launched a service to bring together Ukrainian people displaced by the war with people in the Catholic community willing to host them for six months. If you have room in your home and in your heart to consider welcoming a stranger displaced by war, please visit <https://siog-homesforukraine.uk> for more information.

Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:	
Marie Bliss	Janet Morgan
Michael Boulvard	Jim Morgan
Sue Brackenbury	Paddy Payne
Christopher Browne	Maureen Rennison
Amy Chapman	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Maggi Cooke	Allison Roberts
John Donovan	Jean Rowlandson
Mary Doran	Karen Silver
Mary Hefford	Jenny Smith
Derek Knott	Pat Turton
Tessa Knott	Simon Turton
Gillian Lake	Andrea Vaughan
Joanna Mills	

This Week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday Vigil	29 Oct	6.00 pm	OLOS	Bernard Thefaut – RIP
Sunday	30 Oct	9.00 am	OLOS	Fr John Sheehy – RIP
Sunday	30 Oct	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish
Monday	31 Oct	Noon	HS	Alf Wiggins – RIP
ALL SAINTS – HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION				
Tuesday	01 Nov	9.15 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
		8.00 pm	HS	Breda Murphy – RIP
Wednesday	02 Nov	9.15 am	HS	Holy Souls (All Souls' Day)
Thursday	03 Nov	9.15 am	OLOS	Maureen Murphy – RIP
Friday	04 Nov	Noon**	HS	Benoit & Abigail Witchalls (20 th Wedding Anniv)
Saturday	05 Nov	10.00 am	OLOS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday Vigil	05 Nov	6.00 pm	OLOS	Benoit & Abigail Witchalls (20 th Wedding Anniv)
Sunday	06 Nov	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	06 Nov	11.00 am	HS	David Farrow – RIP

HS = Holy Spirit, Fetcham OLOS = Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham

All Masses from OLOS are live-streamed on YouTube at "Effingham and Fetcham Catholic Parish" <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFLGeHumF6yae4QGCSVg0UA>

Confessions

Saturdays

10.30-11.15 am OLOS, Effingham

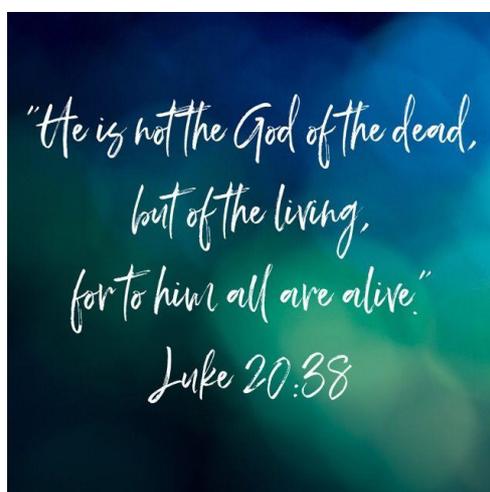
5.00-5.30 pm OLOS, Effingham

1st Sunday of the month after 11.00 am Mass HS, Fetcham

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Thursdays after Mass until 11.00 am

Next Sunday: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14 | Psalm 17:1, 5-6, 8, 15 | 2Thessalonians 2:16-3:5 | Luke 20:27-38



Please get Newsletter items to the Parish office by 10.00am Wednesday

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