

# PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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## 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A) 8<sup>th</sup> October 2023

### New parish email address: [pnl@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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.

**Party For Anyone who Volunteers In Our Parish** - if you offer any form of service in the liturgy, through the sacramental programmes, with pastoral care, with property care, with anything that helps the parish, whether as a one off or on a regular basis, you are invited to a celebration on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> Oct from 7pm in the PNL Centre St Joseph's**. Just turn up!! If you can, bring a plate of 'finger food' to share. If you play an musical instrument, sing or entertain - please be spontaneous during the celebration. We look forward to seeing you there.

**2023/24 First Reconciliation/Communion** We are starting with a parents meeting on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> Oct at 7.45pm at St Joseph's PNL Centre. Families should have received details, if not please contact [frfhcpnl@gmail.com](mailto:frfhcpnl@gmail.com)

**Laudate Deum (Praise God)** Pope Francis' follow up to his letter Laudato Si' (Praise Be) has been released. This is an urgent call to tackle climate crisis. It is time to use our heads, hearts and hands His letter is widely available and free to read, just search online 'laudate deum'

**Our Catholic Faith** Our sessions continue at St Joseph's PNL Centre: Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 8pm: Mary and the Hope of Heaven. All are welcome. For more information please email: [pnlfaithformation@gmail.com](mailto:pnlfaithformation@gmail.com)

**Bereavement Coffee mornings** will resume meeting on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October. If you are grieving and feel that you would like to talk to someone please contact the parish office and a member of the team will get in touch.

**Preparing for the Future** It can be hard to think about the time when a loved one dies and how we might plan for all that follows. Our parish bereavement team are providing an evening presentation on Thurs 19<sup>th</sup> Oct in St Joseph's PNL Centre from 7pm for 7.30-9pm to consider topics such as: advanced planning for end of life/types of funeral & planning/power of attorney/relevant church teaching/wills and so on. Everyone welcome, refreshments provided.

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

**A "Magical Music Marathon" in aid of Practical Action** on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> October from 10am to 10pm? All welcome to come along, there will be a programme of organ music, hymn singing, junior instrumentalists, singing groups and more. Any time between 10am - 10pm.

**Brick & Model Show:** 17<sup>th</sup> Reigate are once again holding their Brick and Model Show on Saturday 14 October from 10.00am to 4.00pm in the Davis Scout Centre & Parish Centre. Featuring stunning Lego displays, Scalextric, RC crawlers and lots more, there's plenty to keep the whole family interested. Tickets are £5 per adult and £2 per child and available to purchase on the door. Refreshments also available. For more details email [17th.events@gmail.com](mailto:17th.events@gmail.com)

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

**Parish Sunday Lunches** resume **TODAY** (Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October) at the Holy Family PNL Centre, at 12.30pm for 1pm start The Lunch will be hosted by the Syro Malabar Community. No need to book, everyone is welcome so come along with the family and meet your fellow parishioners. Bring your own drinks, no charge, donations welcome.

**October Rosary UCM:** During October following Monday morning Mass at St Teresa's.

**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.

**50/50 Draw:** The winner of September's £25 is ticket no. 5

**Readers/EMHC's Rotas**—we have started the rotas but we need more volunteers to spread the load. If you would like to join the rota please email: [pnlministries@gmail.com](mailto:pnlministries@gmail.com)

**Prisoners' Sunday** next Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> Oct the Catholic Church encourages everyone to reflect on and pray for prisoners and their families, The work at PACT draws on the values of our faith: dignity, solidarity, subsidiarity. Next weekend there will be a retiring collection for PACT. For more information and to give your support please go to [prisonadvice.org.uk/prisoners-Sunday](http://prisonadvice.org.uk/prisoners-Sunday).

**CAFOD Family Fast Day Appeal** - Harvest Collection at Masses this week Dr Nasha's mobile medical clinic gets life-saving help to where it's needed most, fast - so when her team arrived in Meera's village in Pakistan after it had been destroyed by flooding, Meera rushed to the clinic to get her children the treatment they needed. Donate to CAFOD today Use the envelopes in church (post direct for gft-aid) or give online at [cafod.org.uk](http://cafod.org.uk)

### Collections

Offertory collection last weekend: £1102.68

2nd collection this weekend: **CAFOD** Harvest Fast Day  
2nd collection next weekend: Prisoner Sunday (PACT)

Thank you for your support.

**PARISH CLERGY:**

**Fr Tony Bridson**  
**Dcn Tim Murrill** (07545 175448)

**PARISH OFFICE**

**MON - FRIDAY 9.30AM - 3.30PM**

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**SCHOOLS:**

St Joseph's Pre-School - 07847221367  
www.stjosephspreschoolredhill.co.uk

St Joseph's Primary - 01737 765373  
www.stjosephs-redhill.surrey.sch.uk

St Bede's Secondary - 01737 212108  
www.st-bedes.surrey.sch.uk

**PARISH WEBSITE:**

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**ST JOSEPH'S 17<sup>TH</sup> 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**

Frankie Harding, Teresa Thorp, Francesco Ambrosio, David Corcoran, Steven Biczók-Hardy, David Pitt, Tomasi-na Harman, Margaret Murray, Zosia, Susan McMenamin, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Jørgen Løvbakke, Chris Bayley, Jean Longley, Bridget Steward, Dilys Purtell, Rosaline Liberman, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maureen Wasson, Fr Lawrence 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.*

**Twenty-Seventh Sunday of Ordinary Time (year A)**

Is 5:1-7; Ps 79; Phil 4:6-9, 27; Mt 21:33-43

**Response:** The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel

**Sat 7 Oct**

**St Joseph's 17.30** Rosemary & Bernard Castlehouse's wellbeing

**Sun 8 Oct**

**Holy Family 09.00** People of the parish  
**St Joseph's 11.00** Elena & Caridad RIP  
**St Teresa's 17.30** Private Intention

**Mon 9 Oct**

**St Teresa's 10.00** **St John Henry Newman, Priest**  
Special Intention

**Tue 10 Oct**

No Mass

**Wed 11 Oct**

**St Joseph's 10.00** Anne Evans RIP

**Thur 12 Oct**

**Holy Family 10.00** **St Wilfred, Bishop, Secondary Diocesan Patron**  
In thanksgiving

**Fri 13 Oct**

**St Joseph's 10.00** Fergus O'Toole

**Twenty-Eighth Sunday of Ordinary Time (year A)**

Is 25:6-10; Ps 22; Phil 4:12-14.19-20; Mt 22:1-14

**Response:** In the Lord's own house shall I dwell, for ever and ever

**Sat 14 Oct**

**St Joseph's 17.30** Bridget Allanson's 90th Birthday

**Sun 15 Oct**

**Holy Family 09.00** People of the parish  
**St Joseph's 11.00** Helen O'Shea RIP  
**St Teresa's 17.30** Hilda Henderson RIP

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 SOUL OF**

**Margaret Leonard RIP** Her funeral has not yet been arranged

**Please remember her and her family in your prayers**