

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

### FIFTH SUNDAY of LENT 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025

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Sat 5 April	5.00 pm	HA	Confession	
	5.30 pm	HA	Vigil Mass	Private Intention
Sun 6 April	9.15 am	HF	Sunday Mass	Rachel Ward (RIP)
Fifth Sunday of Lent	11.00am	HA	Sunday Mass	Mike Harte (RIP) Aniv.
Mon 7 April			No Mass	Fr Robin's Day off
Tue 8 April			No Mass	
Wed 9 April	9.30 am	HA	Mass	
Thur 10 April	6.30pm		Stations of the Cross, followed by Adoration	(confession normally available)
	7.30pm	HF	Mass	
Fri 11 April	9.30am	HA	Mass	
Our Lady of Sorrows	7.00pm		Deanery Reconciliation Service	St Joseph's Guildford
Sat 12 April	5.00pm	HA	Confession	
	5.30 pm	HA	Mass	
Sun 13 April	9.15 am	HF	Sunday Mass & Procession	Missa pro populo
PALM SUNDAY	11.00am	HA	Sunday Mass & Procession	Moira Mann

#### Offertory

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

#### **February Offertory**

HA: Total: £,3025 (Standing Orders £,1500; Dona: £,806; Cash: £,729)

HF: £,2,000.50 (Standing Orders £,1,542.50; Dona £,232.00; Plate £,226.00)

Second Collection this week Easter Flowers

#### **Extra Lent Collections**

**Lenten Alms:** for the Contemplative Orders of Women in the Diocese

**Step by Step:** Supporting homeless young people locally. Step by Step are currently asking for money rather than practical goods.

#### Ann Edwards (RIP)

Deacon John would like to thank everyone for their support, love and prayers at this time.

**Youth Group 5<sup>th</sup> April** – for Secondary school age young people. Speak to Gloria in the office for more information 6.30pm Sign up sheets are at the back of Church.

**Cake Sale at Holy Family 6<sup>th</sup> April after Mass** To raise money for the All Hallows Lent appeal supporting *Parish Pilgrim, Shelter, and CAFOD*.

#### Lent has begun

## Lent Reflection Groups using the *Pilgrims of Hope* Jubilee materials

Wednesdays at Holy Angels Ash from 12th March for 5 weeks

Thursdays at Holy Family from 13 March 8.00pm for 5 weeks

Five sessions exploring aspects of the Jubilee theme of Christian Hope. Each session includes scripture, prayers and reflection with discussion questions for the spiritual growth of participants. No need to book, just come along. If anyone wants to offer a session at another time please speak to Fr Robin.

#### Stations of the Cross

Thursdays at Holy Family, 6.30pm followed by Adoration & Mass

#### St Joan of Arc Farnham

Stations of the Cross Sundays at 3pm

#### Friday 11th April 7.00pm

Deanery Reconciliation Service with Bp Richard at St Joseph's Church in Guildford. This is the major reconciliation opportunity before Lent this year.

**Next Baptism Preparation morning 12<sup>th</sup> April** to be arranged via the parish office for those who are regularly attending church and have booked their place on the course.

May 17<sup>th</sup> – New Parish Congress – to explore the vision of the New Parish

#### ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL

In April (or possibly May), MPs will again vote on the Terminally Ill Adults(End of Life) Bill. Despite a disappointing initial vote of 330–275 infavour, there is now a realistic chance the Bill can be defeated.

The Independent newspaper reports that 142 MPs who initially backed the Bill could withdraw their support (citing safeguarding concerns). NOW is the time for Catholics to make their voices heard.

If assisted suicide becomes law in England & Wales:

1. Hospice <u>and palliative care</u> provision will be undermined

2. Suicide prevention efforts will be weakened

3. Elderly and disabled people will feel pressure to take their own lives\*

https://righttolife.org.uk Easy tools to contact your MP.

# Peitions at: <u>https://citizengo.org/en-gb</u>

## Parish Steering Team - Join Us in Leadership

Do you have a gift for vision and leadership and a calling/passion to help support and grow your parish? We are looking for volunteers to join the Parish Steering Team and work alongside the priests to develop our parish mission in the light of to the Diocesan Pastoral Plan.

Through this role, you can help us to shape the long-term parish vision, foster faith renewal initiatives, support project implementation and build a collaborative leadership culture. We are looking for parishioners with a commitment

to prayer and mission; a collaborative mindset; a decision-making capability and a willingness to travel between parish hubs.

Four-year term positions available for Chair, finance lead, and hub representatives.

Applications (and any questions) are welcome up to 27th April:

jonathan.how@abdiocese.org.uk

(RCIA) 2025/26: Adults who may be considering baptism, and adults baptised in another Christian tradition who are now considering coming into full communion with the Catholic Church, Lent and Easter is the time to reflect deeply on whether it is time for them to join the next RCIA programme, with a view to possible Baptism or Reception at Easter 2026. Please speak to Fr Robin for details.

## Sharing and Teaching the Faith: Catechists' Day - 26 April 2025

Catechists share and teach our Catholic faith to others in the parish – from children's liturgy to sacramental preparation and adult formation. Whether you're already serving in this ministry or interested in learning more, join expert Dr Caroline Farey at St Joseph's Hall in Guildford for a day of inspiration and formation. The day includes a blessing ceremony, sessions on becoming a better catechist, practical principles for teaching about the Holy Spirit, and how faith transforms lives. Come for all or part of the day (9:30am-2:30pm). Coffee provided. For more details and to

register:<u>https://cpg.churchsuite.com/events/obwgv</u> yca

https://carenotkilling.org.uk

## Parish Film Nights restart at Holy Family

May 16<sup>th</sup> – Film Night: Narnia Part 3 Jun 21st – Aylesford Pilgrimage (Possibly