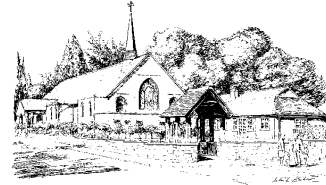


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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
16th February 2025

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Sat 15 February The Conversion of St Paul	5.00 pm	HA	Confession	
	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	<i>Fr Patrick Chick (RIP)</i>
Sun 16 February 2025	9.15 am	HF	Sunday Mass FHC Led	<i>Danny McCauley</i>
Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00 am	HA	Sunday Mass	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
Mon 17 February <i>Seven founders of the Servites</i>	NO MASS			
Tue 18 February <i>Feria</i>	9.30 am	HF	Mass	
Wed 19 February <i>feria</i>	9.30 am	HA	Mass	
Thur 20 February <i>Feria</i>			<i>No adoration tonight before mass</i>	
	7.30pm	HF	Mass	
Fri 21 February <i>S. Robert Southwell</i>	9.30am	HA	Mass	
Sat 22 February <i>Chair of St Peter the Apostle</i>	5.00pm	HA	Confession	
	5.30 pm	HA	Mass	<i>Missa pro populo</i>
Sun 23 February	9.15 am	HF	Sunday Mass	
Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time	11.00am	HA	Sunday Mass & Baptism	<i>Edward Alfred Morgan</i>

Offertory

Thank you for your support of our church, which relies entirely upon your generosity.

January Offertory

HA: Total £3021 (Plate £907; Dona £694, Standing orders £1420)

HF: £2,158.00 (Standing Orders £1,640.00; Dona £257.00; Cash £261.00)

Thankyou

Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund

HF: £77.00 (Cash £52.00; Dona £25.00)

HA: £214.15 (Cash 68.50; Dona £120)

Second Collection This week

Racial Justice Sunday

Holy Family and Holy Angels Talent Show

Saturday 15th February 7.15pm

There are a few last minute tickets available on the door tonight – probably up to 10.

Lent is three weeks away.

Please begin to return last year's Palm Crosses so we can prepare the Ash for Ash Wednesday on 5th March.

We will be running a Lent group - times are being finalised but we will probably offer this on Wednesday mornings after the morning mass and after the Thursday evening mass.

Half Term – Thursday evening mass 20 Feb

Fr Simon is kindly saying the mass on Thursday evening at Holy Family. It would be good to have a decent congregation!

Fr Robin is of course balancing child-care during half term so will be less available than usual.

8 March at 700 pm at Holy Angels Catriona Fleisher will talk about climate change and in particular its impact on a village in Malawi where she carried out the field work for her Ph D.

Saturday Morning 5th April Holy Angels Reading the New Lectionary – a reflection morning particularly for our readers but open to all on the New Lectionary and the Liturgy of the Word.

Feedback from the Representatives Group

(Of the communities of the planned New Parish)

Last month saw the 2nd meeting at St Joseph's in Guildford where the Diocesan plan was discussed & how the 'new Parish' might work. As reps for the parishes of Holy Angels & Holy Family we attended. It was good to meet reps from the other parishes & to hear from Fr Jonathan how the plans are taking shape. There is still much work to do however things are happening. The main bring away from this meeting was that we confirmed that both HA & HF will be in a hub with St Joan's in Farnham & there will be increasing opportunities for us all to share our faith journey together. Watch this space!

Gloria Benson & Sue Haworth-Edwards

A Committee that hears no evil and sees no evil

The Committee on the Terminally Ill Adults (End of Life) Bill has completed hearing oral evidence on the Bill. Regrettably this evidence has been both one-sided and highly selective.

All invited witnesses from other jurisdictions were strong supporters of 'assisted dying' (which in most cases included euthanasia – a major problem with the ambiguous term 'assisted dying'). No witnesses reported any evidence of harm or abuse, but no critical voices had been invited.

What is equally striking is where these witnesses were from: seven from Australia, two from the United States, one from Spain, none from Canada, Belgium, the Netherlands or Switzerland. The preponderance of witnesses from Australia is remarkable for a number of reasons:

- In no Australian state is 'voluntary assisted dying' restricted to self-administration or to people with six months to live (as required by the Bill).
- Australia provides very little evidence as most states have only one or two years of data.
- The system in Victoria (which alone has five years of data) seems designed 'to find out nothing, investigate nothing and report nothing'.
- Successive legislation has seen a rapid erosion of the safeguards that were in place in Victoria (such as they were) and far higher rates of death (higher even than Canada).
- The latest law, in Australian Capital Territory, is like that in Canada in 2016 in that it is for conditions that are 'advanced' and 'expected to cause death' but without any timeframe.

By listening to witnesses from Australia where expansion has been pushed without evidence, and by not looking at evidence from Canada, which is where this expansion leads, the Committee has failed to give this Bill the scrutiny it requires.

From this Sunday's Scripture

Memory Verse

“And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord: ‘Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold.’ And Jesus said to him: ‘Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost.’” (Luke 19:8-10)