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

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection this week: World Mission Sunday (MISSIO) – Use Special Envelopes

Sundays: Cycle A Weekdays: Year II 18-10-2026

God bless,
Deacon Ian

This Week

Fr Charles's Final Weekend in the Parish

Fr Charles will be leaving the parish after THIS weekend. To mark this occasion, he will be saying farewell at all the Masses, including a **Farewell Mass and Reception** on Saturday 17th October at OLOS – Mass at 6 pm followed by a reception in St Alphege Hall, and also after coffee following the 11am Mass at HS.

Special Collection THIS week: World Mission Sunday (MISSIO).
To Gift Aid, please ONLY use a special envelope available at back of church. There are also prayer cards to pick up. Your prayers and donations support the work of MISSIO.

Please continue to pray for **Pope Leo** as he recovers from his recent surgery.

Please pray for our bishop-elect Stephen Wei-Jon Wang who will be ordained and installed at Arundel on Monday. Commemorative prayer cards are available at the back of church.

Change to Masses and Adoration this Week

No Mass on Monday 19th Oct as Fr Chris will be attending the ordination and installation of Bishop-elect Fr Stephen.
No Masses during the rest of the week.
Thurs Adoration at OLOS will run from 11 am – 12 Noon and 2 pm to 6 pm.

Weekend Masses will be as usual – supply priests for next weekend have been booked:
Sat Vigil 6 pm – Fr Simon Hall, *Sun Masses 9 am and 11 am* – Fr Philip Pak.

Parish Sacramental Programmes

A reminder that the most important preparation for any Sacrament is regular attendance at Sunday Mass. There is no substitute for this, and all our programmes presume a good level of practice of the faith and attendance will be monitored.

First Holy Communion Programme 2027

Application forms (YELLOW) for next year's programme (starting in January) are available at the back of each church or can be printed off the parish website from this page: First Holy Communion - EFFINGHAM & FETCHAM
If you have a child in year 3 or above then, **provided that you and your child are in regular attendance at Mass you and they will be able to join the programme.** Please hand fully completed application forms with a copy of your child's baptismal certificate (please give a copy, not the original) to Deacon Ian or deliver to the Parish Office.

Confirmation Programme

If you would like to be Confirmed next year, please pick up a RED form from the back of the church or printed off the parish website: Confirmation - EFFINGHAM & FETCHAM. All ages school Yr 10 and upwards. Please complete and return it with a copy of your baptismal certificate to the parish office or Deacon Ian as soon as possible.

CELEBRATE Autumn family pack - helping families grow an attitude of gratitude, noticing all the good gifts God gives us and saying thank you together. Their updated online Autumn Family Pack is available now at celebratetrust.org/shop/autumnpack

October – the Month of the Rosary

As in recent years, there are some booklets on how to pray "The Holy Rosary" available at no charge at the back of each church. (Please do hold onto these from year to year as they are not a free publication).

There are also a good selection of rosaries available to buy from the repository in the porch of each church.

Next Week

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. There will be speakers at all the Masses next weekend and special envelopes available to take away – <u>PLEASE ONLY use an envelope if you want to Gift Aid your donation.</u>

The CAFOD collection will take place the week after, on the weekend of 31st Oct/1st Nov.

General

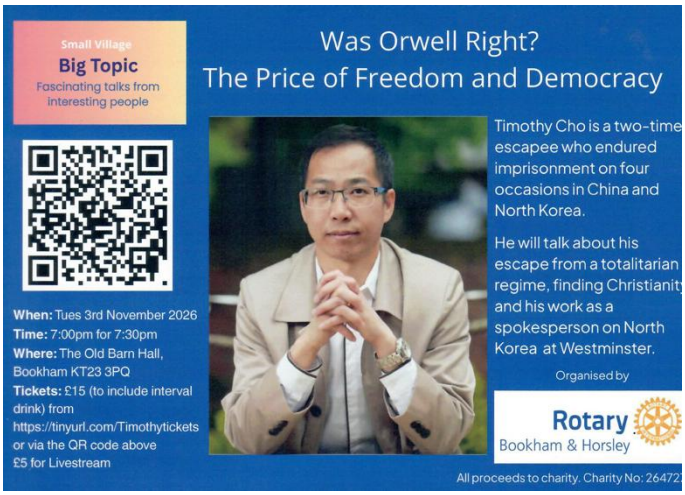
People's Emergency Briefing

You are invited to this free film screening about the nature and climate emergency, at The Old Barn Hall, Bookham on Thur 22nd Oct, door open 7.15 pm, film starts 7.30 pm. Age 16+. For more info, please scan the QR code or see poster in porch.

Recent Second Collection Result

Prisoners' Sunday - £588.10

Thank you for your generosity!



A talk by an escapee from N Korea who has since become a Christian on **3rd Nov, 7 for 7.30 pm** at The Old Barn Hall, Bookham. He will talk about his escape from a totalitarian regime, finding Christianity and his work as a spokesperson on North Korea at Westminster. Tickets £15 from https://tinyurl.com/Timothytickets. All proceeds to charity.

Creative Prayer retreat Friday 20th – Sunday 22nd November, led by Emily Hollins, at Worth Abbey, Sussex.

"The Lord refreshes my soul." Psalm 23

Come for a refreshing, uplifting retreat of music, drama and prayer with images. Contact Emily for more information, if you have special needs or can volunteer and to book (email: creativeprayer@lcsb.uktel: 07947103781).

Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:	
Emile Aboud	Ann McEntire
Marie Bliss	Jim Morgan
Heli Bravery	Brenda Parker
Christopher Browne	Maureen Rennison
Mary Doran	Bernard Shaw
Brede Hassard	Jenny Smith
Mary Hefford	Peter Stevenson
Maddy Hewitt	Maggie Thomas
Valeria Kucharsky	Theo West
Joanna Mills	Ian Williamson

This Week's Services and Mass intentions

FR CHARLES' LEAVING WEEKEND				
Saturday Vigil	17 Oct	6.00 pm	OLOS	Brian Denore - RIP
Sat Reception		*7.00 pm*	*St Alphege Hall*	
Sunday	18 Oct	9.00 am	OLOS	Fr Charles – Private Intention
Sunday	18 Oct	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish
Sun Reception		*Noon*	*HS Annex*	
Monday	**19 Oct**	**NO MASS**	**OLOS**	**NO MASS**
Tuesday	**20 Oct**	**NO MASS**	**OLOS**	**NO MASS**
Wednesday	**21 Oct**	**NO MASS**	**HS**	**NO MASS**
Thursday	**22 Oct**	**NO MASS**	**OLOS**	**NO MASS**
Friday	**23 Oct**	**NO MASS**	**OLOS**	**NO MASS**
Saturday Vigil	24 Oct	6.00 pm	OLOS	Holy Souls - RIP
Sunday	25 Oct	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	25 Oct	11.00 am	HS	Desmond Tobin - RIP

HS = Holy Spirit, Fetcham OLOS = Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham

Most Masses from both our churches are live-streamed on YouTube at "Effingham and Fetcham Catholic Parish" https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFLGeHumF6yae4QGCSVg0UA

Confessions	**Saturdays** 5.00-5.30 pm OLOS, Effingham **1st Sunday of the month** after 11.00 am Mass HS, Fetcham
Adoration	**Thursdays** following OLOS 9.15 am Mass to Noon, then 2-6 pm
Children's Liturgy	**1st & 3rd Sundays of the month** in term time at HS, Fetcham 11.00 am

Next Week: 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 22:21-27 | Psalm 18(17):2-3a. 3b-4. 47, 51ab. R.2 | 1Thessalonians 1:5c-10 | Matthew 22:34-40

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

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