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Third Sunday in Advent, p. 87





Holy Family, Farnham GU9 0LH www.holyfamilyfarnham.co.uk

Confessions: 5.00pm Saturday (HA), after masses on the 1st Sunday of the month, Thursdays (HF) (usually) during adoration. [HA= Holy Angels, Ash and HF= Holy Family, Farnham, * masses in the hall]

Sat 15 Dec	5.30pm	НА	Vigil Mass	Caroline Farrow
Sun 16 Dec	9.15am	HF	Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudete	Michael Ambler RIP
	11.00am	HA	Mass	Missa Pro Populo
Mon 17 Dec			No Mass	O'Sapientia (Wisdom of the Most High)
Tue 18 Dec	9.30am	HF*	Mass	O'Adonai and Ruler of the House of Israel
Wed 19 Dec	9.10am	НА	Rosary	O radix Jesse (Root of Jesse)
	9.30am		Mass	
	11.00am		Funeral Liturgy - Margarete Wilcock	
Thur 20 Dec	6.15pm	HF	Adoration	O clavis David (Key of David)
	7.30pm	HF	Mass	
Fri 21 Dec	9.30am	НА	Mass	O Oriens (Morning Star)
Sat 22 Dec	5.00pm	НА	Adoration	O Rex Gentium (King of the nations)
	5.30pm		Vigil Mass	Fr Jim Martin RIP
Sun 23 Dec	9.15am	HF	Fourth Sunday of Advent	O Emmanuel
	11.00pm	HA	Mass	

Offertory

Holy Angels	
8th December	£309.89

Holy Family

8th December £179.00

Second Collection next week for Christmas flowers

Christmas Crib Collection will be for the Catholic Children's Society Arundel & Brighton Crisis Fund.

Christmas Services & Events

There is a service of 9 lessons and carols by candlelight at St John's Hale, on Sunday 16th December at 4pm. & Sunday 23rd December we are warmly invited to join our local anglican friends for their carol services at 3pm St Peter's Ash.

Christmas Mass Times at Ash & Heath End

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

Midnight Mass - Carols from **11:00pm** and then Mass at **11:30pm** at Holy Angels

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

Boxing Day: Mass for St Stephen's Day will take place at 9am at Holy Angels.

At the Christmas Eve Crib service we invite young children to dress up as Nativity characters. Those who wish to dress up and process in, need to congregate downstairs in the hall before the Mass, to get ready. We will draw the names for Mary and Joseph this weekend. There is usually a costume provided for Mary and Joseph, but everyone else needs to bring their own.

The parish office will be closed between Monday 31st December and Friday 4th January.

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

Sunday 6th January, 5pm Polish carol service, Holy Angels, Ash.

Holy Family

Can you spare a couple of hours every 4-6 weeks to help keep our church clean? Most of our cleaners have been quietly working away for many years (some as many as 30) and are now in their '60s and '70s. We really do need some younger volunteers. If you can help please speak to Deacon John or Father Robin or phone Mary on 01252 741990. Thank you.

Holy Angels

THANKYOU: To everyone who has volunteered to help with **Cleaning**, **Children's Liturgy**, **Tea & Coffee** or other tasks in the church. It is very much appreciated. If you haven't yet volunteered to help with one of these or any other activity its not too late to do so. Contact the parish office to volunteer or for further information.

Repository: A selection of Christmas cards is for sale at the back of the repository.

Justice & Peace group

The Vine Centre, Aldershot is for anyone from the local community. They provide a warm, safe environment to talk, engage in social activities, find training and employment opportunities or simply get help with life in general. Please consider buying their 2019 calendar. £5. NB Use the App: 'streetlink' to report and obtain assistance for anyone 'sleeping rough'.

CAFOD

Fairtrade Traidcraft is facing difficult times. Since 1979, Traidcraft has been pioneering fair trade in the UK and currently works with over 100 producers from 30 countries. Today, the business is in a period of consultation, planning a way it can work sustainably in the future. But it needs your help. NB our stock clearance 'half-price' sale continues this weekend.

World Gifts Give a gift that will change a life. There are gifts for every budget from Happy Queen Bee at £4 to Help a Refugee child at £46. Each CAFOD World gift has been chosen for the real and lasting difference it makes to families living in developing countries. Catalogues are available at church or you can buy online at cafod.org.uk/worldgifts.

Local mental health support group

The approach to Christmas and the New Year can be a particularly difficult time for many people.

Guildford's peer support group for anyone facing depression or a related mental health condition now runs weekly at The Spike Community Centre, (next to St Luke's Surgery and St Luke's Square), Warren Road, Guildford, GU1 3JH every Wednesday evening, 7.30pm. It's free and offers a safe space to offload, to be heard and to receive support to help work through difficult times. No need to book or be referred. For more details see www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/support-groups

<u>PeerTalk</u> is a registered charity, initially funded by the Methodist Church. They are expanding their reach nationally to support people living with mental distress and overwhelm.

Advent Groups

Gloria Benson is running a weekly Advent group. For details contact 07968 030163. We will focus on the next Sunday's readings in an effort to help to bring us closer to the blessings to be received leading up to Christmas.

Opportunities for Reconciliation

It's always good to receive the sacrament of reconciliation, especially in the run up to major feasts. This will be available as follows: Holy Angels, normal 5pm time before Saturday evening Mass, Holy Family either during Adoration, or Father Robin will be available in the confessional before Sunday morning Mass at Holy Family. Other times are always available by appointment.

Diocesan news

Bible Study Course: St Joan of Arc parish, Farnham, is running Jeff Cavins, Catholic, Bible Study Course called 'Revelation: The Kingdom Yet to Come'. The course runs for 11 sessions, and starts on Monday 11 Feb. 2019 and finishes on Mon 1 Jul. 2019. There are several weeks when there are no meetings. Eight of the meetings are on a Monday night and three of the meetings on a Friday night. N.B. Materials have to be ordered before Christmas and the maximum able to join the course would be about 50, so book quickly, if you really want to do this Course.

For registration & details of cost, and/or for more information, please contact Dorothy McIntosh at dorothy.mcintosh@yahoo.co.uk or phone 01420 22434. Those who participated in the Jeff Cavins Bible timeline course put on by Holy Angels last year may be especially interested in attending this excellent course, on what is an often misunderstood topic.

National Board of Catholic Women: Day with Bishop Richard on Saturday 23rd February, From 10 am to 1 pm, at the St Philip Howard Centre (formerly DABCEC). Explore ways to engage with 'The Word who is Life'. Book at nbcw@rcdab.onmicrosoft.com

Prayer for the diocese

Lord, the Word who is Life.

May all the people of our Diocese
grow in openness to the power of the Holy Spirit,
so that through a growth of understanding and courage,
and truly open to your call,
we may bear powerful witness to all around us,
for you are Lord forever and ever. Amen.