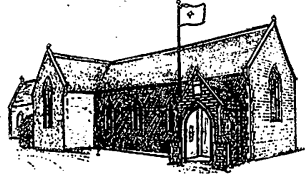
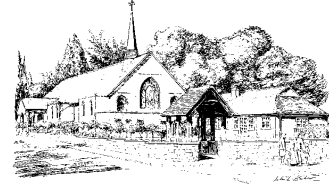


# Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> April 2024



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## SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

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

Sat 6 Apr		5.00pm	Confession Available	HA	
		<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>HA</b>	<i>Chris Hehir (RIP)</i>
<b>Sun 7 Apr</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Sunday Mass</b>	<b>HF</b>	<i>Rachel Ward (RIP)</i>
	<i>Divine Mercy</i>	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Sunday Mass &amp; Holy Baptism</b>	<b>HA</b>	<i>Johnny &amp; Collins family</i>
Mon 8 Apr		No Mass	Fr Robin's Day off		
Tue 9 Apr		9.30am	Mass	HF	<i>Isobel McGuckin (RIP)</i>
Wed 10 Apr		9.30am	Mass	HA	<i>Johnny &amp; Collins family</i>
Thur 11 Apr		<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Adoration (Confession normally available)</b>		
		<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>HF</b>	<i>Vocations to the priesthood</i>
Fri 12 Apr		9.30am	Mass	HA	<i>Johnny &amp; Collins family</i>
Sat 13 Apr		5.00pm	Confession Available	HA	
		<b>5.30pm</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b>	<b>HA</b>	
<b>Sun 14 Apr</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>9.15am</b>	<b>Sunday Mass</b>	<b>HF</b>	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
		<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Sunday Mass</b>	<b>HA</b>	<i>Johnny &amp; Collins family</i>

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### 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)*

*Thank you for your generosity*

### **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.

### **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.

### **Divine Mercy Sunday (2nd Sunday of Easter)**

The Sunday after Easter 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!").

**Saturday 13 April St Mary's Rydes Hill** Divine Mercy Day of Reflection 1.00 – 4.00pm

**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 ever-clearer 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 COMMITMENT 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](http://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/pastoral-plan)

### **Pope Francis has asked that 2024 be a 'Year of Prayer'.**

The *Pilgrims of Prayer* booklet, produced by the Jesuits (and available to [read here](https://www.cbcew.org.uk)), (<https://www.cbcew.org.uk>) introduces exercises that you may find useful in your own prayer life.

There are many exercises for improving our physical health and wellbeing. Ignatius of Loyola wrote what he called the Spiritual Exercises, a variety of ways of praying to develop our spiritual health and wellbeing, our relationship with God and the world.

Just like physical exercise, if we talk about it but don't actually engage in any exercise, our endeavour will not be very fruitful! The *Pilgrims of Prayer* booklet introduces exercises that you may find it useful to practise, with short chapters on the Morning Offering, the act of the presence of God, the four anchor points of prayer, Lectio Divina, imaginative contemplation, the Examen, and praying with art. To find out more [click here](#) and visit the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales' (CBCEW) website.

**Baptism preparation morning Saturday, 13 April at Holy Family Church. (10.15 for a 10.30 start until noon) Application forms must be submitted and a place booked on the course before attending. It is expected that you are attending church with your child so that you can fulfil the promises you make at baptism.**

### 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.

**Churches Together Afternoon TEA: SUNDAY 14TH APRIL 2024 FROM 2.30 - 4PM at HOLY ANGELS** and we look forward to seeing lots of our usual friends but of course new faces will be more than welcome.

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](mailto:holyofficesurrey@gmail.com)

Mass intentions for our loved ones can be booked via the parish office.