Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter 24th March 2024



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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

(HA (Holy Angels) & HF (Holy Family) indicates which church a mass is in)

Sat 23 Mar		5.00pm	Confession Available HA		
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass & Blessing of Palms	НА	
Sun 24 Mar	Palm Sunday	9.15am	Sunday Mass & Blessing of Palms	HF	Missa pro populo
		11.00am	Sunday Mass & Blessing of Palms	НА	Johnny & Collins family
Mon 25 Mar	in Holy Week	9.30am	Mass	НА	Johnny & Collins family
Tue 26 Mar	in Holy Week	9.30am	Mass	HF	Johnny & Collins family
Wed 27 Mar	in Holy Week	9.30am	Mass	НА	Lorcan McGuckin (RIP)
Thur 28 Mar	MAUNDY THURSDAY	7.30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	HF	Sadie Mongan (RIP)
			Followed by the Watch until midnight	t HF	
Fri 29 Mar	GOOD FRIDAY	9.15am	Stations of the Cross for Children	НА	
		10.00am	Ash Walk of Witness starting from St	Peter's	
		Noon	Farnham Walk of Witness starting from Hart Car Park		
		3.00pm	The Liturgy of the Lord's Passion	HF	
Sat 30 Mar	HOLY SATURDAY	9.30am	Liturgy of the Hours (Morning Prayer/Readings) then confessions HF		
		7.30pm	Paschal Vigil & First Mass of Easter HF Charlie, Lesley, Sophie & Viva		
Sun 31 Mar	EASTER DAY	9.15am	Easter Day Mass	HF	Missa pro populo
		11.00am	Easter Day Mass	НА	Johnny & Collins family
Mon 1 April – Friday 5 April No		No masses	es as Fr Robin on his Easter Break		
Sat 6 Apr		5.00pm	Confession Available HA		
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	НА	Chris Hehir (RIP)
Sun 7 Apr	2 nd Sunday of Easter	9.15am	Sunday Mass	HF	Missa pro populo
	Divine Mercy	11.00am	Sunday Mass	НА	Johnny & Collins family

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FR ROBIN AND DEACON JOHN WISH ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND VISITORS
A VERY HAPPY AND A HOLY Easter.

And a 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 year.

Easter Collection Although the tradition that the Easter offertory collection is given to the parish priest as a thank you for his ministry does not apply directly at our churches it is of course open to parishioners to make an increased offering at Easter to support their parish church. The general increases in costs across our society is having an impact on our churches. At this time of year we are particularly aware of the generous love of God and one of the ways we can thank Jesus for his sacrificial love is through our giving. (And while as a married priest Fr Robin is renumerated by the parish slightly differently it is still your offertory which provides for this.) The offertory basket will of course be available before and after Mass, but do not forget the Dona machine which will includes a special button for the Easter offering.

For those who wish to do so it of course remains possible to give a personal card or gift to Fr Robin and to Dcn John in thanksgiving for their ministry.

Parish Offertory

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our parishes. We need £3250 month/parish.

Holy Angels February: £2565 (Standing orders £1,300; Cash £827; Dona £438)

Lenten Alms: to support the Contemplative Orders of women in the Diocese

Second Collection for Easter Flowers (at Holy Angels this will include Corpus Christi)

Good Friday

A special collection for the Holy Places of the Holy Land

Thank you for your generosity

Holy Week

This year it is the turn of Holy Family to host the celebrations for the three most holy days of the Christian year. Please can those able to walk to church for the Triduum do so to leave the car park free for those who need to drive to the services.

There are leaflets about our celebrations available.

We also need people to sign up to help with Footwashing and the Watch on Maundy Thursday, as well as help with Singing, Reading and Serving.

Holy Angels AGM - April 28 12.30pm

We will report back on the finances and share where we are with the plan to create a new parish and early indications of what this means for our community.

<u>Holy Week Choir rehersal - Monday 7.30pm Holy</u> **Angels** There is lots of extra music for the special services of the Triduum. All welcome **Holy Week Services** - full details of all our Holy Week services re in our Holy Week booklet.

Who is Jesus and why should you be a catholic? Come and See!

After Easter we will begin another cycle of adult exploration of the faith using the sycamore course.

This is the route for Adult Baptism, Adult Confirmation, and reception into the Catholic Church if you are already a baptised Christian.

However the first sessions are a simple invitation to come and see and find out a bit more. If you are curious about the faith, about why we believe in Jesus, or know someone who might like to explore these questions please express your interest by filling in the forms which will shortly be available.

<u>Saturday 13 April St Mary's Rydes Hill</u> Divine Mercy Day of Reflection 1.00 – 4.00pm

Please Write to your MP

MPs will be given the opportunity to vote on lowering the abortion time limit in an historic vote that is expected to take place in the next couple of weeks.

https://righttolife.org.uk/littlefighters?

Cards to sign are still available at the back of each church, and the Bishops are asking all Catholics to support this campaign.

Bishop Richard has written a new Pastoral Plan for the Diocese: 'The Word Who is Life: The Call to Mission'. As society becomes more secular our parishes must be everclearer beacons of light guiding people to Christ. The new Plan highlights how our community of faith can embrace this important time of renewal, forging diocesan parishes into communities of saints and strong, lively, and welcoming schools of discipleship.

The new plan which will be implemented this year will draw existing parishes together into a larger parish - a community of communities. In our case this means that the Deanery of Guildford will become a single parish made up of a number of churches and communities served by a group of priests. There will have to be lots of work done to see how this will be made to work, and will require REAL COMMITTMENT to ensure our existing parishes can flourish in this new structure.

Bp Richard has written to the priests of Guildford Deanery to say that Fr Jonathan will be their moderator when the new community of communities is placed under their care later in the year.

The Pastoral Plan is now available on the diocesan website: www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/pastoral-plan

The Parish Office is currently normally open on Wednesday and Friday Mornings. Please use the normal telephone number (01252 321 422) and parish email address: holyofficesurrey@gmail.com