



Holy Angels, Ash GU12 6LU
www.holyangelsash.org

15th December 2019
 3rd Sunday of Advent p.88



Holy Family, Farnham GU9 0LH
www.holyfamilyfarnham.co.uk

**Confessions: 5.00pm Saturday (HA), after masses on the 1st Sunday of the month, Thursdays (HF) (usually) during adoration.
 [HA= Holy Angels, Ash and HF= Holy Family, Farnham, * masses in the hall]**

Sat 14 Dec	5.30pm	HA	Vigil Mass	
Sun 15 Dec	9.15am	HF	Mass 3rd "Gaudete" Sunday of Advent	
	11.00am	HA	Mass	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
Mon 16 Dec			No Mass	
Tue 17 Dec	9.30am	HF	Mass "O Sapientia"	<i>In Memoriam: Fr Robert Bogan</i>
Wed 18 Dec	9.10am	HA	Rosary	
	9.30am	HA	Mass "O Adonai"	
Thur 19 Dec	6.15pm	HF	Adoration	
	7.30pm	HF	Mass "O Radix Jesse"	
Fri 20 Dec	9.30am	HA	Mass "O Clavis David"	
Sat 21 Dec	5.30pm	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>Vincent Michie (RIP)</i>
Sun 22 Dec	9.15am	HF	Mass 4th Sunday of Advent "O Rex Gentium"	<i>Missa Pro Populo</i>
	11.00am	HA	Mass	<i>Fr Jim Martin (RIP)</i>

Offertory

Holy Angels	
8 December	£294.18
Holy Family	
8 December	£193.00

Mary and Joseph needed!

Would your child like to be Mary or Joseph at the Family First Mass of Christmas on **Christmas Eve at 5pm**? If your child is 8 or under please signup using the sheet at the back of Church. **This is the last week to sign up!** We will soon draw two names for these roles and the children will lay baby Jesus in his crib. Costumes will be provided.

Sycamore Advent Course

All groups will be running this week as normal.

Christmas Confessions

Fr Robin is setting aside a day in each church when he will be available to hear your confessions before Christmas. The dates and times are:-

Holy Family: Thursday 19th December at 10am, 1pm and 6.15pm;

Holy Angels: Friday 20th December at 10am, 1pm and 8.30pm.

Christmas Mass Times at Ash & Heath End

Christmas Eve - Family First Mass of Christmas and Children's Crib service at Holy Family at **5.00pm**

Midnight Mass - Carols from **10:30pm** followed by Mass at Holy Angels

Christmas Day Masses: 9.15am at Holy Family and **11:00am** at Holy Angels

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Karibu Nyumbani Fundraiser

The fundraiser cake sale is this weekend after all the Masses! Remember to bring your cake donations for the stalls and buy plenty of sweet treats to help us raise money for the orphanage.

Farnham Churches Together Christmas Lunch

If you are going to be on your own on Christmas Day you are warmly invited to come and enjoy your Christmas lunch with others at the Memorial Hall Farnham at 1pm. Transport to and from the Memorial Hall Farnham can be arranged. If you would like to reserve a place please contact Michael McDonnell on 01252 712600 or Mariola Boyd 01252 716785 **as soon as possible!**

Evangelizing Catholics 'Book Club'

We are encouraging everyone to read Scott Hahn's 'Evangelizing Catholics' as a good way of engaging with the call for each one of us to engage with the new evangelization.

'The New Evangelization is the work of the whole church - lay, ordained, and consecrated. It's about friends, family, and co-workers reaching out to one another and proclaiming the truth of Christ... it's about simple acts of kindness, simple challenges issued in love, and simple questions asked with sincerity.'

(Evangelizing Catholics p.13)

There will be a 'reading group' meeting at Holy Angels on **Saturday mornings at 10am, on 11 Jan (TBC), 1, 15, & 29 Feb.** Hopefully this will encourage us all to make progress reading through the book whether we can meet together or not. Each meeting will stand alone to look at the relevant chapters as we read through the book, so don't feel inhibited from coming along if you can't meet together each time.

This is the first step towards forming a small mission group, but joining the reading group does not commit you to anything else. If you are interested but have not purchased the book, there are copies of the first couple of chapters available at the back of church to help you get started. It's easy to purchase online or from St Paul's bookshop stpauls.org.uk 0207 828 5582.

CAFOD

Food bank. Please continue to place your items, including toiletries, in the basket provided. The need is especially great as we approach the expense of Christmas.

The Journey to 2030 - Year of the Cockerel

Following on from the Bishop's Pastoral letter we have received a number of magazines from the Diocese giving us more information about what we can do to avoid the worst consequences of the ecological crisis - please pick up a copy in the entrance halls. "The earth, our home, is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth... Many things have to change course, but it is we human beings above all who need to change... *Pope Francis, Laudato Si'*"

"May we all take a lead in following the Holy Father's call and make our Diocese a great example to our wider society in modelling behaviour that cares for our common home" *Bishop Moth, Pastoral Letter, Dec 2019*

Justice and Peace

Brick Fund Winter is the most testing time for those 'sleeping rough'. Project 5 Guildford provides emergency shelter and ongoing support to help the homeless into independent living. Donating to a 'Brick Fund' will assist their clients to meet the initial cost of £1000 approx. needed to acquire independent rented accommodation. We suggest donations of £1 per brick. See board and red box in the church entrance area.

Week of Accompanied Prayer

A Week of Guided Prayer – who's it for? It's for you! And someone who's been there said, "*I think I expected something more 'holy'! As it was, I was able to be me and think and pray about life as I'm experiencing it now.....*" Interested and want to know more? The week starts on **Sunday, 9 February 2020**, in the afternoon, at St Joan of Arc, Farnham, GU9 8DJ. Further details are in the booking forms in your church, or drop an email to stylesarah412@gmail.com **Closing date for applications will be on 6 January 2020, but no one will be turned away**, including those who are housebound. Please tell us if this applies to you or someone you know.

World Day of Prayer

This will be held at Holy Angels on **6th March 2020**, prepared by the women of Zimbabwe. **Do we have anyone from Zimbabwe** who would like to be on the planning team for this Farnham Churches Together event? If so, please contact the Parish Office.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Applications are currently open for places to our school for Reception 2020 and you are warmly invited to apply. Please contact the school office on 01252 350583 or look on the school website stjosephsaldershot.org for details of how to apply.