# Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter 12th December 2021



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Sat 11 Dec		5.30pm	Vigil Family Mass	НА	Miller family (RIP)
Sun 12 Dec	Advent 3 (Gaudete)	9.15am	Sunday Mass HF		
		11.00am	Sunday Mass HA	Miss	a pro populo
		4.30pm	Advent Group on zoom - c	ontact Fr F	Robin for the link.
Mon 13 Dec	S. Lucy	Fr Robin's	day off no Mass		
Tue 14 Dec	S. John of the Cross	9.30am	Mass	HF	
Wed 15 Dec		9.30am	Mass	НА	Fr Louis Kenny (RIP)
Thur 16 Dec		7.00pm	Adoration	HF	
		7.30pm	Liturgy & Communion	HF	
Fri 17 Dec	O Sapienta	9.30am	Mass	НА	
Sat 18 Dec	O Adonai	5.00pm	Carols and readings for Ch	nristmas	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	НА	Vincent Michie (RIP)
Sun 19 Dec	Advent 4	9.15am	Sunday Mass	HF	
	O Radix Jesse	11.00am	Sunday Mass	<b>HA</b> Jimmy a	Cash & Connor Family, nd Mary, James Daniel (RIP)
		4.30pm	Advent Group on zoom - c	ontact Fr F	Robin for the link

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## **Second Collection today**

Christmas Flowers at our churches

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Sat 17 Dec HA	9am - noon Reconciliation and Adoration at Holy Angels
Sat 18 Dec HA HF	5pm Carols Service before Mass 7pm Nativity Film Evening & wine
Sun 19 Dec HF	3pm Carol Service & mulled wine (outside with no masks if possible!)
	Christmas Eve
Fri 24 Dec HF HA HA	5pm Family Mass & Crib blessing 7pm. Family Mass & Crib blessing 10.30pm Carols and Readings: at 11.00pm Midnight Mass begins.

### **Christmas Day**

Sat 25 Dec HF 9.15am Mass of Christmas Day HA 11.00am Mass of Christmas Day

Booking Lite - please sign up for the Christmas Eve and Day masses to help us keep spacing - but we do not expect to turn anyone away who has not pre booked.

# Advent group 4.30pm on Sunday 12, 19 December

As we continue to encourage people to return to the mass unless they are particularly vulnerable we may ask the question why we should return to mass? It's the summit of God's plan for our salvation. Our very lives depend on it. This advent we will begin to look at the bible study by Scott Hahn *Parousia: The Bible and the Mass* uncovering how and why all of God's action, in creation and redemption, is ordered to the Mass.

For a zoom link: holyofficesurrey@gmail.com

### **Primary School Admissions Sept 2022**

Our Local Catholic schools are: St Polycarps, Farnahm: & St Joseph's, Aldershot:

Both require council forms and a supplementary form.

**Youth Group Christmas meeting:** this will be held on Saturday 11th December 2021 after 5.30pm Mass. All young people from Yr 7 and above are warmly welcome.

**Invited: Our Diocesan Online Mission** continues with five new Invited films. These answer questions that members of the Diocese have raised from the first films, including how we see God's love in the Old Testament, how we can find hope in our broken suffering world, a practical look at praying g and reading the bible and more! You can access these videos here.

https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited

**Synodal Process:** The Diocese has now produced some guidance and response for this process. You can access this directly at <a href="https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/synod">https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/synod</a>. We will have some opportunity to discuss these questions together for those who find this easier on Wednesday 5 Jan, 19 Jan, 2 Feb, 7.30pm - probably on zoom!

**PACT: Operation Elf:** We can support prisoners to give a gift to their child, sharing a little love and joy and strengthening the family bond. This simple act can nurture the hope that redemption and a fresh start is possible.' Register at parishaction@prisonersadvice.org.uk, buy a Gift card with the value of £10, and post to PACT. Full guidance and details at www.prisonadvice.org.uk

Justice & Peace Assembly Webinar: 'To a Safer Shore?: 15th January, from 9.45 am for 10 am to 1 pm, will now take place online. More details and to book at To a Safer Shore? Spotlights refugees, highlighting what we can do to help. Arundel & Brighton Catholic Diocese (abdiocese.org.uk) or contact Tessa Ricketts at Tessa.Ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk

CAFOD World Gifts: As we rejoice in once again celebrating Christmas with our loved ones, let us spread our joy around the world by having a CAFOD World Gift under the tree. From energy saving stoves to weatherproof crops to emergency shelters, CAFOD's virtual charity gifts help transform the lives of families living in poverty. Buy online at cafod.org.uk/worldgifts or pick up a catalogue sent to your parish. You can also order by phone: 0808 14 000 14.

### YOUCAT: 22 How does one go about believing?

Someone who believes is seeking a personal union with God and is ready to believe God in everything that he shows (reveals) about himself.

At the beginning of faith, there is often an emotional disturbance or uneasiness. The person senses that the visible world and the normal course of things cannot be all there is. He feels touched by a mystery and follows the traces that point to the existence of God and gradually finds the confidence to speak to God and finally to unite himself to him in freedom. In John's Gospel it says, "No one has ever seen God; the only-begotten Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, he has made him known" (Jn 1:18). That is why we must believe Jesus, the Son of God, if we want to know what God would like to communicate to us. Believing, therefore, means accepting Jesus and staking one's whole life on him.

What we believe is important, but even more important is the One in whom we believe. POPE BENEDICT XVI, May 28, 2006

### **Parish Giving:**

- Collection in Church: It is still possible to put money on the plate (at Holy Angels this is still passed around).
  However many people are not using cash very much so there are other ways to support your church. Holy Family now has a contactless machine. Gift aid & second collections can be done this way.
- The Diocese has its own online giving page for each parish. <a href="https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/donate/">https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/donate/</a>
  There is now a drop-down list for you to choose which parish to donate to - 'Heath End' is Holy Family and 'Ash' is Holy Angels.
- Standing Order: Perhaps the easiest and most helpful way to give, especially if you are a uk taxpayer. This enables us to recoup the tax you paid on the gift. For a form, please contact Tim Flesher at Holy Angels: <a href="mailto:timflesher@hotmail.co.uk">timflesher@hotmail.co.uk</a> or Pat King via the parish email

#### How we keep you safe at mass

- · Mask wearing is encouraged
- Hand gel, & ventilation (wrap up warm!)
- · One way system
- · Quarantine of hymn books between use
- · Bring your own missal or use e.g. Universalis app
- · Lateral flow testing recommended
- · Track and Trace
- · Seating be respectful of other people's needs

**Parish Office:** As our parish secretary has now retired there are currently no formal office hours. Please use the normal telephone number (01252 321 422) and parish email address: <a href="mailto:holyofficesurrey@gmail.com">holyofficesurrey@gmail.com</a>