



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

3rd Sunday of Lent

Sundays: Cycle C Weekdays: Year I 24 March 2019



The time has come to think about Reconciliation! Lent just wouldn't be Lent without a good Confession.

In the early Church the major focus of Lent was on adults preparing for Baptism at the Easter Vigil, when all their sins would be washed away. But Baptism is a sacrament we can only receive once. And those of us who have been baptised still sadly commit sins: "If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:8-9). Reconciliation is the wonderful sacrament given to us by Jesus to renew the grace of our Baptism in us whenever we have sinned. He gave it to us on the day of His Resurrection when He appeared to His apostles in the Upper Room and said to them: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." (John 20:22-23)

No one *likes* going to confession—but everyone loves the good feeling afterwards! So let's not let anything like anxiety or excuses keep us away. Let's not dodge the forgiveness and inner healing that Jesus is longing to give us. There are lots of opportunities: regular Confessions on Saturday mornings and afternoons; our parish Reconciliation service on Sun 7 April, and others in nearby parishes (see inside the newsletter for details); Confessions after 11 am Mass also on 7 April, and after the Good Friday liturgy. Why not put one of these in your diary now?

May God bless you all

Fr Stephen

THIS WEEK

The funeral of Ann O'Hehir will take place at Randall's Park Crematorium at 10.15am on **Friday 29 March**. It will be followed by a Memorial Service at the Church of The Holy Spirit, Fetcham at 11.30am the same day to which all are invited.



Are you 18-29?:

You are invited to come and meet **Br Jean Patrick** from the **Taizé Community** and join him and other young

adults for Lent reflection. **Tuesday 26 March, St Ann's, Banstead, 7pm-9pm.** Contact catherine.martindale@abdiocese.org.uk to book soup, and for more info. (Soup and snacks from 6.30pm). This is an ecumenical event so do invite your friends from other churches.



Sacrament of Reconciliation:

The First Holy Communion children will be taking their first Reconciliation on **Saturday 30 March** between 10.30-11.15. The usual Reconciliation will therefore only take place that

day between 5.00-5.30pm.

Gift Aid Envelope Boxes for Envelope Donors: Boxes of Gift Aid envelopes for the new tax year commencing 6 April 2019 are available for collection by Gift Aid Envelope Donors. *Please ensure you collect yours before the start of the new financial year.*

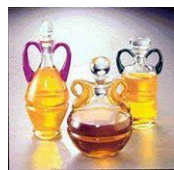
Repository: There is now a good selection of religious cards in the porch at Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham particularly for Mother's Day and Easter.

THIS MONTH

New Choir Members Needed: The choir at Our Lady of Sorrows would like a few more members. If you have a reasonable singing voice, you would be very welcome to join us. It is not essential that you can read music provided you have a 'good ear'. We sing at the 9am Sunday Mass approximately once per

month and practice at 9am the preceding Friday and 8.30am on the Sunday. If you are interested, please contact Keith Walker on 01372 457987.

FORTHCOMING



Diocesan Chrism Mass: at Arundel Cathedral on **Wednesday 17 April** at 6 pm. (Please note, it is advisable to arrive in good time as parking can be difficult in Arundel and the Cathedral tends to fill up early.)

Easter Triduum Retreat for Young Adults (18-35s): At Worth Abbey Benedictine Monastery, celebrating the Passion and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The monastic community at Worth Abbey and the members of The Wellspring Community invite you to join us for this great Feast! To Book, please contact The Open Cloister at Worth Abbey (TOC@worthabbey.net) for a booking form. We look forward to seeing you there!

Wintershall Estate's The Passion of Jesus: Free performances on Good Friday (**19 April**) 12 Noon and 3.15pm at Trafalgar Square (with live streaming on their website if you cannot be there) or Easter Saturday (**20 April**) 12 Noon and 2.30pm on Guildford High Street. For more details see www.wintershall.org.uk

St Peter's School Car Boot Sale: The school are hosting a car boot sale on **Saturday 27 April**. Please book your pitch by emailing fosp2019@gmail.com Costs are - Family car £8, SUV/MPV £10, Van £15. Set up from 9am. Buyers welcome from 10-1pm (£1 entry). Burger Van on Site for a tasty mid-morning snack! *Closing date for booking a pitch is Friday 5th April.*

'INSPIRE' Day for Youth Leaders: is the annual day for anyone who works with young people and young adults in a Catholic context, and anyone who is interested. It's happening on **Saturday 11 May** at St Joseph's Church, Redhill, 10am to 2.30pm. Tickets are £10. The day will include some time with the Bishop, as well as a series of presentations on important questions in youth and young adult ministry. To book head to tinyurl.com/InspireBookings or Email Jack.Regan@abdiocese.org.uk

LENT



Lent Study and Discussion Evenings:

We will be continuing with the third of four sessions from Bishop Robert

Barron's highly acclaimed video series, *Catholicism* **THIS Monday 25 March** from 7.30-9.00pm in St Alphege Hall. **This week's topic is 'The Ineffable Mystery of God'.** The evenings will include refreshments and plenty of time for discussion and questions as well as informal social interaction with the parish community. All are welcome even if you have not been to the previous evenings, do bring a friend and just turn up.

Stations of the Cross: On Mondays at 11.30am at Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham and Fridays at 8pm at Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham. See back page.

Mass changes during Lent: There is an additional **Saturday** morning Mass at **10.00am**, Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham and **Monday** Mass at Holy Spirit, Fetcham is at **Noon**. See back page.

Lent Reconciliation Services around our Deanery

- Our Lady & St Peter, Leatherhead Thur 4 April 7.30pm
- **Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham Sun 7 April 3.00pm**
- St Michael's, Ashted Mon 8 April 7.30pm
- St Ann's, Banstead Wed 10 April 7.30pm
- St Clement's, Ewell Thur 11 April 7.30pm
- St Joseph's, Dorking Sun 14 April 3.00pm



Churches Together in Horsley and Ockham are holding an ecumenical LENT course, based on the film 'BROKEN' (about

a Catholic Priest facing today's social dilemmas among his congregation) for five weeks starting on **4 March**. The same sessions will be shown on Mondays at 2.30pm or Thursday evenings at 7.30pm. All are welcome. For further details, see notice in porch or ask Stephanie Henderson (01483 283844).



Praying Through Lent with St Ignatius Loyola:

Sacred Heart Church, Cobham are running a series of workshops during Lent, until Tuesday 9 April. They will take place between 7.30-8.30pm each time and are in the St

Francis Room in the Parish Centre, Downside Bridge Road, Cobham KT11 3EP. For more details see the poster in the porch. Please book with their parish office on 01932 860244 or pp@shpcobham.com

Please pray for those in our Parish who are sick:

Marie Bliss	Jim Morgan
Christopher Brown	Jane Neville
Alan Bryant	Maureen Power
Jeff Care	Elsie Regnault
Amy Chapman	Maureen Rennison
Maggi Cooke	Patrick Rennison
Marian Cross	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Maureen Donoghue	Allison Roberts
John Donovan	Jean Rowlandson
Joan Doran	Yolande Sharpe
Mary Doran	Karen Silver
Philippa Gibbons	Mary Skilton
Ros Kennedy	Andrew Smith
Joanna Kettle	Eileen Tennant
Derek Knott	Michael Turton
Tessa Knott	Andrea Vaughan
Filomena Lionetti	Rose Wedlake
Joanna Mills	Clive Wickes
Janet Morgan	Alf Wiggins

MASS TIMES

Saturday	23 Mar	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Trudy Wykes - RIP
Sunday	24 Mar	09.00am	(OLOS)	People of the Parish
		11.00am	(HS)	Moira Percival - Wellbeing
Monday	25 Mar	11.30am	(HS)	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
		Noon*	(HS)	Jack Oliver - RIP
Tuesday	26 Mar	09.15am	(OLOS)	Mabel Stratton - RIP
Wednesday	27 Mar	09.15am	(HS)	Holy Souls - RIP
Thursday	28 Mar	09.15am	(OLOS)	Algie Power - RIP
Friday	29 Mar	11.30am*	(HS)	Memorial Service for Ann O'Hehir RIP
		06.00pm	(HS)	Eileen & Sr Joan - RIP
		08.00pm	(OLOS)	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Saturday	30 Mar	10.00am*	(OLOS)	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday	30 Mar	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Holy Souls - RIP
Sunday	31 Mar	09.00am	(OLOS)	People of the Parish
		11.00am	(HS)	Jack & Kit Oliver - RIP

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday	26 Mar	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
Thursday	28 Mar	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
		02.00pm to 05.00pm	(OLOS)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	30 Mar	10.30am to 11.15am	(OLOS)	FHC Children's First Reconciliation
		05.00pm to 05.30pm	(OLOS)	In the Confessional
Sunday		After 11.00am Mass	(HS)	1 st Sunday of every month

MONTHLY ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

Monday		09.45am	(HS)	1 st Monday of the month (NOT IN APRIL)
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HS = Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham OLOS = Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham

Next Sunday: 4th 'Laetare' Sunday of Lent

Joshua 5:9-12 Psalm 33:2-7.R.v9 2Corinthians 5:17-21 Luke 15:1-3. 11-32



Newsletter items to the Parish office by 10.00am Wednesday