



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



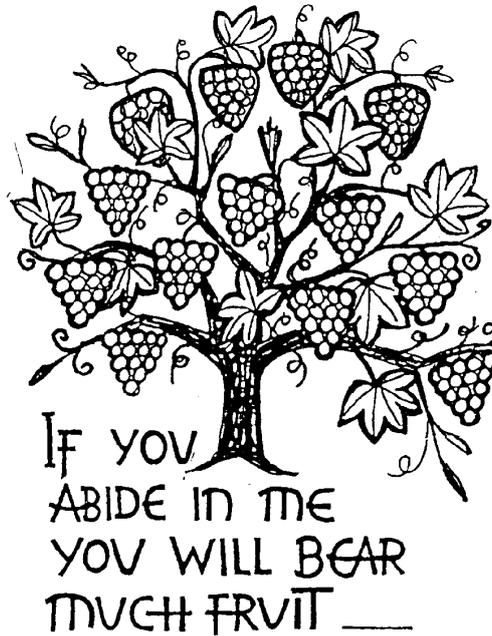
Parish Team

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A Warm Welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors

5th Sunday of Easter

Sundays: Cycle B Weekdays: Year II 29th April



Next Sunday: 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48 Psalm 97:1-4. R.v2 1John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17

When you want to tell someone how much you love them, you would use the simplest language possible.

Like the gospel about the Good Shepherd, once again Jesus uses a simple image of the vine and the branches to teach the people about his relationship with them, and theirs with him. He uses an image with which all of his followers would be familiar, and it would be easy for them to understand. We are attached to Jesus just as he is to the Father and we are to draw our life from him so that he can produce fruit through us.

God bless you all

Father John

THIS WEEK

The Do & Raise book 'Waggy Tails': written by a pet dog called Wonderful with illustrations by Tony Farino, will be on sale after the **6pm Mass on Saturday 28** and the **11am Mass on Sunday 29 April**. The author Kit Oliver will be signing your copy. All proceeds from the sales will go to Benji's Magic Ears.

Parish Annual General Meeting: On **Thursday 3 May** the Parish of Effingham and Fetcham will be holding our AGM. It will take place in St Alphege Hall, Effingham beginning at 6.30pm with refreshments and the meeting starting at 7pm. **All** parishioners are welcome to come along to hear what your Parish team having been doing over the past year for your benefit and some highlights of plans for this coming year. The meeting should last no more than an hour. Copies of the Agenda, last year's notes and a summary of the Parish finances are on the church notice boards and will be available at the meeting.

Red Mission Boxes: It's that time of year again when we need to ask you to bring in your boxes for counting. Please leave them on the shelf by the sacristy.

Legion of Mary: Could you spare two hours a week for visiting the housebound and attending a meeting? The Legion of Mary needs more brothers and sisters! You should find it friendly and spiritually rewarding. For more information see the parish website under 'more' or ring Marian on 01372 801092.

FORTHCOMING

Taize Prayer at St Lawrence, Effingham: on **Sunday 6 May at 6pm** you are warmly invited to this reflective, quiet, contemplative service of Bible readings, prayer and praise in the style of the Taize Community.

Grandparents' Group: will next meet on **Wednesday, 9 May at 2.30pm** in St Alphege Hall. Further details nearer the time. Finally, a date for your diary. The Annual Diocesan Grandparents' Pilgrimage will be on **Wednesday, 13 June** between 10.30 and 3.30 at West Grinstead.

Inspire 2018 – Youth Ministry Leadership Conference: Tickets are still available for the Diocesan youth ministry leadership day being held on **May 12** at Redhill. It's open to anyone who is interested in youth and young adult ministry, including parents and Confirmation leaders, and tickets are just £10. It's happening at St Joseph's Church, Redhill, from 10am to 3.30pm, and there is a very impressive line-up of speakers: We've got Will Desmond, founder of the ASCENT, Dominican Friar Father Nick Crowe, Lizzie Wakeling (talking about young people and mental health), Bishop Richard, and others. We'll also be bringing you up to date on the current discussions at the Vatican around 'Young people, faith, and vocational discernment.' To book: Email YMBookings@dabnet.org.

The Great Adventure. Retreat for Year 7-9 at Worth Abbey: From the **18-20 May**. Over the weekend we are going to be exploring the idea that the journey of discipleship is a great adventure that we are each called to through workshops, input, prayer, worship and a whole lot of fun! The price is £84 but bursaries are available. Email: fcarbone@wellspringbrighton.org.uk for more information.

ADORE (Alton Day Of REnewal): on **Saturday 19th May 11am to 4pm**, you are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day (or morning/afternoon) of spiritual refreshment and renewal, focussing on Renewal and Mission. At Alton School, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG. 11am Rosary; 11.30am Mass; 12.15pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 1pm Shared lunch (please bring finger food to share); 2pm Praise & Worship; 2.30pm Talk "Proclaiming the Lord's Favour" by Fr Simon Penhalagan; 3.30pm Prayer for healing. We end about 4pm. There is no need to register in advance, and no charge (though a collection will be taken to cover costs). For more information and directions, see poster or website: <http://www.altonrenewal.com> Or telephone Alastair Emblem on 01252 714809.

CAFOD Coffee Morning: in the Church of the Holy Spirit Annex on **Wednesday 20 June at 10am**. The parish raised the amazing sum of £2,184 for CAFOD during their Lent Appeal. This will be doubled, as the Government will match this amount under their 'UK Aid Match'

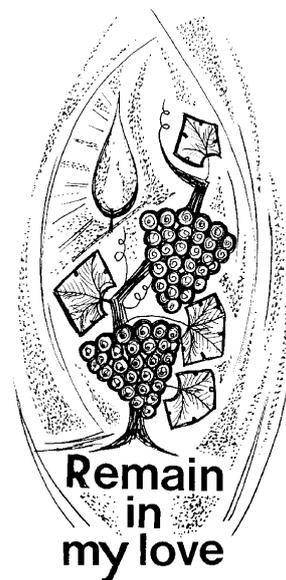
scheme which applies to all donations made up to 12th May. This means that CAFOD will receive over £4,300 through our parish. As a 'thank you' to all of you who made cakes and items to sell and to those who bought them, and to all of you who made such generous donations, you are invited to come for coffee and cakes in the Annex at COHS after Mass on Wednesday 20 June. Please do come if you would like to learn more about the work CAFOD is doing in Third World countries as we have arranged for Martin Brown, who is the Deanery's CAFOD representative, to be there and he will give a short talk on their work.

event on your return from Dublin. *If you would like to join Bishop Richard on pilgrimage, please speak to Father John about the financial support and for a booking form.* More details available from Lizzie or Katherine of the Diocesan Pastoral team: wmof2018@dabnet.org

The Annual Parish Hog Roast: is taking place in the garden behind St Alphege Hall, Effingham on **Sunday 1 July 2018 at midday.** We will start selling tickets in early May - £5 per adult (over 16s), £2.50 for 5-16 years and under 5s are free. Please reserve this important date in your diary.

Lourdes Diocesan Pilgrimage: From **26 July – 3 August 2018.** The Parish is offering to support up to eight young people from our Parish 2017 Confirmation group (or other school age youngsters in the Parish) to go on the Diocesan Pilgrimage, either as Redshirts or young adult helpers. The Parish will contribute £150 per young person from the Parish of Effingham and Fetcham to help towards the cost. The only proviso is that they will be asked, probably as a group, to give a small presentation on their return sharing their experience on this wonderful opportunity. *If you are going and would like some financial help, please speak to Fr John or Deacon Ian as soon as possible.*

World Meeting of Families. Bishop Richard invites you to join him for the World Meeting of Families in Dublin with the Holy Father, Pope Francis: From **21-26 August 2018.** 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/ The Parish is offering to help with the cost of two families from our Parish of Effingham and Fetcham (£500 per family) to take part as representatives of our parish. The only proviso is that we will expect you to give a short presentation on the whole



Please pray for those in our Parish who are sick:

Marie Bliss	Janet Morgan
Liz Boughton	Jim Morgan
Christopher Brown	Jack Oliver
Amy Chapman	Kit Oliver
Maggi Cooke	Maureen Power
Marian Cross	Maureen Rennison
Anne Cuffe	Patrick Rennison
Maureen Donoghue	Allison Roberts
John Donovan	Jean Rowlandson
Joan Doran	Richard Russell
Mary Doran	Yolande Sharpe
Philippa Gibbons	Mary Skilton
Ros Kennedy	Maureen Teare
Derek Knott	Eileen Tennant
Tessa Knott	Andrea Vaughan
Filomena Lionetti	Rose Wedlake
Joanna Mills	Alf Wiggins

Also priests within our Diocese:

Fr. Eric Flood.

MASS TIMES

Saturday	28 Apr	06.00pm	(OLOS)	People of the Parish
Sunday	29 Apr	09.00am	(OLOS)	Sean Murtagh - RIP
		11.00am	(HS)	Stephen Williams - RIP
Monday	30 Apr	No Mass		
Tuesday	01 May	09.15am	(OLOS)	Holy Souls - RIP
		09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)	Eucharistic Adoration
Wednesday	02 May	09.15am	(HS)	Laurie & Kitty Puddefoot - RIP
Thursday	03 May	09.15am	(OLOS)	Rupert Pontifex - RIP
		09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)	Eucharistic Adoration
		02.00pm to 06.00pm	(OLOS)	Eucharistic Adoration
Friday	04 May	Noon	(HS)	Terri Aboud - RIP
Saturday	05 May	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Susan Hawkins - RIP
Sunday	06 May	09.00am	(OLOS)	People of the Parish
		11.00am	(HS)	Friedrich Schinagl - RIP

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday (Effingham) 10.30-11.15am and 5.00-5.30pm

