# Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter 11th December 2022



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### THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Sat 10 Dec		Noon	Confessions		HF			
		5.00pm	Confession Avai	ilable	HA			
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass		HA			
Sun 11 Dec	3rd Sunday of Advent	9.15am	Sunday Mass (F	HC Led)	HF	First Holy Communion Candidates		
	Gaudete Sunday	11.00am	Sunday Mass		HA	Missa pro populo		
		3.00pm	Holy Baptism			Rowan & Penelope Barclay		
Mon 12 Dec		No Mass	Fr Robin's Day of	ff				
Tue 13 Dec	S. Lucy, Virgin	9.30am	Mass	HF	Frank Kane			
Wed 14 Dec	S. John of the Cross	9.30am	Mass		HA			
Thur 15 Dec		6.30pm	Adoration (w/ Confession)		HF			
		7.30pm	Mass		HF			
Fri 16 Dec		9.30am	Mass	HA				
Sat 17 Dec	O Sapienta	Noon	Confessions		HA			
		5.00pm	Confession Available		HA			
		5.30pm	Vigil Mass		HA			
Sun 18 Dec	4th Sunday of Advent	9.15am	Sunday Mass (F	HC Led)	HF	First Holy Communion		
	O Adonai	11.00am	Sunday Mass		HA	Missa pro populo		
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#### Ash Churches Together Advent Services

An opportunity to gather with our local brothers and sisters in Christ to prepare together for Christmas 7.00pm

| Tue 13th Dec | St Peters (Centre) Ash Church Road | Love | Christmas Adverts     |
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| Mon 19th Dec | St Pauls Church, Tongham           | Joy  | Advent Songs & prayer |

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### **Offertory Collection**

Because of the move away from cash the offertory collection at Holy Angels and Holy Family Churches is taken at the door rather than passing the plate around.

Both churches have the opportunity for cashless giving and cash and we thank you for your generosity. It is your donations which pay for our churches. Please contact the office for information about standing orders, often the best way to manage your giving to the church.

# Second Collection

Christmas Flowers

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Step by Step offers accommodation and specialist support to 367 young people each night. By donating to our Open Doors appeal, you can help support vulnerable young people over the festive period and beyond. Just £33 could cover the cost of accommodating a young person for one night. To donate to this appeal, please visit www.stepbystep.org.uk . Together, we can open doors for young people with nowhere else to turn. Advent Group - Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother. Make a visit to the Holy Land, and walk with the young virgin of Nazareth to the Birth of Jesus. As she makes a profound journey of faith she can inspire us in our own walk with God as disciples of her son.

After Wednesday morning mass, 10am at Holy Angels 14 Dec, 21 Dec

Tuesday Evenings 7.30pm (& a Wednesday!) Tue 13 Dec, Tue 20 Dec

The evening session will be on zoom, with the link sent to everyone on the church membership database, and available from the parish office. *holyofficesurrey@gmail.com* 

# Christmas Service Times at Ash & Heath End

Sat 10 Dec HF Noon Reconciliation and Adoration at Holy Family

Friday 16th December Carol Service Holy Family 6.30pm with mince pies and mulled wine.

Sat 17 Dec HA Noon Reconciliation and Adoration at Holy Angels

Friday 23 December International Carol Service Holy Angels 4.00pm An opportunity to sing carols in English and in some of the different languages represented in our churches.

### **Christmas Eve**

Sat 24 Dec HF HA 5pm Family Mass & Crib blessing 10.30pm Carols and Readings: at 11.00pm Midnight Mass begins. Christmas Day

Sat 25 Dec HF9.15amMass of Christmas DayHA11.00amMass of Christmas Day

Bishop Richard has published a new Pastoral Plan for the Diocese, The Word Who Is Life, 2022. You can read and download the new Plan on the diocesan website. https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/pastoral-plan

As the weather turns colder don't forget that there is an opportunity for warmth, conversation and coffee in the week after our Tuesday and Wednesday morning masses.

**Infant Baptism** - our next preparation evening is on 11 Jan. Forms and information are available from the back of both churches.

Throughout the whole day on Saturday 17th December, all are invited to Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the Sacrament of Confession available at St Joseph's in Guildford 8am till 4.30pm.



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

You will, I am sure, recall the work in which many of you were involved earlier in the year, answering Pope Francis' call to respond to the Synod questions. Our response, collated with the other Dioceses, formed the submission from England and Wales to the Synod office in Rome.

The process of the Synod has recently been adjusted, not only with an extension into 2024, but also to include an additional opportunity to review, at a local level, a document that has been written by a group reflecting on the submissions from across the world. This expansion and extension of the process is a positive sign of the overwhelming response to the call, driven by the Holy Spirit.

I would like to invite you all to read and reflect on this paper called the '<u>Working Document for the Continental Stage</u>' and consider the three questions that are posed towards the end of Section 4. These questions can be reflected on and answered <u>online</u>.

The title of the document is taken from Isaiah 54, 'Enlarge the space of your tent.' This reminds us that we are all called to take part in this journey, as we consider how to be a Church that is expanding our welcome and 'proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus to all peoples.'

Thank you for continuing to contribute to this important journey for the life and mission of the Church.

With every Blessing,

+ Richard

# Who is Jesus and why should you be a catholic? Come and See!

In the new year we will begin another cycle of adult exploration of the faith using the sycamore course. This is the route for Adult Baptism, Adult Confirmation, and reception into the Catholic Church if you are already a baptised Christian.

However the first sessions are a simple invitation to come and see and find out a bit more. If you are curious about the faith, about why we believe in Jesus, or know someone who might like to explore these questions please express your interest!

The Parish Office is currently normally open on Wednesday and Friday Mornings. Please use the normal telephone number (01252 321 422) and parish email address: holyofficesurrey@gmail.com

### https://www.cbcew.org.uk/the-gospel-according-to-stmatthew/

InThe birth, life, ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ according to St Matthew. This four-part audio series features the voices of over 20 Catholics living and working in England and Wales. Our contributors hail from more than 10 countries – including Poland, Malta, Burma, Spain, USA and the home countries – showing the rich diversity of the Catholic Church in England and Wales.