



# 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*

## **The Most Holy Trinity – 12th June 2022**

*Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the living God,  
who, by the will of the Father and the work of the Holy Spirit,  
through your death gave life to the world,  
free by this, your most holy body and blood from all my sins and from every evil,  
keep me always faithful to your commandments  
and never let me be parted from you.*

This is the ninth century prayer which the priest says quietly after the Lamb of God at Mass. I thought I would share it with you this Sunday as starting point for this reflection on the Trinity.

The prayer reminds us that the mystery of the Holy Trinity is *dynamic* not *static*. There is an understanding of God, particularly popular in the eighteenth century, known as "deism", in which God created the world, left us to it, and when we die will punish the wicked and reward the just. It's easy to see how, especially when we are struggling and our vision is clouded, it might feel like that – that God is remote and uncaring. And so Jesus and the Scriptures reveal to us that God, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, are rather a communion of persons who continually work together so that we might have life.

The first reading this Sunday offers a rather lovely image of Wisdom (God) delighting at play in his creation and among his people. One of the warming experiences of emerging from lockdown was hearing children back in the playground, at first in small numbers and finally this year in full force. Those who write about the importance of play speak of its role in enabling us to imagine "alternative possible futures". Play enables us to be – even if only for a short while – other than we are in our usual roles. It is a necessary part of our growth in virtue and remains so even when we are adults.

If you pay attention to the structure of most of the prayers of the Mass (and especially the Eucharistic Prayer) you will see that they are directed *to* the Father, *through* the Son, *in the unity* of the Holy Spirit. Indeed, we might like to think about the liturgy as an arena of divine play, in which we enter into alternative possible realities and are supported in our growth and change. (Yes, it has certain structures and forms and might not feel like play until we become familiar with it, but so do dance, music, comedy and even childrens' games.)

### **Mass Responses for The Most Holy Trinity**

PSALM RESPONSE: How great is your name, O Lord our God, through all the earth!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; to the God who is, who was, and who is to come. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.

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**Corpus Christi – Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June** We look forward to celebrating this Feast with a whole-parish **Outdoor Mass at 10.30am at Ladywell Convent**, with an opportunity to stay afterwards for a picnic lunch. Please note there is no 8.45am Mass. It will help planning if you can let us know you are coming via the website or the sheets at the back of church. There will be Children's Liturgy at the Mass.

If you are able to help with setting up and clearing away it would be much appreciated – please let us know and arrive at 9am.

**Pizza and Prayer** Fr Jonathan invites young people from Year 9+ to join him at 6.30pm on 19th for pizza and prayer. Meet at Holloway Hill Recreation Ground and pick up from St Edmund's at 8pm. Please let him know if you are coming!

**Corpus Christi at Arundel Cathedral** The magnificent carpet of flowers is on display this Wednesday and Thursday at Arundel Cathedral, concluding with Solemn Mass and Procession to the Castle with the still more marvellous Blessed Sacrament at 5.30pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Feast of SS Peter and Paul – 29th June**

\*Vigil Mass Tuesday 7.30pm at St Edmund's, with adjournment for a pint after.

\*Mass Wednesday 10.00am at St Joseph's with coffee and cake at Squires after. (Please let us know if you are coming for coffee)

\*Mass Wednesday 2.00pm at St Edmund's School. Parents and parishioners welcome.

**First Holy Communion 2023** There will be a meeting for parents wishing to prepare their children for First Holy Communion in 2022/23 at 7.30pm in St Edmund's Church on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July. Please register for this via the website (See Calendar or First Holy Communion page).

**Hymn Books** To support music at the 6pm and 8.45am Masses we would like to buy enough copies of *Laudate* for the regular congregation. We feel that this is something that people may wish to make a special contribute to and this can be done in cash or using the contactless machines. The cost is £6 per hymn book.

**Fr Michael's Diamond Jubilee** It was wonderful to see a good crowd at Arundel on Thursday. Fr Michael's Jubilee is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June and a few will be going down that day to present him with a card and cake from the parish. You can sign the card for him after Mass this weekend and next.

If you would like to write to him directly his address is: St Joseph's Nursing Home, 41 East St, Littlehampton BN17 6AU. Tel 01903 711325 and ask to speak to Fr Michael.

**Baptism preparation** The next course starts on 19<sup>th</sup> June. If you would like to have your child baptised, please get in touch with Fr Jonathan as soon as possible.

**Thanksgiving Mass and Reception for the life of Hilary Grey** at 2.30 pm on 25th June at The Old Farmhouse, Elstead, GU8 6DB. If you would like to attend please let Richard know either by phone: 01252 702230 or by email: [rcegrey@aol.com](mailto:rcegrey@aol.com)

### **Wintershall Life of Christ 21-25 June**

This is James Burke-Dunsmore's last time playing the role of Jesus and is not to be missed. <https://www.wintershall.org.uk>

### **World Meeting of Families 2022**

Pope Francis says that 'the family is the place where we learn to live with one another, to live with young people and with those who are older. And by being united in our differences - young people, the elderly, adults, children - we evangelize with our example of life'. As we draw closer to the celebrations at the 10th World Meeting of Families we are asked to pray for Christian families around the world, that they may embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives. More info at: [www.romefamily2022.com](http://www.romefamily2022.com) We have some prayer cards that will go out at Mass and through St Edmund's School.

**Understanding Autism** This 'life issue' session is on Saturday 25th June, 10-12 noon at Godalming Baptist Church, led by Suzette Jones. For more information: Sally Pollard on G. 428646 or E: [pollard3@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:pollard3@hotmail.co.uk)

### **A Day with Mary at Arundel Cathedral**

This annual event takes place on 9th July [www adaywithmary.org](http://www adaywithmary.org)

**The Gift of Being You!** Online webinar with Fleur Dorrell explores Bible heroines and reflects on our faith, role, and talents as Catholic women. 25th June, 11am-12.30pm on Zoom. Contact Sue Petritz: [nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:nbcw@abdiocese.org.uk)

**Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS)** This course, which is for anyone interested in finding out more about their faith, begins again in the Diocese in the Autumn. For more information, contact the Jon Harman E: [jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk)

**Trinity Trust Team** would love to hear from anyone who has the experience and passion for youth ministry; and can be flexible re hours. E: [andytrinitytrustteam@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:andytrinitytrustteam@hotmail.co.uk)

**Cheese and Wine for teachers and lecturers** Fr Jonathan would like to invite teachers or lecturers in our parish to a gathering at the presbytery over cheese and wine on **22<sup>nd</sup> September at 7pm.**

**CAFOD's Fix the Food System Campaign** Our food system is broken; we produce way more than we to feed everyone, yet 800 million people go hungry. Can you help CAFOD to fix the food system? To find out more, please join Jo for coffee after 8.45am Mass on 3rd July when she will explain more about how to support this campaign.

**Donations to the Godalming & Villages Community Store (Farncombe)** are asking for: sugar; granola; chicken/meat stock cubes; biscuits; almond & oat long-life milk; mayonnaise; noodles; tins fruit, and more. The school holidays are approaching, and can be a difficult time for families. Please try to add extra items to your shop and leave them at supermarket collection points.

**Fairtrade** We are delighted to announce that we are resuming Fairtrade sales on the first Sunday of the month after 8.45am Mass.

**Ten Steps to Living Simply - Step 10** is: Spread the word about Sustainability!

**Live Simply** and **Link Up Newsletters** The latest editions are available on our website.

**Counters Needed** Can you help with counting the Offertory collections? It takes an hour or so every couple of months. If you can help, please contact Eileen on 01483 208238.

**Church Cleaning at St Joseph's** The cleaning team would welcome some new recruits. They work in pairs and are on the rota to clean approx. every 6 weeks, so it's not an onerous commitment. Please contact Helen McSherry on t: 01483 414513; e: [helenmcsherry@btinternet.com](mailto:helenmcsherry@btinternet.com) if you would like to chat further.

**Parish Finance** Thank you to those who support the parish by their 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, or request envelopes contact Eileen: [ga.godalming@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:ga.godalming@abdiocese.org.uk)

**Some sources of practical support**  
**LOAF (Love One Another Fellowship)** This team of parish volunteers offers practical help. Contact Alan on 01483 420859.

**SVP** members offer regular visits, friendship and practical support to those in need. The helpline number is 07379 108009.

**Godalming Foodbank.** Please contact the SVP or Fr Jonathan if you need a referral.

**Mental Health support** The mental health crisis helpline is 0800 915 4644, open 24/7 for support for adults, children and young people in distress. If you're worried about yourself or a young person, you can be signposted to face-to-face assessment or support e.g. Guildford Safe Haven.

**Please remember in your prayers**

All those affected by COVID and its impact on people around the world. Peace in Ukraine.

**The Holy Father's Intention for June:** We pray with Pope Francis for families throughout the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and grow in holiness in their daily lives.

**The sick and those who care for them** including Ethel Stammers, Eileen Fleming, Frances Muir, Alan Berry, Margarita Crawford, Rudolf Dorrepaal, Nancy Drapper, Nicolle Ernould, Nuala Gallagher, George Gelder, Irene Grant, Audrey Hockey, Cliff Hutchinson, John Lennox, Ann Lloyd, Maria Lopez, Betty Matthews, Gerry Newell, Jean Rejniak, Maria Rogers, Margaret Silvester, Anne Stephens, Jean Tyrell, Anita van Rheenan, Josie Whittle, Pat Wilson and those in our hospitals and care homes and those who carry their illnesses privately.

**The faithful departed**, in particular for Francesco Locurto who died recently, and Richard Keen, Michael Standing, Rosa Zapasnik, Catherine Drain, and Margaret Stevens whose anniversaries occur at this time.

## Schedule of Masses & Liturgies

### The Most Holy Trinity Week 11 in Ordinary Time 12th June 2022

<b>Saturday 11th June</b>	<b>6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)</b> – <i>Kevin Murphy RIP</i>
<b>Sunday 12th June</b> MOST HOLY TRINITY	<b>8.45am Mass (St John's)</b> – <i>Monique Sloan RIP</i> <b>10.30am Mass (St Joseph's)</b> – <i>People of the parish</i>
<b>Monday 13th June</b> St Anthony of Padua	<i>10.00am Mass available at St Joseph's Guildford</i>
<b>Tuesday 14th June</b>	<b>9.30am Mass (St Joseph's)</b> – <i>Eugene McClinton RIP</i>
<b>Wednesday 15th June</b>	<b>9.30am Mass (St Joseph's)</b> – <i>Maura Goodfellow RIP</i>
<b>Thursday 16th June</b> St Richard of Chichester	<b>7.30am Mass (St Edmund's)</b> – <i>Private Intention</i>
<b>Friday 17th June</b>	<b>7.30am Mass (St Edmund's)</b> – <i>Fergus Lyons RIP</i>
<b>Saturday 18th June</b>	<b>6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's)</b> – <i>People of the parish</i>
<b>Sunday 19th June</b> THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST	<b>10.30am Outdoor Mass at Ladywell Convent*</b> <i>– Florence Gilmour &amp; Doreen Rogers RIP</i> *Ashtead Lane, Godalming GU7 1ST

Sunday Year C. Weekday Readings Cycle II. Psalter Week 3.

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

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