

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

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A Very Warm Welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors

Pentecost Sunday

Sundays: Cycle A Weekdays: Year II 31 May 2020



Prior to the coming of the Holy Spirit the apostles were virtually living in hiding in the upper room. A great task had been entrusted to them, yet they had neither the strength nor the will to begin it. But after the coming of the Holy Spirit they were changed people. They left their hiding place and set out courageously to preach the Gospel. What was it the Spirit did to them? In promising the Spirit, Jesus said to them 'You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and then you will be my witnesses ... to the ends of the earth.' (Acts 1:8)

Who does not dream of a day to come when he or she will no longer be afraid to do the things so long postponed because the courage to do them was lacking? Who is not hoping for more enthusiasm to do the everyday tasks with joy, to take the risk of deeply loving God and people without conditions and without hesitation? Who does not wish to be much more inspired and dynamic and creative in life? Today

is the day on which this can begin to happen, for today is Pentecost, the day of the Spirit, the day the storm-wind renews our love, the day the fire brings us joy and freedom, the day of the Holy Spirit. May Jesus breathe his Spirit on us and make our hearts aflame with his light and life. Alleluia!

May God bless you all,

Deacon Ian

Prayers Please

Please pray for **Maureen Murphy, Christopher Browne** and **Ros Kennedy**, who are sick at this time.

Prayer Requests: If you would like to request prayers for anyone to be included in the bidding prayers at our live-streamed Masses and in the parish newsletter, please let us know via phone or the parish email address. Praying for one another and for the whole world is such a precious and important thing for us all to be doing just now.

Parish Zoom Quiz Night

We are organising a **Parish Quiz Night** via **Zoom** on the evening of **Saturday 6 June**. It is open to individuals, family groups, and groups of friends working remotely together (e.g. via Whatsapp).

Please contact Graham Paulson at grahampaulson@gmail.com if you would like to take part. If you would like to be linked up with a few other people to form a Whatsapp team, do just let him know and we'll take it from there.

Corpus Christi – Adoration

The feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of the Christ (*Corpus Christi*) is on **Sunday 14 June**. On this day we praise the Lord especially for His amazing gift of the Blessed Eucharist.

In honour of this feast we will have live-streamed **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament** for an hour before Mass, starting at 9.30 am and ending with Benediction starting at 10.15. (There will then be a few quiet minutes to get ready for Mass.)

If you can, do take part for some – or all – of the hour. Thank the Lord for His wonderful gift; thank Him for all the times you have received Holy Communion in the past; rest in His Eucharistic presence; and share with Him your deep yearning to receive Him again sacramentally very soon.

Keeping in Touch

Do please **encourage** anyone you may be talking with, to join our live-streamed Masses on Sundays (and weekdays). It's a simple and important way we can support each other, and also reach out to those who may be thinking of coming back to their faith at this time.

Who is missing out on our communications?

Do you know of any people, especially those who do not use the internet, who might be being forgotten? Maybe you could phone them, and see how they are, and keep them connected to this community.

Need Support? Do you need help or support at this time? If you need any sort of practical help, or would just like a chat with someone, please do call 01372 458263 or email eandfparish@btinternet.com.

Parish Circulation Email: In this very trying time for everybody the internet is becoming more vital as a means of communication. If you would like to receive emails from the Parish keeping you in touch, including receiving the weekly parish newsletter that is handed out at Mass, then please contact Michael Bray michaelpbray@btinternet.com or the Parish office. The list is only used for Parish and Diocese information and is sent bcc so individual email addresses are not visible.

Masses and Other Services

Live-streaming of Mass from our parish is available at our YouTube channel, <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFLGeHumF6yae4QGCSVg0UA>. Alternatively, search for "YouTube Effingham Fetcham" and you should find it easily. Regular Mass times are: Sun 10.30 am, Mon to Thur 9.15 am, Fri 6.00 pm, and Sat 10.00 am. You can continue to request **Mass Intentions** via the parish office.

Sacrament of Reconciliation is possible on request.

Other Sacraments can only be celebrated in emergency. Do please contact Fr Stephen in the normal way in emergency situations.

General

CAFOD Coronavirus Emergency Appeal. The effects of coronavirus on developing countries are likely to be devastating. Families without enough to eat and without access to clean water and healthcare are particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. The poorest and most marginalised communities will be pushed further into poverty. Your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever to help protect the lives of those in poor communities. While we are not able to hold physical collections in our church, you can donate as individuals at <https://cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal>.

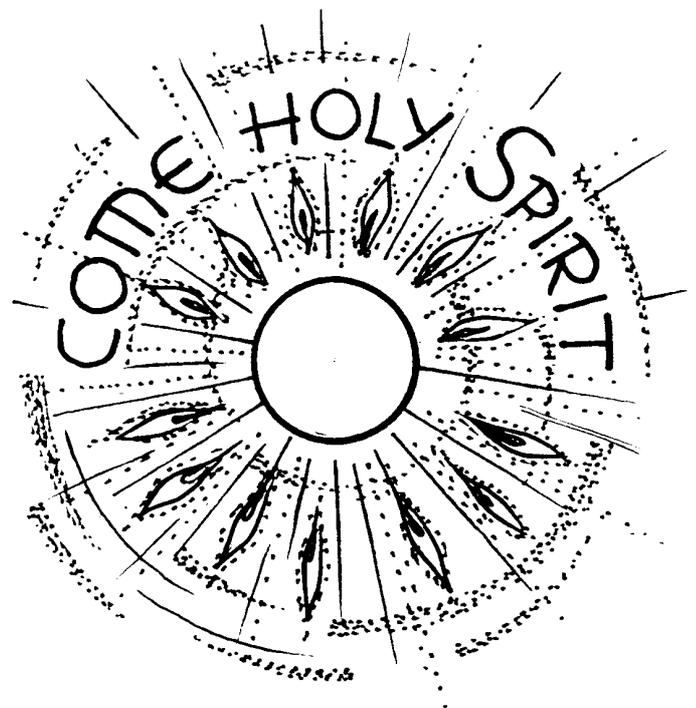
Foodbank Collection Points for Cobham foodbank are the Bakery in Effingham and Tinkers End, Orestan Lane.

Effingham Community Village Shop. Following the fire behind the village shops, a group of volunteers, coordinated by Effingham with Little Bookham Anglican Parish, have opened a temporary Community Store in Layla's Café. The store will be run by local volunteers and will be open 10am–2pm, Monday–Saturday.

Bogus website and scams. Sad to say, in this present situation there are a number of scams and bogus websites imitating the real thing. Please do take extra care, especially if you are thinking of donating money to them. It's safer to find a website by searching for it directly rather than following a link in an email.

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

Marie Bliss	Janet Morgan
Michael Boulvard	Jim Morgan
Pauline Boulvard	Ann Peck
Christopher Browne	Maureen Rennison
Jeff Care	Patrick Rennison
Amy Chapman	Piers Ripley-Duggan
Maggi Cooke	Jean Rowlandson
Marian Cross	Yolande Sharpe
Maureen Donoghue	Karen Silver
John Donovan	Mary Skilton
Mary Doran	Jenny Smith
Mary Hefford	Pat Turton
Ros Kennedy	Simon Turton
Derek Knott	Andrea Vaughan
Tessa Knott	Rose Wedlake
Noreen Landers	Alf Wiggins
Joanna Mills	



Mass Intentions for the Coming Week

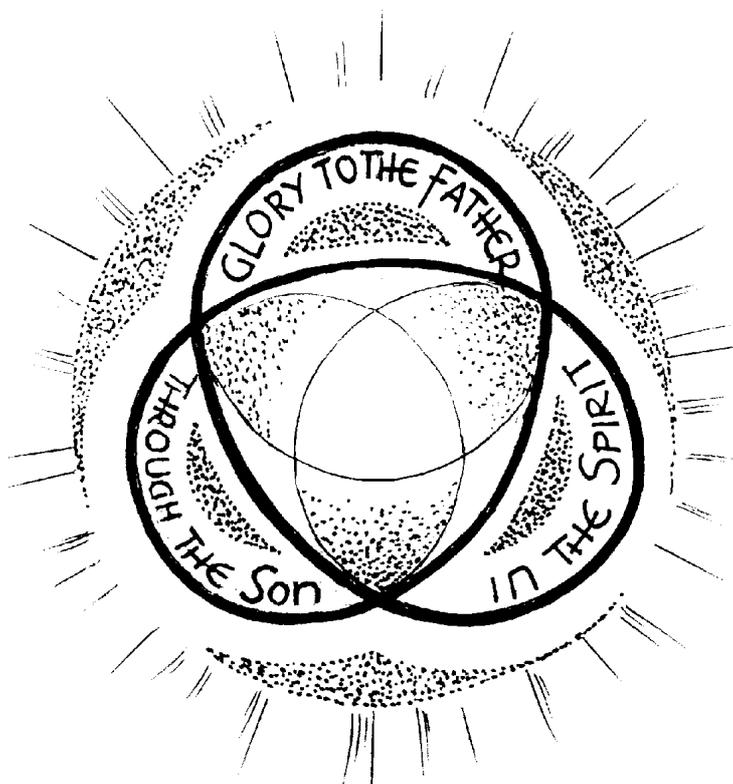
Saturday	30 May	10.00 am	Jane Neville RIP
Sunday	31 May	10.30 am	People of the Parish
Monday	1 June	9.15 am	Richard Wildenberg RIP
Tuesday	2 June	9.15 am	Marion McAkeon RIP
Wednesday	3 June	9.15 am	Benjamin Warnes RIP (stillborn 3 June 2012)
Thursday	4 June	9.15 am	David Cairns RIP
Friday	5 June	6.00 pm	Deceased members of the Bravery family
Saturday	6 June	10.00 am	Teresa Aboud RIP
Sunday	7 June	10.30 am	People of the Parish

Owing to the coronavirus, all Masses currently have to be celebrated without a congregation.

Confessions are available on request. Please contact Fr Stephen if you would like this.

Next Sunday: Trinity Sunday

Exodus 34:4-6, 8-9 — Psalm Dan 3:52-56 R.v52 — 1 Cor 13:11-13 — John 3:16-18



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