



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



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A Warm Welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection this week: Retired Priests' Fund (Gift Aid)

Sundays: Cycle B

Weekdays: Year II

11th November



I would like to express my gratitude to everyone for the wonderful celebrations last weekend for the Golden Jubilee of the Church of the Holy Spirit and my induction as parish priest. I felt that there was a wonderful and holy sense of joyful celebration, warmth of community and shared faith. So thanks go to everyone who came: parishioners from right across the parish, young and old; ministers and members of other local Christian denominations; staff and students from the seminary where I have lived and worked for the last 14 years (and where I still teach on Fridays); several people who had been parishioners at HS when the church opened and had heard of the event and came back to join in; plus my parents. I am also aware that many people would have liked to be present but were unable, due to other commitments or sickness or frailty. I am very grateful to you too for your thoughts and prayers—joining us in spirit even if not in body.

Particular thanks must go to so many who helped out practically with the preparations and celebrations (and the clearing up!): servers, musicians, readers, welcomers, ushers, flower arrangers, church cleaners, grounds tidiers, car-parking assistants, reception and catering organisers, overall mission controllers—and anyone else who I have forgotten.

It all shows that we are a wonderful parish and that the Holy Spirit is moving powerfully among us. Most of all, then, let us take great encouragement from this for our future life and mission as followers of our Lord Jesus Christ.

On a more sombre note, let us remember to pray especially this weekend for the victims of the First World War and of all other conflicts, and storm heaven with prayers for peace.

May God bless you all

Fr Stephen

THIS WEEK

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Sr Joan O'Neill RIP (Eileen Burke's sister) who died recently.

Change to Mass: Please note, on **Thursday 15 November** there is no 9.15am Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham – it has been moved to 6pm instead.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal: We have already received a magnificent 60 shoeboxes and hopefully many more will come in this weekend. The date for collection by Children in Distress has just been postponed by a few days to Monday 19 November, so ***if there are any latecomers you will be able to bring them next weekend 17/18 November, or deliver them to 98 Woodlands Road, Bookham, KT23 4HH.***

Coffee and Chat: Starting on **Sunday 11 November** after the 11 o'clock Mass at Holy Spirit (and running every week thereafter) there will be refreshments provided so you can enjoy a welcome break and have an opportunity to get to know and catch up with others.

Red MISSIO Boxes: If you have still to bring your box in for counting we would ask you to do this as a matter of urgency. Please leave them on the shelf outside the Sacristy by **THIS weekend**. Thank you.

Annual Deanery Mass: There is a Mass for the deceased clergy and religious of the deanery at 11.00am on **Tuesday 13 November** at St Clement's church, Ewell.

Grandparents: Thank you to all of you who attended the Grandparents' Formation Day in Horsham with Bishop Richard. Our next meeting will be this **Wednesday 14 November**, St Alphege Hall, Effingham at 2pm. We will be showing the 'Cafe' Video 'Beloved Disciples'. Pope Francis reminds us that 'Older people are a treasure'. Tea and cakes to start. All Parishioners welcome.

2018 First Holy Communion Programme: is starting at the beginning of January. If you want to enrol your child but haven't handed back the yellow application form together with your

child's Baptismal certificate to Father Stephen or Deacon Ian yet, please do so immediately.

November – The Month for Holy Souls: If you would like to take an envelope from the back of the church, fill in the enclosed sheet with names of those for whom you would like prayers, then return the envelope and place in the special box provided. Any money you enclose will go towards Holy Souls Masses throughout the year. Thank you.

Quiz in Aid of Tanzanian Trade School: The annual quiz in aid of the Mtandika Trade School will be held at the King George Fifth (KGV) hall on **Saturday 17 November**. We are short of one table of 6 to 8 people and it would be great if a group of Parishioners could make up a table. The price of tickets is £16.50 which includes a lasagne supper. If you are interested, please contact Mary Agius on maryagius@gmail.com or 01372 456545, or Penny Osborne on 01372 453088.

Special Collection this week – Retired Priests' Fund

Every year at least £200,000 is needed for the support of our retired priests. The amounts incurred are likely to increase in coming years as more priests reach retirement age. This support ensures that priests do not face financial hardship when their parish ministry comes to an end. While in active parish ministry, priests' accommodation and domestic needs are met by the parish and a modest personal income is usually provided from offerings at Christmas, Easter and from baptisms, weddings and funerals. There is no charge to the parish for pension contributions to fund the future needs for their priest. The Retired Priests' Fund supplies these needs, whether the priest is able to live independently or whether more care is required. In recent years, this collection has contributed only a fraction of the amount needed. Please give generously so that we can express our concern and gratitude towards those who have served us so loyally over the years.

Thank you.

Bishop Richard

Book of Reflections from the Young: Many of us have had the experience of being moved by something a young person has said. The Do & Raise Group are trying to produce a book of reflections based on what our children and teenagers have said about matters of faith. If you would like to know more or have an example to give, please contact one of the following people: Christine Fahey 01372 635950, Frances Riches 01372 452942 or Kit Oliver 01372 377633. We would love to have this ready in time for Christmas – so please do contact us soon.

THIS MONTH

Chilworth Abbey Study Day: You are warmly invited to a presentation of the third episode of 'Catholicism - a journey to the heart of the faith', by the acclaimed author and speaker Bishop Barron, on **Saturday 24 November**. Given by Fr John Seddon who will contextualise the episode and then teach and lead discussion about its subject matter. The day begins with Mass at 9.00am, followed by coffee. The third film investigates *'The Ineffable Mystery of God'* Midday prayer and lunch will divide the day and concludes at 4.00 pm. Come to part, or all of the day, as it suits you. Bring a packed lunch and a friend. Tea and coffee is provided. More information at chilworthbenedictines.com

Annual Parish Supper: This is happening on **Saturday 24 November**, 7.30 for 8pm – four course meal, £10. Elizabeth Cross will be collecting names after all weekend Masses from this weekend or you can let her know on 01372 458286 or ecross@ctis.co.uk. Desserts and raffle prizes requested.

FORTHCOMING

Parish Advent Talks: Fr Stephen will be talking about The Kingdom of God and New Evangelisation over the course of three weeks running from **Monday 3 December**, St Alphege Hall, Effingham, 7.30-9.00pm with a mid-way break for refreshments. (Offers of snacks, mince pies, cheese scones, etc will be most welcome).

The Word Who is Life – Diocesan Pastoral Plan: Bishop Richard will unveil the Pastoral Plan to members of the Epsom Deanery at St Joseph's Church, Epsom at 7.00pm on **4 December**. Everybody is welcome to attend their local deanery meeting to hear the exciting vision for the future of the Diocese.

Wintershall Nativity Play: (12-16 December) at Wintershall near Bramley in Surrey. A 50-volunteer cast in biblical costumes, assisted by sheep, donkeys, horses and a sheepdog take the audience on foot from the chill open air into the atmospheric, candle-lit barn, as the story of how Jesus changed the world unfolds with songs and music and joyful carolling. See their website for details including opportunities to volunteer: www.wintershall-estate.com.

Justice & Peace Assembly 2019: '*Slavery on our Doorstep*', **Saturday 26 January**, from 10am (coffee from 9.30am). Learn about the slave trade hidden under your nose and how you can help those affected. Speakers from the Santa Marta Group and Sussex Police. To book contact Rosie Read, Formation Secretary at rosie.read@dabnet.org 01293 651161.

Please pray for those in our Parish who are sick:

Marie Bliss	Janet Morgan
Liz Boughton	Jim Morgan
Christopher Brown	Jack Oliver
Alan Bryant	Kit Oliver
Amy Chapman	Maureen Power
Maggi Cooke	Maureen Rennison
Marian Cross	Patrick Rennison
Anne Cuffe	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Maureen Donoghue	Allison Roberts
John Donovan	Jean Rowlandson
Joan Doran	Yolande Sharpe
Mary Doran	Mary Skilton
Philippa Gibbons	Andrew Smith
Ros Kennedy	Eileen Tennant
Derek Knott	Michael Tomkins
Tessa Knott	Andrea Vaughan
Filomena Lionetti	Rose Wedlake
Joanna Mills	Alf Wiggins

MASS TIMES

Saturday	10 Nov	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Gerry Payne - RIP
Sunday	11 Nov	09.00am	(OLOS)	Kate Nelson - RIP
		11.00am	(HS)	People of the Parish
Monday	12 Nov	09.15am	(HS)	Maureen & John Canning - Thanksgiving
Tuesday	13 Nov	09.15am	(OLOS)	Jane Bennet Ariola - RIP
Wednesday	14 Nov	09.15am	(HS)	Bertha Wetherall - RIP
Thursday	15 Nov	06.00pm*	(OLOS)	Holy Souls - RIP
Friday	16 Nov	06.00pm	(HS)	Fr Thomas Foley - RIP
Saturday	17 Nov	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Anthony Comyn - Wellbeing
Sunday	18 Nov	09.00am	(OLOS)	People of the Parish
		11.00am	(HS)	Maria Kirsch - RIP

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday	13 Nov	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
Thursday	15 Nov	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
		02.00pm to 05.00pm	(OLOS)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	17 Nov	10.30am to 11.15am	(OLOS)	Face to Face
		05.00pm to 05.30pm	(OLOS)	No Confessions
Sunday		After 11.00am Mass	(HS)	1 st Sunday of every month

MONTHLY ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

Monday		09.45am	(HS)	1 st Monday of every month
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HS = Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham

OLOS = Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham

Next Sunday: 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Special Collection next week: Mission Appeal on behalf of The Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers)

Daniel 12:1-3 Psalm 15:5.8-11. R.v1 Hebrews 10:11-14,18 Mark 13:24-32



Newsletter items to the Parish Office by 10am Wednesday.