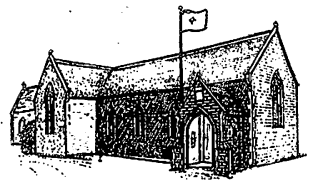
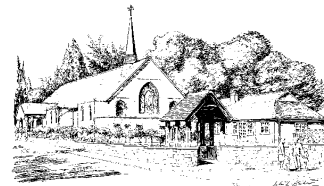


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Corpus Christi

Sat 18 June		5.30pm	Vigil Family Mass	HA	<i>The Daughters of Divine Love</i>
Sun 19 June	The Most Holy Body	9.15am	Sunday Mass	HF	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
	and Blood of Christ	11.00am	Sunday Mass HA		
Mon 20 June		No Mass - Fr Robin's Day off			
Tue 21 June	S. Aloysius Gonzaga	9.30am	Mass	HF	
Wed 22 June	Sts. John Fisher & Thomas Moore	9.30am.	Mass	HA	
Thur 23 June	Birth of John the Baptist	6.30pm	Adoration (Confession available)	HF	
		7.30pm	Mass	HF	
Fri 24 June	Most Sacred Heart of Jesus	9.30am	Mass	HA	
Sat 25 June		5.00pm	Confession Available	HA	
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	HA	<i>John Healy RIP</i>
Sun 26 June	13th Sunday OT	9.15am	Sunday Mass	HF	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
		11.00am	Sunday Mass &	HA	

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Offertory Collection

Because of the move away from cash the offertory collection at Holy Angels and Holy Family Churches is taken at the door rather than passing the plate around the church.

Both churches have the opportunity for cashless giving and cash and we thank you for your generosity. It is your donations which pay for our churches. Please contact the office for information about standing orders, often the best way to manage your giving to the church.

Second Collection

This week we have Sr Ann Ugoh of the Daughters of Divine Love to give a mission appeal at the weekend masses.

The Daughters of Divine Love is an International Congregation founded in Nigeria in 1969 and a member of the Missionary Sisters of England and Wales. They educate, care and add value to the lives of the less privileged in the society. Their charity home in Nigeria provides care and education for orphans, motherless, abandoned children, street children/teenagers and children

with special needs. Their aim is always to serve the less privileged and the marginalised in the society. In everything that they do, the love of Christ impels them to respond to the cry of the poor and the vulnerable with concrete actions.

Next week - Peter's Pence Collection

(Day for Life collection deferred until the following week)

Holy Angels Church painting and Appeal

We have managed to raise a good two thirds of the money for our redecoration appeal target of £6,000 at Holy Angels. Thank you for your generosity. The appeal remains open until the painting has finished (can you see the difference after a week of painting the nave.) Once we have received the pairings given in in school we will announce the winner!

NOTICES

Renewal of Parish Ministries

During the pandemic we were forced to stop most of our parish ministries. It seems to be right now to be able to begin to renew our opportunities for ministry within the church. We hope that people will be willing both to take up again ways they have been able to make our communities places to flourish and also consider new opportunities. Paperless and online versions of the form are available. Please speak to Fr Robin or Deacon John for further details.

Bishop's message for Day for Life 2022

We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families, in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations.

Sunday 3rd July. Our Parishes Summer BBQ returns.

There are sign up sheets if you plan to attend, including offers for some of the accompanying salads etc. A donation rather than specific price to cover costs please.

Holy Angels Refreshments: Our young people will be providing tea, coffee, and soft drinks after mass on the third Sunday of the month.

Holy Angels: Gift Aid tax letters for those who do not receive them by email are at the back of the church

In September and October this year, the relics of St Bernadette will journey on pilgrimage to England, Scotland, and Wales for the very first time. This once in a lifetime event will provide an opportunity for people of all ages and backgrounds to experience the gifts and charisms of Lourdes, in a church or cathedral near them, with the relics visiting three venues in our Diocese

- [St Dunstan's in Woking - 21 October](#)
- [Arundel Cathedral - 22 October](#)
- [Worth Abbey - 23 October](#)

Vincentian Volunteers are Catholic young people aged 18-35, from all over the world, who commit a year of their lives to the service of vulnerable people. During their year with us, they live in a community of three or four people and engage in voluntary work in partnership with other, well known charity organisations in order to help the impoverished, the homeless, the disabled, refugees and those suffering with addictions within the local community. We are still recruiting for 2022/23 (September 2022 to July 2023) for more details visit <https://www.vincentianvolunteers.org.uk/>

Parish Office: The Parish Office is currently open on a volunteer basis (thank you Gloria!) on Wednesday and Friday Mornings. Please use the normal telephone number (01252 321 422) and parish email address: holyofficesurrey@gmail.com

Christ's presence in the Eucharist & Adoration

If you enter a Catholic church, you will nearly always spot a sanctuary lamp burning near the tabernacle, which is where the communion hosts are reserved after Mass. They are kept in this way for two reasons: first, so that Holy Communion can be taken to the sick and housebound when necessary; and second, so we can continue to worship Christ in the Holy Eucharist.

Jesus Christ remains present here in the communion hosts, in what we call the Blessed Sacrament. This is not just a metaphor or a symbol. He is truly present – Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity – in all his power and glory and majesty. So if a church appears to be empty, we know that we are never alone.

Whenever we come near to the tabernacle, even if the Blessed Sacrament is not exposed, we come into his hidden but powerful presence; heaven is laid open before us; and we can adore him and share our lives with him in a most intimate and profound way. We can speak to him, heart to heart. It is like Moses meeting the Lord in the burning bush, or the disciples walking up the mountain with Christ at the time of his Transfiguration.

This doesn't detract from the importance of the Mass, or the significance of the Blessed Sacrament as spiritual food – it simply helps us to appreciate his Eucharistic presence even further. As St Augustine wrote: "No one eats that flesh without first adoring it."

This is such a consolation, knowing that he is with us in this way. When we go to Mass on Sundays, it makes us want to be more reverent – from the moment we enter the church to the moment we leave. We want to be more and more conscious of his loving presence. We genuflect to him as we enter and leave our places. We pray to him as we prepare for Mass and after it has ended. We remember that we are in the Court of Heaven, in the presence of our King, in the company of this visible community, and with the hidden presence of all the angels and saints.

This comes into special focus when we have Eucharistic Adoration ("Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament") – when the large host is taken from the tabernacle, put in the monstrance, and placed on the altar for our worship. Christ is not "more present" in this way, but he is in a way "more visible", and given more public honour.

As we gaze at his Sacred Body in the host we become more conscious of his holy Presence, more attentive, more grateful. And because we are worshipping him as a community, in a public liturgy, our prayer and worship has more significance. We adore Christ as a community, in the name of the Church, bringing the praise and sorrow and intercession of the whole Church to him, together with the needs of the whole world. And we unite ourselves with Christ, through the Holy Spirit, in his praise and thanksgiving to the Father.

Fr Steven Wang