



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

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*A Very Warm Welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors*

## **12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Sundays: Cycle A    Weekdays: Year II    21 June 2020



In some countries to witness to Christ is to place one's life in danger. But, in most countries this is not the case. However, these latter countries too need witnesses, because faith and Christian values are being eroded. It may be even harder to give witness. What we are likely to face is not so much hostility or opposition, but something that is even harder – a deadly indifference. To witness in this case requires a special kind of courage. It means overcoming our fear of what people will think of us or say about us, and the fear of what it will cost us in terms of letting go of our ego. When Jesus said to his apostles, 'Do not be afraid,' he wasn't saying that they should never feel

afraid. The issue was what fear might do to them. It might paralyse them, or make them so timid as to be unable to fulfil their mission. What Jesus was doing was encouraging them so that they might be able to move beyond fear.

What do we do when we have to speak up about our faith, what we believe in as human persons and as Christians? Do we dare to speak up? Or do we hide our faith or minimise it? The message from today's Gospel is this: Do not be afraid to bear witness to your faith. Speak up, trust in God, for the Lord stands by your side. We ask the Lord for courage and complete trust as he lovingly watches over each and every one of us.

May God bless you all,

*Deacon Ian*

## ***Re-Opening Churches***

I am very glad to report that we should be able to re-open our churches for private prayer this coming week. Thank you so much to all who have helped towards this, cleaning and preparing the churches, getting PPE etc., and especially to the great number of people who volunteered to be stewards while our churches are open.

We will initially run the following timetable of opening (although we may adjust things depending on numbers of people coming along):

Sundays	HS	4.00 – 6.00 pm
Tuesdays	OLOS	11.00 am – 12.00 noon and 7.00 – 8.00 pm
Wednesdays	HS	11.00 am – 1.00 pm
Fridays	OLOS	11.00 am – 1.00 pm

I hope we can begin this schedule on Tuesday 23 June, but that will depend on us getting formal permission from the diocese. I will make an announcement at Mass as soon as I hear anything for definite. We will also send out the information by parish email and update the website. So please watch this space!

We will need to observe the normal requirements to keep ourselves and each other safe: social distancing, hand sanitisation, etc., and the churches will be thoroughly cleaned at the end of each day when they have been open. Please follow the guidance of the stewards.

### ***Prayers Please***

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Ros Kennedy RIP** who died last Monday and keep all her family in your prayers too. Please also pray for **Maureen Murphy** and **Christopher Browne**, who are sick at this time.

## ***This Week***

This Sunday is the “**Day for Life**” organised by the Bishops of England and Wales. It is dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. See <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/papal-message-day-for-life-2020/> for more information, including the Apostolic Blessing of the day from Pope Francis.

Happy **Father’s Day** to all our fathers and grandfathers!

## ***Keeping in Touch***

**Need Support?** Do you need help or support at this time? If you need any sort of practical help, or would just like a chat with someone, please do call 01372 458263 or email [eandfparish@btinternet.com](mailto:eandfparish@btinternet.com).

**Parish Circulation Email:** If you would like to start receiving emails from the Parish keeping you in touch, including receiving the weekly parish newsletter, please contact Michael Bray [michaelpbray@btinternet.com](mailto:michaelpbray@btinternet.com) or the Parish office [eandfparish@btinternet.com](mailto:eandfparish@btinternet.com). The list is only used for Parish and Diocese information and is sent BCC so individual email addresses are not visible.

## ***Masses and Other Services***

**Live-streaming of Mass** from our parish is available at our YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFLGeHumF6yae4QGCSVg0UA>. Alternatively, search for “YouTube Effingham Fetcham” and you should find it easily.

You can continue to request **Mass Intentions** via the parish office.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** is possible on request.

**Other Sacraments** can only be celebrated in emergency. Do please contact Fr Stephen in the normal way in emergency situations.

**General**

**From Bishop Richard**

I am pleased to inform you that I shall be celebrating the Ordination to the Priesthood of Deacon Thomas Kent on Saturday 11th July at 3.00pm, and the Ordination to the Diaconate of Dominic Dring and Simon South on Tuesday 14th July at 7.00pm.

Both Masses will take place in Arundel Cathedral and will be live-streamed via the Cathedral's YouTube channel which may be found at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC7I-pXF8v-VZfzO01zrnerQ>

After ordination, Tom Kent will be celebrating livestreamed Masses as shown below.

- St. Joseph's, Guildford  
Sunday 12th July at 10.00am
- Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge  
Tuesday 14th July at 12.00 noon
- English Martyrs, Horley  
Sunday 19th July at 10.30am
- St. John's, Horsham  
Sunday 26th July at 10.00am

Please do publicise these celebrations, as well as the Ordination Masses for Tom and for Dominic and Simon.

With every Blessing,




**CAFOD Coronavirus Emergency Appeal.** The effects of coronavirus on developing countries are likely to be devastating. Families without enough to eat and without

access to clean water and healthcare are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. The poorest and most marginalised communities will be pushed further into poverty. Your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever to help protect the lives of those in poor communities. While we are not able to hold physical collections in our church, you can donate as individuals at <https://cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal>.

**Foodbank Collection Points** for Cobham foodbank are the Bakery in Effingham and Tinkers End, Orestan Lane.

*Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:*

Marie Bliss	Janet Morgan
Michael Boulvard	Jim Morgan
Pauline Boulvard	Ann Peck
Christopher Browne	Maureen Rennison
Jeff Care	Patrick Rennison
Amy Chapman	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Maggi Cooke	Jean Rowlandson
Marian Cross	Yolande Sharpe
Maureen Donoghue	Karen Silver
John Donovan	Mary Skilton
Mary Doran	Jenny Smith
Mary Hefford	Pat Turton
Derek Knott	Simon Turton
Tessa Knott	Andrea Vaughan
Noreen Landers	Rose Wedlake
Joanna Mills	Alf Wiggins

## Mass Intentions for the Coming Week

Saturday	20 June	10.00 am	Georgina Aboud - Wellbeing
Sunday	21 June	10.30 am	People of the Parish
Monday	22 June	9.15 am	Fr Edmund Hartley - RIP
Tuesday	23 June	9.15 am	Mavis Brohier -RIP
Wednesday	24 June	9.15 am	Bridget Sadler - RIP
Thursday	25 June	9.15 am	Bridget Mary Robinson - RIP
Friday	26 June	6.00 pm	Peter Hewitt - RIP
Saturday	27 June	10.00 am	Ethelwald Vella - RIP
Sunday	28 June	10.30 am	People of the Parish

Owing to the coronavirus, all Masses currently have to be celebrated without a congregation.

Confessions are available on request. Please contact Fr Stephen if you would like this.

### Next Sunday: St Peter and St Paul, Apostles

2Kings 4:8-11, 14-16a Psalms 89:2-3, 16-17, 18-19 Romans 6:3-4, 8-11 Matthew 10:37-42

#### *St Peter and St Paul*



Next Sunday, the 28 June, is the solemnity of St Peter and St Paul, a liturgical feast in honour of these two apostles.

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