



# **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  
and as a sign lifted up for the peoples*

## **Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 27th June 2021**

*Death was not God's doing, he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.*

It is around the time that the Book of Wisdom was written that God's people first started to really understand that death was not annihilation or desolation, but that God's plan was always for life – even if what this might mean was still hard to grasp.

Christ is the Lord of life and the author of life and wants to communicate life to us. His own death, in which we share through Baptism, transforms our own death so that it is not a doorway to nothingness but a passage to life in all its fullness. In speaking of death, the New Testament follows the language of Jesus from today's Gospel – of being asleep and awakened by Christ.

In his letter on Christian hope, Pope Benedict offers this reflection on the classical rite of infant baptism. 'First of all, the priest asked what name the parents had chosen for the child, and then he continued with the question: "What do you ask of the Church?" Answer: "Faith". "And what does faith give you?" "Eternal life". According to this dialogue, the parents were seeking access to the faith for their child, communion with believers, because they saw in faith the key to "eternal life". Today as in the past, this is what being baptized, becoming Christians, is all about: it is not just an act of socialization within the community, not simply a welcome into the Church. The parents expect more for the one to be baptized: they expect that faith, which includes the corporeal nature of the Church and her sacraments, will give life to their child—eternal life. Faith is the substance of hope. But then the question arises: do we really want this—to live eternally? Perhaps many people reject the faith today simply because they do not find the prospect of eternal life attractive. What they desire is not eternal life at all, but this present life, for which faith in eternal life seems something of an impediment.'

To really desire eternal life requires faith on our part. What God has prepared for those who love him is beyond what eye has seen, ear heard, or the human heart conceived. Since it is so far beyond us, we need to look for it through the eyes of faith and receive it as Good News upon which we can make the solid foundation of our lives.

### **Mass Responses for Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: All peoples, clap your hands. Cry to God with shouts of joy!

PSALM RESPONSE: I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life; you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.

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**The Solemnity of St Peter and St Paul** is on Tuesday and a Holyday of obligation. There will be a 7.00pm Vigil Mass at St Edmund's on Monday evening and 11.00am Mass at St Joseph's on Tuesday. Please book these on Eventbrite.

**Eventbrite** We are still using this to book places for Mass and certain other events while we need to socially distance. This link will take you directly to the parish page: <https://tinyurl.com/7vnxztc4>

The latest COVID guidelines mean that you can choose to sit as a group of 6, without social distancing, should you wish. To do so please book as a single group.

**St Edmund's church is open daily** from 10am to 5pm for private prayer.

**Sycamore** continues on Tuesday evenings on Zoom (<https://tinyurl.com/3538xar4>) from 8-9.30 pm. Anyone is welcome to join, even if you've missed the previous sessions. The next sessions are: Finding True Freedom (29<sup>th</sup>), and The Meaning of Love (6/7). To find out more: [Honeysett@btinternet.com](mailto:Honeysett@btinternet.com)

**Lectio Divina** will take a break during July and August but please join us for the final session on June 30<sup>th</sup> as we pray together with the readings for the coming Sunday. Online on parish Zoom, 7.30-8.30pm.

**Bumps and Babes** are having a "meet up" at 10.30am on Monday in Broadwater Park. All young families are welcome. Contact Janet on 01252 702156 / 07503 732 593.

**First Holy Communion 2021/22** There will be a meeting at St Edmund's Church at 7.30pm on **1st July** for parents who would like to prepare their children for the Sacraments of Penance and Eucharist in the coming year (First Holy Communion). Please register for this on Eventbrite.

**Prayers for our youth and young families** This weekend our First Holy Communion children meet for preparation, before the FHC celebration Masses on 11<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> July; there are two baptisms on Sunday, and next weekend our Confirmation group members meet for their fourth session. May they all be blessed and see the hope that the Lord's call has for them in their lives.

### **Colour and Shape has a new website**

This is a wonderful weekly online liturgy for families to use at home to reflect on Sunday's Gospel [www.colourandshapeonline.com](http://www.colourandshapeonline.com)

**Feedback from /liveSimply meeting last week with Jeremy Hunt, MP** In response to the 'Parliament in Your Parish' initiative, Jeremy Hunt, local MP for South-West Surrey said: "I am very grateful for the invitation to join this meeting and found it useful and very insightful. Recently I have made no secret of my strong belief about the need to maintain our commitment to aid at 0.7% and will continue to press hard for us to live up to our international obligations."

**Supporting Godalming foodbank** During the school holidays families will need extra support to replace school dinners, and the foodbank needs products for lunchtime sandwiches and snacks such as: packets of crisps, small drink cartons, tins of ham, fish, beans, meatballs, hot dogs, pepperoni sticks, biscuits eg Penguin, Club. There will be boxes for donations at each Mass centre from 19<sup>th</sup> June – 11<sup>th</sup> July. Money contributions are also welcome; please make cheques payable to St Mark's Community Centre.

**The Cellar Camino Café has reopened** in its new venue beside Waverley Borough Council offices and opposite Waitrose. It's as friendly and welcoming as ever, offering a wide range of affordable hot and cold drinks and home-made food. All are welcome. Opening times: Mon, Weds, Thurs 9.30-4.30; Tues 10-4.30, Friday 9.30-2.30 and Sat 11-3.

**Walking the Parables of Jesus at Wintershall** Late availability for Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup>; and Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10am, and 2pm. To book email: [admin@wintershall.org.uk](mailto:admin@wintershall.org.uk)

**Walking the Stations of the Cross at Wintershall** 7 am on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, led by Ashley Herman, the director of the Wintershall plays. Free to all and all welcome.

**Burkina Faso** Please pray for the safety of Fr Lambert and our friends in Burkina Faso and for a peaceful solution, following the recent attacks. To support Fr Lambert and the increasing number of displaced people in Burkina Faso visit [www.les-amis-bf.org.uk](http://www.les-amis-bf.org.uk), or contact Gillie Nicholls on 01483 208432.

## **Pilgrimage of Reparation and**

**Consecration** on Saturday 17th July at Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, West Grinstead, RH13 8LT, starting with Mass with Canon Tim Madeley at 12 noon followed by personal consecration to Our Lady. The day includes the Rosary, Adoration, Benediction, and opportunities for Confession. Contact: jaynelock1@gmail.com or 07816 422851.

**Worth Abbey Online Day Retreats** 'Julian of Norwich', led by Fr David Jarmy OSB, on 17th July and 'Desert Wisdom: the power of thoughts' led by David Clayton and Michael Woodward, 24th July. For further information [www.worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats](http://www.worth.co.uk/retreats/online-retreats)

## **House of Prayer Open Day on 24<sup>th</sup> July**

This retreat centre in East Molesley is opening its doors and garden to anyone who would like to call in and find out what they offer on 24<sup>th</sup> July. Tours are available and refreshments provided, 12-4 pm. No booking necessary. <https://www.christian-retreat.org/>

## **Admin Assistant for Guildford Parish**

Part-time position (20 hours/week) to work within the Children, Youth and Families team on 1-year fixed-term contract. Apply by 12/7. More information: [www.CPG.church/jobs](http://www.CPG.church/jobs)

**Why not study for the CCRS?** The next course leading to the 'Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies' starts in our diocese this September. The course is designed for teachers in Catholic schools, catechists and anyone who wants to grow in understanding as they live their Catholic faith. The CCRS offers a very flexible and accessible way of learning and is made up of eight modules of 10 hours of course time, plus an assignment. For more information or to register your place please contact [jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk)

**BeCome** is a new initiative for young adults (age 18-35) in the diocese looking to deepen their faith and make like-minded friends. The group will meet once a fortnight, on alternate Mondays, starting at 7pm on Zoom. To find out more please get in touch with Lizzie: [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk)

## **St Edmund's PSA Summer Fair cancelled**

Due to the current situation this event, planned for 3<sup>rd</sup> July, will not now go ahead.

**Financial support for the parish** Thank you to those who support the parish by regular giving. Donations to the parish by bank transfer can be made to 'RCD AB Godalming' sort code 40-05-20, account number 41077481. To arrange a standing order/sign up for Gift Aid, please contact Eileen by email: [eileen.hudson@gmail.com](mailto:eileen.hudson@gmail.com)

## **Some sources of practical support**

### **LOAF (Love One Another Fellowship)**

This team of parish volunteers offers practical help. The helpline number is 07593 121430.

**SVP** members offer regular visits, friendship and practical support to those in need. The helpline number is 07990 717067.

**Godalming Food Bank** provides vital support. No referral required. 01483 418741.

**Parish Welfare Fund** If you need a bit of help or know someone who is struggling please contact Fr Jonathan, in confidence.

## **Please remember in your prayers**

All those affected by the Coronavirus and its impact on people around the world.

## **The Holy Father's Intention for June:**

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

## **The sick and those who care for them**

including – Elizabeth Coombs, Andrew Herrington, Helena Burger, Audrey Hockey, Margaret Szalajda, Anne Stephens, Warren McMillan, Margarita Crawford, Irene Grant, Lizzie Laverty, Margaret Silvester, Nancy Drapper, Betty Matthews, 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, those in our hospitals and care homes and those who carry their illnesses privately.

**The faithful departed**, in particular Monique Sloan who died recently and Ronald Voller, Dorothy Leonard, Elizabeth Bowles, Duncan Cosgrove, Victor Birbeck, Mary Williamson, Denise Cockburn, Edmund Szalada, Joan Matthews, Peter Barnard, Richard Doyle-Davidson, Kathleen Lewis, Matthew Brown, Bill Davey and Jan Bilewicz whose anniversaries occur at this time.

**Schedule of Liturgies**  
**Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**27th June 2021**

<b>Saturday 26th June</b>	<b>10.00am Mass (St Joseph's)†</b> – <i>Tony Strudwick RIP</i> 12.30pm (St Joseph's) First Holy Communion Mass <b>6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)†*</b> – <i>Neil Marshall RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 27th June</b> 13TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	<b>9.00am Mass (St John's)†</b> – <i>People of the Parish</i> <b>10.30am Mass (St Joseph's)†</b> – <i>Robert Gilmour RIP</i> Baptisms (St Joseph's 12.00pm & 12.50pm)
<b>Monday 28th June</b> Saint Irenaeus	<b>7.00pm Vigil Mass for SS Peter &amp; Paul (St Edmund's)†</b> – <i>Frank &amp; Matthew Brown RIP</i>
<b>Tuesday 29th June</b> SS PETER & PAUL	<b>11.00am Mass (St Joseph's)†</b> – <i>People of the Parish</i>
<b>Wednesday 30th June</b>	<b>9.30am Mass (St Joseph's)</b> – <i>Maureen McGirr RIP</i> <b>7.30pm-8.30pm Lectio Divina online</b> Zoom: 846 7892 5944 / 2021
<b>Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> July</b> CONSECRATION OF ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL	<b>9.30am Mass (St Edmund's)</b> – <i>Christendath Ragoonanan RIP</i>
<b>Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	<i>Mass in Haslemere at 10.00am</i>
<b>Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	<b>10.00am Mass (St Joseph's)†</b> – <i>Alexander Moore RIP</i> <b>6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)†*</b>
<b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July</b> 14TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	<b>9.00am Mass (St John's)†</b> – <i>People of the Parish</i> <b>10.30am Mass with Baptism (St Joseph's)†</b> – <i>Frank &amp; Matthew Brown RIP</i> 12.15pm Baptism (St Edmund's)

Sunday Year B. Weekday Cycle I. Psalter Week 2.

†**Booking Essential** – available places on Eventbrite (<https://tinyurl.com/7vnxztc4>)

\***Livestreamed on YouTube** – <https://tinyurl.com/ya47rkkw>

**St Edmund's Church is open each day, usually from 10am to 5pm**

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