



Holy Angels, Ash GU12 6LU
www.holyangelsash.org

8th December 2019
 2nd Sunday of Advent p.85



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 7 Dec	5.30pm	HA	Vigil Mass	
Sun 8 Dec	9.15am	HF	Mass 2nd Sunday of Advent	<i>In Memoriam: Fr Edward Bell</i>
	11.00am	HA	Mass	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
	12.30pm	HA	Baptism Givanni & Dulcia Butler	
Mon 9 Dec			No Mass	
Tue 10 Dec	9.30am	HF	No Mass	
Wed 11 Dec	9.10am	HA	Rosary	
	9.30am	HA	Mass St Damasus I Pope	
Thur 12 Dec	7.30pm	HF	Mass 2nd Thursday of Advent	<i>In Memoriam: Fr Thomas Quinn</i>
Fri 13 Dec	9.30am	HA	No Mass	
Sat 14 Dec	5.30pm	HA	Vigil Mass	
Sun 15 Dec	9.15am	HF	Mass 3rd "Gaudete" Sunday of Advent	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
	11.00am	HA	Mass	

Offertory

Holy Angels

24 November £302.71
 Second collection £103.04
 (Christmas flowers)

Holy Family

24 November £197.00
 Second Collection £154.00

Christmas Confessions

Fr Robin is setting aside a day in each church when he will be available to hear your confessions before Christmas. The dates and times are:-

Holy Family: Thursday 19th December at 10am, 1pm and 6.15pm;

Holy Angels: Friday 20th December at 10am, 1pm and 8.30pm.

Mary and Joseph needed!

Would your child like to be Mary or Joseph at the Family First Mass of Christmas on **Christmas Eve at 5pm**? If your child is 8 or under please signup using the sheet at the back of Church. In a couple of weeks time we will draw two names for these roles and the children will lay baby Jesus in his crib. Costumes will be provided.

Sycamore Advent Course

Please note: There will not be a Wednesday or a Thursday group this week only.

Farnham Churches Together Christmas Lunch

If you are going to be on your own on Christmas Day you are warmly invited to come and enjoy your Christmas lunch with others at the Memorial Hall Farnham at 1pm. Transport to and from the Memorial Hall Farnham can be arranged. If you would like to reserve a place please contact Michael McDonnell on 01252 712600 or Mariola Boyd 01252 716785 **by Wednesday 11th December.** If you would like to volunteer to help (drivers particularly needed) please contact Joanna Rendall 01252737162 / joanna.rendall@btclick.com **ASAP!**

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CAFOD

Fairtrade Stall this weekend. Buy just one item and help the poor.

Food bank. Please continue to place your items, including toiletries, in the basket provided. The need is especially great as we approach the expense of Christmas.

Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. Over the holiday period please set aside (in separate bundles) your recycling to support local charities. This includes items not normally dealt with by official recycling operations, e.g crisp packets. For full list please contact Mike Harte. Please place *bundled* items in Food bank basket weekend **11/12th January '20.**

Karibu Nyumbani Fundraiser

The fundraiser cake sale is on **Saturday 14th** and **Sunday 15th December** after all the Masses - come and buy some sweet treats and help us raise money for the orphanage! We would welcome as many donations for the cake sales as Parishioners can bring along!

The Journey to 2030 - Year of the Cockerel

Following on from the Bishop's Pastoral letter last weekend, we have received a number of magazines from the Diocese giving us more information about what we can do to avoid the worst consequences of the ecological crisis - please pick up a copy in the entrance halls. "The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth... Many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change... *Pope Francis, Laudato Si*" "May we all take a lead in following the Holy Father's call and make our Diocese a great example to our wider society in modelling behaviour that cares for our common home" *Bishop Moth, Pastoral Letter, Dec 2019*

Evangelizing Catholics 'Book Club'

We are encouraging everyone to read Scott Hahn's 'Evangelizing Catholics' as a good way of engaging with the call for each one of us to engage with the new evangelization.

'The New Evangelization is the work of the whole church - lay, ordained, and consecrated. It's about friends, family, and co-workers reaching out to one another and proclaiming the truth of Christ... it's about simple acts of kindness, simple challenges issued in love, and simple questions asked with sincerity.'

(Evangelizing Catholics p.13)

There will be a 'reading group' meeting at Holy Angels on Saturday mornings at 10am, on 11 Jan (TBC), 1, 15, & 29 Feb. Hopefully this will encourage us all to make progress reading through the book whether we can meet together or not. Each meeting will stand alone to look at the relevant chapters as we read through the book, so

don't feel inhibited from coming along if you can't meet together each time.

This is the first step towards forming a small mission group, but joining the reading group does not commit you to anything else. If you are interested but have not purchased the book, there are copies of the first couple of chapters available at the back of church to help you get started. It's easy to purchase online or from St Paul's bookshop stpauls.org.uk 0207 828 5582.

Justice and Peace

Brick Fund Project 5 Guildford provide emergency shelter and ongoing support to help the homeless into independent living. Donating to a 'Brick Fund' will assist their clients to meet the initial cost of £1000 approx. needed to acquire independent rented accommodation. Carefully assessed clients will agree to repay the money gradually to enable others to benefit also. We suggest donations of £1 per brick. See board in the church entrance area.

Week of Accompanied Prayer

The Guildford Deanery's Week of Accompanied Prayer will be held from **8th-14th February 2020** at St Joan of Arc Church, Farnham, GU9 8DJ. Booking forms are now in the entrance halls.

What is a Week of Guided Prayer? It's a great opportunity to further your own spiritual journey wherever you feel you're at, accompanied by a trained Prayer Guide.

PLEASE NOTE: closing date for bookings is 6th January 2020. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity for a retreat in everyday life!

World Day of Prayer

This will be held at Holy Angels on **6th March 2020**, prepared by the women of Zimbabwe. **Do we have anyone from Zimbabwe** who would like to be on the planning team for this Farnham Churches Together event? If so, please contact the Parish Office.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Applications are currently open for places to our school for Reception 2020 and you are warmly invited to apply. Please contact the school office on 01252 350583 or look on the school website stjosephsaldershot.org for details of how to apply.

Waverley Abbey Job Vacancy

Waverley Abbey is looking for a Programme Administrator, to assist in their programme of undergraduate and postgraduate courses in Counselling and Spiritual Formation. The position is full time. To see the full applicant pack and access the online application process, please go to <http://www.cwr.org.uk/jobs>. Closing date for applications is 13th December.