

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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Twenty-Eight Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C) - 12th October 2025

First Reconciliation/Communion 2025/26 We are starting with a parents meeting on Monday 13th Oct at St Joseph's PNL Centre. Those families who have registered their children should receive details by the end of this week, if not please contact frfhcpnl@gmail.com

Confirmation Programme 2026 - we will be holding an **Explore Confirmation** session on Monday 24th November at 7.15pm at the hall at PNL St Josephs for those interested in finding out a bit more about the Sacrament and to meet the team. To join children must be in year 10 or above and their parent/carer must complete a short consent form. Please email the Confirmation team at confpnl@gmail.com for more information.

St Joseph's 17th Reigate Scouts are once again holding their Brick and Model Show on Saturday 18 October from 10.00am to 4.00pm in the Davis Scout Centre & Parish Centre. Featuring stunning Lego displays, model railway-sand 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

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 2026, 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.

Welcome to Clare Catolico, our new Senior Parish Manager. Clare has been part of the parish since 2017 and will be involved in the financial/operational running of the parish.

Marys Meals Concert – Sat 18 Oct - 8pm at English Martyrs Church Centre, Horley RH6 8AR. Concert by The Larking Crew, Pre-booking necessary: Tickets £15 includes a veggie curry. Contact reigatecatenian@gmail.com All 16 yrs + welcome. We look forward to welcoming you all there!

Book + Circle: Our next book is "The Full Catastrophe" by Tracey Leonard. Please join us on Fri 24th Oct at 10.30am in St Joseph's. All are welcome.

The October Sunday Parish Lunch is not happening as no group could offer to host it. We look forward to the next lunch on Sunday 9th Nov. Thank you to all the hosts who have provided wonderful lunches for the last 10 years. If you could offer to help please contact the parish office.

St Joseph's PNL Centre - the commercial boiler has failed after just 12 years and is beyond economic repair. A new one is due to be fitted soon which will restore the heating, hopefully in time for the colder weather

Like to know more about the Bible? There is a free online course, just started, which runs for the next 7 Wednesday evenings online at 7pm presented by Mauro Iannicelli. For details see: www.comeandsee.org

Pope Leo XIV has signed his first Apostolic Exhortation, *Dilexi te* ("I Have Loved You"), on the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. The document, which focuses on love for the poor, was presented at a press conference in Rome earlier today. *Dilexi te* was begun by Pope Francis and completed by Pope Leo; its title echoes Pope Francis' fourth and final Encyclical, *Dilexit nos*, on the human and divine love of the Heart of Jesus Christ.

Writing in *Dilexi te*, Pope Leo explains that the love of Christ is incarnated in love for the poor: caring for the sick, opposing slavery, defending women who experience exclusion and violence, promoting access to education, accompanying migrants, and more. The Pope also highlights the Church's "preferential option... for the poor", explaining that this "preference" never indicates exclusivity or discrimination towards other groups", but instead emphasises "God's actions, which are moved by compassion toward the poverty and weakness of all humanity".

Our Parish Bereavement Mass will take place on Sat 8th Nov at 10am in St Joseph's Church. There will be refreshments afterwards in the Café. Everyone is welcome.

The dates for the Blessing of Graves as follows

Sunday 2nd November, 3pm - Redstone Cemetery

Monday 3rd November, 10.30am St Teresa's.

Thursday 6th November, 10.45 Garden of Remembrance

The Rosary will be said at St Teresa's on Mondays after Mass during October. All welcome.

Diocesan Vacancy: Communications Officer, part-time, Salary: £17,500 for 0.5 FTE to assist the Head of Communications - see our Diocesan website for more details

Prisons Sunday today Sunday 12th October. There will be a retiring collection for PACT this weekend. The money raised will help Pact to do more in the year ahead to support women and men in prison and their children and families. Thank you for your support.

Next Sunday is World Mission Sunday This day of prayer, solidarity and giving, unites all Catholics to share the Good News of God's love which has power to transform lives. To donate use the mission envelopes or visit mission.org.uk for more information.

Collections

Offertory Collection last weekend: £1,751.49
CAFOD Family Fast Day £1,353.08

This weekend there will be a second collection for Prisons Sunday (PACT)

Next weekend there will be a second collection for World Mission Sunday

Thank you for your support and generosity

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ST JOSEPH'S 17TH REIGATE SCOUTS
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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

Lizzie Wakeling, Andrew & Mary Wilson, Lucy Smales, Robert Shave, Mary Hopkins, John McGrath, 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, Damian Poole, Margaret Byrne, Sarah Healy, Sheilaine Barrientos, Kathleen Beckey, Richard Greaves, Claire Chantal, Meli Greaves, and all the sick & 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 Twenty- Eighth Sunday of the Year

2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98; 2 Tim 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19

Response: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Sat 11 Oct		
St Joseph's	17.30	Ernest Atkinson RIP
Sun 12 Oct		
Holy Family	09.00	Maureen Conroy RIP
St Joseph's	11.00	The people of the parish
St Teresa's	17.30	Private Intention

Mon 13 Oct		
St Teresa's	10.00	Hilda Henderson RIP

Tue 14 Oct
No Mass

Wed 15 Oct		St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor
St Joseph's	10.00	Amelia de Gamma's Int

Thur 16 Oct		
Holy Family	10.00	Annette & Paul Wates (60th Wedding Annv)

Fri 17 Oct		St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr
St Joseph's	10.00	Thanksgiving & special Intention

St Philip Howard, Patron of the Diocese

Wis 3:1-9; Ps 30; 2Cor 4:7-15; Mt 10:17-22

Response: Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit

Sat 18 Oct		
St Joseph's	17.30	Linda Bryne RIP
Sun 19 Oct		
Holy Family	09.00	The people of the parish
St Joseph's	11.00	Mark Pearson RIP
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

Fr Alan Sharpe RIP, a retired priest of this diocese, his funeral will take place at 11am on Tues 14th Oct at The Towers Convent, Steyning

Mark Pearson RIP, his funeral has not yet been arranged

Please remember them and their families in your prayers