

**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*

## 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays: Cycle C Weekdays: Year II 20 February 2022



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Once, when Jesus was talking about loving our neighbour, someone asked Him, "Who is my neighbour?" And He responded with the parable of the Good Samaritan. Today Jesus commands us to love our enemies—and we could well ask, "And who is my enemy?" Perhaps a true story can help. It is related in the film *The Scarlet and the Black*.

It tells the story of Mgr Hugh O'Flaherty, who worked in the Vatican at the time of the Nazi occupation of Rome during

World War II. Much of the film relates his escapades to help save the lives of thousands of Jews and escaped POWs. His arch-opponent is the Nazi Colonel Herbert Kappler, head of the SS police in Rome.

When the Allies, having landed in Italy and overcome German resistance, are approaching Rome, Kappler has O'Flaherty brought to him by night, at gunpoint, to the Colosseum, and demands that O'Flaherty should smuggle his wife and children to safety by the same route that he helped the Jews and POWs. "Priest! You're a Christian. You're supposed to love your enemies!" O'Flaherty walks away—seemingly in disgust.

But in the final scenes, Kappler is on trial for war crimes, and is asked how his wife and children escaped—and he answers, honestly enough, "I do not know." During his subsequent imprisonment, Kappler had only one regular visitor—Mgr O'Flaherty. In the years following the war, Kappler was received into the Catholic Church—by Mgr O'Flaherty.

As Jesus said at the end of the parable of the Good Samaritan: "Go and do likewise."

May God bless you

*Fr Stephen*

## ***This Week***

Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Sheila Fallon** who died on 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb and keep her family in your prayers too.

**Mass and Adoration this Thursday.** The Mass on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February is cancelled. There will be no Mass in the parish that day. Adoration 10-11 am will still go ahead.

## ***Coming Soon***

### **Children's Liturgy of the Word**



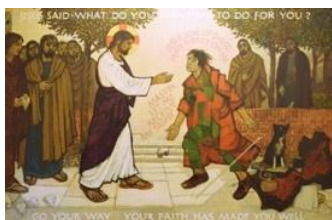
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It has been a long time since we were able to have regular Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 11.00 am Mass at Holy Spirit, but we are now finally able to restart. At present it will be on some Sundays. The first few dates are:

- Sun 27 February
- Sun 20 March
- Sun 3 April

More dates to follow soon.

### **Adult Formation Programme**



I am involved with some others in the diocese in running a series of adult formation sessions on our Catholic Faith. We

have called it "The Bartimaeus Project" because of Bartimaeus' request to Jesus "Lord let me see". He is asking for physical sight, but in the Gospel that is also a metaphor for understanding.

The sessions will be delivered 'really' in one location, streamed to audiences in other places, and also available for individuals online. After the talk there will be a chance for discussion at each location, followed by an opportunity for questions to the speaker.

The first set of four weekly sessions will be on our understanding of Revelation—how God speaks to us—and the Bible, beginning on 1st March (Shrove Tuesday) at 7:30 pm. Just come along to St Alphege Hall for the 'live' event. To book for online participation at home, and for more information, go to <https://bartimaeus-project.org>

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### **Shrove Tuesday Pancakes**

As a starter, right before our first session of the Bartimaeus project on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March (see above), there will be an opportunity to come to St Alphege Hall and enjoy a homemade pancake. Watch this space for more details!

**World Day of Prayer (WDP) for Horsley Churches Together.** The service is being organised by our Catholic Parish this year, but will be taking place in St. Mary's Church, West Horsley on Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 10.30 am, followed by refreshments. Please make every effort to support it.

### ***General***



**The Passage** a Catholic Charity, working with people who are homeless, is holding a St David's Day concert on Thursday 3 March at 7.30 pm in Holy Trinity Church, Sloane Square with The London Welsh Male Voice Choir and soloist tenor Ryan Vaughan Davies. All tickets are £20. Please support the work of this excellent charity. Tickets available at: <https://passage.org.uk/st-dauids-day-concert-2/> or telephone 020 75921856.



**Lenten Reflection for Young Adults (18-35)**

On Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March 10 am - 4 pm. Facilitated by the House

of Prayer team, this day will provide a time of quiet reflection during this season of renewal. Based on Ignatian spirituality, we will explore prayer and scripture in a new and profound way. House of Prayer, East Molesey. Cost £25 email [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk) for details.

**A Quiet Day Retreat.** At Storrington Priory West Sussex RH20 4LN on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 10 am – 4 pm. A guided retreat including spiritual input, personal prayer and common prayer. Participants are invited to contribute around £0-25 per person for the day though all are welcome, regardless of their ability to pay. A great opportunity to spend a day focussing on lent and your Faith. To find out more and book your place follow the link - [Quiet Days at Storrington Priory March - Chemin Neuf UK \(chemin-neuf.org.uk\)](http://chemin-neuf.org.uk)

**The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage**

For online applications for those who do not require any assistance in Lourdes or on the journey, click on [lourdes.abdiocese.org.uk](http://lourdes.abdiocese.org.uk) or you can [click here](#)

To receive an Assisted Pilgrim Application Form, please phone the pilgrimage office on 01403 740110 with the name of the person and postal address.

**A notice from the Lourdes Pilgrimage Team.**

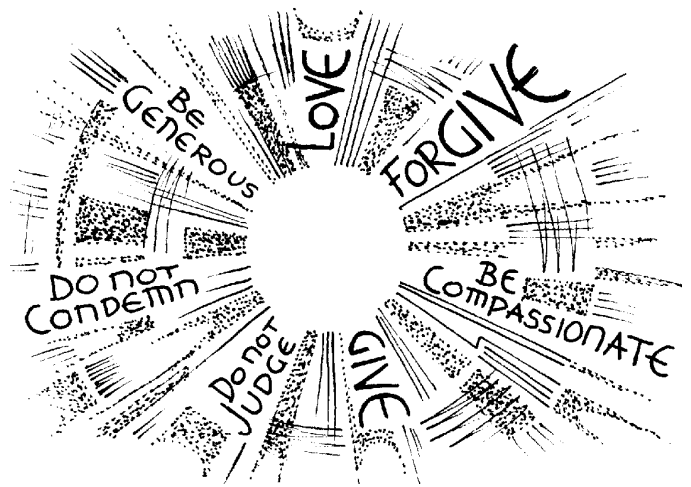
We are receiving several applications from Pilgrims who will require assistance to join this year’s Lourdes Pilgrimage, but at this point we are short of Helpers, Nurses and Doctors to assist with their Pilgrimage. May we encourage those who could assist in these roles to either contact The Pilgrimage Office: 01403740110 for more information and for any questions to be answered prior to applying, or apply by clicking the

link: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes/home>

**Mtandika Cake Sale.** Many thanks once again to all those who made and bought cakes last weekend in aid of the Mtandika Trade School. We raised just over £600, a wonderful result.

**Help Feed People in Need**

Food donations for those needing support can be left in the box in the porch of each church, for onward distribution. Many thanks



*Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:*

Marie Bliss	Janet Morgan
Michael Boulvard	Jim Morgan
Pauline Boulvard	Paddy Payne
Sue Brackenbury	Maureen Rennison
Christopher Browne	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Amy Chapman	Allison Roberts
Maggi Cooke	Jean Rowlandson
John Donovan	Karen Silver
Mary Doran	Mary Skilton
Mary Hefford	Jenny Smith
Derek Knott	Margaret Summers
Tessa Knott	Pat Turton
Gillian Lake	Simon Turton
Noreen Landers	Andrea Vaughan
Brian Medlicott	Alf Wiggins
Joanna Mills	

### This Week's Masses and Intentions

Saturday	19 Feb	6.00 pm	OLOS	Sheila Coltart & Family
Sunday	20 Feb	9.00 am	OLOS	Paul Brett
Sunday	20 Feb	11.00 am	HS	People of the Parish
Monday	21 Feb	Noon	HS	Heli Bravery – Private Intentions
Tuesday	22 Feb	9.15 am	OLOS	Holy Souls - RIP
Wednesday	23 Feb	9.15 am	HS	Eileen & Sr Joan - RIP
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>24 Feb</b>	<b>NO MASS</b>	<b>OLOS</b>	
Friday	25 Feb	6.00 pm	HS	Patricia Munday - Wellbeing
Saturday	26 Feb	10.00 am	OLOS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday Vigil	26 Feb	6.00 pm	OLOS	Pierre Regnault - RIP
Sunday	27 Feb	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	27 Feb	11.00 am	HS	Kumudini De Silva - Wellbeing

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

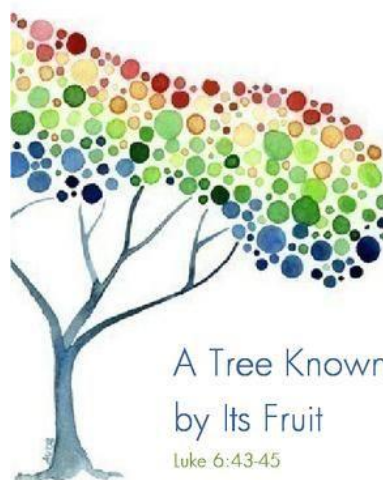
10.30-11.15 am OLOS, Effingham

5.00-5.30 pm OLOS, Effingham

**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the month** after 11.00 am Mass HS, Fetcham

### Next Sunday: 8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7 | Psalm 91:2-3, 13-16. R. cf.v2 | 1Corinthians 15:54-58 | Luke 6:39-45



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

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