

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

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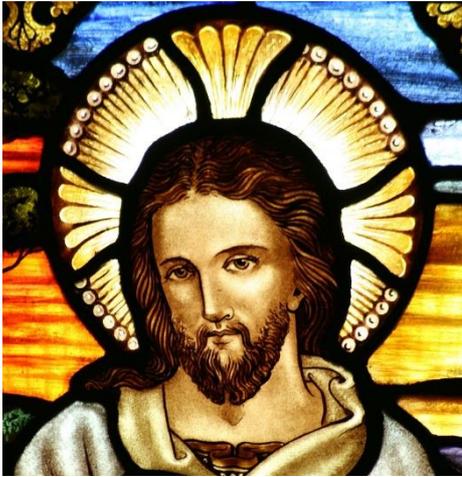
Live-stream on YouTube "Effingham and Fetcham Catholic Parish":

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

A Very Warm Welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays: Cycle A Weekdays: Year II 13 September 2020



Last weekend we heard Jesus promising to be with us when we meet in His name and to grant our prayers. We find ourselves in a time of crisis—but also a time of opportunity at the beginning of a new academic year. What should our prayers be? Will you join me in praying this?

Father, if it be possible, let this pandemic pass by. Bring healing to the sick, peace to the anxious, comfort to the dying, consolation to the bereaved and eternal life to the dead.

Father, bring inner healing to your people. Give renewed faith and yearning for You to those of our community who have slipped away from the practice of their faith during lockdown. Inspire us with gentle and courageous words to help them return.

Father, deepen the holiness of our children preparing for First Holy Communion very soon, and bless their families and friends.

Father, bring inner healing to your Church, wounded like Your Son by scandal and betrayal. Support the victims and survivors of abuse of all kinds.

Father, let the face of Your Son shine out in the New Evangelisation to draw all people to Yourself. Convert each of us to be missionary disciples, eager to share the Good News of Jesus.

Father, bring justice and mercy into your world. Bring an end to racism and all forms of prejudice, and move our society to cherish and protect the lives of the unborn and the disabled.

Father, Thy will be done.

May God bless you all,

Father Stephen

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Marian Cross, Samuel Howes** and **Sr Ann Playfoot** who died recently and remember their families at this time too.

Confirmation Programme Enrolment

The Confirmation Programme will be launched after the half term holiday. Now is your chance to enrol. Students in Years 9 and above who have not yet been confirmed will be welcomed onto the programme – a series of Sunday evening sessions (between 5.00 and 7.00pm) and a few weekend activities which prepare candidates for the Sacrament of Confirmation. This is a great opportunity to make new friends in a relaxed atmosphere and learn more about our Faith.

To enrol, please collect a red form from the back of the church and return it to Father Stephen or Deacon Ian with a copy of your Baptismal certificate.

Becoming a Catholic

Do you know anyone who might be thinking about **becoming a Catholic**—maybe a family member or a friend—maybe even you yourself? Why not invite them to have an initial conversation with me, just to explore the ideas a little. They don't need to be sure it's what they want to do, and there's absolutely no pressure. But for those who want, we will run a course starting in October and continuing over a number of months. It will cover the basics of the Catholic faith and life, and prepare those who feel it's right for them to be received into the Catholic Church. The first step is only a phone call away!

God Bless, *Fr Stephen*

Telephone Support for the Bereaved

If you have been recently bereaved and you would like to talk to someone, we have members of our bereavement team who are able to offer you the time and space to reflect on your loss. In the current circumstances face to face visiting may prove difficult, however, until that becomes easier, we can chat on the phone.

If you would like to contact someone then please contact the parish office at eandfparish@btinternet.com or on 01372 458263 and this can be arranged for you.

Diocese of Arundel and Brighton Dialogue and Unity Event 2020

A New Normal for Christian Unity

-What can we learn during the pandemic?
-What vision should we aspire to as Christians and people of faith moving forward together?

Saturday 26 Sept 2020 10.45-1pm on Zoom

Prayer, Speakers, Small groups

Email Catherine to register and receive the zoom link –

catherine.martindale@abdiocese.org.uk

All welcome, invite your friends from other churches.

Public Masses

Do come along if you can (as long as you won't be endangering your health or someone else's). You can, of course, also attend weekday Masses. Please remember that **face coverings** are now required inside places of worship.

We continue to **live-stream** Mass from OLOS. Go to our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFLGeHUmF6yae4QGCSvg0UA>

Confessions

Please remember the times and places for the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the pandemic:

Sat 11.00 - 11.45 am – HS, Fetcham

Sat 5.00 - 5.30 pm – OLOS, Effingham

Please wait outside the church (or in the porch if it's raining) and come one by one into the church for Confession itself. That way we can stay socially distanced but no one will overhear your confession.

General

Church Cleaning. We are looking for a few more volunteers for this essential work (both ladies and gentlemen are very welcome). The rota is compiled so you can work together in twos or threes. If you can spare an hour at Our Lady of Sorrows on a Wednesday morning from about 10.30 am every fortnight or so, please do contact Mary Agius on 01372 456545.

Cleaning at Holy Spirit, Fetcham, is currently being carried out by two parishioners only. If you can spare a little time to help out on a regular or occasional basis please contact Margaret Clarke on 01372 374245. Thank you.

School Application Supplementary Information Form (SIF). If you would like a SIF form signed for your child's school application, please phone Fr Stephen on 01372 458263, or see him after a Mass, to arrange a time to bring the form to the presbytery and have it signed and stamped. Forms can only be signed when a parent is present.

Coronavirus Appeal. CAFOD has joined with the UK Disasters Emergencies Committee (DEC) to help millions of people whose lives are at risk as coronavirus spreads across refugee camps and countries suffering conflict. You can donate at <https://cafod.org.uk/coronavirus> to help CAFOD scale up its coronavirus response through our global Church family. Or

use CAFOD's Summer of Hope fundraising ideas with your family and friends to transform lockdown and raise money for the appeal: <https://cafod.org.uk/summerofhope>.

Parish Food Collections. As the churches have reopened, please could you once more leave your food donations in the boxes at the back of the two churches and these will be distributed on a weekly basis to the families in need.

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	Maureen Rennison
Christopher Browne	Patrick Rennison
Jeff Care	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Amy Chapman	Jean Rowlandson
Maggi Cooke	Yolande Sharpe
Dorothy Dinan	Karen Silver
Maureen Donoghue	Mary Skilton
John Donovan	Jenny Smith
Mary Doran	Margaret Summers
Mary Hefford	Pat Turton
Derek Knott	Simon Turton
Tessa Knott	Andrea Vaughan
Noreen Landers	Rose Wedlake
Daphne McLeod	Alf Wiggins
Joanna Mills	

Mass Intentions for the Coming Week				
Saturday	12 Sept	6.00 pm	OLOS	Holy Souls - RIP
Sunday	13 Sept	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	13 Sept	11.00 am	HS	Philip Aboud & Family - Wellbeing
Monday	14 Sept	12 noon	HS	Holy Souls - RIP
Tuesday	15 Sept	9.15 am	OLOS	Anthony Shoucair - Wellbeing
Wednesday	16 Sept	9.15 am	HS	Jozef Karol Kopieczek - RIP
Thursday	17 Sept	9.15 am	OLOS	Robert Kapusniak – 48 th birthday
Friday	18 Sept	6.00 pm	HS	Holy Souls - RIP
Saturday	19 Sept	10.00 am	OLOS	Patrick John Hassard - RIP
Saturday	19 Sept	6.00 pm	OLOS	Maryan Tillson - RIP
Sunday	20 Sept	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	20 Sept	11.00 am	HS	Maureen Murphy - Wellbeing
HS = Holy Spirit church, Fetcham OLOS = Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham				

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Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 55:6-9 | Psalm 144:2-3.8-9.17-18. R. v18 | Philippians 1:20-24. 27 | Matthew 20:1-16



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