PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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Thirtieth Sunday of Ordinary Time (Yr A) 25th October 2026

NOVEMBER PRAYERS FOR THE DEAD

During November we pray for all who have died, trusting them to God's loving mercy.
We begin rejoicing in the saints with the Solemnity of All Saints on Sunday 1st November is the Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed.
Monday 2nd November is the Feast of All Souls where we pray for all the Departed and there will be an evening Mass at St Joseph's at 7pm.

PARISH BEREAVEMENT MASS

Saturday 7th November at 10am at St Joseph's - All are welcome, especially those who have suffered a recent loss. There will be refreshments afterwards.

BLESSING OF GRAVES IN THE PARISH

Sunday 1st November at 3pm - Redstone Cemetery, Redhill,
Thursday 5th November at 10.40am - Garden of Remembrance, Bancroft Rd, Reigate.
Monday 9th November at 10.30am - St Teresa's, Merstham

Bishop Stephen Wang: We warmly welcome Bishop Stephen Wang who was installed as Bishop to the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton on Monday 19th October. As Bishop Stephen begins this new chapter of ministry, we keep him in our prayers as he serves the people, parishes, schools, and communities of our Diocese. He has recorded a message: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1YhcB7KL0Y4

School Admissions Forms - If you are applying for your child to attend St Bede's in September 2027 in the relevant form please fill in 'Parish of the Nativity of the Lord' and 'Fr Tony Bridson' as Parish Priest and return to the school.
Fr Tony will be available to meet families and sign forms sent to him by St Bede's in the PNL Centre St Joseph's on:
Mon 16th Nov 4pm - 6pm - Wed 18th Nov 5pm - 7pm
Thurs 19th Nov 4pm - 6pm - Fri 20th Nov 5pm - 6pm

Any Spare Religious Objects or Books? Please hand them in after any Mass or bring them to the parish office.

FLAME Catholic Youth Festival (14-18 yr old) - the parish has provisionally booked tickets to take a group of teens to Wembley for this hugely popular festival on Sat 6th March 2027. See https://cymfed.org.uk/flame/ for details. If your young person is interested in attending, please email pnlyoungpeople@gmail.com asap for more information. Numbers needed soon, so don't delay!

OPERATION ELF (SVP Christmas Appeal): Operation Elf enables parents in HMP High Down prison to choose and wrap a donated Christmas gift for their child, strengthening family bonds. Please bring a £10–£15 gift to Mass on 7th/8th or 14th/15th November and place it in the SVP box. Suggestions include books, games, puzzles, vouchers or gift cards for teenagers. Toys must not contain magnets, tin foil, sharp objects, batteries or glass.

Sycamore is an informal course about the Christian faith and its relevance for life today. Each session involves a short film and plenty of time for discussion. Everyone is welcome. Starting 8th November from 7.00 to 8.45pm including a light supper at All Saints' Catholic Church, 12 Chichele Road, Oxted RH8 0AG. More details from Martin on 07356 011801 or sycamoreoxted@gmail.com.

Confirmation Programme 2027: We are holding an EXPLORE Confirmation session on Monday 30th November for those teenagers in year 10 and above who are interested in preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2027. If that is you, or if you are not sure, then come along to our Explore evening to find out more and meet the team. Please ask your parent/carer to email confpnl@gmail.com to register you.

Children's Liturgy of the Word: Held at the 11am Mass at St Joseph's on the first Sunday of each month Numbers are limited to meet diocesan safeguarding adult/child ratios. Each child must have a parent/guardian consent form completed in advance, and attendance is registered at every session. Volunteers are welcome. More information please go to pnlchildliturgy@gmail.com.To give consent for each child: https://forms.gle/XJgWreVksmvK7Pwv9

PNL Youth Group Retreat Day (13 - 18 yr olds) on Saturday 7th November at Holy Family, Reigate - a whole day off grid - no expectation, no pressure - just you, your mates, and space to actually breathe. Whether your faith feels strong, uncertain, or you're simply curious, you're welcome. Come as you are...Leave refreshed. More information and sign up, email pnlyoungpeople@gmail.com

UCM Next Meeting 28th October 2026 at 7:30pm in St. Teresa: A talk from Travel Made Easy.

Parish Sunday Lunch:. Please join us for our next parish lunch on Sunday 8th November, in the PNL Centre at St Joseph's hosted by our African community. All welcome!

World Mission Sunday: Thank you to all who supported this collection last weekend.

Collections

Offertory Collection last weekend: £1,369.15
World Mission Sunday £635.47

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 request is made by either yourself or your family for a visit. 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 AND HOUSEBOUND OF THE PARISH

Anne Smales, Olly Harding, Paul Wright, Margaret McGettrick, Peter Gilchrist, Baby Naarah, Pat Russell, Joyce & Terry Graham, Joan Hodge, Kathleen Hagerty, Jim Fox, Michael Leonard, Lizzie Wakeling, 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, Zosia, Shelagh Green, Chris Bayley, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maria Dimaculangan, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Damian Poole, Sheilanine 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 Thirtieth Sunday of the Year (year A)

Ex 22:21-27; Ps 18; 1Thes 1:5c-10; Mt 22:34-40

Response: *I love you, Lord, my strength.*

Sat 24 Oct		
St Joseph's	**17:30**	Thanksgiving
Sun 25 Oct		
Holy Family	**09:00**	People of the parish
St Joseph's	**11.00**	Claire Ekins
St Teresa's	**17.30**	Wendy Sambadop
Mon 26 Oct		
St Teresa's	**10.00**	Special Intention
Tues 27 Oct		
	No Mass	
Wed 28 Oct		**Ss Simon & Jude, Apostles**
St Joseph's	**No Mass**	
Thurs 29 Oct		
Holy Family	**10.00**	Jim Allanson RIP
Fri 30 Oct		
St Joseph's	**10.00**	Brigid Murphy RIP

The Solemnity of All Saints - Year (year A)

Rev 7:2-4,9-14; Ps 24; 1John 3:1-3; Mt 5:1-12a

Response: *Such are the people who seek your face, O Lord.*

Sat 31 Oct		
St Joseph's	**17:30**	Adrian Elshaw RIP
Sun 1 Nov		
Holy Family	**09:00**	Andrew Wilson RIP
St Joseph's	**11.00**	People of the parish
St Teresa's	**17.30**	Private Int.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

WEEKLY EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Mon	**10.30**	Rosary *(during October)*	St Teresa's Church
Tues	**19.00**	Rosary Group	St Joseph's Church
Wed	**10.30**	Parents/Toddlers	PNL Centre at St Joseph's
	10.30	Coffee/Tea after Mass	PNL Centre at St Joseph's
Fri	**09.00**	Eucharistic Adoration	St Joseph's Church
	10.30	Tea & Coffee after Mass	PNL Café at St Joseph'
Sat	**15.00**	Get Together Group	PNL Café at St Joseph's
Sun	**10.00**	Coffee/Tea after Mass	PNL Centre at Holy Family
Sun	**12.00**	Coffee/Tea after Mass	PNL Centre at St Joseph's

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Stewart Lumgair RIP His funeral will take place at St Joseph's on Thursday 12th November at 10.30am.

Delia and Jim Lehane RIP their funerals will take place in Ireland.

Marian Buck RIP Her funeral will take place at St Mary's Church, Bletchingley on Friday 6th November at 1.30pm.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers

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