

# PARISH OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

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## The 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C) - 31<sup>st</sup> 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.

**Annual Mission Appeal this 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.

**2022/3 Sacramental programmes** - Congratulations again to our newly confirmed young people and our First Holy Communion children, it is wonderful to see them coming again and again to the 'Table of the Lord' to keep His day holy. Our new programmes will be starting in the Autumn so keep an eye on the newsletter and listen out at mass for further details. Once again the guide age for Confirmation will be school year 10+ and for Holy Communion will be children in school year 4+

**St Thomas Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage** - Wales, 13-28 August. Join the EWP for the day, several days. 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 12<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup> September 2022 Cost £630 if sharing, £130 single room supplement. Includes flights, transfers, guide, breakfast and evening meal. Please contact 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 19<sup>th</sup> August in the Meeting Room at St Joseph's. All welcome. Notes on the last book on the parish website.

**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

**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.

**LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2022** This weekend we pray for the Lourdes Pilgrims from our diocese, and for the hundreds of helpers, nurses and doctors who make their journey possible. This weekend the Lourdes Pilgrims will also pray for their parishes back home.

**Saturday Group** will restart on 3 September 2022 in the Cafe area from 3pm till 5.15pm. For all those (18 years +) who would enjoy some company. Play board games, puzzles etc, and chat away with refreshments provided

**The Yellow Bucket** - our local foodbank is based at St Matthew's Church and you can donate directly or via the 'Yellow Buckets' at the back of the Churches. Thanks

**The Abbot & Monks invite you to Worth Festival.** On Bank Holiday Mon, 29<sup>th</sup> Aug 2022 from 1pm – 4.30pm. This Open Day will celebrate the beauty that is Worth, sharing the monastic offices with the monks in the Abbey, including music from the Abbey's resident, internationally acclaimed organist. There will be a guided walk through Worth with pauses for prayers and reflection, tours throughout the day exploring the historic rooms in Worth School, visits to St Bruno's Retreat Centre and the Open Cloister programme of weekday and weekend retreats, activities for children and afternoon refreshments on the South Terrace overlooking the Sussex High Weald. Families welcome – plenty of car parking. Admission free. Worth Abbey, Paddockhurst Road, RH10 4SB

**Bereavement coffee Morning** - Grief is a very personal experience but it can help to talk about one's feelings to someone who is not family or a close friend. If you feel that this would be of comfort then please come along to our Coffee morning on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 10:30-12:00, St Joseph's meeting room. Trained befrienders will be there.

**6th Aug 2022 -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.

**The Relics of St Bernadette** are journeying to our Diocese this Autumn and will visit St Dunstan's in Woking on 21 October, Arundel Cathedral on 22 October, and Worth Abbey on 23 October. The Relic Tour website is now live and will be updated regularly with further details of this very special visit. Find out more here <https://stbernadette.org.uk>

### Collections last weekend

Offertory collection: £1028.55

Second collection this weekend:

Annual Mission Appeal: Daughters of Divine Love  
*thank you for your generosity*

**PARISH CLERGY:**

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**ST JOSEPH'S 17<sup>TH</sup> REIGATE SCOUTS**

www.17threigate.org

**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 Purtell, 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.*

**18<sup>th</sup> 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

**Mon 1 Aug**

**St Alphonsus Ligouri, Bishop, Doctor**

**St Teresa's 10.00** UCM intentions

**Tue 2 Aug**

No Mass

**Wed 3 Aug**

**St Joseph's 10.00** Special Intention

**Thur 4 Aug**

**Holy Family 10.00** In Thanksgiving

**Fri 5 Aug**

**St John Mary Vianney, Priest**

**St Joseph's 10.00** Marjorie Flanagan RIP

**19<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time (year C)**

Wis 18:6-9; Ps 32; Heb 11:1-2.8-19; Lk 12:32-48

**Response:** Happy are the people the Lord has chosen as his own.

**Sat 6 Aug**

**St Joseph's 17.30** Margaret McBrien RIP

**Sun 7 Aug**

**Holy Family 09.00** People of the Parish

**St Joseph's 11.00** Roy and Harry Peaston 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)

**A PRAYER TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Ever Immaculate Virgin Mother of Mercy, Health of the sick, refuge of sinners, Comforter of the afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; look with mercy on me. By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, whence you dispense your favours; and already many sufferers have obtained the cure for their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal.

I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore your maternal intercession. Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests. Through gratitude for your favours, I will endeavour to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory. Amen.