



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

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection this week: Catholic Education Service (NOT GIFT AID)

Sundays: Cycle B Weekdays: Year I 12 September 2021



"If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me." One of the difficulties of being a practising Christian is that we can become over-familiar with Jesus' sayings, and therefore miss quite how astonishing—even outrageous—they can be. We can think of self-denial in terms of a little bit of fasting or giving something up for Lent; we can think of taking up our cross just as generously accepting and offering up our daily aches and pains and mental sufferings. Now these are real and valuable ways of living out Jesus' teaching, but I don't think they exhaust what Jesus is asking for.

Jesus is asking for everything: our whole life; every aspect of our life; every thought, every choice, every action, every moment. Who does Jesus think He is, asking for everything?

But that's the whole point. Jesus has just asked his disciples, "Who do people say I am? ... But you, who do you say I am?" If we answer with the world, "You are an interesting teacher with some high ideals," then Jesus' demand for everything is truly outrageous. If we answer with St Peter, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God," or with St Thomas, "My Lord and my God," then Jesus' demand is only logical—only what, in our heart of hearts, we want to give. For sure it takes huge courage, which only God can give. But He *can* give it. So let's ask.

May God bless you all,

Fr Stephen

This Week

Congratulations to baby **William Miley Francis Casey**, who was baptised last Sunday. We ask God's blessings for him and for his family.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Rose Wedlake** who died last Sunday and keep her family in your prayers at this time too.

Chantal Witchalls

The family of Chantal wanted to let you know that her 'wonderful life' is nearing its end. They ask that you do not phone or visit but that you join with them in prayers 'that hold and carry Chantal to the Father'.



Second Collection this week: Catholic Education Service. This is the chief negotiating and advisory

body on matters affecting all aspects of Catholic education.

DON'T FORGET THE PARISH PICNIC!



When: THIS Sunday, 12th September at 12 o'clock

Where: Our Lady of Sorrows garden

What: A family picnic, a chance to come together safely and to get to know one another again. There will also be a 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.

Next Week

Second Collection next week: Home Mission Sunday. Please note that your donation is not Gift Aid-able.

General

Do You Play the Piano? We need one or two volunteers to play the organ, mainly at Sunday morning Masses, from time to time, at OLOS. If you might be able to help, please email Sue Grobel on grobel.ps@gmail.com, or have a word with Fr Stephen.

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

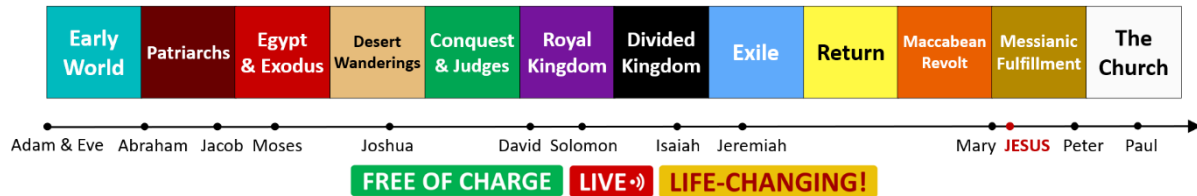
Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:

Marie Bliss	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	Alf Wiggins
Jim Morgan	Chantal Witchalls
Paddy Payne	

Is Reading the Bible Difficult and Challenging?

If so, why not join the Bible Timeline Course online and learn, in simple terms, the whole story from Genesis to Revelation. Eight of us parishioners followed the course in April/May and can vouch for its worth. If you want to know more, please contact Michaelpbray@btinternet.com

The Bible Timeline Course



THE BIBLE TIMELINE COURSE. Understand the Bible from start to finish, the Old and New Testament, with this FREE OF CHARGE, worldwide-famous course delivered online LIVE by Mauro Iannicelli. Starts Wed 29th September 2021. Eight Wednesday sessions (7pm-8:40pm). Info & Registration: www.comeandsee.org



This Week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday Vigil	11 Sept	6.00 pm	OLOS	Keith Farmery - RIP
Sunday	12 Sept	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	12 Sept	11.00 am	HS	Tessa & Bernard Wayne – Ruby Wedding Ann. - Thanksgiving
Monday	13 Sept	Noon	HS	Rachel McKenna - Wellbeing
Tuesday	14 Sept	9.15 am	OLOS	Arthur Gibson - RIP
Wednesday	15 Sept	9.15 am	H S	Jozef Karol Kopieczek - RIP
Thursday	16 Sept	9.15 am	OLOS	Christopher Cutler - RIP
Friday	17 Sept	6.00 pm	HS	Patricia Pontifex - RIP
Saturday	18 Sept	10.00 am	OLOS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday Vigil	18 Sept	6.00 pm	OLOS	Spiritual Welfare of Prisoners - Wellbeing
Sunday	19 Sept	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	19 Sept	11.00 am	HS	Robert Kapusniak – Thanksgiving & Wellbeing

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

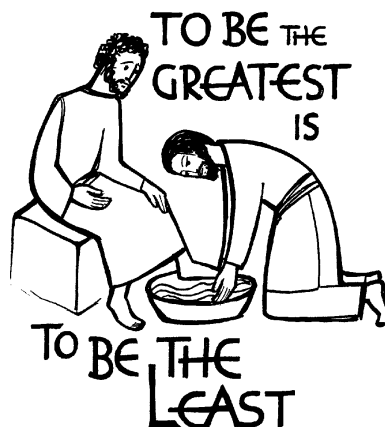
Saturdays

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

Next Sunday: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Wisdom 2:12.17-20 | Psalm 53:3-6,8. R.v6 | James 3:16-4:3 | Mark 9:30-37



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

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