



**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*

## **The Baptism of the Lord**

Sundays: Cycle C    Weekdays: Year II    9 January 2022



Well, the turkey and the mince pies have been eaten, the gifts have been given and received, the tree and tinsel and lights have come down, and we've stopped singing carols. I guess that's Christmas over for another year. Liturgically, of course, that's one day early—Christmastide ends today—but even so ...

Is that all there is to it? A celebration come, a celebration gone, just 349 shopping days left till Christmas 2022? Or has Advent and Christmastide

made a difference? What did you want to gain from the season this year? How did you want to be different? And, more to the point, what did Jesus want to bless you with? How did Jesus actually come into your life and into your world? What do you now want to give thanks for, looking back over the last six weeks?

It's worth spending some time pondering the events of the season and what blessings we have received, just as Mary stored up the events of Jesus' birth and childhood, and pondered them in her heart. Recognising—and perhaps even being surprised at—where Jesus has been active in our lives gives us courage and direction for the weeks and months ahead. Today and over the next few weeks we hear about Jesus beginning His public ministry, proclaiming the closeness of God's kingdom to all who will listen. We can be more confident in sharing that work with Him when we recognise where that kingdom is arriving in our own lives too.

May God bless you

*Fr Stephen*

## General

### Next Week



Society for the Protection  
of Unborn Children

#### White Flower Appeal

The Special Collection

next weekend is for the Society for the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC). Prayer cards are available at the back of the church. The church collection is not available for Gift Aid. Please see <https://www.spuc.org.uk> for more information on their work or to donate online. Thank you.



#### Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

18<sup>th</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January

Churches Together in Bookham are marking the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity by providing a daily opportunity to meet together via Zoom for Bible reading and prayer. We will meet at 8.30 am each morning for about half an hour, except on Saturday when we will have prayers at 9am.

To join the Zoom Meeting, ctrl click on <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89138254033>  
Meeting ID: 891 3825 4033

Tuesday 18, St Mary's

Wednesday 19, Bookham Baptist Church

Thursday 20, St Nicolas

Friday 21, Church of the Holy Spirit

**Saturday 22, 9am, Eastwick Road Church**

Monday 24, Bookham Baptist Church

Tuesday 25, St Nicolas

#### 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

**CELEBRATE@Home** have a new resource "I Call You By Name, You are Mine" which has a focus



on Baptism and belonging. It has several ideas and resources for families to explore this theme, and

also suggestions of how to celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord this weekend (on the 9<sup>th</sup> January). For more details, just click on the following

link: <https://www.celebratetrust.org/celebrate>



**It's not too late to sign up to our annual diocesan Justice & Peace Assembly 'To a Safer Shore?' taking place Saturday 15 January, 9.45am - 2pm online.** The Assembly will

explore the considerable difficulties and challenges faced by individuals and families who are compelled to leave their homes and seek safety - and longed for sanctuary - in countries that can be considerable distances from their homes.

Speakers include Aidan Cantwell, from the [Jesuit Refugee Service](#) who will explore current legislation in the UK and how best we can respond, Karen Goldsmith, who has first-hand experience of the refugee crisis, having spent time volunteering at a refugee camp in [Chios, Greece](#), Canon Rob Esdaile who will provide insight on [Pope Francis' Encyclical Fratelli Tutti](#) and John Paul de Quay, from the [Ecological Conversion Group](#), who will examine the links between the plight of refugees and climate crisis. [You can find out more and book your free place here.](#)

**Parish Email Address – IMPORTANT NEWS**



Our parish email address has changed to the following one: [effingham@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:effingham@abdiocese.org.uk)

This has been allocated by the diocesan IT department to help ensure that our e-communications are as secure as possible. Please use this new address whenever you contact the parish office directly, when copying us in to an email sent to others or in any communications where someone will need to contact us separately. Please discontinue to use our old email addresses

([eandparish@btinternet.com](mailto:eandparish@btinternet.com) and [parish.secretary1@btinternet.com](mailto:parish.secretary1@btinternet.com)) with immediate effect and also delete them from the address book or contact list on your devices. The old email addresses will soon no longer be supported by BT and we don't want to miss hearing from you. Many thanks for your help in this matter.

**The Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage**



THE CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF  
**ARUNDEL & BRIGHTON**  
LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Online applications have opened for those who do not require any assistance in Lourdes or on the journey. Please go to the website [lourdes.abdiocese.org.uk](http://lourdes.abdiocese.org.uk) or you can [click here](#) Paper applications for those who require assistance will be posted out. If you or someone you know would like to receive an Assisted Pilgrim Application Form, please phone the pilgrimage office on 01403 740110 with the name of the person and postal address.



**Mary's Meals.** "Give until 31 Jan 2022 and your donation will be doubled by a group of generous supporters, up to £1.6 million – meaning we can reach even more hungry children with life-changing school meals" If you

would like to donate, please click on the link [Donate | Mary's Meals UK \(marysmeals.org.uk\)](http://marysmeals.org.uk)

**Emergency Afghanistan Appeal (CAFOD)**

An appeal for the people of Afghanistan has been launched by CAFOD in conjunction with the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC). At present, more than half the population of Afghanistan are facing extreme hunger, with some parts of the country close to famine conditions. The number of people seeking aid increases daily, and the situation will deteriorate with the onset of winter.

Please pray for the people of Afghanistan and give to the CAFOD appeal if you can. Donations can be made:

- Online at: [Afghanistan Crisis Appeal | CAFOD](#)
- By phone: 0303 303 3030
- By cheque: payable to CAFOD and sent to: CAFOD Head Office, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London SE1 7JB.

Thank you.

<i>Please pray for all those in our Parish who are sick:</i>	
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
Noreen Landers	Simon Turton
Brian Medlicott	Andrea Vaughan
Joanna Mills	Alf Wiggins

**This Week's Masses and Intentions**

The Baptism of the Lord

Saturday	08 Jan	6.00 pm	OLOS	The Tailby Family - Thanksgiving
Sunday	09 Jan	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	09 Jan	11.00 am	HS	Yolande Sharpe - RIP
Monday	10 Jan	Noon	HS	Fr Desmond Baker - RIP
Tuesday	11 Jan	9.15 am	OLOS	Danny O'Carroll - RIP
Wednesday	12 Jan	9.15 am	HS	Gerhard Fraberger - RIP
Thursday	13 Jan	9.15 am	OLOS	Rose Togher & Family – Private Intention
Friday	14 Jan	6.00 pm	HS	Donal O'Driscoll - RIP
Saturday	15 Jan	10.00 am	OLOS	Celebrant's Intention
Saturday Vigil	15 Jan	6.00 pm	OLOS	Catherine Gauci - RIP
Sunday	16 Jan	9.00 am	OLOS	People of the Parish
Sunday	16 Jan	11.00 am	HS	Donor's Special Intention & Thanksgiving

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**

11.00-11.45 am HS, Fetcham

5.00-5.30 pm OLOS, Effingham

**Next Sunday: 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Special Collection next week: White Flower Appeal (SPUC) (NOT GIFT AID)**

Isaiah 62:1-5 | Psalm 95:1-3,7-10.R.v3 | 1Corinthians 12:4-11 | John 2:1-11



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

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