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Confessions: 5.00pm Saturday (HA), after masses on the 1st Sunday of the month, Thursdays (usually) during adoration.

[HA= Holy Angels, Ash and HF= Holy Family, Farnham]

Sat 3 Dec	5.30pm	НА	Vigil Mass	Tom Larkin (RIP)
Sun 4 Dec	9.15am	HF	SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT	Michael Ambler(RIP)
	11.00pm	HA		Family members of Joanna
Mon 5 Dec	9.30am	HF	Funeral Mass for Bob Burton	•
Tue 6 Dec	9.30am	HF	Mass (St Nicholas)	Intentions of Maureen Burton
Wed 7 Dec	9.15am	НА	Rosary	
	9.30am	HA	Mass (St Ambrose)	Intentions of Gorniok family (RIP)
Thur 8 Dec	6.15pm	HF	Adoration	
	7.30pm		Mass IMMACULATE CONCEPTION	John Richardson(RIP)
Fri 9 Dec	9.30am	НА	Mass	Deceased members of Roberts, Johnson, Hoskins, Strickland, Whitty family, (RIP)
Sat 10 Dec	5.30pm	HA	Vigil Mass	Morgan & Emanuel family(RIP)
Sun 11 Dec	9.15am	HF	THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Missa Pro Populo
	11.00am	НА	'GAUDETE SUNDAY' Mass	Jo Boyle, Alice Monaghan, Frank Boyle, Tel O'Keeff, Mary & Patrick Boyle, Mary & John Drumn (RIP)

Offertory

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Ī	Holy Family	£171.00
ļ	Holy Angels	£239.35

There will be a second collection this week for the Christmas flowers

The office has a new email address:

holvofficesurrev@gmail.com Please update your contacts accordingly. The old email is completely defunct and email sent to that address is no longer reaching us.

Holy Angels

Appeal for new treasurer: Vince D'Sa who has kindly acted as our parish treasurer for the last two years needs to step down due to work commitments. We therefore need to appoint a new treasurer for the parish. This is not an onerous task but it does require a little bit of time that can be committed on a regular basis and

either book-keeping or accountancy skills. If there is anybody with the requisite skills who might be able to help, please speak to either Father Robin or Tim Flesher. In the meantime we are indebted to Vince for all his hard work and for keeping things in order and being willing to help while we find a replacement.

Singing: We are going to begin having regular singing practice for the choir and anyone else who is interested in upcoming music, probably for a brief period after mass, before staying for a beverage! Please think about staying on briefly after mass for this - or for a coffee so you can listen to the singing!

Christmas Raffle: Chris Michie is reviving a parish tradition of a Christmas raffle. Instead of Tickets you write your name on a board, each space costing 50p apiece. There will be a grand prize of £50 with some runner-up prizes. If you have anything suitable to donate for this purpose please speak to Chris. We will donate all monies raised to the Tanzania Orphanage project.

The draw for the raffle will take place after the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday the 10th December.

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Deacon – John Edwards Tel: 01252 405453 (home number)

Holy Family

Monday 5 December 9.30am Funeral Mass for Bob Burton.

Holy Family Film Nights: The 2017 film night dates have been released and are as follows. Don't forget to put them in your diary. **7.30 - 7:45 pm.**

Please bring a suggested donation of £5 which will cover licensing, snacks and a generous provision of wine. All welcome.

Fri 27 Jan, Fri 10 Mar, Fri 12 May, Fri 7 Jul, Fri 22 Sep, Fri 17 Nov

Tanzania Orphanage Project

Christmas cards for the orphanage: It would be lovely if the children of both parishes could make or write a Christmas card for the children at the orphanage. A good suggestion would be to put a photograph of themselves in it and write a few lines about themselves. Maybe, put a photo in it and a bit about themselves. Hilary will send these out together with her gifts and cards to the orphanage at the beginning of December.

Second-hand-Bookstall at Holy Angels

Please be generous in supporting both these fundraising initiatives.

Big Picture course/ Advent Groups

Fr Robin and Deacon John are leading groups on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings after the morning mass This year the Advent groups are following a slightly different format engaging with Bishop Richard's desire that we explore praying with the Scriptures in the way of Holy Reading (Lectio Divina) and we are looking at the Advent Readings more as prayer than study, and engaging with St (Mother) Teresa of Calcutta.

As with the Big Picture course it is quite possible to do some reflection at home! More information is available on the Diocesan Website and copies of the Advent study course are available from the back of each church. A donation of 50p per booklet would be appreciated.

The Big Picture Course will resume:

Weeks 7-12: 9th January 2017 to 17th February 2017

Advent Reconciliation Service

As well as the normal opportunities for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation (confession) we will be holding an Advent Reconciliation Service at Holy Family Church, Thursday 15 December beginning with a short service at 7pm followed by opportunity for individual reconciliation (there will be visiting priests) during which time the Sacrament will be exposed for Adoration concluding with Mass at 8pm.

CAFOD

The next cake sale will be at Holy Angels on the 17th and 18th December.

A CAFOD Christmas gifts catalogue is also available from the back of Church.

Christmas Services & Events

Although it hasn't been our recent custom to have a carol service of our own at either of our churches we have a standing invitation from our neighbouring Anglican churches to join them for theirs.

St Peter's Ash, Sunday 18th December at 3pm and St John's Heath End, Sunday 18th December at 4pm.

5:00pm Christmas Eve - 1st Mass of Christmas and Children's Crib service at Holy Family

Midnight Mass - Carols from **11:30pm** and then Mass at Midnight at Holy Angels

Christmas Day: 9.15am Holy Family and 11:00am Holy Angels

At the Christmas Eve Crib service we invite young children to dress up as Nativity characters. We will have a draw as per usual for which children would like to be Mary and Joseph and carry the baby Jesus to the crib. We will have a sign-up list at the back of both churches, the draw will take place on Sunday 18th December, please ensure your child's names are submitted by the 11th December.

Christmas Day alone? Churches Together in Farnham Christmas Day Lunch at the Gostrey Centre. Transport available. If you would like to attend contact either Mariola Boyd on 01252 716785 or Michael McDonnell 01252 712600 by Friday 9th December. If you would like to volunteer to help, drivers especially needed, contact Jo Randall 01252 737162 or email joanna.rendall@btclick.com. asap. Further info from Dcn. John.

Diocesan events

There is an Encounter evening for young adults (15-30) at St Josephs's Church in Guildford, 7:15pm on Sunday 11th December. These evenings are hugely popular, and have been running for a few years now. They include live music, Adoration, food, an inspiring talk, and the chance to meet other young Catholics. Father Trevor Welland will be the guest speaker.

Quinquennial Parish Property Survey

As reported to the AGM, we have recently had an independent review of the fabric of the church, the presbytery and the grounds, known as a quinquennial. This did not reveal any major issues other than a recommendation for a modernised kitchen, which the AGM endorsed and for which we have now obtained architect's drawings. There are however a very large number of relatively small recommendations like renewing the lines for the front car park bays and removing trip hazards. If there is anyone in the congregation which the kind of practical skills which your priest and finance committee lack and who would be prepared to give up a bit of time to help out with some of the tasks, Father Robin or Tim Flesher would be delighted to hear from you!

Christmas Books

I often comment that it is hard to find books and films that really support our Catholic faith. If you like receiving books for Christmas why not have a look at the interesting Catholic novels of Michael D O'Brien.