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2nd (Low) Sunday of Easter (year B) - 7th April 2024

The Lord is Risen. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Dear brothers and sisters, For the last week, we have been celebrating Easter day. In the early Church, the white baptismal garment would have been worn by those baptised at the Easter Vigil for the whole of this week, and I invite you to join with me in giving thanks to God for all those who were baptised at Easter, in particular those who are now part of our own diocesan family.

For each one of the new baptised, the journey to Easter has been one of increasing openness to the promptings of the Holy Spirit, often experienced as 'little nudges' that show us the way to conversion. This is an experience of the mercy of God, of course – and this Second Sunday of Easter is designated 'Divine Mercy Sunday'. Bishop Richard

With many thanks to all who helped with the Easter liturgy, to those who were visible such as the musicians, projectionists, readers, servers, welcomers, to those who were not so visible, such as the cleaners, flower arrangers, sacristans. Thanks to the scouts for the Easter refreshments and Egg hunt. It was wonderful to see the crowds - about 1500 people came to the four Easter Masses. With thanks also for your kind wishes and prayers, cards, gifts and your Easter collection. Happy Easter!

Welcome and congratulations to all those who have been baptised or received, confirmed, & then come to Holy Communion for the first time at our Easter Vigil. Please keep them in your prayers as their journey continues.

Thinking about becoming a Catholic, or maybe want to be confirmed as an adult? We run informal 'Come and see' sessions looking at different aspects of our faith. Please contact the parish office for more information

Rosary Group Tuesdays at St Joseph's from 7pm – 8pm.

Adoration every Wednesday at St Joseph's from 7pm - 8pm with prayer before the Blessed Sacrament.

Parish Easter Week Get Together: Thank you to all who helped organize this day which was a huge success. A great time was had by all.

Parish Sunday Lunch Our next lunch will be on Sunday 14th April in the St Joseph's PNL Centre from 12.30pm hosted by the local Catenian group.- All are welcome, no charge, donations welcome. If you belong to a parish group or represent a nationality and could host a parish lunch please contact the parish office.

17th Reigate Scouts: Many thanks to everyone who has supported us, through our Gofund.me page and at our Easter Egg hunt, following the theft of one of our minibuses on Maundy Thursday from outside the Scout Centre and it's subsequently burning. We are overwhelmed with the response we have received. If you'd like to make a donation you can do so by visiting <https://gofund.me/7cc8002a>

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 Club winner for March's £40 prize is no.4, well done!

Parking around the streets for Sunday Mass, with the big numbers at the easter Masses we also received a complaint about parking in Abbots Drive. Please be mindful of private spaces and car parks, blocking drives, and causing problems for other traffic when you come to Mass.

A Memorial Service for our children: If you have lost a child, of whatever age or stage of life, there will be a memorial service for them to which everyone is warmly invited. Please tell your friends and family. Thurs 25th April at 7pm in St Joseph's Church. See posters for more details

Bereavement Coffee Morning - Grief is a very personal experience but it can help to talk to someone. If you feel that this would be of comfort please come along to our coffee morning on Saturday 13th April 10:30am-12noon, St Joseph's PNL Centre- Meeting Room. Trained befrienders will be there, and there is no need to book, just turn up and you will be most welcome.

Parents, Babies & Toddlers Group are having a break for the holidays watch this space for start up again.

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

The Promise of the Father - The course, supporting our diocesan plan, is free and aims to help us to live our lives empowered by the Holy Spirit. 7 sessions, with renowned speakers (including Bp Richard) and small group discussions, starts on the 10th April till 23rd May. Limited spaces in the venue & online, book now to avoid disappointment: <https://www.catholicparishofworthingandlancing.co.uk/the-promise-of-the-father/>

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

Youth Ministry Training: at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley 20th April and 18th May. Do you want to see more young people in your Parish? Sign up for the Diocesan two day Youth Ministry training course. Be inspired, encouraged and equipped for the new era of mission that we find ourselves in. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk

Enjoy the holidays - maybe with an extra Easter Mass!

Collections

Good Friday for the Holy Places £815.90

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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**

Toni Sice, Rosa Godlewski, Mary Hickman, Paul & Audrey Edwards, Michael Wood, Angela Brett, Carmel Peaston, Mark Dalton, Frankie Harding, Teresa Thorp, Francesco Ambrosio, David Corcoran, Steven Biczok-Hardy, Tomasina Harman, Margaret Murray, Zosia, Susan McMenamin, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Chris Bayley, Jean Longley, Bridget Steward, Dilys Purcell, Rosaline Liberman, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maureen Wasson, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Maria Dimaculangan,, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Malcolm & Maria Chelvanayagam, Damian Poole, Margaret Byrne, Edith Rashbrook, Sarah Healy, Sheilaine Barrientos, Kathleen Beckey, Richard Greaves, Claire Chantal, Meli Greaves, 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

Second (low) Sunday of Easter (year B)

Acts 4:32-35; Ps 117; 1Jn 5:1-6; Jn 20:19-31

Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
For his love has no end

Sat 6 Apr 17.30 Lorine Shaby RIP

Sun 7 Apr

Holy Family 09.00 People of the parish

St Joseph's 11.00 Pat Donachie RIP

St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

Mon 8 Apr **The Annunciation of the Lord (transferred)**
St Teresa's 10.00 Ina Clarke RIP

Tue 9 Apr
No Mass

Wed 10 Apr
St Joseph's 10.00 Farrukh family Int

Thur 11 Apr **St Stanislaus, Bishop, Martyr**
Holy Family 10.00 Special Intention

Fri 12 Apr
St Joseph's 10.00 John Barrie RIP

Third Sunday of Easter (year B)

Acts 3:13-15.17-18; Ps 4; 1Jn 2:1-5; Lk 24:35-48

Response: Lift up the light of your face to us, O Lord

Sat 13 Apr 17.30 Francoise Shaby RIP

Sun 14 Apr

Holy Family 09.00 Thomas Lyons RIP

St Joseph's 11.00 People of the parish

St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Following the Saturday evening mass,
and 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 40 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

Brigid Thomas RIP Her funeral will take place on Wed 17th Apr at 10.30am at St Joseph's, followed at the Surrey & Sussex Crematorium.

Alan Rock RIP His funeral service will take place on Fri 19th Apr at 11.30am followed at Redstone Cemetery.

Michael Scoltock RIP his funeral will take place on Wed 24th Apr at 10.30am at St Joseph's, followed at Redstone Cemetery

Bill Ward RIP his funeral has not yet been arranged

Please remember them and their families in your prayers