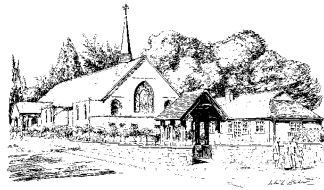
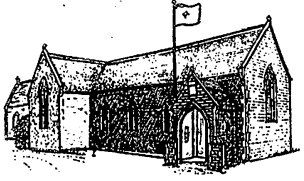


Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter



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3rd “Gaudete” Sunday in Advent

We are delighted to be able to celebrate Mass together in church. We are therefore no longer opening the church solely for private prayer. For those of you who are shielding or otherwise unable to attend mass in person, we will continue to livestream masses.

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Sat 12 Dec	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>Faure Family (RIP)</i>
Sun 13 Dec	9.15 am	HF	Mass	<i>For the deceased family and friends of the McGuckin family</i>
“Gaudete”	11.00 am	HA	Mass	<i>Aliyar Family (RIP)</i>
Mon 14 Dec	NO MASS			
Tue 15 Dec	9.30 am	HF	Mass	
Wed 16 Dec	9.30 am	HA	Mass	<i>Fr Stan Burt (RIP)</i>
Thur 17 Dec	7.00pm	HF	Adoration	
“O Sapientia”	7.30pm	HF	Mass	
Fri 18 Dec “O Adonai”	9.30 am	HA	Mass	
Sat 19 Dec “O Radix Jesse”	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>Vincent Michie (RIP)</i>
Sun 20 Dec “O Clavis David”	9.15 am	HF	Mass	<i>For the deceased family and friends of the Taylor family</i>
4th Sunday in Advent	11.00 am	HA	Mass	<i>Fr Jim Martin (RIP)</i>

There is a Special Collection this week for Sea Sunday

There will be a Crib Collection for the Catholic Children’s Society as usual over Christmas

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

- **The wearing of face masks is now compulsory during public worship. (The same exceptions apply in church as elsewhere for those who can't do this for medical reasons) and 1m+ distancing is to be maintained - please be careful with this if you see friends at mass. Any catching up must be done outside the church.**
- **There will be welcomers at all masses to help direct you to hand gel, socially distanced seating etc - please allow them their distance**
- **There is a one way system in place in both churches.**
- **No missals will be available in church. You may bring your own missal or follow the readings on your phone on an app like Universalis.**
- **There is no congregational singing, sign of the peace, or bidding prayers.**
- **Communion will take place across a table to assure distancing with the communicant standing and no Amen will be said at that point.**
- **All toilets are closed for the time being.**
- **Maximum capacity at Holy Family is 50 in church (depending on bubbles) and 10 overflow in the hall. At Holy Angels 50 in church (mainly in bubbles of three) and 9 overflow in the hall.**
- **Most of our normal liturgical ministries cannot yet resume but as people begin to stop shielding that will be able to change.**

Mass attendance

As a guide, it seems to be as safe to come to church as it is to go shopping.

No one has yet been turned away at a mass.

If you are able to attend a midweek mass instead of a Sunday mass this will also help to reduce pressure on Sunday mass places.

It remains very helpful to let the office know each week about your intention to attend mass so that we can monitor numbers.

Track & Trace - please use either the QR code or a sign in slip

NOTICES

Parish Advent Group

We met together via Zoom for our first advent group meeting on Tuesday, using the CaFE course 'The Joy of Hope'. It was a lovely time of encouragement and fellowship. A link will be sent out each week if you would like to join us. Remaining meetings are on Tuesday 8th, 15th and 22nd December. at 8pm

COVID vaccine

In September 2020 the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales issued a statement '[COVID-19 and Vaccination](#)'. In light of the recent breakthrough in vaccine development they have issued a follow up. Bishop Richard writes: 'The development of a vaccine against COVID-19 presents an important breakthrough in protecting others as well as oneself from the virus...each of us has a duty to protect others from infection with its danger of serious illness, and for some, death. A vaccine is the most effective way to achieve this unless one decides to self-isolate.' Please see full statement made by the Bishops' Conference here <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/update-on-covid-19-and-vaccination/>

Holy Family Giving

We have discovered a short term problem with using the Diocesan just-giving page for parishioners of Holy Family. We understand this is an IT issue and will be resolved soon, but please do not attempt to use this page to give to the parish of Holy Family until we are able to update you. If you would like to give regularly, the best way would be to set up a standing order - please contact the parish office for the forms. Otherwise, please continue to give via the offertory plate. We are, as always, very grateful for all your financial contributions to the life of the parish.

Stewards needed!

We are in urgent need of more stewards at both churches, particularly at Holy Family for Sunday mornings. This is partly because of people moving away, or because of restrictions imposed during the pandemic (stewards currently need to be under 70 with no underlying health conditions). Please consider if you are able to steward at the mass you normally attend, and if so please do get in touch with us, via the parish office. Many thanks to all of you who act as stewards or who have faithfully helped in this way over the years - we are very grateful.

Parish Database

We would love to keep in touch with you all! During lockdown, we will be sending out a weekly email with the Sunday mass sheet as we did previously. To receive this and other parish wide emails, please make sure you have signed up to be included in our GDPR compliant database. If you are not receiving emails yet, please email the office and we will send you the parish data consent forms for you to complete.

School Form Signing

If you need a school form signed please contact the parish office to arrange a time for this.

Parish Office

Cally Mead our Parish Secretary is currently working from home. Her hours are 11am-1pm and 2pm-3pm, Mon-Thurs.

To contact, please email holyofficesurrey@gmail.com or phone 07485 634561 during office hours. If you wish to phone outside these hours, please use 01252 321422.

Christmas Masses

We are operating a booking system for all Christmas Masses, including for Sunday 27th December. SEATS FOR THE MOST POPULAR MASSES ARE BOOKING UP FAST! So, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible to let us know your preferred choice, and the number of people who will be in your “bubble”. We will confirm your place or offer an alternative as soon as possible.

Christmas Service Times at Ash & Heath End

Sunday 20th December 3pm Carols outside Holy Angels, by the Cross (no booking system)

Christmas Eve 5pm at Holy Family and **7pm** at Holy Angels

No Midnight Mass this year due to COVID restrictions

Christmas Day Masses 9.15am at Holy Family and **11:00am** at Holy Angels

Saturday 26th December 5.30pm at Holy Angels

St Stephen's Day Mass

Sunday 27th December 9.15am at Holy Family and **11:00am** at Holy Angels