Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter 23rd July 2023





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THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

(HA (Holy Angels) & HF (Holy Family) indicates which church a mass is in)

Sat 22 July		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	HA	Missa pro populo
Sun 23 July	16th Sunday OT	9.15am	Sunday Mass	HF	
		11.00am	Sunday Mass	HA	
		12.30pm	Holy Baptism	HA	Zach Faustino Figueira
Mon 24 July		No Mass	(Fr Robin's Day off)		
Tue 25 July	S. James	9.30am	Mass	HF	
Wed 26 July	Sts Joachim & Anne	9.30am	Mass	HA	
Thur 27 July		6.30pm	Holy Hour & Adoration	HF	
		7.30p.m.	Mass	HF	Vocations to the priesthood
Fri 28 July		9.30am	Mass	HA	
Sat 29 July		5.30pm	Vigil Mass	HA	
Sun 30 July	17th Sunday OT	9.15am	Sunday Mass	HF	Missa pro populo
		11.00am	Sunday Mass	HA	

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Offertory

We are experimenting with reintroducing the offertory collection in the mass. For many of us the DONA machine will continue to be the preferable way to give (in which case let the basket pass you by!), but this enables us to acknowledge the collection as we symbolically lay it before the altar and for those who still use cash will make it easier to differentiate between main offertory collection and the second collections when we have them.

The DONA machine and second collection basket will remain at the door, and standing order forms are available there as well. We need at least £750 a week (in each parish) to meet our obligations - which is raised through your generous donations. Thank you.

NOTICES

Children's Liturgy Holy Angels

Children's liturgy has now restarted **on the first Sunday of each month.** With more volunteers we can increase the frequency of the liturgy!

Current safeguarding procedures however, mean that every child in Children's liturgy must have had a registration form filled in or be accompanied by an adult. Children are to be brought to the Hall before mass so that they can be registered as being present for the liturgy.

Children's Liturgy is for children c. reception to yr. 3

The Third World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly is this Sunday, the Dicastery for Laity, Family and Life renews its invitation for Christians to celebrate the event by attending Mass or visiting those who are alone. The theme chosen for this year is "His mercy is from age to age," recalling a passage from Luke's Gospel.

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Forthcoming Parish Events

Joint Parishes BBQ Sunday 3 September

Sat 30 Sept 7.30pm - My time at no. 10: cheese & wine

Sat 14 Oct 7pm - Clarinet & Piano concert

Sat 11 Nov 7.30pm - Fish & bChip Supper & Quiz

<u>Catechists' Day –</u> Saturday 23 September 11am Worth School

A day of formation, prayer and conversation for existing catechists, those interested in exploring being a catechist and those who might need a little encouragement to consider this vocation. If you are involved or interested in working with Children's Liturgy, Baptism, First Holy Communion and Reconciliation, Confirmation, Marriage or RCIA, you are very welcome to come along. The doors will be open from 10.30am for refreshments, with the programme beginning at 11am. We aim to finish at around 4pm.

For more information, please contact Jon Harman, Formation Adviser E: Jon.Harman@abdiocese.org.uk Register your place here : Catechists' Day (23-Sep-2023) ·

https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/fz3ea0s3

Fr Aaron Spinelli, Diocesan Director for the Guild of St Stephen, invites all diocesan altar servers to a special Mass at Arundel Cathedral on Saturday 23 September, led by Bishop Richard. The occasion will offer an opportunity to celebrate and thank servers for their service to our parish communities in the 150th year of our Mother Church.

The Mass is for all those who have served, all those who are serving, and anybody who would like to serve - all are very welcome to attend. Holy Mass will be followed by light refreshments - Fr Aaron request all those attending to bring a cassock/cotta or an alb (if possible) and a packed lunch. There is no need to register though attendees are asked to email Fr Aaron to confirm numbers.

A fantastic new exhibition exploring the rich history of Arundel Cathedral opened last week at Arundel Museum. The exhibition explores the design, construction (and much more) of our diocesan mother church and runs until 11 August. https://arundelmuseum.org There is a short film on the website which provides a fascinating introduction to the design and construction of the Cathedral, highlighting the important legacy of the 15th Duke of Norfolk who commissioned it - and his connection to St John Henry Newman.

Sacramental Programs 2023 - 2024

First Holy Communion

Children of Yr.3 and upwards **who are attending mass** are ready to be prepared to participate more fully in the sacraments. Forms and program dates are being finalised but will be at the back of church, hopefully from next week. The course will begin with a parents meeting on Tuesday 12 September at 7.30pm and meetings are Saturday mornings. We are usually oversubscribed and have to turn some people away so please register early and begin to attend church regularly now if you need to re-engage with the mass. You can register interest already at:

holyangelsfamilyfhc@gmail.com

Confirmation (Youth)

We expect that we will have the numbers to run a young people's confirmation group this year. Please contact the parish office to express interest now. The usual age is around Yr 9 or mature Yr. 8 and above. Confirmation is the time when we pray for the Holy Spirit to confirm, strengthen and encourage us in our life off faith. For young people it is a point where they begin to affirm for themselves that they want to live as Christians.

Adult Confirmation, Baptism, & reception as Catholics

We are still early on in our adult faith exploration and sacramental initiation course for this year. Do speak to Fr Robin or approach the parish office if you want to discover more about the Catholic faith.

There is still time for us to join Bishop Richard and sign a letter to The World Bank in support of small-scale farmers. CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, works with small farmers around the world -with many now facing a huge problem.

For hundreds of years, small farmers have freely used and shared their own seeds. Now, laws are being passed that limit what they are allowed to do with them, giving farmers little choice but to buy more expensive seeds from large companies. These laws make it even harder for small farmers and their families to produce enough food, which is why we are writing to <u>The World Bank</u> (which has substantial of influence over agricultural issues) asking them to protect the rights of small farmers to use and share their own seeds. Can you add your name - form at the back of both churches. More information and a very helpful film on <u>caford.org.uk</u> website. (News/ campaigns)

The Parish Office is closed this week. But 01252 321 422 & <u>holyofficesurrey@gmail.com</u> when Fr Robin is about.