

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

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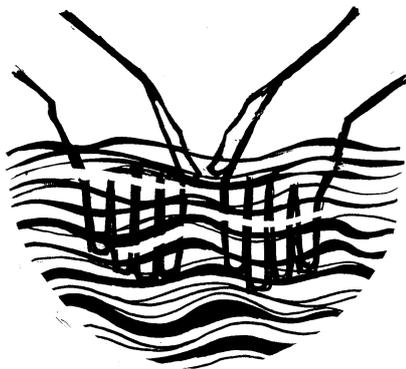
Live-stream on YouTube "Effingham and Fetcham Catholic Parish":

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFLGeHumF6yae4QGCSVg0UA>

A Very Warm Welcome to Parishioners and Visitors

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays: Cycle B Weekdays: Year I 29 August 2021



"Fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean." But I wonder how many of them our society still thinks are wrong. Fornication—sex before marriage—is now considered perfectly normal and fine. Murder is still wrong, of course ... except perhaps abortion, euthanasia and embryo experimentation. Avarice—basing our lives on the desire for money and possessions—is the main aim of our consumerist society. And indecency is standard entertainment; probably about half the content

of the internet is pornography. Our society is morally falling to bits. Why?

At root I think it's because people have lost belief in God. Not so much that we can get away with things because there's no God to punish us; rather, if there's no God, what's the point of anything? We might as well try and get whatever passing pleasures we can from power and sex and money before we die and rot away to nothing.

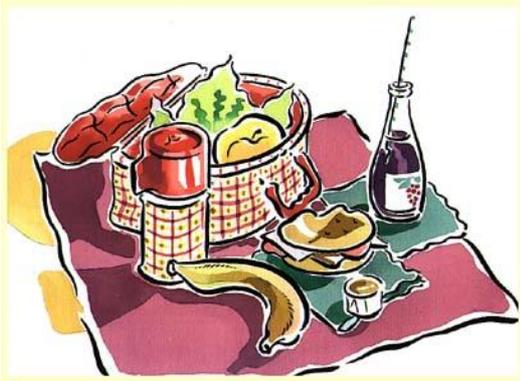
But, in fact, God gives meaning and value to everything. Money and possessions are gifts from God for sharing with others and helping them. Generosity brings us a deep happiness which avarice simply cannot. Sex has God-given meaning for family. Purity brings mutual respect and lasting joy which indecency cannot deliver. *Every* human life has infinite dignity and value, because we are loved and cherished by God, from conception to natural death, and into eternity. This is good news from Jesus, and we long to share it!

May God bless you all,

Fr Stephen

Coming Soon

Parish Picnic



JUST TWO WEEKS TO GO! After all the trauma of covid, a family picnic has been organised at Our Lady of Sorrows garden on 12th September, at 12 o'clock. It is a great chance to come together safely to get to know each other again. Please come along and have fun together as a parish.

This will be a celebration fun family afternoon, including bouncy castle, ice cream & waffle van, football, live music and a raffle. Please donate gifts for the raffle, either on the day or left at the back of the church. There is no charge per family as the raffle is the main fund raising, so please be generous with your prizes!

Due to covid precautions, please bring your own food and drink. Tables and chairs will be provided – or bring your own rug or chairs if you'd like.

General

Connect in Song – Churches Together in Effingham and Little Bookham



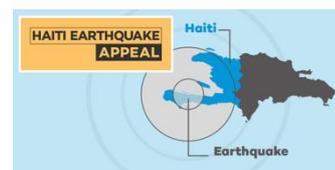
"Connect in Song" is a new singing group for people with dementia or Parkinson's with their carer or partner, meeting

on the first Tuesday of every month at 2.30pm in St Alphege Hall. *The first meeting is Tuesday 7 September.* There is an

experienced leader/tutor to run the sessions which are designed to be fun. The meeting will start with refreshments followed by about an hour of singing a variety of well-known songs.

The original **Connect** group for carers and partners living with dementia is also now up and running again and can welcome new people too. Meeting fortnightly on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 10am to 12noon for refreshments, friendship, chat and activities in St Lawrence Church Hall, Browns Lane, KT24 5LX.

If anyone would like more information on either group, please contact Gill Walker on 01372 457987 or email: gillConnect1@gmail.com



Mary's Meals Haiti Earthquake Appeal.

The people of Haiti urgently need our help. Following the recent 7.2 magnitude earthquake in Haiti, around half a million children need emergency humanitarian assistance. Tens of thousands of homes have been destroyed and there is widespread fear of further damage and danger as aftershocks continue. People are in urgent need of food, safe water, and shelter.

Mary's Meals has been feeding schoolchildren in Haiti for 15 years and works closely with four well-established and trusted local partners across the country. Our partners are co-ordinating an emergency response, to deliver emergency ration packs of essential food items to families in the worst affected areas.

Please give if you can, to help families in desperate hardship. Donate via: www.marysmeals.org.uk Thank you.

CAFOD responding to multiple emergencies across the world.

CAFOD is responding to significant crises across the world this week. We are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm. In the tragic situation in Afghanistan, we are working to ensure the safety of our local partners and their communities. We are supporting local aid workers to deliver urgent food and water supplies to hundreds of thousands of people facing extreme hunger in Tigray in Ethiopia, South Sudan and north-east Nigeria. You can read more about how we can all express solidarity with our sisters and brothers affected by these emergencies on the CAFOD website: <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news>. Your compassion, generosity and prayers have helped us to stand together and enable us to continue to support communities in these difficult times. Thank you.



The March for Life will take place on Saturday 4th September 2021. A number of indoor events for children, teens and adults will take place from 10am until 1pm in The Emmanuel Centre, 9-23 Marsham Street, London, SW1P 3DW. The March to Parliament Square, will start outside The Emmanuel Centre at 1.30pm. There will be a number of Pro-Life speakers at Parliament Square, including Bishop John Keenan who will travel all the way from Scotland to attend this very important event. For more details see: www.MarchForLife.co.uk

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

New Parish Email Address



To ensure that our communications by email are as secure as possible, the Diocese has given each parish a new email address. Our email address has now changed

from: eandfparish@btinternet.com to our new address: effingham@abdiocese.org.uk You'll also be able to find it in the header on the front page of the newsletter and on our website www.effinghamandfetcham.org.uk

Please start using this new address immediately for every email you send to us or copy us into. Don't forget to update the address book or contact list on your phone/tablet/computer by deleting our old email address and adding our new email address.

Soon, if any messages are received using the old email address, the response will just be an auto reply reminding you that you'll need to resend your message to our new address. A little later, the old email address will become unsupported and then deleted by BT.

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

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

This Week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday Vigil	28 Aug	6.00 pm	OLOS	People of Haiti
Sunday	29 Aug	9.00 am	OLOS	People of Afghanistan
Sunday	29 Aug	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish
Monday	30 Aug	Noon	HS	Fr Adrian Cadwallader - RIP
Tuesday	31 Aug	9.15 am	OLOS	Deacon Ivor Pelling - RIP
Wednesday	01 Sept	9.15 am	HS	Fr Mario Sanderson - RIP
Thursday	02 Sept	9.15 am	OLOS	Vocations to the Priesthood
Friday	03 Sept	6.00 pm	HS	Family of Founders - RIP
Saturday	04 Sept	10.00 am	OLOS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday Vigil	04 Sept	6.00 pm	OLOS	Jeremiah O'Connor - RIP
Sunday	05 Sept	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	05 Sept	11.00 am	HS	Margaret Cawse - 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>

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
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Next Sunday: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 35:4-7 | Psalm 145:7-10. R.v1 | James 2:1-5 | Mark 7:31-37



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