

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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The Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C) 2nd March 2025

Mass on Ash Wednesday 5th March will take place in St Joseph's at 10am and in Holy Family at 7pm

Ash Wednesday: A light soup lunch will be available after 10am Mass at St Joseph's on Ash Wednesday. Donations in aid of CAFOD Lent Appeal.

Eucharistic Adoration: To assist Lenten Observances there will be Eucharistic Adoration 7-8pm in St Joseph's Church, Wednesdays beginning 12th March. All welcome.

The Stations of the Cross during Lent represent events from Jesus' passion and death.

ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH Fridays at 7pm.

HOLY FAMILY CHURCH After 10am Mass on Thursday

ST TERESA'S CHURCH Mondays after 10am Mass.

Men's Way of the Cross: On 11th April join us on this 5-6 hour night walk of the Stations of the Cross on Beachy Head. Following Christ in the modern world can be hard and here we play out the task of taking up our crosses. This is an opportunity to renew our vocation as men of faith. We gather at Our Lady of ransom Church, 2-4 Grange Rd, Eastbourne BN21 4EU.

Lent: A Time to Deepen Our Catholic Faith: As Pilgrims of Hope during this Holy Year 2025, journey together as a parish through Lent. Join us on three Thursday evenings for a time of reflection and growth in our faith. **Starting at 8pm in the PNL Centre** at St Joseph's Church, we will watch Bishop Robert Barron's insightful films on key Catholic topics. After each film, there will be time for discussion, concluding by 9:30pm latest. The topics are:

- **13 March:** *Amazed and Afraid: The Revelation of God Become Man*
- **20 March:** *Happy Are We: The Teachings of Jesus.*
- **27 March:** *World Without End: The Last Things*

Come on the evenings when you can, you will be warmly welcomed with refreshments.

Women's World Day of Prayer is an international, inter-church organisation led by women this year by the women of the Cook Islands. Services will take place on Friday 7th March at the following times and venues. All welcome.

Park Gate Church Reigate at 10.30am

All Saints Merstham at 10:30am and 7:30pm

Live Simply Award. CAFOD will complete their assessment of PNL application for the Live Simply Award on Wed, 12th March at 8pm. Let's make a real effort to *recycle, reuse reduce and refill* during this final month. If you would like to participate in the assessment discussion or have information to share, please contact pnljandp@gmail.com

A&B Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Applications are now open. The pilgrimage takes place 28th July to 3rd August by air, or 27th July to 4th August by coach or jumbulance. You can find out more about journeying to Lourdes with us this summer by visiting Lourdes Pilgrimage at the diocesan website abdiocese.org.uk

Palm Sunday Leaves - please bring back any old leaves from previous years and give them to the sacristy. These palms will be burnt to prepare for the start of lent which this year is: Ash Wednesday 5th March

Parish Lunch Next Sunday (9th March) - this month hosted by our St Joseph's Pre School Team. All welcome, come with family & friends and meet your fellow parishioners. Bring your own drinks, no charge, donations welcome.

Gift Aid 2024 - New numbered gift aid boxes are available to collect from the back of the churches this weekend. To know more about this scheme where tax can be claimed back to increase donations, email: pnlgiftaid@gmail.com

Young Adult Jubilee Pilgrimage to Rome: Join our pilgrimage for young adults aged 18-30 to celebrate the special Jubilee year. E: lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for information. Closing Date 31st March 2025

Get Together Group meet on Saturdays at 3pm in the PNL Centre at St Joseph's. All welcome.

The Big Lent Walk. Mary Barrett is joining the CAFOD 200km walk over the six weeks of Lent. She is raising funds for CAFOD and its work towards a better world for all. Mary's fundraising page is: <https://shorturl.at/wSzNP>

Happy 110th to the 17th Reigate Scouts: This year we celebrate being 110 years old as a Scout Group and an integral part of parish life. Our actual birthday falls on 5th March but we will be marking this milestone occasion at our Church Parade on 8th March. So many people (youngsters, parents, leaders & supporters) have been involved with the Group over the years and we would like to thank everyone who has had a part to play. Please join us for our celebrations on 8th March and, after Mass, for refreshments and cake in the Davis Scout Centre.

We're looking for more volunteers to help our Scout Group continue to provide more opportunities, greater adventures and continued success. It doesn't matter if you have never been involved in Scouting before. To have a chat email 17th.groupscoutleader@gmail.com

Book Club + Circle: Our next meeting is not until Friday 28th March after the 10am Mass when we will be talking about Pope Francis' latest encyclical *Dilexit Nos* (He Loved Us) about the human and divine love of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. It's available free on the Holy See's website

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

A Ukrainian Girl is looking for a host family - if you can help please contact the parish office for more details.

50/50 Club winners: Jan no. 108, Feb no. 73, well done!

Collections

Offertory Collection last weekend: £1,324.33

Thank you for your support and generosity

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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**

Lucy Smales, Robert Shave, Ann Farley, Mary Hopkins, John McGrath, Alison Walker, Annie, Rosa Godlewski, Paul Edwards, Michael Wood, Angela Brett, Mark Dalton, Frankie Harding, Teresa Thorp, Francesco Ambrosio, Steven Biczók-Hardy, Tomasina Harman, Zosia, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Chris Bayley, Bridget Steward, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maria Dimaculangan, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Malcolm & Maria Chelvanayagam, Damian Poole, Margaret Byrne, 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 be on our prayer list or to receive Communion please contact the parish office.

The Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C)

1 Sir 27:4-7; Ps 92; 1Cor 15:54-58; Lk 6:39-45

Response: It is good to give thanks to the Lord

Sat 1 Mar
St Joseph's 17.30 Peter Reade RIP

Sun 2 Mar
Holy Family 09.00 The people of the parish
St Joseph's 11.00 Special Int
St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

Mon 3 Mar
St Teresa's 10.00 Thanksgiving

Tue 4 Mar
No Mass

Wed 5 Mar **Ash Wednesday**
St Joseph's 10.00 The people of the parish
Holy Family 19.00 Eileen & Peter Hooper's Int.

Thur 6 Mar
Holy Family 10.00 Julie Stadden & Chris Fisher RIP

Fri 7 Mar
St Joseph's 10.00 Caroline Abu RIP

The First Sunday of Lent (year C)

Deu 26:4-10; Ps 91; Rms 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13

Response: Be with me, O Lord, in my distress

Sat 8 Mar
St Joseph's 17.30 Parish Scout group, and former members RIP

Sun 9 Mar
Holy Family 09.00 The people of the parish
St Joseph's 11.00 Amelia de Gamma Int
St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Following the Saturday evening Mass,
and by appointment, please contact the parish office

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Mon	09.30	Morning Prayer	St Teresa's Church
Tues	19.00	Rosary Group	St Joseph's Church
Wed	10.30	Parents & Toddlers	PNL Centre at St Joseph's
Fri	09.00	Exposition before Mass	St Joseph's Church
Sat	15.00	Get Together Group	PNL Cafe at St Joseph's
Sun	10.00	Coffee after Mass	PNL Centre at Holy Family
Sun	12.00	Coffee after Mass	PNL Centre at St Joseph's

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Dorothy Hickman RIP Her funeral will take place in St Joseph's at 10.30am on Friday 14th March followed at Redstone Cemetery

Rosaline Liberman RIP her funeral has not yet been arranged.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers