

**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*

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

Sundays: Cycle B Weekdays: Year I 18 July 2021



*"From every town they all hurried to the place."* In the Gospel it's people hurrying to where they (correctly) guess Jesus is going. But I wonder where people would hurry to today, in our society. Well, Wembley, of course! But it turns out that the football did not deliver the ultimate happiness people were yearning for. Where else do people want to hurry to? The shops, holidays, music festivals, night clubs ... Will any of them bring ultimate happiness either?

More deeply in our hearts, people are hurrying to meet up with family, relations and friends whom they have not been able to see for months and months. This is an authentic yearning of the human heart and does indeed lead to genuine and holy happiness. We are created to give and receive love. There are

three things that last, St Paul teaches us (1 Cor 13:13), faith, hope and love; and the greatest of these is love.

And what about you and me? Where would you like to hurry to? Do we want to hurry anywhere at all—and if not, why not? Do we want to hurry to where Jesus can be found? As we look into our heart and our yearnings, let's not pay attention to what seems most urgent on the surface, but to what we know is most authentically human—which is also what is most authentically Christlike.

May God bless you all,

*Fr Stephen*

## This Week

### Changes to Covid Regulations

You will be aware that most government regulations regarding the Covid-19 pandemic will be lifted this Monday 19 July. At the time of writing we are expecting a document from the Bishops of England and Wales in conjunction with Public Health England, to give guidance on public worship. Until its publication we can only guess at what we will and will not be able to do.

However, it is clear enough that we will need to retain some appropriate measures to keep one another safe—the pandemic has sadly not yet come to an end. So, whatever the legal requirements, I think we should retain hand sanitiser at the church entrances, and I urge you to continue for a while to wear face masks. Even if some of us feel safe without them, others will not, and it would be a great pity if some of our brothers and sisters feel they need to keep away from church because others of us choose not to wear masks. I know you will understand.

And now we await the official document for further guidance. I will let you know further details as soon as I can.

God bless,  
*Fr Stephen*



## Next Week

### WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

SUNDAY 25 JULY 2021  
THEME: I AM WITH YOU ALWAYS (MT 28:20)



Grandparents are a treasure in the family. Please, take care of your grandparents: love them!  
- POPE FRANCIS



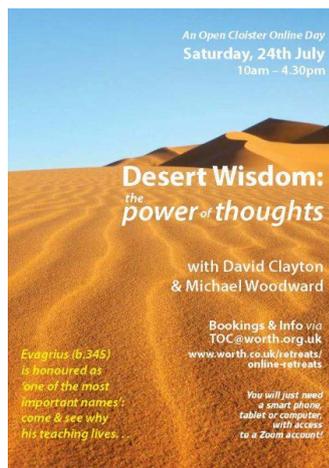
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### World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly – NEXT SUNDAY (25<sup>th</sup> July)

Pope Francis has inaugurated a World Day of Prayer for Grandparents and the Elderly on the Sunday nearest to the feast of St Joachim & St Anne (26 July), Jesus' grandparents. This year it will be celebrated NEXT Sunday 25 July. All our parish Masses

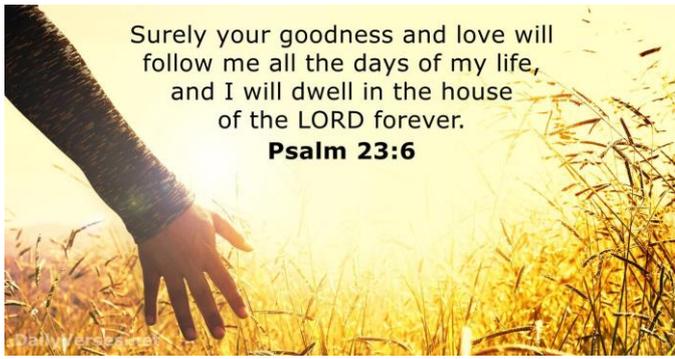
that weekend will incorporate this theme. The 11am Mass intention at the Holy Spirit will be specifically for all grandparents and elderly in our parish. Please try to bring your grandchildren and elderly friends or relatives to one of the Masses.

## General

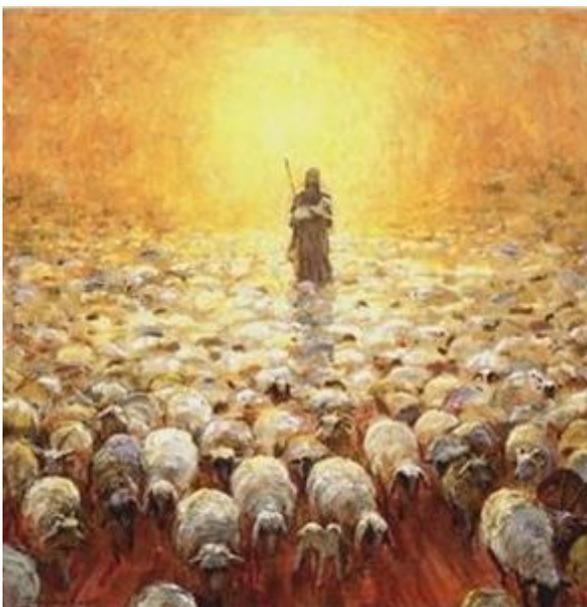


**The Open Cloister @ Worth Abbey: Desert Wisdom: the power of thoughts** - Online Day Retreat led by David Clayton & Michael Woodward, Saturday 24 July 2021, 10am – 4:30pm. Evagrius (b.345) is honoured as 'one of the most important

names': come and see why his teaching lives. To book your place online go to [www.worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats](http://www.worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats) For further information email [toc@worth.org.uk](mailto:toc@worth.org.uk)



**Diocesan Youth Service – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration on 4th September 2021** at Arundel Cathedral. We are delighted to be able to celebrate our Youth Service, which has impacted many people in the last four decades and we want to invite anyone who has ever attended an event hosted by the service to come along and join the festivities. Whether it was a Maryvale Retreat, a World Youth Day Pilgrimage, Youthgather, Lourdes Redshirts, or you are a member of our new online community BeCome, or one of our other virtual networks, everyone will be welcome to give thanks for all that has been done and to pray for the success of the Youth Service in the future. Reminisce with old friends, and meet new friends in person (not just on a screen!). A thanksgiving Mass will be said by Bishop Richard, followed by a chance to chat over refreshments. Please click [here](#) for more information and to register.



## Prayers Please



Ruth is in the back row, far left.

Please keep Ruth Ashfield, formerly of this parish, in your prayers. Last October she went to New York to join the Sisters of Life as a Postulant and this weekend she formally enters the noviciate, receiving the habit and her religious name. For more information on this beautiful community visit [sistersoflife.org](http://sistersoflife.org)

**Food donations** for those needing support can be left at the back of the churches, for onward distribution. Many thanks

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

Marie Bliss	Paddy Payne
Michael Boulvard	Maureen Rennison
Pauline Boulvard	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Christopher Browne	Allison Roberts
Jeff Care	Jean Rowlandson
Amy Chapman	Yolande Sharpe
Maggi Cooke	Karen Silver
John Donovan	Mary Skilton
Mary Doran	Jenny Smith
Mary Hefford	Margaret Summers
Derek Knott	Pat Turton
Tessa Knott	Simon Turton
Noreen Landers	Andrea Vaughan
Joanna Mills	Rose Wedlake
Janet Morgan	Alf Wiggins
Jim Morgan	Chantal Witchalls

## This Week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday Vigil	17 July	6.00 pm	OLOS	Russell Tailby - RIP
Sunday	18 July	9.00 am	OLOS	Anthea Mellamphy - RIP
Sunday	18 July	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish
Monday	19 July	Noon	HS	Fr David Hunter – Ordained 17 <sup>th</sup> July
Tuesday	20 July	9.15 am	OLOS	Fr Matthew Donnelly – Ordained 17 <sup>th</sup> July
Wednesday	21 July	9.15 am	HS	Donor's Private Intention
Thursday	22 July	9.15 am	OLOS	Clive Mott - RIP
Friday	23 July	6pm	HS	Deacon Anthony Clark - Wellbeing
Saturday	24 July	10.00 am	OLOS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday Vigil	24 July	6.00 pm	OLOS	Victor Grech - RIP
Sunday	25 July	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	25 July	11.00 am	HS	Grandparents' & the Elderly Mass

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>

**Eucharistic Adoration** – Thursday mornings, from the end of Mass to 11.00 am.

### Confessions

### Saturdays

11.00-11.45 am HS, Fetcham  
5.00-5.30 pm OLOS, Effingham

## Next Sunday: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

2Kings 4:42-44 | Psalm 144:10-11.15-18. R.v16 | Ephesians 4:1-6 | John 6:1-15



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

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