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The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C) - 17th July 2022

Churches and Covid - though restrictions have been lifted in England we are encouraged to exercise caution and consideration for others in the parish, especially those who are more vulnerable and anxious. Bishop Richard has issued some guidelines which he strongly urges us to continue: the use of **sanitization** on entry and exit from Church buildings, the wearing of **face coverings** for the protection of others, **Communion under one kind** only.

PARISH DAY – TODAY 10.30AM AT ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL (RH1 1EA) ...and congratulations to our 37 newly Confirmed young people and 81 children who have received their First Holy Communion, who are helping us celebrate the day

Mass will be followed by a free BBQ cooked by the Scouts and shared lunch (bring a plate of something to share if you can). BYO drinks and picnic blankets, parasols etc. There will be a variety of music performances and dance displays by our talented parishioners and fun and games for all the family, with a bouncy castle for the younger ones. Some parking is available at the school and there is easy access on the level for our less mobile parishioners, but please consider parking at St Joseph's Church, or nearby, and walking. Thanks to Reena Clarke and her team who are helping to co-ordinate the day.

Parish Telephone System - apologies this week if you have been trying to contact the parish office. Our telephone lines went down and it has taken several days to identify the fault which is now awaiting permission from the council to dig up a road to repair. We now have a temporary diverted line until we are back to fully operational, no indication of when yet.

2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly takes place on 24 July - Pope Francis writes: "Along with old age and white hairs, God continues to give us the gift of life and to keep us from being overcome by evil. If we trust in him, we will find the strength to praise him still. We will come to see that growing old is more than the natural decline of the body or the inevitable passage of time, but the gift of a long life. Aging is not a condemnation, but a blessing!"

St Thomas Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage - Wales, 13-28 August. Join the EWP for the day, several days, or the duration. We walk c.15 miles a day travelling along footpaths wherever possible. We enjoy pub lunches/eating out and camp inside on the floors of school halls/churches. <http://thepilgrims.org.uk/wp/>

Ukrainian Sponsors Needed: Oleg is from Ukraine and already being hosted by a family in Reigate however he is increasingly worried about the situation his sister and niece are in back in Ukraine. If there is any chance you could sponsor them or just want to know more about sponsoring Ukrainian refugees, please contact the parish office. Full support is available.

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 12th-19th September 2022 Cost £630 if sharing, £130 single room supplement. Includes flights, transfers, guide, breakfast and evening meal. Please contact the parish office.

Desiderio Desideravi, an Apostolic Letter on the liturgy, has been written by Pope Francis, to encourage a "serious and dynamic liturgical formation" of the people of God, urging the Church as a whole to focus more intently on the beauty and power of the reformed liturgy. It is not a new instruction or a directive with specific norms, but rather a meditation on understanding the beauty of liturgical celebration and its role in evangelisation. It also speaks of the liturgy guaranteeing the possibility of an encounter with Christ. It concludes with an appeal: "Let us abandon our polemics to listen together to what the Spirit is saying to the Church. Let us safeguard our Communion. Let us continue to be astonished at the beauty of the liturgy. The Paschal Mystery has been given to us. Let us allow ourselves to be embraced by the desire that the Lord continues to have to eat His Passover with us."

Lourdes - Prayer Petitions Andrew and his daughter Shauna are amongst those from our parish going on the Lourdes Pilgrimage on 26th July to 4th August with the Diocese. If you would like them to carry a prayer petition please drop it into the parish office.

PNL Book + Circle. A novel to read during the summer "The Shadow of your Smile" by Mary Higgins-Clark. We will meet to talk about it after 10am Mass on Friday 19th August in the Meeting Room at St Joseph's. All welcome. Notes on the last book on the parish website.

Union of Catholic Mothers UCM: Next meeting is at 7:30pm on Wednesday 27th July at St. Teresa. Social buffet to share, before our Summer break.

Collections last weekend
Offertory collection: £885.05
Second collection: Apostleship of the Sea: £317.73
thank you for your 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 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**

Chris Fisher, Shelagh Green, Patricia Blackwell, Jørgen Løvbakke, Chris Bayley, Zackery Tuffrey, Jean Longley, Bridget Steward, Dilys Purcell, Roland Cambel, Rosaline Liberman, Michael Fife, Mary Steer, Stephanie Remnant, Monica Peters, Maria Mellone, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Bill & Maureen Wasson, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Maria Dimaculangan, Michael Scoltock, Marcus Higgins, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Malcolm & Maria Chelvanayagam, Damian Poole, Pat Weller, Margaret Byrne, Edith Rashbrook, Sarah Healy, Sheilaine Barrientos, Margaret McGettrick, 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.

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Gen 18:1-10; Ps 14; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Response: The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Sat 16 Jul
St Joseph's 17.30 Peter Reade RIP

Sun 17 Jul
St Joseph's Catholic School 10.30 - Parish Outdoor Mass
The people of the parish

Mon 18 Jul
St Teresa's 10.00 For Vocations

Tue 19 Jul
No Mass

Wed 20 Jul
St Joseph's 10.00 Farhana's Int

Thur 21 Jul
Holy Family 10.00 Father Denis Paul RIP

Fri 22 Jul **St Mary Magdalene**
St Joseph's 10.00 John Ward RIP

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C)

Gen 18:20-32; Ps 137; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

Response: On the day I called, you answered me O Lord.

Sat 23 Jul
St Joseph's 17.30 Ray Hussey's Int

Sun 24 Jul
Holy Family 09.00 Chris Byrne RIP
St Joseph's 11.00 People of the Parish
St Teresa's 17.30 Private Intention

The Sacrament of Reconciliation can be celebrated by appointment
Please contact the parish office

PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION Please use this prayer if you need to isolate, or are unwell, or unable to come to Mass: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. (St Alphonsus Liguori)

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF

Maria Rosa Da Conceicao Correia RIP her funeral will take place on Thursday 28th July at 10.30am at Holy Family followed at the Surrey and Sussex crematorium .

Please remember her and her family in your prayers.