

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 29th October 2023

New parish email address: pnl@abdiocese.org.uk

Please note that we have a new parish email address which has been given to us by the Diocese and helps with GDPR compliancy. The old address (pnlparish@btconnect.com) had been severely restricted by our supplier, BT Business, effectively being made obsolete, at short notice. Please amend your email address book.

NOVEMBER PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

During November we pray for all who have died. We begin with the **Solemnity of All Saints**, which is a Holy Day of Obligation, on Wednesday 1st Nov, with Mass at St Joseph's Church at 10am, joined by children from St Joseph's school, and at Holy Family at 7pm.

Thursday 2nd Nov is the **Feast of All Souls**, when we pray for all the departed and there will be an evening Mass at St Joseph's at 7pm.

Blessing of Graves in the parish

Sunday 5th Nov at 3pm - Redstone Cemetery, Redhill, Monday 6th Nov at 10.30am - St Teresa's, Merstham, Thursday 9th Nov at 10.40am - Garden of Remembrance, Bancroft Rd, Reigate.

Parish Bereavement Mass: On Saturday 11th Nov there will be a Parish Bereavement Mass in St Joseph's Church at 10am. All are welcome, especially those who have suffered a recent loss. There will be refreshments afterwards.

Prayer for Peace *O God of peace, who are peace itself and whom a spirit of discord cannot grasp, nor a violent mind receive, grant that those who are one in heart may persevere in what is good and that those in conflict may forget evil and so be healed. Amen.*

School Admissions Forms - If you are applying for your child to attend St Bede's or St Joseph's, or another Faith School, in September 2024, on the relevant form please fill in 'Parish of the Nativity of the Lord' and 'Fr Tony Bridson' as Parish Priest and return to the relevant school. We will be making arrangements to sign the supplementary forms in November so keep an eye on the newsletter.

The Saturday Group is a social group for adults meeting at St Joseph's, Saturdays 3pm—5.15pm. Please join us.

What happened at the October 2023 Synod in Rome Austen Ivereigh is coming to talk to us on Fri 10 Nov 7:30pm in St Joseph's Church, St Margaret Drive, Epsom KT18 7JQ. He is the papal biographer, and a well-known writer and speaker on Catholic affairs, He will explain why this has been a synod like no other, who was there, how it worked, and how it is set to change the Church in surprising ways. He is an exceptional speaker who is interesting, amusing, and easy to listen to. You won't be disappointed.

Parish Sunday Lunch Our next Sunday Lunch will be on Sunday 12th November at Holy Family Reigate 12.30pm for 1pm start and hosted by our African Community.

Magical Music Marathon Thank you very much from the Justice and Peace group for filling St Joseph's with music for 12 hours last Saturday. £500 was raised in aid of Practical Action, thanks to the amazing generosity of many varied musicians, audience members, servers etc.

Yellow Bucket Collection. The parish donations to the food bank at St Matthew's Redhill are very welcome. <https://www.redhillfoodbank.org.uk/how-can-i-help>

50/50 Draw: The winner of October's £25 is ticket no. 57

St Joseph's Primary School Open Day: On Thursday 9th November 2023 for more information please visit <https://www.stjosephs-redhill.surrey.sch.uk/>

Parents, Babies and Toddlers Group meet Wednesdays, term time, at 10.30am in St Joseph's PNL Centre.

Life Ascending Parish Group meet on Wednesday 1st November 11am - noon in St Joseph's meeting room. All retired or semi-retired parishioners very welcome. More information at www.lifeascending.org.uk

Liturgy of the Word with Children Leaders' Training, 11th November 10am–1pm at The St Philip Howard Centre RH10 6RP. Explore an exciting style of delivering the Liturgy of the Word with Children, with Lucy Hall. For more information please email katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk

Our SVP groups are reaching out to those in any kind of need, please call 07918980330 and they will call back.

The Easter Project Lunch is running again from Friday 13th Oct to 8th Dec at All Saints Church Battlebridge Lane, Merstham. To book your free lunch or if you would like to volunteer, please contact Janet Aslett on 07736 299874 or janetaslett@hotmail.com

The Retired Priest's Support Fund provides care and support for our Diocesan priests in their retirement and old age, and at their time of ill health, after their lifetime of service and devotion. Next weekend there will be a second collection for this important fund.

Collections

Offertory collection last weekend: £1144.78

2nd collection: Missio £798.85

2nd collection next weekend:
is for the Retired Priests Fund

Thank you for your support.

PARISH CLERGY:

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St Bede's Secondary - 01737 212108
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PARISH WEBSITE:

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ST JOSEPH'S 17TH REIGATE SCOUTS

www.17threigate.org

EAST SURREY HOSPITAL

The hospital will not inform the Catholic chaplain, Fr Alban (01293 431703), of your presence in the hospital unless a specific request is made by either yourself or your family for a visit. If you would like a visit from him please ask the hospital staff or contact him directly yourself.

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 your Hospital stay.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Mark Dalton, Frankie Harding, Teresa Thorp, Francesco Ambrosio, David Corcoran, Steven Biczók-Hardy, David Pitt, Tomasina Harman, Margaret Murray, Zosia, Susan McMenamin, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Jørgen Løvbakke, Chris Bayley, Jean Longley, Bridget Steward, Dilys Purcell, Rosaline Liberman, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maureen Wasson, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Maria Dimaculangan, Michael Scoltock, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Malcolm & Maria Chelvanayagam, Damian Poole, Pat Weller, Margaret Byrne, Edith Rashbrook, Sarah Healy, Sheilaine Barrientos, Kathleen Beckey, Claire Chantal, Richard & Meli Greaves, and all 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.

Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (year A)

Ex 22:20=26; Ps 17; 1 Thes 1:5-10; Mt 22:34-40

Response: I love you, Lord, my strength

Sat 28 Oct

St Joseph's 17.30 Joseph and Elizabeth Murphy RIP

Sun 29 Oct

Holy Family 09.00 Jim & Joseph Allanson RIP

St Joseph's 11.00 People of the parish

St Teresa's 17.30 Private Int

Mon 30 Oct

St Joseph's 10.30 Funeral mass for Margaret Leonard RIP

Tue 31 Oct

No Mass

Wed 1 Nov**Solemnity of All Saints**

St Joseph's 10.00 The people of God

Holy Family 19.00 Special Int

Thur 2 Nov**All Souls Day**

St Joseph's 19.00 Souls in Purgatory

Fri 3 Nov

St Joseph's 10.00 Anne Hurley RIP

Thirty-first Sunday of Ordinary Time (year A)

Mal 1:12-2:2.8.10; Ps130; 1Thess 2:7-9.13; Mat 23:1-12

Response: Keep my soul in peace before you, O Lord

Sat 4 Nov

St Joseph's 17.30 John Scully RIP

Sun 5 Nov

Holy Family 09.00 People of the parish

St Joseph's 11.00 Deceased Catenian brothers

St Teresa's 17.30 Private Int.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation can be celebrated by appointment.
 Please contact the parish office

Prayers for the Sick - If you would like to add someone to the list, please make sure you have that person's permission. Please inform us when your loved one has recovered and can be removed from the list. Thank you.

Visiting the Sick and Housebound Our Extraordinary ministers of Communion are bringing Communion to our parish's frailer members and currently we have about 50 being visited monthly. Our SVP members also visit on a regular basis. If you know of anyone who cannot come to Mass and would like such a visit please contact the parish office after obtaining their permission.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Margaret Leonard RIP Her funeral will take place at 10.30am on Monday 30th Oct at St Joseph's followed at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium

Simon Ndazi RIP His funeral will take place in Mwanza, Tanzania

Liisa Tanner RIP Her funeral has not yet been arranged.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers