

# PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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## The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B) - 31<sup>st</sup> January 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.

**The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord (Candlemas)** is on Tuesday (2nd Feb) this week, and brings another association with Christmas as, 40 days later, the parents of Jesus presented the new-born to the Lord at the Temple. Simeon, prompted by the Spirit, prays: *At last, all-powerful Master, you give leave to your servant to go in peace, according to your promise. For my eyes have seen your salvation which you have prepared for all nations, the light to enlighten the gentiles and give glory to Israel, your people.* It is a prayer of hope and trust and you might like to light a candle and say this prayer in your homes. It is a time, also, to take the Nativity crib down, or maybe (better) move it to somewhere less prominent but still visible in the home as a reminder that God is truly with us always, a message of hope and comfort particularly for our times.

**Deepening Prayer in our Ordinary Life** - Led by David Clayton and Michael Woodward, this is an Worth Abbey online weekend to explore how we can pray more contemplatively at home. January 29th – 31st. Smart phone, Tablet or computer and Zoom account needed. More information from Michael Woodward: [shotwithspirit@gmail.com](mailto:shotwithspirit@gmail.com)

**Invited. Lent 2021 – The Mission Begins.** The Diocesan Formation Team is hosting a mission for you this Lent. It will be the first of five seasons of mission, helping you to explore God's *Invitation* to live your life with him. What is a mission? An opportunity for everyone in the parish 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, and features guest speakers such as David Wells, Eleanor Oliver and David Beresford. You will then be able to join a virtual conversation to meet like minded people and discuss what you have learnt. Visit [www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited) for details.

**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.

**Parish Online Zoom group**, Sunday evening prayers and song at 6pm for about 40mins - if you would like to join please get in touch via the parish office

**Racial Justice Sunday** (31st Jan) is more important than ever. The effects of the pandemic, the killing of George Floyd, and the powerful message on fraternity and unity by Pope Francis in *Fratelli Tutti*, speak of the need to actively oppose racism and to pursue racial justice with renewed vigour. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/racial-justice-sunday-2021/>

**Covid 19 - a challenging time for many marriages.** There is much uncertainty around, health, income, employment, vulnerable family members, children and housing presently. Different ways of seeing things, coping with change and managing fears can be a source of conflict and stress. It can be difficult to talk, to listen, to support and comfort when there is so much uncertainty. Being together all the time, brings even more challenges. Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples, it brings a positive focus, new hope and helps nourish and grow your marriage - and you don't need to leave home, it comes to you! For confidential information about Retrouvaille or to register for the next programme: A Virtual Weekend commencing on 25th-28th February. Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443, or E: [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com)

**Telephone Support of the bereaved** members of our Deanery Bereavement Team are able to offer you the time and space to talk If you have been recently bereaved. In the current circumstances, face to face visiting may prove difficult, but a chat on the phone is simple to arrange. If you would like to talk to someone then please contact the Parish office and this can be arranged

**This month's 50/50 club winner** of £25, is ticket 87! If you would like to join the scheme which shares fundraising with a bit of fun, or would like more information contact the parish office or email [5050club.pnl@gmail.com](mailto:5050club.pnl@gmail.com)

**The year of St Joseph** proclaimed by Pope Francis with the Apostolic Letter "Patris corde" ("With a Father's Heart"), Pope Francis recalls the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church - more details: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-12/pope-francis-proclaims-year-of-st-joseph.html>

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**ST JOSEPH'S 17<sup>TH</sup> REIGATE SCOUTS**  
www.17threigate.org

**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 Carney, 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 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)**

Deuteronomy 18:15-20; Ps 94; 1 Corinthians 7:32-35; Mark 1:21-28.

**Response:** O that today you would listen to his voice!  
Harden not your hearts.

**Sat 30 Jan**

**St Joseph's 17.30** John O'Leary - wellbeing

**Sun 31 Jan**

**Holy Family 09.00** Private Intention

**St Joseph's 11.00** People of the Parish

**St Teresa's 17.30** Peter & Nora Reade 67th Wedding Anniversary

**Mon 1 feb**

Vz & Jon Punzalan - well being

**Tue 2 Feb**

**The Presentation of the Lord**

For all Covid Victims and their families

**Wed 3 Feb**

**St Blaise**

Fr Martin Jakabus RIP

**Thur 4 Feb**

Private Intention

**Fri 5 Feb**

**St Agatha**

10.00 Farrukh Family Intention

**The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)**

Job 7:1-4;6-7; Ps 146; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19.22.23; Mark 1:29-39.

**Response:** Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

**Sat 6 Feb**

**St Joseph's 17.30** Fr Finton Crotty SS CC RIP

**Sun 7 Feb**

**Holy Family 09.00** People of the Parish

**St Joseph's 11.00** Private Intention

**St Teresa's 17.30** Saleem David RIP

The Sacrament of Reconciliation can be celebrated by appointment

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF SOUL OF:**

**Liseby Bond RIP** Her funeral will take place at St Joseph's Wed 10th Feb, followed by burial at Caterham Cemetery

**Maureen Cullen RIP** Her funeral will take place at the Surrey and Sussex crematorium on Wed 10th Feb.

**Anne Farmer RIP** Her funeral will take place at St Joseph's on Thurs 11th Feb, followed at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium

**Tecla D'Souza RIP** Her funeral will take place at the Surrey and Sussex crematorium on Thurs 11th Feb.

**Alan Dalton RIP** His funeral will take place at Holy Family on Fri 19th Feb, followed by burial at Redstone cemetery.

**Fr Martin Jakabus RIP** retired priest of this diocese, funeral to be arranged

**Please remember them and their families in your prayers.**

**Volunteer Stewards - more have offered, more are needed!**

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 any way please email the parish office with the subject line 'Volunteer'. Please pass the word around and encourage others to come forward as well. Thank you.**