

PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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The 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C) - 24th 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 Last Sunday - Thank you!

It was lovely to see so many parishioners and visitors (800 approx.) who came to our Parish Day. There have been many comments about the wonderful community feel to the day. All this would not have happened without lots of planning and volunteers. Grateful thanks to Mrs Tamsyn Lawlor (head teacher) for the use of St Joseph's school grounds, the Scouts who did an amazing job feeding us at the never-ending BBQ, and Fr Binoy and the Syro-Malabar community for the wonderful food! Special thanks to Reena Clarke and her team and all those who worked hard in front of, or behind, the scenes: sacristan duties, ministers, setting up, tidying up, looking after health and safety, providing entertainment, handing out water, PA systems, music, running craft stalls, face painting, biscuit decorating, games, bouncy castle, dance displays, chairs, lifts, first aid, car parking and much more - Well done! If you have photos, or comments, or would like to volunteer to help next year, please contact to the parish office.

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.

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.

Annual Mission Appeal Next Weekend: The Daughters of Divine Love is an International Congregation founded in Nigeria in 1969 and a member of the Missionary Sisters of England and Wales. They educate, care for, and add value to the lives of the less privileged in society. Their charity home in Nigeria provides care and education for orphans, motherless, abandoned children, street children/teenagers, and children with special needs. Their aim is always to serve the less privileged and the marginalized in society. In everything that they do, the love of Christ impels them to respond to the cry of the poor and the vulnerable with concrete actions.

Can you help?: We are looking for volunteers, to write the Bidding Prayers for Sundays. It would mean producing suitable prayers each week maybe 3 to 4 times each year. Help can be given. If you would like to undertake this valuable role please email the parish office

Volunteers for Café wanted to open the Café on Fridays after Mass for about an hour during August please contact the parish office if you can help.

6 Aug 2022 is the 77th Anniversary of Hiroshima Day Between 11.00am – 1.00pm on Saturday August 6th a local peace group will have a stall under Redhill Library to reflect on what happened when the first nuclear bomb was used in warfare. Please visit and lend your support.

Our parish SVP groups are reaching out to those in need of any kind and have a mobile phone for this purpose, please ring 07918980330 and they will call back.

Enjoy the school holidays! If you are traveling, safe journeys and safe returns. If you are resting here, maybe come to an extra Mass in the week and rest with the Lord

Collections last weekend

Offertory collection: £448.86

Second collection next weekend:

Annual Mission Appeal

thank you for your generosity

PARISH CLERGY:
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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 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.

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

Mon 25 Jul **St James, Apostle**
St Teresa's 10.00 Fr. Francis Capener RIP

Tue 26 Jul **Sts Joachim and Anne**
No Mass

Wed 27 Jul
St Joseph's 10.00 Werner Materne RIP

Thur 28 Jul
Holy Family 10.30 Funeral for Maria Rosa Da Conceicao Correia RIP

Fri 29 Jul **Sts Mary, Martha and Lazarus**
St Joseph's 10.00 Mary Steer Int

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C)

Ecc 1:2. 2:21-23; Ps 89; Col 3:1-5.9-11; Lk 12:13-21

Response: O that today you would listen to his voice!
Harden not your hearts.

Sat 30 Jul
St Joseph's 17.30 Malcolm Tadd RIP
Sun 31 Jul
Holy Family 09.00 People of the Parish

St Joseph's 11.00 John Philmore RIP
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.