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*Fourth
 Sunday
 in Advent &
 Christmas*

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Holy Family, Farnham GU9
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**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 22 Dec	5.00pm 5.30pm	HA	Adoration Vigil Mass	<i>O Rex Gentium (King of the Nations) Fr Jim Martin RIP</i>
Sun 23 Dec	9.15am 11.00am	HF HA	Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass	<i>O Emmanuel Missa Pro Populo</i>
Mon 24 Dec	5.00pm 11.00pm 11.30pm	HF HA	First Mass of Christmas & Crib Service Carols leading into Midnight Mass - p97	<i>Kay Day RIP</i>
Tue 25 Dec	9.15 am 11.00am	HF HA	Christmas Day Mass - p100 Christmas Day Mass - p102	<i>Mary Norton RIP</i>
Wed 26 Dec	9.00am	HA	Mass - St Stephen	
Thur 27 Dec	9.30am	HF	Mass - St John	
Fri 28 Dec	9.30am	HA	Mass - The Holy Innocents	
Sat 29 Dec	5.30pm		Vigil Mass - St Thomas Becket	<i>Mary & Newton Abrew - 58th Wedding Anniversary, Caroline & Robin Farrow - 10th Wedding Anniversary</i>
Sun 30 Dec	9.15am 11.00pm	HF HA	Mass - The Holy Family Mass	<i>Joseph Boyle RIP</i>

Offertory

Holy Angels 16th December	£218.64
Holy Family 8th December	£254.00
Second Collection this Sunday for Christmas flowers	

**FR ROBIN AND DEACON JOHN WISH ALL OUR
 PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS
 A VERY HAPPY AND A HOLY CHRISTMAS.**

*And a special thank you to everyone who has
 worked so hard both to prepare our churches for
 this wonderful feast, but also in the way you have
 supported our parishes over the last year.*

Christmas Collections

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

Please do also keep in mind, the needs of the local and national homeless charities at this time.

Christmas Mass offering

The Christmas offering collection is traditionally a personal gift to the priest and forms a significant part of his income. However, as a married priest, Father Robin donates these collections back to the parishes, to help the parishes provide a more regular income for him and his family throughout the year as per the diocesan policy. Thank you in advance for your usual generosity in helping your parish to support your priest in this way. This collection can be gift-aided.

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The Arundel and Brighton Diocesan Trust is a Registered Charity No. 252878

Christmas Services & Events

Sunday 23rd December we are warmly invited to join our local Anglican friends for their carol service at **3pm** at 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.

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

Christmas Day alone?

The 2018 Churches Together lunch is being held this year at **Farnham Memorial Hall** in Babbs Lane, West Street, Farnham. This is a new venue for the traditional lunch provided for Farnham people who would otherwise spend Christmas Day on their own.

Do **YOU** know someone who will be on their own on Xmas Day? To book a place please phone Michael on **01252 712600** or Mariola on **01252 716785**.

Volunteers

Adult helpers (sorry, not children) please phone Joanna on **01252 737162**.

Transport provided on request - no charge for lunch or transport.

St Peter's Centre Ash, is also holding a traditional Christmas lunch, with the needs of the elderly prioritised. Contact Barbara Rose: 07761 808727 or email: office@saint-peters-ash.org.uk

Holy Angels

Dr Ian Jamison died on Saturday 22nd December. Please keep him and his wife June, a longstanding parishioner of ours, (now housebound), in your prayers. Funeral details to follow.

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Christmas blessings and many thanks for all the support provided this year for our worthy causes.

EU settlement scheme

Our Bishops have produced a pastoral letter about the settlement scheme which will be relevant to many of our parishioners

www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families

Justice & Peace group

Christmas blessings and many thanks for all the support provide this year for your support in promoting the dignity and development of all people.

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
[PeerTalk](http://www.peertalk.org.uk/index.php/support-groups) 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.

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.