

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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The First Sunday of Lent (Year B) - 21st February 2021

Churches and Lockdown 3 - what we can do...

Now we are in our third Lockdown **we can still attend communal worship (Mass)** but we must only sit with our own household or support bubble and we cannot mingle with other households before, during, or after coming to Church. It is good to be able to have the choice of coming to Mass but remember that the obligation to do so is still suspended and it is important not only to be safe but to feel safe.

Church opening times this week

Wednesday - St Joseph's 5.30pm - 6.30pm **Private Prayer**

Public Mass

Friday - St Joseph's Church 10.00am Mass

Saturday - St Joseph's Church 5.30pm

Sunday - Holy Family Church 9.00am - St Joseph's Church 11.00am - St Teresa's Church 5.30pm

Please be mindful that the numbers are limited due to Government guidelines and that at both St Joseph's and Holy Family we can overspill into the halls, so Mass at those churches can accommodate more people.

Invited. Lent 2021 – The Mission Begins this Monday (22nd) around the Diocese. Based on video presentations on Monday evenings followed by optional zoom meetings on Thursday evenings it is aimed at helping to explore God's *Invitation* to live your life with him; an opportunity anywhere you are to sit back and reflect on the content provided. Season one is a series of programmes that help us to understand exactly how much we are loved by God. Details: www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited

CAFOD Family Fast Day: Is this Friday and we are encouraged to donate any monies saved by having simple meals that day to Cafod who write to say: *Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support.* Donate online at cafod.org.uk/give.

Mary Barrett is also walking alongside Abdella this Lent by challenging herself to walk 10,000 steps every day, for 40 days. You can sponsor her at walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/mary-walking-for-water

Could you Walk for Water as a personal Lenten challenge by walking 10,000 steps a day, every day, for 40 days? Find out more at www.cafod.org.uk/walk

Telephone support If you would like to have a chat with someone for whatever reason in the parish, or would like to offer a bit of support at this time, please contact the parish office to share your details.

St Francis' Catholic Primary School, Caterham, are looking to appoint a deputy head ; details on their vacancies page: www.stfrancis.surrey.sch.uk

Lourdes Pilgrimage Appeal Collection There are plans for an 'able pilgrimage' this year. For those who wish to donate on-line to the A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage Appeal Collection, start by using the A&B Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage website: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes/home>, then click the DONATE button on the right of the screen. If you have any questions, please contact the A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, lourdes.office@abdiocese.org.uk or call 01403 740110

Caring for Creation during Lent A new Parish group offering a weekly reflection during Lent focused on adopting and enhancing a sensibility and responsibility towards Caring for Creation in line with Pope Francis' encyclical *Laudato Si*. Focusing on Creation, we will pray with the weekly Gospel reading, share inspiring stories from around the world and reflect on excerpts from *Laudato Si*. Materials will be provided. Via Zoom. Timing flexible, but proposed Wednesday evenings 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Please register interest by email: pnlcareofcreation@gmail.com

...Also, Have you considered focusing on ecological conversion as your Lenten sacrifice? Maybe go plastic free - contact: pnlcareofcreation@gmail.com

Marriage Care write to say: Please encourage your parishioners to seek support if they are experiencing relationship distress. Our professional relationship counselling service is provided on a donation-only basis and seeking help at whatever stage can make a real difference. You can find out more and book counselling sessions at www.marriagecare.org.uk

Scouts and lockdown - our beavers, cubs, scouts and explorers are continuing in very imaginative ways during lockdown and are always looking for more volunteer helpers - check their website: www.17threigate.org

The John Fisher School, Purley, are looking to appoint a School Business Manager to cover the current post-holder's maternity leave for 9-12 months in the first instance. www.johnfisherschool.org/Career-Opportunities

The World Day of Prayer this year is Friday 5th March. The ecumenical service has been prepared by the women of Vanuatu, 'Build on a Strong Foundation', and local zoom prayer services will be available in the parish at 10.30am and 7.30pm. Contact the parish office for zoom details.

Spiritual Communion prayer: My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the most holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.

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St JOSEPH'S 17TH REIGATE SCOUTS
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EAST SURREY HOSPITAL
The hospital does not inform the Catholic chaplain, Fr Francis (01293 431703) of your presence in the hospital unless a specific request is made by either a patient or their family. This needs to be made clear to the staff on admission to the hospital. If you are going in hospital as a 'Planned Admission' you are encouraged to contact Fr Tony to receive the Sacrament of the Sick prior to admission.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR
THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**

Monica Peters, Anne Moon, Maria Mellone, Brigid Gow, Jaden Sebastian, Shelagh Green, Bobette O'Connell, Lydia Fagan, Anne Grier, Chris Bayley, Bill & Maureen Wasson, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Maria Dimaculangan, Pam Dysart, Michael Scoltock, Marcus Higgins, Raul Bantog, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Maeve Welsby, Malcolm & Maria Chelvanayagam, Damian Poole, Pat Weller, Chris & Margaret Byrne, Betty Murphy, John Warren, Edith Rashbrook, Sarah Healy, Sheilaine Barrientos, John Philmore, Margaret McGettrick, Kathleen Beckey, Claire Chantal, Richard & Meli Greaves, Mary Carey, Maura Green, Peter Reade, and all the sick and housebound of our parish.

If you or someone you know is sick & housebound and would like to receive Communion please contact the parish on 01737 761017.

The 1st Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Gen 9:8-15; Ps 24; 1Pt 3:18-22; Mk 1:12-15.

Response: Your ways, Lord, are faithfulness and love
For those who keep your covenant.

Sat 20 Feb
St Joseph's 17.30 People of the Parish
Sun 21 Feb
Holy Family 09.00 Private Intention
St Joseph's 11.00 Tecla D'Souza RIP
St Teresa's 17.30 Margaret Daly RIP

Mon 22 Feb **The Chair of St Peter**
Patrick Gallagher RIP

Tue 23 Feb
Private Intention

Wed 24 Feb
Funeral Mass for Ellen Kenny RIP

Thur 25 Feb
Private Intention

Fri 26 Feb
10.00 Farrukh family int.

The 2nd Sunday of Lent (Year B)

Gn 22:1-2.9-13,15-18; Ps115; Rm 8:31-34; Mk 9:2-10

Response: I will walk in the presence of the Lord
In the land of the living.

Sat 27 Feb
St Joseph's 17.30 For vocations
Sun 28 Feb
Holy Family 09.00 Mary Stacey RIP
St Joseph's 11.00 People of the Parish
St Teresa's 17.30 Dawid Zaborowski's wellbeing

The Sacrament of Reconciliation can be celebrated by appointment.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOUL OF:

Thomas Whetnell RIP His funeral will take place at Redstone Cemetery on Tues 23rd Feb.

Ellen Kenny RIP her funeral will take place at Holy Family Wed 24th Feb, followed by burial at Redstone cemetery.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

Volunteer Stewards are still needed for our Masses and private prayer opportunities, you must not be from those instructed to shield themselves, nor from those under 18 or over 70 years old, or from groups considered more vulnerable to coronavirus. If you can help in please email the parish office with the subject line 'Volunteer' and encourage others to offer as well.