

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

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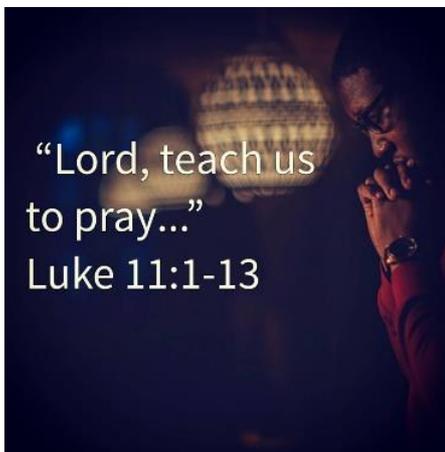
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A Very Warm Welcome to Parishioners and Visitors

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays: Cycle C Weekdays: Year II 24 July 2022



“Lord, teach us
to pray...”
Luke 11:1-13

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The school holidays are finally here! It's time to relax and enjoy ourselves for a while, perhaps going away to new destinations or meeting up with family and friends that we haven't seen for ages. All of this is good and holy.

A time for rest after work was part of God's plan from the beginning. Over the six symbolic days of creation God makes increasingly wonderful things, leading up to human beings created in His image and likeness at the end of day six. Then God sees that His creation is "very good", and rests from all His work. Day seven, the Sabbath, is the real goal of creation: a time when God rests and delights in us, whom He has made. And if we are really made in His image, then we too will rest and delight in Him. It's a foretaste of heaven.

Holidays are therefore holy days—as the name implies. But it's notoriously true that holidays are often when we (accidentally!?) allow our prayer routines to slip. We think: "I've got all the time in the world to pray today ... so I don't need to pray just now." And before you know it the whole day has slipped by without a real thought for the Lord—and the devil is having a wicked chuckle to himself! So now is a really good time to make a definite resolution about when we will pray. Choose a time and a place and a type of prayer now. Look up the times of Sunday Mass at your holiday destination now. And make the holidays real holy days.

May God Bless you,

Fr Stephen

This Week

Silver Jubilee Celebrations

A huge thank you to you all for joining me in thanking Jesus for 25 years of priesthood. So many people were generous in preparing the church and the liturgy, welcoming and guiding the guests, and organising the reception afterwards. Thank you also to those who were unable to join us physically for the celebrations but were with us in spirit. Thank you for so many kind cards, gifts and prayers. ... And now may the Lord strengthen us all "to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ." (1 Pet 2:5)

On Vacation

Over the next couple of weeks I will be away on my holidays. Next weekend the parish welcomes **Fr Joseph Meigh**, who was ordained just a few weeks ago on 9 July. The following weekend (Friday to Monday) **Fr Daniel Weatherley** will be supplying. I know you will make them both welcome—and that you will be blessed by their ministry.

Please keep a close eye on when Mass and Confessions will be available. And, of course, you can always try Cobham / Leatherhead / Ashted / Dorking / Guildford for the days when no one is here.

Fr Stephen

Change to Masses and Confessions this Week

- There is a Mass THIS Mon 25th at **OLOS at 9.15 am.**
- There are no other weekday Masses in the parish (Tues 26th – Fri 29th July).
- No morning Mass or Confessions on Sat 30th July.
- The Sat evening Confessions and Vigil Mass and Sunday Masses are as normal.

Coming Soon



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

This week, on **Thurs 28 July**, Adoration will be from 10.30-11.30 am. From August, we will take a short break from regular adoration over the summer, as a number of people will be away. However, if enough people turn up, we may have adoration on an *ad hoc* basis. We will resume regular adoration each Thursday in the autumn - watch this space for more details.

General

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

The second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is **THIS Sunday 24 July** with the theme: "In old age they will still bear fruit" (Psalm 92:15). Pope Francis has requested that we use this day to honour those who have further steps on their life journey and particularly Grandparents.

He says "Along with old age and white hairs, God continues to give us the gift of life and to keep us from being overcome by evil. If we trust in him, we will find the strength to praise him still. We will come to see that growing old is more than the natural decline of the body or the inevitable passage of time, but the gift of a long life. Aging is not a condemnation, but a blessing!" you can read his inspiring message here:

[Message of His Holiness Pope Francis for the Second World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, 2022 \[24 July 2022\] - Activities of the Holy Father Pope Francis | Vatican.va](https://www.vatican.va/holy_father/pope_francis/messages/2022/2022-07-24-world-day-for-grandparents-and-the-elderly-2022-24-july-2022-activities-of-the-holy-father-pope-francis_20220724_01.html)

To find out about events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>



Supporting the People of Ukraine. For information from our diocese on offering accommodation to Ukrainian refugees, how to donate, and some prayers, click on: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/news/how-can-our-community-and-parishes-can-help-the-people-of-ukraine>

Diocesan run event: A Day at the Seaside for Young Adults (18-35) (rescheduled) Saturday 20 August at Our Lady Star of the Sea, East Preston at 11am

A day at the seaside with Fr Stephen Ortiger! Fr Stephen, a Benedictine monk who is currently working in Parish Ministry is looking forward to celebrating Mass and then spending the day with the young adults of our Diocese. After Mass we will walk along the sea front to a beach side cafe where we will share lunch together. Contact E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

Finding Stillness: 20-23 September Cost £330 per person

‘Be still and know that I am God’ (Psalm 46). Come to Worth Abbey and encounter this refreshing and empowering stillness. Through the Benedictine tradition, discover how stillness can be part of your everyday life and how transformative it can be. The retreat will include: teachings in lectio divina and stilling the mind, as well as an opportunity to have a 1:1 meeting with a member of the monastic community. To book and pay for your place go to: www.worth.co.uk For further information 01342 710318 or retreats@worth.org.uk

Recent 2nd Collection Results

Peter’s Pence - £559.50
Daughters of Divine Love - £1,672.58

Thank you so much for your generosity.



“Thank you to all parishioners at Parish of Effingham & Fetcham for

your generous support for CAFOD this year - your donations this year for the Lent Appeal (£1,209.80) and Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal (1,690.84). Thank you so much for being there for our global family.”

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

Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:	
Pat Armstrong	Joanna Mills
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
Noreen Landers	Alf Wiggins

This Week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday Vigil	23 July	6.00 pm	OLOS	Holy Souls - RIP
Sunday	24 July	9.00 am	OLOS	Andrew Smith - RIP
Sunday	24 July	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish
Monday	25 July	9.15 am**	OLOS**	Holy Souls - RIP
Tuesday	26 July	NO MASS	OLOS	
Wednesday	27 July	NO MASS	HS	
Thursday	28 July	NO MASS	OLOS	
Friday	29 July	NO MASS	HS	
Saturday	30 July	NO MASS	OLOS	NO MORNING MASS
Saturday Vigil	30 July	6.00 pm	OLOS	Andrew Tracey - RIP
Sunday	31 July	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	31 July	11.00 am	HS	Mary Foster - 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 **(No morning Confessions on Sat 30th July)**

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. **On Thurs 28th July Adoration is from 10.30-11.30.**

(From August, regular Adoration will take a break until it restarts in the Autumn. If there are enough people, Adoration may sometimes take place during this period on an ad hoc basis.)

Next Sunday: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23 | Psalm 89:3-6.12-14.17.R.v1 | Colossians 3:1-5. 9-11 | Luke 12:13-21



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