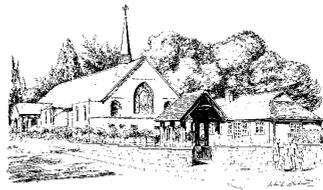
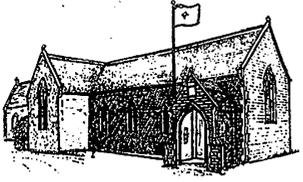


Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter



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www.holyangelsash.org

Holy Family, Farnham GU9 0LH
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1st Sunday in Advent

Masses live-streamed on Youtube at times set out below.

Please follow link <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8u80vqqhk-fsjF9JWcqyLA>

Please note that from 3rd December we assume at time of publishing that we can celebrate Mass together in church. We will email every one on the parish database once we can confirm this. If this happens, opening the church solely for private prayer will cease and we will revert to current rules for social distancing, please see pages 2-3 for what we believe are current guidelines. For those of you who are shielding or otherwise unable to attend mass in person, we will continue to livestream masses.

Sat 28 Nov	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>Rosemary Chapman (RIP)</i>
Sun 29 Nov	10.00 am	HA	Mass	<i>Arthur Higgins (RIP)</i>
	5.00 pm	HA	Adoration	Holy Hour for private prayer
Mon 30 Nov	NO MASS			
Tue 1 Dec	9.30 am	HF	Mass	
Wed 2 Dec	9.30 am	HA	Mass	
Thur 3 Dec	7.00pm	HF	Adoration	St Francis Xavier, Priest
	7.30pm	HF	Mass	
Fri 4 Dec	9.30 am	HA	Mass	<i>Bob Downing (Funeral today)</i>
Sat 5 Dec	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	
Sun 6 Dec	9.15 am	HF	Mass	<i>For the kind people at the Parish of Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Tweentown</i>
2nd Sunday of Advent	11.00 am	HA	Mass	

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MASS

Please note: we are waiting for information from the Government about the levels of restriction we will be face after lockdown, so these rules are subject to change.

- 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 1m+ 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.
- There is no congregational singing, 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 (mainly in bubbles of three) 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.

Track and Trace - please either use the QR code or a sign in slip

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER DURING LOCKDOWN

Fr Robin will open the church at which he celebrates Mass each day for private prayer 30 minutes before he celebrates Mass. The Lord will be exposed on the Altar for Adoration during private prayer.

Fr Robin will celebrate Mass at the church he normally does, as set out in the diary on page 1 of the newsletter, so you can attend your normal church for prayer. The only exception to this is Sunday Mass which can only be celebrated once, and will be at Holy Angels Church.

In addition, each Sunday evening, we will be alternating opening one of the churches for an hour of Adoration and private prayer, see page 1 of the newsletter for details.

Please note that, as public worship is not permitted during lockdown, we would respectfully ask that you vacate the church 10 minutes before Fr Robin celebrates Mass.

All the usual provisions apply if you visit for private prayer, so please remember:-

- The wearing of face masks continues to be compulsory and 1m+ distancing is to be maintained - please be careful with this if you see friends while at church.**
- Please use the hand sanitisers on arrival and departure.**
- Track and trace - please either use the QR code with the NHS contact tracing app, or bring a slip giving your contact details**
- Please place a prayer sheet on your chair when you leave so we can clean the area for others to use.**
- There is a one way system in place in both churches.**
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NOTICES

Parish Advent Group

We will be running an Advent Group online using zoom. This will take place at 8.00pm on Tuesday 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd December and we will be using the CaFE course 'The Joy of Hope'. These will not be long meetings (less than an hour), but will hopefully provide an opportunity for some encouragement and fellowship as we prepare for a very strange celebration of Christmas. If you wish to attend please email the parish office and we will send you a link to join in nearer the time. If you need help with zoom - which you should be able to access with most smart phones even if you do not have a computer - then please again do contact us!

Advent with Bp Richard

Bp Richard is offering a series of Advent talks from Arundel Cathedral. The programme will run for four weeks, on Friday evenings, from **Friday 27th November to Friday 18th December**. Each talk will focus on a different theme - Advent - Waiting; John the Baptist - Witness; Gaudete - Rejoice; and Mary - Openness. **The talks will be live-streamed at 7pm**, please follow this link: <https://abdiocese.org.uk/livestream>

Advent with CAFOD

After a year of uncertainty, we all need the hope, peace and true comfort and joy that the Advent season can offer. CAFOD has a range of resources and virtual events to help us come together online to pray, reflect and celebrate as we prepare for the coming of our Lord. Visit cafod.org.uk/parishes to learn more. We can stretch out our hands to people living in poverty and refugees by donating to CAFOD's Advent Appeal at cafod.org.uk/advent.

CAFOD World Gifts

World Gifts, CAFOD's range of virtual gifts, make a real difference to families living in poverty across the world. While we have the coronavirus pandemic and lockdown here, we can still be good neighbours to our sisters and brothers overseas by giving World Gifts as Christmas presents to family and friends. The Keep Clean Kit gift for £6 and the Vegetable Garden gift for £10 are just two gifts that will help vulnerable families affected by the pandemic to protect and feed themselves. Let's spread joy and hope around the world this Christmas. Visit cafod.org.uk/worldgifts

CAFOD REP

We are grateful to Mike Harte for all his hard work as CAFOD rep, but now that he has stepped down from this role, is there anyone in the Parish who would like to be the new CAFOD rep? If so, please contact the parish office.

Mass Intentions

If you would like a Mass intention, please could you email the office with the details. Please could donations be put in an ordinary envelope with mass stipend noted on the envelope and a note that dates have been given to Cally.

Prayer for the Nation

As part of our desire to stay faithful to daily patterns of prayer, the Bishops of England and Wales are encouraging us to come together every day at 6pm to pray for our nation - to pray privately, to pray together at home, to pray without ceasing.

For more information, please follow this link:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/prayer-for-the-nation/>

Statement on Safeguarding The Bishop's Conference has issued a statement on Safeguarding and we have uploaded this to the websites. Bp Richard has asked us to read this Statement with care and to continue our prayers for all who are Survivors of Abuse, especially those who have suffered as a result of the actions of Clergy, Religious and others working in the name of the Church. He has also asked us to pray for the work that lies ahead and that has been outlined in the Statement. He thanked all those who work in our own Diocese to continue developing a culture of Safeguarding. This endeavour is vital in the life of the Church, for our parish communities must always be places of safety for all.

Offertory

Parish income has dropped very significantly during these difficult times. Please consider giving by standing order, forms available from the parish office. Alternatively, the Diocese has redesigned the online giving option and made it much more user friendly - see <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/donate/> .

There doesn't seem to be a way of giving to special collections at the moment, so if you wish to support these, please put your donation in an earmarked envelope and put in the collection plate when masses resume.

Parish Database

We would love to keep in touch with you all! During lockdown, we will be sending out a weekly email with the Sunday mass sheet

as we did previously. To receive this and other parish wide emails, please make sure you have signed up to be included in our GDPR compliant database. If you are not receiving emails yet, please email the office and we will send you the parish data consent forms for you to complete.

Children's Liturgy

The Diocese has created an online Children's Liturgy via Youtube as we are unable to run children's liturgy during the mass. Do bring your children back to mass as soon as you feel confident to do so - but this is a good supplemental resource to help them get more out of mass each week. Search "Colour and Shape Children's liturgy" in Youtube or go to <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCdJNyn5xOrOB5634uplhcQg>

All Hallows School

Applications for All Hallows Sixth Form College in Farnham open on Friday 20th November 2020 and close on Friday 8th January 2021. Please visit allhallows.net/prospectus-application to view the courses on offer and apply.

St Joseph's

Catholic Primary school, Guildford, warmly welcomes all applications from parents of children who will be of school age in September 2021. If you are applying for your child to attend, please complete the Hampshire Application form on line at www.hants.gov.uk/admissions You will also need to complete a School Supplementary Information Form which is available from the school office or on the school website.

St Polycarp's

Catholic Primary School, Farnham would like to invite the parents of children due to start school in September 2021 to get in contact to find out more about our school. Mrs Best, our Headteacher, is happy to meet you either via video call or for a short tour of the school (out of hours) by appointment – please phone the school office on 01252 716307 or email Mrs Regan at admissions@stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk . Parents are also welcome to view the new 'virtual tour' of the school on our school website: www.stpolycarps.surrey.sch.uk

School Form Signing

If you need a school form signed please contact the parish office to arrange a time for this.

Parish Office

Cally Mead our Parish Secretary is currently working from home.

Her hours are 11am-1pm and 2pm-3pm, Mon-Thurs.

To contact, please email holyofficesurrey@gmail.com or phone 07485 634561 during office hours. If you wish to phone outside these hours, please use 01252 321422.