

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

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sundays: Cycle C Weekdays: Year I 3 March 2019



Today's Gospel gives us a chunk of Jesus' "Sermon on the Plain" (St Luke's rather shorter version of the "Sermon on the Mount" which St Matthew records for us). The chunk consists of a number of sayings and parables, which at first sight can appear just a little bit randomly collected together!

However, I think there is a running theme—the theme of integrity. It's no good trying to be good on the outside if we're not committed to real inner conversion too. A tree can't produce good fruit if it's rotten on the inside. We can't expect to help others who are spiritually blind or hampered by splinters in their eyes if we are spiritually blind ourselves—and hypocrisy never converted anyone. (On the other hand, genuine humility and admission of our struggles can be powerful weapons for good in God's hands.)

Ultimately, we are Christians—we want to be disciples of Christ—we want to become more and more like our Teacher. Only his grace can transform us in this way, and that comes through spending time with him, listening to his words and receiving his sacraments. So ... what do you want Jesus to do for you this Lent? How do you want him to transform you? Why not ask him for that grace?

May God bless you all

Fr Stephen

LENT



Ash Wednesday marks the first day of Lent and is an opportunity to begin the Lenten Season with the proper attitude and reflection.

On **Wednesday 6 March**, Mass will be celebrated at 9.15am at Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham and 8pm at Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham.

Stations of the Cross: On Fridays from **8 March at 8pm** at Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham and on Mondays from **11 March at 11.30am** at Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham.

Masses during Lent: From **Saturday 9 March at 10am** there will be an additional morning Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham and from **Monday 11 March** the usual Mass time of 9.15am will change to Noon. All the other Masses remain the same up to Holy Week unless stated otherwise in the Newsletter.

Lent Study and Discussion Evenings: starting on **Monday 11 March** and continuing each Monday to **1 April**. (See page opposite for details.)

Lent, Holy Week and the Sacred Paschal Triduum



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Anna Omlin 2019

Lent, Holy Week and the Sacred Paschal Triduum Leaflet: is available from this weekend and provides a calendar of what's happening during Lent and fuller details of events.

THIS WEEK



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.

Fairtrade Fortnight: is from 25 February to 10 March. This year they are highlighting the poor wages of West African cocoa growers. There will be a sale of Fairtrade goods, including Fairtrade Easter eggs after the 9.00am and 11.00am Masses **THIS Sunday 3 March**.

Taizé Prayer: at St Lawrence's Effingham **Sunday 3 March** at 6.00pm. You are warmly invited to this reflective, quiet, contemplative service of Bible readings, prayer and praise in the style of the Taizé Community.

The Legion of Mary: meets weekly for about an hour in The Meeting Room in St. Alphege Hall and is looking for new members, both men and women. Our friendly meetings are prayerful, including the Rosary, and our work in the parish is mainly, but not exclusively, visiting (ideally in pairs) those we think would benefit. For more information please ring Marian 01372 801092 or Eugene 01372 459298 or look for Legion of Mary on the parish website. *If you know of anyone you think might benefit from a visit, please contact the Parish Office.*



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).



A Day to Explore the Golden Years: This ecumenical event takes place at Bookham Baptist Church on **Wednesday 6 March** from 10am to 3.30pm. **YOU CAN NOW**

REGISTER ON THE DOOR ON THE DAY. (It only costs £5 to register and that includes a sandwich lunch.) DON'T WORRY ABOUT COMING A LITTLE LATE (after Mass) OR

HAVING TO LEAVE A LITTLE EARLY. Come and hear the first 'Anna' Chaplain in the UK tell the story of how this pioneering approach is helping support and accompany people in their later years. We hope this day will stimulate thinking about how we work together for the elderly in our communities.

THIS MONTH



Lent Study and Discussion Evenings: starting on **Monday 11 March** and continuing each Monday to **1 April**. For Lent we will

be running four Sessions from Bishop Robert Barron's highly acclaimed video series, **Catholicism**. The evenings will include refreshments and plenty of time for discussion and questions as well as informal social interaction with the parish community. They will be taking place on Monday evenings at 7.30-9pm starting on Monday 11 March in St Alphege Hall. This is a wonderful opportunity for us all to engage with our Faith amongst friends and to grow in understanding of what God wants from us all. All are welcome, do bring a friend and just turn up. To get a rough idea of numbers, it would be helpful if you sign the sheet at the back of the church, or let Michael Bray know michaelpbray@btinternet.com We are also looking for volunteers to help organise the tea and coffee at each session and bring along snacks to share please.



Praying Through Lent with St Ignatius Loyola: Sacred Heart Church, Cobham are running a series of workshops during Lent, starting on **Wednesday 13 March** (the day varies each week) 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

FORTHCOMING

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



Prayer and Discussion Day: on **Saturday 11 May**. The Advent Sessions on 'the Kingdom of God and New Evangelisation' led

by Fr Stephen attracted some 75 parishioners and stimulated many thoughts and ideas. Additionally, the Bishop's plan for the Diocese 'the Word who is Life' is pointing us parishioners to move from maintenance to mission. We are organising a day on **Saturday 11 May** at Our Lady of Sorrows of prayer, blue skies thinking and discussion for all parishioners to come together and bring their prayers and minds onto how we can together give a boost to our spiritual lives and open our doors to all. Why not come along, join with friends and help each other as we embark on an exciting journey. More details will emerge but for now **SAVE THE DATE** and do come along.

Please pray for those in our Parish who are sick:

Marie Bliss	Jim Morgan
Christopher Brown	Maureen Power
Alan Bryant	Elsie Regnault
Jeff Care	Maureen Rennison
Amy Chapman	Patrick Rennison
Maggi Cooke	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Marian Cross	Allison Roberts
Maureen Donoghue	Jean Rowlandson
John Donovan	Yolande Sharpe
Joan Doran	Karen Silver
Mary Doran	Mary Skilton
Philippa Gibbons	Andrew Smith
Ros Kennedy	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	02 Mar	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Rie Breed - RIP
Sunday	03 Mar	09.00am	(OLOS)	Eileen Warren - RIP
		11.00am	(HS)	People of the Parish
Monday	04 Mar	09.15am	(HS)	Pierre Regnault - RIP
Tuesday	05 Mar	09.15am	(OLOS)	Christy Harrison - RIP
Ash	06 Mar	09.15am*	(OLOS)	Michael McCullough - RIP
Wednesday		08.00pm*	(HS)	Anna Conway - RIP
Thursday	07 Mar	09.15am	(OLOS)	Mary Hart - RIP
Friday	08 Mar	06.00pm	(HS)	Allan Farmer - RIP
Saturday	09 Mar	10.00am*	(OLOS)	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday	09 Mar	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Mary Estall - RIP
Sunday	10 Mar	09.00am	(OLOS)	People of the Parish
		11.00am	(HS)	Jean Wood – Private Intention

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday	05 Mar	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
Thursday	07 Mar	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
		02.00pm to 05.00pm	(OLOS)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	09 Mar	10.30am to 11.15am	(OLOS)	Face to Face
		05.00pm to 05.30pm	(OLOS)	In the Confessional
Sunday	03 Mar	After 11.00am Mass	(HS)	1 st Sunday of every month

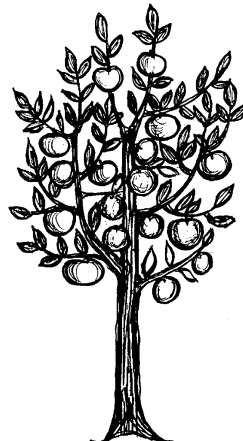
MONTHLY ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

Monday	04 Mar	09.45am	(HS)	1 st Monday of the month
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HS = Church of the Holy Spirit, Fetcham OLOS = Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Lent

Deuteronomy 26:4-10 Psalm 90:1-2.10-15.R.v15 Romans 10:8-13 Luke: 4:1-13



Newsletter items to the Parish office by 10.00am Wednesday