

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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The Fourteenth Sunday of the Year (year A) 5th July 2026

PARISH DAY – NEXT SUNDAY 12th JULY 10.30am St Joseph's Catholic Primary School (RH1 1EA)

There will be one Mass for Sunday 12th July at 10.30am, taking place outside, for all of the parish, in the grounds of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School. (Saturday 5.30pm Mass as usual). Everyone is welcome, and you may like to bring neighbours and friends. Mass will be followed by a free BBQ - Bring your own drinks and plenty of water bottles. There will be entertainment in the upper playground by our talented parishioners, (*once you have collected your food serving please do make your way back to the play ground and enjoy the entertainment*) also Bouncy Castle, and fun and games for all the family. Limited parking is available at the school for those with mobility issues, and easy access on the level for our less mobile parishioners, but please consider parking at St Joseph's Church, or elsewhere, and walking. Meanwhile, continue prayers for fine weather on the day! (**Bad weather contingency:** the parish Mass and fun will be at St Joseph's Church at 10.30am, check the parish website www.thenativityofthelord.org.uk for last minute changes)

His Holiness Pope Leo XIV has appointed Fr Stephen Wang as our Bishop. Ordained to the priesthood on 3rd January 1998, Fr Stephen has spent the last five years as Rector of the Venerable English College, one of two English and Welsh seminaries in Rome training men for the priesthood. Bishop-Elect Stephen will receive episcopal ordination and take canonical possession of the Diocese at some point in the second half of October. On hearing of his appointment, Bishop-elect Stephen, said. *"This appointment has come as a huge surprise. I feel a mixture of gratitude and trepidation; an excitement and curiosity about all that lies ahead; and above all, a sense of peace. I'm grateful to Pope Leo for calling me and putting his trust in me, and to Archbishop Moth for all his care for the Diocese over these years. I'm sad to be leaving the Venerable English College, and the Diocese of Westminster. But I am overjoyed at the thought of coming to Arundel & Brighton, getting to know the people, and working together to build God's Kingdom. Coming from a landlocked diocese where the hills are no bigger than London buses, I look forward to some wild swimming and walks on the South Downs. I will need lots of prayers and support. I hope that even with all my weaknesses I can be a loving shepherd, a spiritual father, and a brother as well. I know that if we put the love of Jesus and Mary at the centre of everything we do, and always seek to love and serve one another, then we cannot go wrong. Jesus will guide us through his Holy Spirit, lead us to the Father, and help us to lead others along the same path."* He has also recorded a video message for parishes which can be watched here: <https://vimeo.com/1206416223> Please keep Bishop Elect Stephen in your prayers as he prepares for his move to Arundel & Brighton

Please keep our 90+ children in your prayers over the next few weekends as they receive Jesus in Holy Communion for the first time. May the Gift of Jesus in the Eucharist help them, their families, and all of us, to grow in faith as we imitate the Lord in his good service in all things.

Evening with Refugee Tales, 8th July, 7-8.30pm, Arundel Cathedral (Requested donation: £12). Join the Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group for an evening of music & spoken word, listening to the voices of people who have experienced immigration detention from around the World

PNL Youth Group - next meeting today (5 July), 3-5pm. The last meeting before we break for the Summer - we will be celebrating with pizza and games. The group is for school aged children (13-18 years old) - email: pnlyoungpeople@gmail.com for more information, or turn up on the day. We hope to see you there!

Thinking about becoming a Catholic, or maybe want to be confirmed as an adult? We are running an informal 'Come and see' session on Mon 6th July at 7.30pm in the Meeting Room of St Joseph's PNL Parish Centre, no need to book. For more information contact the Parish Office.

PNL Book + Circle: Our next book is "Into the Silent Land. The Practice of Contemplation" by Martin Laird. We will discuss the book in the meeting Room at St Joseph's centre at 8pm on Thursday 9th July. All welcome.

Our Annual Mass for our Sick and Housebound takes place at St Joseph's on Wed 15th July, 2.00pm followed by afternoon tea. With our SVP group we make a special effort for this Mass to assist anyone who usually finds it difficult to come due to old age or frailty. If you know of anyone who would like to come, or you can help with lifts, serving refreshments etc please contact the parish office.

Retrouvaille: Marriage in a rut? Or need help with deeper issues? Retrouvaille has helped thousands of couples find hope and healing in their marriage. Next dates: 2nd - 4th October. www.retrouvaille.org.uk/info mb0788 7296983

Venezuela's earthquakes and the aftermath of devastation, loss of life and injury have been declared a World Disaster by the Disasters Emergency Committee who have a campaign to fundraise in support of those affected. Cafod are working with the DEC and we have an emergency second collection this weekend but you can also give online and find out more about their work: <https://cafod.org.uk/>

Collections

Offertory Collection last weekend: £1,337.27
Peter's Pence £ 463.80

Retiring Collection this weekend:
Emergency Venezuela Earthquake appeal

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**

Joan Hodge, Fr Tony Bridson, , Kathleen Hagerty, Jim Fox, Marian Buck, Michael Leonard, 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, Zosia, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Chris Bayley, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Maria Dimaculangan, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Damian Poole, 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 Fourteenth Sunday of the Year (year A)

Zec 9:9-10; Ps 145; Rms 8:9, 11-13; Mt 11:25-30

Response: I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.

Sat 4 Jul
St Joseph's 17.30 Olive & Tim Dowd RIP
Sun 5 Jul
Holy Family 09.00 The People of the Parish
St Joseph's 11.00 Esteria Dudek RIP
St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

Mon 6 Jul
St Joseph's 10.30 Funeral Mass for Ron Smales RIP

Tue 7 Jul
No Mass

Wed 8 Jul
St Joseph's 10.00 Zoe & Jack's Marriage

Thur 9 Jul
Holy Family 10.00 Special Intention

Fri 10 Jul
St Joseph's 10.00 Fr Laurence Quin Morris RIP

The Fifteenth Sunday of the Year (year A)

Is 55:10-11; Ps 65; Rms 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

Response: Some seed fell into good soil and yielded its fruit.

Sat 11 Jul
St Joseph's 17.30 Jim and Monica Peters RIP
Sun 12 Jul

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
10.30am Parish Outdoor Mass
Followed by BBQ and fun

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS IN THE PARISH

Tues	19.00	Rosary Group	St Joseph's Church
Wed	10.30	Prayer, Tea and Coffee	PNL Cafe at St Joseph's
Wed	10.30	Parents & Toddlers	PNL Centre at St Joseph's
Fri	10.30	Prayer, Tea and Coffee	PNL Cafe at St Joseph's
Sat	15.00	Get Together Group	PNL Cafe 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

Ron Smales RIP his funeral will take place at St Joseph's on Monday 6th July at 10.30am followed at Redstone Cemetery

Diane Kamel RIP Memorial Service at St Joseph's on Tuesday 21st July at 10.30am.

Larry Walker RIP his funeral has not yet been arranged.

Please remember them and their families in your prayers