

Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter



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Easter Sunday

FR ROBIN AND DEACON JOHN WISH ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS A VERY JOYFUL AND BLESSED EASTER

A very 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 difficult year.

Sat 3 April Holy Saturday	6.00 pm	HF	Vigil and First Mass of Easter	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
	8.00 pm	HA	Vigil and First Mass of Easter	
Sun 4 April Easter Sunday	9.15 am	HF	Mass	<i>Terry Cooper (RIP)</i>
	11.00 am	HA	Mass	<i>Andrew - 16yr old boy with a tumour</i>
Mon 5 April	NO MASS			
Tue 6 April	NO MASS			
Wed 7 April	7.30 pm	HA	Holy Hour of Prayer	
Thur 8 April	NO MASS			
Fri 9 April <i>(no abstinence today)</i>	NO MASS			
Sat 10 April	5.30 pm	HA	Mass	
Sun 4 April 2nd Sunday of Easter	9.15 am	HF	Mass	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
Divine Mercy Sunday	11.00 am	HA	Mass	
	3.00 pm	HA	Adoration & Divine Mercy Chaplet	

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

- **Bring a face mask and maintain social distancing**
- **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.**
- **Track & Trace - please use either the QR code or a sign in slip, if not booked in.**

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Prayer Intentions

If you would like the name of a sick or recently deceased person to be placed in the newsletter for prayer, please contact Cally in the office. Names would normally be included in the newsletter for one week only.

Divine Mercy Sunday (2nd Sunday of Easter)

Next Sunday is the Feast of Divine Mercy. It is based on the private revelations of St. Faustina Kowalska, which recommended a particular devotion to the Divine Mercy.

In 2000, Pope John Paul II canonized St. Faustina and, during the ceremony, he declared:

It is important then that we accept the whole message that comes to us from the word of God on this Second Sunday of Easter, which from now on throughout the Church will be called "Divine Mercy Sunday". In the various readings, the liturgy seems to indicate the path of mercy which, while re-establishing the relationship of each person with God, also creates new relations of fraternal solidarity among human beings.

The Church offers a plenary indulgence granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer for the intentions of Supreme Pontiff) to the faithful who, on the Second Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday, in any church or chapel, in a spirit that is completely detached from the affection for a sin, even a venial sin, take part in the prayers and devotions held in honour of Divine Mercy, or who, in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament exposed or reserved in the tabernacle, recite the Our Father and the Creed, adding a devout prayer to the merciful Lord Jesus (e.g. Merciful Jesus, I trust in you!").

At 3pm there will be Adoration and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at Holy Angels.

NOTICES

Easter Weekend Services There is a booking system in place for ALL Easter weekend services, from Maundy Thursday to Easter Sunday. See diary on page 1 for details of services and times. **The Good Friday service at Holy Angels is now full. All other seats are booking up fast.** The office will be closed from 5pm on Thursday, so please try to make your bookings before then. After that, please call the Presbytery landline 01252 321 422 if you still need to book a seat.

Easter Collection This collection is traditionally a personal gift to the priest and forms part of his income. However, as a married priest, Fr 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 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.

Some people have asked if it is still possible to give Fr Robin a personal gift. This is allowed by the Bishop, but would need to be done via an Easter card for Fr Robin and his family and not via the Easter collection.

Offertory With the significant impact of the pandemic on normal offertory collections we are also very grateful to everyone who has either switched to Standing Orders or increased their Standing Orders. Thank you. In this increasingly cashless society those who have been used to weekly envelopes might also find it helpful to consider switching: Standing Order form are available from the Office or directly from Tim flesher.

The new set of weekly envelopes are also now available at the back of church.

Holy Family Giving The Diocese has now resolved the problem with giving online for Holy Family Parishioners. If you would like to donate online to Holy Family, just go to <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/> and press the Donate tab on the right hand side. Then, under “Fund” scroll down till you see Heath End - this is the tab for giving to Holy Family. Many thanks for all your kind donations.

Bible Timeline We had a good parish day using this course by the very engaging catholic author and speaker Jeff Cavins. There is an online opportunity to engage in the slightly longer 8 session version of the course. This begins online on Wednesday 7th April. Visit comeandsee.org to register.

Wholly Connected

Are you missing the opportunity for conversation and fellowship after mass? Our next online chance to catch up for coffee (or a glass of something stronger) and fellowship will take place at 8.00pm on Wednesday 14th April. The zoom link will be emailed out as usual or will be available from the parish office.

Do you have spare wool? If anyone has any spare DK wool, Maggie Batchelor would like to use it to make hats for the seamen on behalf of the Apostleship of The Sea. No matter if you have knitted with it before, and any colour, any fibre (manmade, cotton etc) is fine. If you attend Holy Angels, please give your wool to Maggie, and if you attend Holy Family, please give your wool to Kathryn Besley. Many thanks!

Pictorial Record

A call to the women of the Diocese to share photos showing how Catholic women have continued to practice their faith in good works and worship during Covid times, particularly during Lent and Easter. Please email pictures to Sue Petritz at: nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk

Invited Mission

Season One of the Diocesan Invited mission has drawn to a close, though it doesn't end there. Our Invited Mission will run for five years, offering a range of opportunities for connecting in faith across our community. There will continue to be many opportunities to get involved in the life of our wonderful parishes, with an Invited 'Deep Dive' series of talks already planned for the Autumn - watch this space for more information.

Friends of the Holy Land The Holy Land faces a second desperately quiet Easter. Next week is normally incredibly busy, but for the second year in a row, there are no visitors - meaning no income for the majority of local families. There is still no government unemployment support during the pandemic, and the lack of a coherent vaccination programme for Palestinians means the health, welfare and unemployment situation is likely to remain the same deep into 2021. Please go to <https://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk> to find out how you can help. You can also buy hand carved olive wood products there, helping Christians in the Holy Land to make a living in these difficult times.

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