

# Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter



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*A very warm welcome to this mass. If you are a visitor we'd love you to introduce yourself to us afterwards. Please do take care to follow all the instructions in place for social distancing.*

## FEAST OF THE HOLY ANGELS

27/9/20

### Mass times this week

Sat 26 Sept	5.30 p.m.	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>Joe Crane, deacon (RIP)</i>
Sun 27 Sept	9.15 a.m.	HF	Mass	<i>Benefactors of Holy Angels</i>
	11.00 a.m.	HA	Mass	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
Mon 28 Sept			No Mass	
Tue 29 Sept	9.30 a.m.	HF	Mass	<i>Sts Michael, Gabriel &amp; Raphael Fr. Albert van der Most (RIP)</i>
Wed 30 Sept	9.30 a.m.	HA	Mass	<i>St Jerome</i>
Thur 1 Oct	7.00pm	HF	Adoration	<i>St Therese of Lisieux</i>
	7.30 p.m.	HF	Mass	
Fri 2 Oct	9.30 a.m.	HA	Mass	<i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i>
Sat 3 Oct	5.30 p.m.	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>David Buckley, priest (RIP)</i>
Sun 4 Oct	9.15 a.m.	HF	Mass	
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00 a.m.	HA	Mass	

*All masses both churches will continue to be live streamed.*

## **SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS**

- **The wearing of face masks is now compulsory during public worship. (The same exceptions apply in church as elsewhere for those who can't do this for medical reasons) and 2m distancing is to be maintained - please be careful with this if you see friends at mass. Any catching up is best done outside the church.**
- **There will be welcomers at all masses to help direct you to hand gel, socially distanced seating etc - please allow them their distance**
- **There is a one way system in place in both churches.**
- **No missals will be available in church. You may bring your own missal or follow the readings on your phone on an app like Universalis. Please contact the parish office if you wish help with this.**
- **There will be no congregational singing at mass, sign of the peace, or bidding prayers.**
- **Communion will take place across a table to assure distancing with the communicant standing and no Amen will be said at that point.**
- **All toilets are closed for the time being.**
- **Maximum capacity at Holy Family is 36 in church (depending on bubbles) and 10 overflow in the hall. At Holy Angels 30 in church (depending on bubbles) and 9 overflow in the hall.**
- **Most of our normal liturgical ministries cannot yet resume but as people begin to stop shielding that will be able to change.**

### **Mass attendance**

**It is as safe to come to church as it is to go shopping.**

**We are not yet 'booking' a place at mass.** No one has yet been turned away at a mass because we have reached capacity.

**If you are able to attend a midweek mass instead of a Sunday mass this will also help to reduce pressure on Sunday mass places.**

**It remains very helpful to let the office know each week about your intention to attend mass so that we can monitor numbers.**

## **NOTICES**

### **Test and Trace**

**We are being strongly encouraged to download and use the NHS contact tracing app - QR codes are available on both church doors now. If you cannot use this you will need to provide written attendance information.**

### **Confirmation**

**We intend to run Confirmation classes this year for children aged 13 +.** This Sacrament completes Baptism and the gift of the Holy Spirit is bestowed upon those who freely choose to make a commitment to follow Jesus Christ. Further details will be available in September. Initially meetings are likely to be online. **Please could anyone who is interested in this make contact with Fr Robin through the parish office.**

### **Sacraments**

**Baptisms, weddings, and confessions can take place now, with social distancing measures. In September we will be reviewing how to move forward with our unfinished First Holy Communion and RCIA courses from this year.**

### **Requiescat in Pace**

**Please pray for the repose of the soul of: Michael Holland whose funeral will take place on 9 Oct.**

### **Grandparents Week**

**runs from September 26th to October 3rd.** What can you do to celebrate and support the grandparents in your families?

### **School Form Signing**

If you need a school form signed please sign Fr Robin via the parish office to arrange a time for this.

### **Cardinal Sarah's letter of encouragement to return to the Eucharist.**

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/return-to-the-eucharist/>

“Aware that God never abandons the humanity He has created, and that even the hardest trials can bear fruits of grace, we have accepted our distance from the Lord's altar as a time of Eucharistic fasting, useful for us to rediscover its vital importance, beauty and immeasurable preciousness.” So, “as

soon as is possible...we must return to the Eucharist ... with an increased desire to meet the Lord, to be with Him, to receive Him and to bring Him to our brothers and sisters with the witness of a life full of faith, love and hope.”

## **Pro Life**

**40 days for life** is an international movement to pray for an end to abortion through prayer, fasting, and where locally appropriate community outreach. We are asked to pray until 2nd November.

And **Monday 28th September is the national day for prayer and fasting in the UK** for an end to abortion and euthanasia in this Country. <https://www.facebook.com/events/729857867862331>

Don't ignore the power of prayer both to achieve this change in our society and to support those in difficult life circumstances.

## **12th November at 7.30pm. Bishop Richard is offering a live streamed Deanery Mass for those who have died during this difficult year from St Joseph's Guildford.**

Please provide the name of those you would like remembered at these Masses to your parish priest, who will pass them on to Bishop Richard on your behalf.

## **Offertory**

Like all charities our parish income has dropped very significantly during lockdown. There is an offertory basket at masses, but the best way to support the church at the moment if you are able to is by setting up a standing order. Forms are available at the back of church or can be obtained via the parish office. Alternatively the Diocese has set up a 'Just Giving' page if you prefer to give offertory donations. Just remember to specify that it is to go to Holy Angels Ash or Holy Family Heath End or the money will go directly into the Diocesan coffers. <https://justgiving.com/campaign/parishoffertory>

**Please take this newsletter home as we must not be passing pieces of paper between us at the moment.**