Holy Angels and Holy Family Newsletter



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



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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 6/10/24

Sat 5 Oct	5.30 pm	НА	Vigil Mass	Recent confirmandi
Sun 6 Oct	9.15 am	HF	Mass	Missa pro populo
27 th Ordinary Time Harvest	10.30am 11.00 am	НА	Rosary Mass	CAFOD & Food banks
	12.30 pm	НА	Baptism	Thomas Brewer
Mon 7 Oct. O.L of the Rosary	NO MASS			
Tue 8 Oct	9.30 am	HF	Mass	
Wed 9 Oct S. John Henry Newman	9.30 am	НА	Mass	Anniversary of Fr Robin's reception into the Church
Thur 10 Oct S. Paulinus of York	6.30 pm	HF	Adoration & confession	
	7.30 pm	HF	Mass	
Fri 11 Oct S. John XXIII	9.30 am	НА	Mass	
Sat 12 Oct S. Wilfrid	5.00pm	НА	Confession	
	5.30 pm	НА	Mass	
Sun 13 Oct	9.15 am	HF	Mass	Missa pro populo
28th Ordinary Time Prisons Sunday	10.30 11.00 am	НА	Rosary Mass	

Parish Offertory

Thank you for your generosity in supporting our parishes. We need £3250 month/parish.

Holy Angels August £2792 (Standing Orders £1,300; Dona £670; Cash £822) Holy Family August £2,237.00 (Standing Orders £1,476.50; Dona £387; Cash £373.50)

Second Collection this week: CAFOD Harvest Fast Collection

Second Collection next week: Prisons Sunday (PACT)4

NOTICES

Social and fundraising events planning meeting Saturday 19th October at Holy Angels

We meet for breakfast and discussion 9am croissants etc!

It's been a great year or our parishes which is a direct result of people being willing to turn up and engage with organising events.

Events over last 12 months include:

Tim's talk on his time in number 10, clarinet concert, fish and chip supper & parish quiz, Tim's talk Hacker or Sir Humphry, BBQ, Talent Show, Karibu Nyumbani and the international mass taking place soon!

Please come along not only with ideas but a willingness to help and make things happen!

Harvest Festival

Please place your food offerings before the Altar before mass.

First Holy Communion

Our program has now begun. Pray for these young people and their families for their growth in faith.

St Peter's Church – Churches Together teas Sunday 6th October 2.30 – 4.00pm

International Mass Sunday 20th October at Holy Angels

We want to celebrate the many different nationalities and languages we have in our community. We are encouraging people to wear national dress, to bring flags for the different nationalities we have, and it would be good to be able to have some taster plates of different cuisines.

Baptism preparation morning Saturday, 9 November at Holy Angels. Application forms must be submitted and a place booked on the course before attending. More details available from the office. It is expected that you are attending church with your child so that you can fulfil the promises you make at baptism.

Parish Quizz and Fish and chip supper 12 October Holy Angels. £10 suggested donation. (£12 will fundraise!) There are sign up sheets at the back of both churches. They are numbered this year to help manage numbers. 1 person per numbered line please. This is the last chance to sign up before the food is orderedon Monday!

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

URGENT STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE

This is the biggest threat to a true vision of the sacredness and value of every human life as a person made in the image of God since the introduction of the abortion act in

Right to life has a petition to send to our local MP.

https://righttolife.org.uk/ASthreat?utm_sou rce=righttolife.org.uk&utm_medium=refer ral&utm_campaign=euthansiacommons_pmb&utm_content=menu

Very helpfully they also have a link to a BBC documentary to get you thinking about this issue and which can be shared with friends, family and other interested parties.

It features actor and disability rights advocate Liz Carr's BBC documentary on assisted suicide, *Better Off Dead?*. You can

In the documentary, Liz travels to Canada to examine the impact of one of the world's most extreme assisted suicide laws. She does an excellent job of bringing the serious danger of introducing assisted suicide to life and making a strong case against introducing similar legislation in the UK.

https://youtu.be/gEysXRLTG5M

Click here to watch Liz Carr's BBC documentary now

<u>EVANGELIUM VITAE</u> on the Value and Inviolability

of Human Life

"It is I who bring both death and life" (Dt 32:39): the tragedy of euthanasia

64. At the other end of life's spectrum, men and women find themselves facing the mystery of death. Today, as a result of advances in medicine and in a cultural frequently closed transcendent, the experience of dying is marked by new features. When the prevailing tendency is to value life only to the extent that it brings pleasure and wellbeing, suffering seems like an unbearable setback, something from which one must be freed at all costs. Death is considered "senseless" if it suddenly interrupts a life still open to a future of new and interesting experiences. But it becomes a "rightful liberation" once life is held to be no longer meaningful because it is filled with pain and inexorably doomed to even greater suffering.

Furthermore, when he denies or neglects his fundamental relationship to God, man thinks he is his own rule and measure, with the right to demand that society should guarantee him the ways and means of deciding what to do with his life in full and complete autonomy. It is especially people in the developed countries who act in this way: they feel encouraged to do so also by the constant progress of medicine and its ever more advanced techniques. By using sophisticated highly systems equipment, science and medical practice today are able not only to attend to cases formerly considered untreatable and to reduce or eliminate pain, but also to sustain and prolong life even in situations of extreme frailty, to resuscitate artificially patients whose basic biological

functions have undergone sudden collapse, and to use special procedures to make organs available for transplanting.

In this context the temptation grows to have recourse to euthanasia, that is, to take control of death and bring it about before its time, "gently" ending one's own life or the life of others. In reality, what might seem logical and humane, when looked at more closely is seen to be senseless and inhumane. Here we are faced with one of the more alarming symptoms of the "culture of death", which is advancing above all in prosperous societies, marked by an attitude of excessive preoccupation with efficiency and which sees the growing number of elderly and disabled people as intolerable and too burdensome. These people are very often isolated by their families and by society, which are organized almost exclusively on the basis of criteria of productive efficiency, according to which a hopelessly impaired life no longer has any value.

65. For a correct moral judgment on euthanasia, in the first place a clear definition is required. Euthanasia in the strict sense is understood to be an action or omission which of itself and by intention causes death, with the purpose of eliminating all suffering. "Euthanasia's terms of reference, therefore, are to be found in the intention of the will and in the methods used" ⁷⁶

..... In harmony with the Magisterium of my Predecessors 81 and in communion with the Bishops of the Catholic Church, I confirm that euthanasia is a grave violation of the law of God, since it is the deliberate and morally unacceptable killing of a human person. This doctrine is based upon

the natural law and upon the written word of God, is transmitted by the Church's Tradition and taught by the ordinary and universal Magisterium. 82 Depending on the circumstances, this practice involves the malice proper to ... murder.

....In the case of an intrinsically unjust law, such as a law permitting abortion or euthanasia, it is therefore never licit to obey it, or to "take part in a propaganda campaign in favour of such a law, or vote for it" 28

A Prayer for Life - John Paul II

O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy.

Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time.

Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.