

Catholic Parish of St Edmund, King and Martyr, Godalming

with St Joseph's, Milford

Through the love of the Father, Son and Spirit, our Parish will grow as the Body of Christ in Godalming.

Twenty-First and Twenty-Second Sundays in Ordinary Time 23rd & 30th August 2020

What is it to be the Christ, and what is it to follow Him? At the time of Jesus there was a popular hope and expectation that the anointed one of God would come in power and might, overthrow the Roman occupation and restore the glory of Israel. We see how forceful this idea was in the response of the crown on his entry into Jerusalem. Jesus did not want to get drawn into this idea of how salvation would work. He knew that the brokenness of the world was too deep to be fixed by a work of human power and might. It required a different strategy, relying on what C.S. Lewis would describe as a deeper magic.

If the truth about Jesus is revealed in the mystery of the Cross then it is also in the Cross that the disciple comes closest to Jesus. In Jesus God expresses his *com*-passion (suffering with) for the poor and broken hearted. He humbles himself and shares their state before he brings them with him into glory. If we seek him whom we cry for all the day long then it is to those places that we must travel, for he is to be found with those who grieve, those who are anxious, those who are exhausted, those who struggle for holiness in complicated lives, those who are sick, those who live in the darkness of depression or despair. We are able to go there with our brothers and sisters because the Father has given us a glimpse of what he is really doing in Jesus and in the Cross: fixing a deeply broken world and bringing it to share in his glory.

Responses for Mass (21st Sunday in Ordinary Time)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

PSALM RESPONSE: Your love, O Lord, is eternal: discard not the work of your hands.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, says the Lord, and I will raise him up on the last day.

Responses for Mass (22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

PSALM RESPONSE: For you my soul is thirsting, O Lord my God.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

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From Sunday 6th September

- Sunday Masses at 9.00am (St John's, Farncombe), 10.30am (St Joseph's). Mass on Saturday continues at 10.00am and 6.00pm.
- Parish Angelus online at noon, with one of the Sunday readings, some bidding prayers, a chance to catch up with 'prosecco & prayer'.
- Seating at St Joseph's will probably move to every other bench, so distanced at 1.5m (with mitigation), providing some additional safe capacity.

August Bank Holiday Weekend. Fr David Murphy from Haslemere will celebrate Mass at 6.00pm on Saturday and noon on Sunday. Deacon Jeremy will preside at a Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion at 9.00am on Sunday at St John's.

Fr Jonathan will be on leave from 23rd August to 4th September. In case of emergency he can be contacted through the parish office. Deacon Jeremy will be available through this time to provide any pastoral support that may be needed and to lead a few Liturgies of the Word and Holy Communion.

Blessing of Students and Teachers will take place at all Masses on 5th & 6th September. There are many in our parish who work or learn in our schools, colleges and universities. The first weekend in September will be an opportunity for us to celebrate their work and to ask God's blessing on them for the year ahead. If you are a teacher, teaching assistant, tutor or lecturer please let the parish office know if you would like to come to Mass that weekend so that we can ensure you are included.

Ride & Stride 12th September 2020.Sponsored Ride and Walk around and in aid of Surrey Churches (including ours). For details contact Ian honeysett@btinternet.com or see the parish Facebook page.

First Holy Communion 2020 We look forward to welcoming many of the children of the parish to the table of the Lord on 20th and 27th September.

Coming up...

Alpha Online We are looking at running Alpha online in the near future. If you think you might be able to help others find the gift of new life through Alpha there are some excellent training sessions coming up on 3rd, 10th & 17th September being run for Divine Renovation UK by Alpha – Catholic Context UK. Please contact Sarah in the parish office for details of how to join and/or with your offer of help.

Season of Creation is becoming a regular part of September and we will join with this in a Novena at the end of the month.

Sycamore There has been some interest in this series introducing our Catholic Christian faith and we are looking at offering it online in the parish https://www.sycamore.fm.

Parish Quiz 10th October Its time that we looked to do something social in the parish, even if we have to do it online. We will use Zoom which will allow teams to work together without others listening in on their ideas! So make a date and have a think about a getting a team together. Registration details to follow next month.

Update on Buildings Printed copies are available at the back of church. Feedback on this is still welcome. Fr Jonathan will report on comments received and possible next steps after his return in September.

Parish Pastoral Plan Fr Jonathan also wrote recently about a Parish Pastoral Plan to help and guide us as we resume parish life. Please do make some time to read the draft: you can pick up a copy at church, or download from: https://tinyurl.com/y7eftwp6

Lectio Divina This is a special and fruitful way of praying with the Scriptures and takes place online every **Wednesday 7.30pm – 8.30pm**. For the next two weeks it will take place on Zoom ID: 675 642 0231 (Pass: 2ZMMRZ) and *start promptly* at 7:35pm.

First Holy Communion 2021 Registration for this is now open. The form can be found on the website at https://stedsgod.com/fhc.

Confirmation Preparation for 2021 will begin in the New Year.

Weekend Masses It is a great joy each week to welcome people to Mass.

- We are using a booking system for weekend Masses, using an online form: https://tinyurl.com/y3eaoz47. You only need fill out the form once as we will use the information you provide to help us allocate places for the coming weeks. You can also email or phone the parish office with your preferences.
- **Face coverings** should be worn in Church unless exempt (such as children under 11). Please remember to remove and replace them using the ear loops.
- We will clean the church after each use and continue to observe social distancing (2m at St Edmund's and a little less at St Joseph's).
- There is a basket for the Collection at the entrance. Thank you for your financial support for the parish.
- The Sunday obligation continues to be dispensed. Please do not feel guilty if you aren't ready to come back just yet.

Churches will re-open for private prayer in September.

Ladywell Convent are recruiting for a (paid) companion-type role for Sisters in the La Verna Care Home. Contact recruitment@ladywell.org.uk for details. Closing date: Monday 31st August.

Streaming from Guildford Parish

<u>https://www.cpg.church</u> They also have a lot of resources for adults and families.

August Art Competition A bit of holiday fun for our younger parishioners with a weekly painting and drawing competition based on the miracles of Jesus. The miracle for this last week is Jesus healing the paralysed man (Matt 9:1-8.) Entries will be posted on our website; please email them to: honeysett@btinternet.com

Remembering Pilgrimages Throughout August we are remembering past pilgrimages (and maybe looking forward to new ones) on the parish Facebook page; this final week we are focussing on pilgrimages to others places.

Sources of Practical Support

LOAF (Love One Another Fellowship)

If you would like help from our team of parish volunteers do not hesitate to call the help line number (07593 121430) or send a message via the parish email or Fr Jonathan.

The **SVP** are also able to help: 07990 717067

Godalming Food Bank is still providing vital support to many. For latest update and details, including new collection points see: http://www.parishofgodalming.org.uk/our-church-of-st-marks/food-bank/

Some **Food Vouchers** are available from the Diocese for those in need. Please speak to Fr Jonathan or Sarah in the parish office.

Parish Welfare Fund aims to support those who are struggling at this time to afford basic necessities. If you need a bit of help or know someone who does please don't hesitate to contact Fr Jonathan, in confidence.

Please remember in your prayers

All those affected by the **Coronavirus** and its impact on our lives and on the economy.

The Holy Father's Intentions for August:

The Maritime World: We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

The sick and those who care for them including - Cliff Hutchinson, Alan Berry, Nicolle Ernould, Gerry Newell, Ruth de Stefani, Josie Whittle, Barbara Brightman, Nuala Gallagher, Maria Chacaltana, Ann Lloyd, Anita van Rheenan, Jean Humphrey, Maura Goodfellow, George Gelder, Jean Tyrell, Pat Wilson and Rudolf Dorrepaal, and those in our hospitals and care homes.

The faithful departed, and in particular for Edward Ball, Anna Saweczko, Maddalene Mahoney, Joseph Lydon, Vittorio Del Giudice, Kathleen Young, Veronique Bauthier, Lydia Del Giudice, Helen O'Kelly, Mara Monen, John Pritchard, Bill Wheeler, Bill Stammers, Bridget Street, Keith Farringdon, Edmund Smith, Liselotte Zillekens, Cyril Castelino, Wasyl Kostiouk, Wyn Gibb, Colin Webber and Brian Cooke whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Schedule of Services for 21st Week of Ordinary Time (Year A)

Saturday 22nd August	10.00am Mass (St Joseph's)
The Queenship of the	6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)
Blessed Virgin Mary	
Sunday 23rd	9.00am Mass (St John's, Farncombe) – People of the parish
21st Sunday in	10.30am Liturgy of the Word online
Ordinary Time	12.00pm Mass (St Joseph's) – Peter Kelly RIP
Monday 24th August	No services today
St Bartholomew	
Tuesday 25th August	No services today
	Mass in Bramley at 10:00am
Wednesday 26th	9.30am Lit. of the Word & Holy Communion (St Joseph's)
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August	7.30pm Lectio Divina online (Zoom)
Thursday 27th August	9.30am Lit. of the Word & Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
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Thursday 27th August St Monica Friday 28th August St Augustine	9.30am Lit. of the Word & Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
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Thursday 27th August St Monica Friday 28th August St Augustine Saturday 29th August Passion of John the Baptist	9.30am Lit. of the Word & Holy Communion (St Edmund's) No services today 6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)

Divine Office Psalter Week 1: Weekday Readings Year II.

For details of how to book a place at weekend Mass: please visit https://stedsgod.com/Coronavirus

Online activities are held on GoToMeeting 450-922-301 www.stedsgod.com

Schedule of Services for 22nd Week of Ordinary Time (Year A)

Saturday 29th August	
Passion of John the	6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)
Baptist	
Sunday 30th	9.00am Lit. of the Word & Holy Communion (St John's)
22nd Sunday in	
Ordinary Time	12.00pm Mass (St Joseph's)
Monday 31st August	No services today
Tuesday 1st	No services today
September	Mass in Bramley at 10:00am
Wednesday 2nd	9.30am Lit. of the Word & Holy Communion (St Joseph's)
September	7.30pm Lectio Divina online (Zoom)
Thursday 3rd	9.30am Lit. of the Word & Holy Communion (St Edmund's)
St Gregory the Great	
Friday 4th September	7.00am Stations of the Cross (Wintershall)
	(contact <u>admin@wintershall.org.uk</u> to book)
Saturday 5th	10.00am Mass (St Joseph's)
September	6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)
Sunday 6th September	9.00am Mass (St John's, Farncombe) – People of the parish
23rd Sunday in	10.30am Mass (St Joseph's)
Ordinary Time	12.00pm Angelus online
	1.00pm Baptism (St Joseph's)
	4:00pm – 5:00pm St Edmund's open for prayer

Divine Office Psalter Week 2: Weekday Readings Year II.

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