

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

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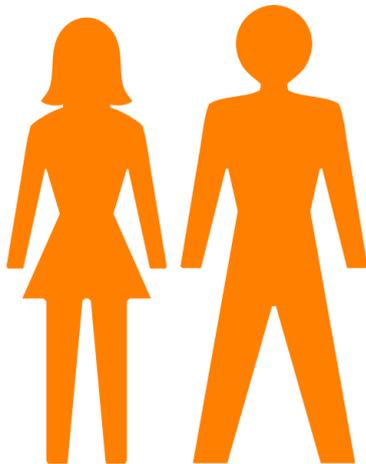
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A Very Warm Welcome to Parishioners and Visitors

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection this week: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day (please use special envelopes)

Sundays: Cycle B Weekdays: Year I 3 October 2021



A virtue we don't often speak about is chastity. And that's a pity, because it's an important virtue. It's tempting to say it's a counter-cultural virtue—but I don't think that's true. Our society is only too aware of the devastating harmfulness of abuse of all sorts. The #MeToo movement has rightly caught public attention. Everyone knows about the painfulness of family breakdown. Everyone knows it's wrong to cheat on your husband or wife—or your boyfriend or girlfriend. So I think our society cares deeply about chastity; and that's something we as Christians should build on. The fact that Jesus stands for marital fidelity—with exactly equal standards for men and women—and condemns lustful looks as "adultery in the heart" (Matt 5:28) makes Jesus very relevant today.

However, where it touches people's personal lives, they can think quite differently. It's so easy to slip into an "it doesn't hurt anybody" mentality. But all big sins begin with little sins. Unchastity hurts us; it damages us and coarsens us. It can also be an area where people put up a barrier to God. God can teach us about lots of things ... but He's not really welcome in that part of my life.

But if we do open ourselves to the Lord's guidance in this area of our lives, there is wonderful peace and happiness to be found, growth in authentic self-esteem and personal holiness—and love of the Lord.

May God bless you all,

Fr Stephen

This Week

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Chantal Witchalls** who died on Wednesday and please keep her family in your prayers too at this sad time.

Congratulations to **Anna Steere** on being received into full communion with the Catholic Church last Sunday (26th September). Please pray for her and for all her family.

We welcome into our Catholic Parish Community through the Sacrament of Baptism **Ethan Moreton**.



Special Collection this week: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day

This year CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day is to raise money for their climate crisis appeal, see also <https://cafod.org.uk>

Ways of Giving:

1. **Special envelopes:** please use one to Gift Aid your donation this weekend.
2. **Text:** CAFOD10 to 70580 to donate £10 (enough to equip a volunteer firefighter with tools to prevent fires in the rainforest). Or add the amount you would like to donate eg Text CAFOD20 to give £20.
3. **Online:** www.cafod.org.uk/climatecrisis
4. **Call:** 0303 303 3030.

Please give what you can to support people around the world working to protect God's creation, and to help the poorest people adapt to climate change. Thank you.

Next Week



Special Collection next week: Prisoners' Sunday (PACT) (NOT Gift Aid)

Pact is a national Catholic charity which provides support to men, women and young people in prison, people with convictions, and their children and families. Their vision is of a society in which justice is understood as a process of restoration and healing, and where the innate dignity and worth of every human is valued. To find out more about Pact's work or to make an online donation [click here](#).

General

Worth Abbey Events

Finding Stillness (Residential and online) led by Fr Peter Williams OSB

29th-31st October

8th-11th November

13th-16th December

An opportunity for individuals to come to Worth (either in person or remotely). Further information and booking is available at www.worth.co.uk/retreat-programme.

Quiet Friday at Worth Abbey

8th October

12th November

10th December

Booking is essential via the website www.worth.co.uk/retreats or by calling 01342 710318. Cost: £15 per person.



To all MISSIO Red Box holders at Church of the Holy Spirit. If your boxes have not been collected because of Covid restrictions, please bring

them to church in the next couple of weeks. If you cannot get to church, please phone Heli Bravery on 01372 452537 and she will come and collect them. Thank you.

London SW Catholic Social Group is a group for Catholic adults to meet for regular social and networking events in a friendly and relaxed setting with the aim of making new friends, enjoy new experiences or just to socialise. Upcoming events include walks, a karaoke evening and a Christmas meal. Their monthly socials will restart in October. They can be found on Facebook – ‘London SW Catholic Social Group’ or on email - londonswcatholicsocial@gmail.com

The Catholic Universe newspaper went into administration in the summer. However, an online subscription digital publication under a new name, *The Universe Catholic Weekly* is due to be launched shortly. This weekly publication can be delivered to your pc or device for £20 a quarter paid subscription (13 copies) paid simply and directly to the publisher. For more details: <https://universecatholicweekly.co.uk>

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

**Raising funds for Christian Aid -
Friday 22nd October at 7pm**

Come to a fun evening — and sing along too if you wish — in St Alphege Hall, on Friday 22nd October starting promptly at 7pm. Refreshments halfway through, wine and cheese and cake and wonderful music with a film from the shows. Please note that due to advertising restrictions we are unable to publicly advertise the film. Please ask around to find out!

If you’d like to come along, you’ll need to sign up on one of the lists (at the back of each church). Attendee numbers are needed as the event is restricted to a total of 40 people but also to help with the catering arrangements. You can also phone to book on 01372 457987. No tickets, but donations please on the night.

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
Amy Chapman	Jean Rowlandson
Maggi Cooke	Yolande Sharpe
John Donovan	Karen Silver
Mary Doran	Mary Skilton
Mary Hefford	Jenny Smith
Derek Knott	Margaret Summers
Tessa Knott	Pat Turton
Noreen Landers	Simon Turton
Joanna Mills	Andrea Vaughan
Janet Morgan	Alf Wiggins
Jim Morgan	

This Week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday Vigil	02 Oct	6.00 pm	OLOS	Kenneth Taylor - RIP
Sunday	03 Oct	9.00 am	OLOS	John Hassard - RIP
Sunday	03 Oct	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish
Monday	04 Oct	Noon	HS	Rose Wedlake - RIP
Tuesday	05 Oct	9.15 am	OLOS	Joanna Kettle - RIP
Wednesday	06 Oct	9.15 am	H S	Holy Souls - RIP
Thursday	07 Oct	9.15 am	OLOS	Alan Matthews - RIP
Friday	08 Oct	6.00 pm	HS	Holy Souls - RIP
Saturday	09 Oct	10.00 am	OLOS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday Vigil	09 Oct	6.00 pm	OLOS	Ralph Suggett - RIP
Sunday	10 Oct	9.00 am	OLOS	Stewards & Helpers – Thanksgiving & Wellbeing
Sunday	10 Oct	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish

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

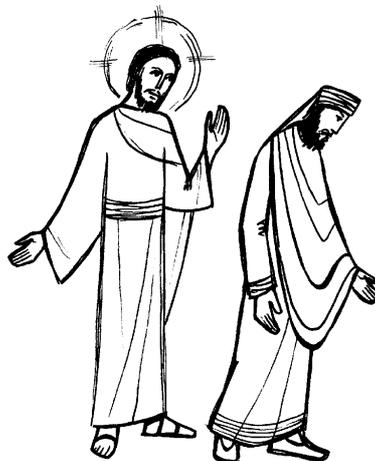
Saturdays

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

Next Sunday: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Wisdom 7:7-11 | Psalm 89:12-17. R.v14 | Hebrews 4:12-13 | Mark 10:17-30



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

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