

Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter



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1st Sunday of Lent

This lockdown, Mass continues. However, we must be meticulous in following all Covid instructions, especially track and trace and not socially interacting in church. For those of you who are shielding or otherwise unable to attend mass in person, we will continue to livestream masses.

Sat 20 Feb	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>Charlotte, sister of George Faure, who is sick and beginning her treatment this week</i>
Sun 21 Feb 1st Sunday of Lent	9.15 am	HF	Mass	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
	11.00 am	HA	Mass	
Mon 22 Feb	NO MASS			
Tue 23 Feb	9.30 am	HF	Mass	
Wed 24 Feb	9.30 am	HA	Mass	
Thur 25 Feb	9.30am	HF	Mass	<i>Note time change due to "Invited" Lent Mission</i>
Fri 26 Feb <i>Lent Fast Day</i>	9.30 am	HA	Mass	
	7.00pm		Stations of the Cross	<i>Online - see notices for details</i>
Sat 27 Feb	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	
Sun 28 Feb	9.15 am	HF	Mass	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
2nd Sunday of Lent "Transfiguration" Sunday	11.00 am	HA	Mass	

*The second collection for the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund raised £24.49 at Holy Angels
 Next week there will be a voluntary collection for CAFOD (not gift aid)*

The Lent Alms box will be available for donations throughout Lent

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 2m distancing is now to be maintained - please be careful with this if you see friends at mass. Any catching up must be done outside the church.**
- **Maximum capacity at Holy Family is now 33 in church (depending on bubbles) and 10 overflow in the hall. At Holy Angels it's now 30 in church (mainly in bubbles of three) and 6 overflow in the hall.**
- **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.**
- **Most of our normal liturgical ministries cannot yet resume but as people begin to stop shielding that will be able to change.**

Mass attendance

Although the church is open, mass obligation continues to be suspended.

We are not yet 'booking' a place at mass. 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

Prayer Intentions

While restrictions continue, we have reinstated the opportunity for people to ask for prayers for the sick and the recently deceased in the newsletter. Permission for a name to be published should be sought and the information given to Cally in the office. Names would normally be included in the newsletter for one week only.

Departed

Rena Harris (Funeral 3rd March)

Susan Burton (Funeral 4th March)

Ruchika Balachandran (Funeral 10th March)

Cycle of Prayer

During Lent we are asked to pray for these intentions: Candidates for the Sacraments; Women; the Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers.

LENT NOTICES

Stations of the Cross

Deacon John will be presenting stations of the cross on Zoom **each Friday of Lent at 7pm**. At the end of the stations there will be time to reflect together or just catch up if you wish.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83268529514?pwd=N3RXazE1eW41ZUpxay9CZFNSzFsQT09>

Meeting ID: 832 6852 9514 **Passcode:** 047518

Invited - Lent 2021

Lent may have begun, but you have not missed the start of the Diocesan Mission *Invited*. **The first film premieres on the Diocesan Website at 7pm on Monday 22nd February, and will be available for you to watch for the whole of Lent.** If you want to join a discussion group, exploring God's love for you, there are still places available. Join people in your diocese and as far afield as Switzerland, Nigeria, the USA and indeed Somerset!

Thursday evenings, 7.30 - 8.45pm, starting 25th February.

To find out more, visit www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited.

To register your free place, email invited@abdiocese.org.uk.

Thursday Mass will be at 9.30am to enable people to take part

Worth Abbey Retreat

THE LENT JOURNEY - online weekend retreat **26-28 February** from the Open Cloister at Worth Abbey. Led by Fr Peter Williams OSB. To book, go to <https://worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats>

NOTICES

Baptism Course

Our next baptism course is this Wednesday **24th February** by zoom again. If you are thinking about your child's baptism, then this course is the first step. It's an ideal opportunity to reflect on what baptism means, and to ask Fr Robin and/ or Dn John any questions you may have. Please contact Cally in the office **asap** if you would like to attend. The meeting will start at **7.20pm for 7.30 start, finishing by 9pm**. Deacon John will send you a link for the zoom meeting at the start of the week.

CAFOD Walk for Water

Provide fresh and clean water, shelter and food for vulnerable families overseas by walking, dancing, hopping, or skipping 10,000 steps for 40 days! Go to walk.cafod.org.uk to find out more.

Supporting the Homeless

If you would like to give to help the homeless this Lent, consider donating to Depaul UK, a charity which works to support the homeless and marginalised, go to <https://uk.depaulcharity.org>

Alton Day of Renewal

The next (zoom) session of the 2021 programme "Alive in the Spirit" is on **Saturday February 27th, 10am-1pm: "Salvation"**. Speaker: Fr Paul Leonard, Parish Priest at Sacred Heart, Hook and Mass celebrant at Celebrate Southampton Conference. Please register in advance at bit.ly/ADOREFEB2021

Catholic Newspaper offer

Whilst you are unable to pick up your newspapers from mass, you can get your Catholic Universe and/ or Catholic Times delivered directly to your home, POST FREE. Just go to their website: www.thecatholicuniverse.com or call them on 0161 820 5722 to arrange. There are some great offers at the moment, including 3 months for £25, 12 months for £99 - or £55 for digital only copies.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 2021

Many have been asking whether the Lourdes Pilgrimage will go ahead this year, and last week we uploaded some letters from the Diocese to our websites (newsletters tab) which set out current plans. If you have any questions, please contact the A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, at lourdes.office@abdiocese.org.uk or call 01403 740110.

Parish Office

New hours are **11-1pm & 4-5pm, Mon-Thurs**. Please email holyofficesurrey@gmail.com - or phone 07485 634561 during office hours. Outside these hours, please phone 01252 321422.