



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

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection this week: Prisoners' Sunday (PACT) (Use special envelopes)

Sundays: Cycle B Weekdays: Year I 10 October 2021



I wonder ... If I met Jesus setting out on a journey, would I run after Him? Would I kneel down in front of him in the middle of the street? Would I ask Him, in front of a crowd of now slightly shocked onlookers, "Good Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" And if Jesus replied by asking for something I felt I couldn't do—like giving away ALL my money—would I respond just by being sad, rather than by being angry, or sarcastic, or trying to turn everything into a joke, or pretending it never really mattered to me in the first place?

Jesus looks steadily at each one of us and loves us with all His heart. He yearns for us to love Him wholeheartedly in return—to stop holding back whatever it is that keeps us from giving ourselves totally to Him—to let go of what is actually bringing sadness into our lives and our loving.

We all hope the rich young man eventually changed his mind and went back to Jesus. Will I change my mind? ... I wonder.

May God bless you all,

Fr Stephen

This Week

Mary Symes' funeral service will be this coming Friday 15th October at 11.00 am at Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham. Afterwards, there will be a short walk to the parish council burial ground (by St Lawrence's cemetery) in Church Street for those who would like to join in. There is then a reception at St Lawrence Church Hall, Browns Lane.

Please could you let Ian Symes know on icfsymes@gmail.com or 01483 283774/07527 465919 if you are planning to attend the funeral.

Please, no flowers, but instead consider donating to one of Mary's favourite charities, CAFOD – just click on this link <http://mary.symes.org/funeral> You can also let the family know you will be attending on that site and also see fuller details.

As this is not a Requiem Mass there will be the usual Mass at CHS at 6pm.



Special Collection this week: Prisoners' Sunday (PACT)

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. To find out more about PACT's work or to make an online donation [click here](#). *We have now received a very few special envelopes for this collection and they are at the back of the church.*

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

First Holy Communion Children's Mass



This Mass will be held on **Saturday 16th October** at Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham at 10.30 am.

Please pray for our First Holy Communion children and their families as they prepare for this Mass. Pray that the children may encounter Jesus' presence and that this would be a holy and significant event in their journey of faith. Please also pray that they will always return, week by week, to receive the Lord in Holy Communion throughout their lives.

Changes to Mass and Confessions this Week

On **Wednesday 13th October** there will be no Mass in the parish. Fr Stephen is away on ongoing clergy formation business that day.

On **Saturday 16th October** there will be no morning Mass at OLOS though parishioners are welcome to go to the FHC children's Mass at CHS at 10.30 am.

There will also be no morning confessions at CHS on that day.

Evening confessions and Vigil Mass remain as usual.

General



Creative Prayer Retreat Day

One of our parishioners, Emily Westlake, is running an in-person Creative Prayer retreat day (on the theme of 'I am the vine, you are the branches') at Compass House, Worth Abbey, near Crawley, West Sussex, on Saturday 23rd October 11am-5pm. This is suitable for people of all ages and abilities (adults or families, with or without additional needs, are all welcome). We will be doing some creative and reflective activities, including some time in the Abbey church.

Donations towards expenses would be appreciated, and attendees will need to bring a packed lunch.

Emily is a member of the Lay Community of St Benedict (www.lcsb.uk), and has been running retreat weekends and retreat days for 13 years. To book, or if you would like more information, or could come as a helper, please contact Emily on emcat76@hotmail.com or 07947103781. There will be limited spaces, so please let Emily know if you can come as soon as possible.

**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.

Childcare and Home Help Needed. One of our parishioners, a mother of a young toddler, is looking for assistance with childcare and home help. One or two hours per day, up to four days per week. Timings are flexible (mornings/afternoons/evenings). Please contact Hannah on 07707663540 for further information.



Jam Sale in Aid of Tanzanian Trade School Postponed - Apologies.

The jam sale planned for this weekend has been postponed until next weekend, 16th/17th October, after all Masses.



Christmas Shoebox Appeal - Would you please start to think about filling your shoeboxes for the

annual Children in Distress Christmas Appeal. Boxes will be collected in mid-November from Mary Agius at 98 Woodlands Road. Forms will be distributed this weekend.

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	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
Monday	11 Oct	Noon	HS	Francis Sullivan - RIP
Tuesday	12 Oct	9.15 am	OLOS	Donor's Special Intention
Wednesday	13 Oct	NO MASS	HS	
Thursday	14 Oct	9.15 am	OLOS	Terry & Bill McManus - RIP
Friday	15 Oct	6.00 pm	HS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday	16 Oct	10.30 am	HS	For the FHC Children and their Families
Saturday Vigil	16 Oct	6.00 pm	OLOS	Brian Denore - RIP
Sunday	17 Oct	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	17 Oct	11.00 am	HS	Thanksgiving for FHC children

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

Please note: On Saturday 16th Oct there are no morning confessions

11.00-11.45 am HS, Fetcham

5.00-5.30 pm OLOS, Effingham

Next Sunday: 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 53:10-11 | Psalm 32:4-5, 18-20, 22. R.v2 | Hebrews 4:14-16 | Mark 10:35-45



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

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