



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

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Sundays: Cycle C Weekdays: Year I 28 April 2019



Two themes run through the readings in today's Mass: fear, and courage for the mission given us by Jesus. In the first reading the people in general did not dare join the Apostles in public, but the Apostles were boldly working many signs in the name of the Lord, and so drawing many to faith. In the second reading, from the book of the Apocalypse, St John sees a vision of the glorified Jesus and falls down in a dead faint, but Jesus says, "Do not be afraid; it is I ... Now write down all that you see." And in the Gospel, on the first Easter evening the Apostles had locked themselves into the Upper Room for fear of the Jews, but Jesus came among them, transforming their fear into joy, and sending them out on mission: "Peace be with you. As the Father sent me, so am I sending you ... Receive the Holy Spirit."

In two weeks' time, on Saturday 11 May, we have our parish day of prayer and discussion focusing on the New Evangelisation. It's likely that we all feel a bit afraid at the thought of reaching out to others to share the Good News. So it's reassuring to know that we are in good company—and that the courage doesn't come from ourselves but from the Lord!

Please do pray every day from now until then, that the day will be a day of blessings for us, and full of fruitful ideas. Pray that the Holy Spirit will inspire us, and will show us the next step along our journey of being disciples of the Risen Jesus.

May God bless you all

Fr Stephen

THIS WEEK

We warmly welcome Fr Graham Platt to the parish. He will be celebrating Mass this weekend and for the next couple of days afterwards.

Thank You

A big thank you to all of you for your very kind Easter Offering and for your lovely Easter cards and gifts!

Many thanks also to everyone who worked so hard to make our Holy Week and Paschal Triduum celebrations so beautiful: to our altar servers, readers, musicians and singers, welcomers, ministers of Holy Communion, flower arrangers, church cleaners, linen launderers and ironers, fire builders—and anyone else I might have forgotten. Particular thanks to Deacon Ian for his ministry. And thank you to everyone who came along so we can pray and celebrate together—indeed, also to those who were unable to attend but joined us in spirit.

May God grant you all a very happy and holy Eastertide

Fr Stephen



Divine Mercy

Sunday: This is a new Parish initiative in honour of the Divine Mercy, an icon of

which was erected in the Church of The Holy Spirit last Easter. Divine Mercy Sunday is a Feast instituted by Pope St John Paul II and is celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. For those who receive the Eucharist and Reconciliation that day a Plenary Indulgence is granted. You are invited to join us at the Church of The Holy Spirit **THIS Sunday, 28 April** for Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament which will include meditations from the diary of St Faustina, followed by the Chaplet and Benediction. 2.00pm: Holy Hour - Adoration and Confessions. 3.00pm: The Divine Mercy Chaplet and Benediction. 3.30pm: Refreshments in the Annex.

Mass change: Please note that on **Wednesday 1 May** there is a Requiem Mass for Mabel Endicott at 12.30pm, Our Lady of Sorrows, Effingham. ***It is the only Mass that day.***

Second Collection Next Week: We usually have two collections a year around Easter and Christmas to help with the cost of our altar and church flowers. As your donations do qualify for Gift Aid – please use a purple envelope at the back of the church if you are able. Many thanks.

London SW Catholic Social Group: is a social group for young Catholics which meets every month. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Dominic on 07779 447676. Our next social evening is on **Saturday 4 May** at 7.30pm at GBK in Waterloo.

Taizé Prayer: You are warmly invited to this reflective, quiet, contemplative service of Bible readings, prayer and praise in the style of the Taizé Community. At St Lawrence, Effingham on **Sunday 5 May** at 6pm.



Missio: Please continue to support the work of the Red Box. If you don't already have a Red Box at home or would like information on other ways to give to the Red Box – please ask either Penny Osborne (01372 453088) at Our Lady of Sorrows or Heli Bravery (01372 452537) at Holy Spirit.

It is also that time again when we ask you to bring in your boxes for counting. Please leave them on the shelf outside the sacristy in the next couple of weeks. Thank you.

FORTHCOMING

Encounter Evening (for 16-35s): The ENCOUNTER programme is about making friends and deepening faith in a relaxed, welcoming environment. At St Dunstan's, Woking on **Thursday 9 May at 7.30pm**. There is food, music, inspiring talks, and powerful

times of prayer. What's more, it's totally free, and there's no need to book. We make a point of welcoming people and making sure nobody is left out, so if you're worried you've got nobody to come with, don't be - we'll look out for you! We've got a great speaker lined up for the first evening, and we're hoping this is something that will run for a long time.



New Evangelisation Prayer and Discussion Day. On **Saturday 11 May** at Our Lady of Sorrows we will be having a parish day of prayer, discussion and

blue-sky thinking on how we can develop the New Evangelisation in our parish: how we can deepen our own personal conversion to Christ and His Gospel, and how we can reach out to others and invite them to know and follow Christ too. Hopefully it will build on ideas we have already considered in our parish Advent and Lent study and discussion evenings. The day will start with Mass at 10.00am and finish with Benediction at 3.00pm. Bring a picnic. All welcome!

'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



Day of Recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Led by The Right Reverend Paul Mason, Bishop of the Forces and Bishop responsible for Health Care Matters to the Bishop's Conference of England & Wales on **Saturday 25 May, 10.00am – 4.00pm.** At St

Teresa's Independent School, Beech Avenue, Effingham Hill, RH5 6ST. The day will commence with Mass at 10.00am in the School Chapel at which Bishop Paul will commission

and re-commission ministers followed by coffee/tea then a talk by Bishop Paul. Then time for recollection/reflection and lunch. At 2.00pm a further talk by Bishop Paul (the theme of the talks is '*Understanding the Eucharist*') followed by a period for recollection/reflection with afternoon coffee/tea. The day will finish with Benediction in the School Chapel. There may also be the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. (PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH). Tea & Coffee provided.



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Please pray for those in our Parish who are sick:

Marie Bliss	Janet Morgan
Christopher Brown	Jim Morgan
Alan Bryant	Jane Neville
Jeff Care	Maureen Power
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	Alf Wiggins

MASS TIMES

Saturday	27 Apr	06.00pm	(OLOS)	Frances Coni - RIP
Sunday	28 Apr	09.00am	(OLOS)	Jane Neville - Wellbeing
		11.00am	(HS)	People of the Parish
Monday	29 Apr	09.15am*	(HS)	Sean Curtin
Tuesday	30 Apr	09.15am	(OLOS)	Maura Boulvard
Wednesday	01 May	12.30pm*	(OLOS)*	Requiem Mass for Mabel Endicott - RIP
Thursday	02 May	09.15am	(OLOS)	Laurie & Kitty Puddefoot - RIP
Friday	03 May	06.00pm	(HS)	Holy Souls - RIP
Saturday	04 May	06.00pm	(OLOS)	James Gordon - RIP
Sunday	05 May	09.00am	(OLOS)	People of the Parish
		11.00am	(HS)	Holy Souls - RIP

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Tuesday	30 Apr	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
Thursday	02 May	09.45am to Noon	(OLOS)
		02.00pm to 05.00pm	(OLOS)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	04 May	10.30am to 11.15am	(OLOS)
		05.00pm to 05.30pm	(OLOS)
Sunday	05 May	After 11.00am Mass	(HS)
			1 st Sunday of every month

MONTHLY ROSARY FOR VOCATIONS

Monday	06 May	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: Third Sunday of Easter

Special Collection next week: Altar and Church Flowers

Acts 5:27-32. 40-41 Psalm 29:2.4-6. 11-13.R.v2 Apocalypse 5:11-14 John 21:1-14



Newsletter items to the Parish office by 10.00am Wednesday