Our Lady Help of Christians



16th February 2025 Sixth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

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WE WELCOME Deacon Simon Tierney from Camberley and Bagshot parish who will be preaching at all masses this weekend.

MAURIZIO TOMASSINI R.I.P. Please pray for Maurizio and his family and friends. The funeral is on Wednesday 19th February at 10am.

PLEASE PRAY for Elodie Currey who will be Baptised this weekend. May God bless her and her family.

PARISH SHARED LUNCH Sunday 2nd March with a carnival theme following the 11am Mass, please wear something bright and colourful. All most welcome. Please bring your drink and a traditional or international dish for the "shared table". These can be brought to the hall either before or after Masses at 9.15 am or 11 am. Tea and coffee will be provided. Thanks.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sixth Sunday 16th February Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Sat. 6pm Mass – Jenny Lattimer RIP 9.15am Mass – Parishioners 11am Mass – John Luddington RIP 12.30pm Baptism

Week 17th – 22nd February <u>Monday</u> – Feria 7pm Mass The Lee Family <u>Tuesday</u> – Feria 10am Mass Vocations for the Priesthood <u>Wednesday</u> – Feria N.B. 10am Requiem Mass for Maurizio Tomassini RIP *Exposition from 12 noon until 10pm* <u>Thursday</u> – Feria 10am Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament <u>Friday</u> – St Robert Southwell 10am Mass Daniel & Jhon Massini RIP <u>Saturday</u> – The Chair of St Peter N.B. 10am Exposition & the Rosary

Confession: Saturday at 5.30pm or by appointment

<u>Sunday 23rd February</u> Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time *Sat.* 6pm Mass – Norah and Joe Maloney RIP 9.15am Mass – Parishioners 11am Mass – Clementine & Edgar D'Amenia RIP

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE UNWELL

Gabriel Mariano, Ashley Wolsey, Tina Elliot, Angela Widdup, Kristina Gonzalez, Lucy Orchard, Sophie Milton, Wilfrido Zabarte, Mike Povey, Pat Lynch, Alban Pentony, Jenny Emrys-Roberts, Barney Barker, Lorraine Elworthy, Maria Messina, Howard Hopper, Gwen Bruno, Clive Stanbrook, Hugh McManus, Bridie McManus, Vivian Phillips, Carmela Tomkins, Kerrie Mitchell, Suzanne Kassir, Tim Buckell, Valli Alimon, Margaret Smith, Christopher Brown, Kevin Luddington, Victor McGrath, Robert Hernandez, William Simmons, Marie McMahon, Patricia Bygrave, Amy Macanlalay, Thomas Hazell, Margie Oliver, Mark Fitzpatric and Cathy Fahy.

Please let the Parish Office know if anyone would like to be added to / taken off the list.

OFFERTORY. The monthly standing orders plus the weekly cash collections averaged £1,977 per week over the last fortnight. If you haven't done so, please consider setting up a standing order. Forms are in the narthex or online. Giving can be made via the donation machine in the porch or online. This is the QR code for online payments:



WEST BYFLEET CATENIAN GROUP will be meeting in the hall on Wednesday 19th at 7.30pm. After the meeting drinks/nibbles will be served around 8.30. The Catenians are a Catholic Association of like-minded Catholic men, if you would like to learn more about the organisation and attend the evening, without any obligation, you will be more than welcome. Please contact Vernon v.decruz@btinternet.com. Thanks.

PLEASE NOTE the parish office will be open on Tuesday instead of Thursday this week.

LOURDES. Applications for this summer's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes (25-31 July by air or own transport, 24 July-1 August by coach/jumbulance) are now open. Details are on the website: https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/lourdes/h ome. In this Jubilee year, the Lourdes theme is 'With Mary, Pilgrims of Hope'. We are invited to set out on our pilgrimage journey with our Lady and St Bernadette, in the 'hope born of grace, which enables us to live in Christ.' (Pope Francis, Spes non Confundit 2025).

There will be a retiring collection after Masses the weekend, 15-16 February in aid of the Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund. To donate please use the gift aid envelopes or DONA machine in the church porch or donate online or via the QR code in this newsletter.

THE MARIST SCHOOL seeking is enthusiastic volunteers to become Foundation Governors. No experience in education is necessary, just an enthusiasm to support our mission and help foster an environment where every child can thrive. Please only apply if you are not a parent of a current pupil at The Marist. For informal chat, please an contact cog@marist.surrey.sch.uk Thank you.

HOPE CAFÉ on Wednesday 19th January at 10.30. If you fancy a cuppa and friendly chat we would love to see you. Any queries please ring Janet Cattterick on 07917346287.

WIDOWED & SEPARATED GROUP LUNCH at Pia Ristorante, 30-31 Station Approach, West Byfleet 12.30pm on Sunday 23rd February. Phone Pat Wray 01932347674 if you would like to come.

PALM SUNDAY CROSSES. Please return your palm crosses ready to be made into ash for Ash Wednesday 5th March.

LENTEN DEVOTIONS will include Stations of the Cross on Fridays at 11.15am and 7pm. After the 11.15 Stations, Mass will be at 12 noon followed by the opportunity for Confession. Please let the parish office know if you can lead a 7pm Stations of the Cross service or the 11:15 service on Friday 21st March.

For Parish Centre Enquiries or Hall Bookings - contact Chris Geary ourladyshallbookings@outlook.com

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Michelle Beman sg1.westbyfleet@abdiocese.org.uk

Wednesday Adoration olwbadoration@outlook.com

For St Thomas More Preschool Enquiries - email Rhoda rhoda@stthomasmorepreschool.co.uk MARIST MOMENTS. It has been another busy half term at The Marist!

We opened 2025 with Mass celebrated by Fr Aaron. Since then, the children have been busy leading Worships and attending Mass. The staff have also had training on Godly Play, an innovative approach to religious education that encourages children to explore their faith through storytelling, play, and creative expression. Godly Play helps children understand and engage with biblical stories in a meaningful and personal way. We incorporate Godly Play into our curriculum every term, and the children always look forward to these sessions.

One of the key events this half term has been the start to the jubilee year. We would like to share a message from our Year 6 Faith in Action children:

The 24th January marked the launch day for the Jubilee Year for 2025. We will be lead our Whole School Worship on Monday 27th January, supporting other Marist Learners to reflect on the theme given by Pope Francis - 'pilgrims of hope'. We understand this as exploring our journey in love, faith and hope. We will be asked our friends to think about how we can join together to strengthen our deep faith and our love for Jesus. This may be through fundraising for charity, thinking about the world God created and ensuring we enable this world to thrive.

Together, we wrote our own prayer of hope:

Lord our Loving Father,

May this year be one that we all recognise the wonders you have given us, the love you have shown us and may we hear your call of faith. Help us to follow you and serve you in so many ways. Amen. **LOURDES.** We are invited to join a 'retreat' with St Dunstan's in Lourdes, Monday 22 to Friday 26th September. The Spiritual Director is Fr Peter Andrews. Brochures are available in the church porch.

EXPLORING CATHOLICISM (RCIA). The next meeting is at 7.30pm on Tuesday 18th February in the STM room.

WEDNESDAY ADORATION. We would value having more people from 11am-12 noon and 1-2pm. If you can help, please email Dorothe Vincent: olwbadoration@outlook.com or see Judy Phillips. Many thanks.

RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MEETING for children on Saturday 1st March in the Church. Group 1 at 3.15pm and Group 2 at 4.30pm. DIOCESAN YOUNG ADULT JUBILEE **PILGRIMAGE** to Rome for young adults aged 18-30 to celebrate the special Jubilee year. Celebrate with other likeminded people, as we travel to the beautiful city of Rome for opportunities to hear from, and pray with, Pope Francis Hope. theme F: on the of lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk for more information or follow the link: https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/eve nts/yaahprxo.

PRAYER FOR PROTECTION: Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan, and all wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

	DATES FOR FOUR DIART
18 th Feb	Exploring Catholicism: RCIA Meeting, STM room, 7.30pm
19 th Feb	Hope Café, St Thomas More room, 10.30 am
19 th Feb	Catenian Meeting, Hall, 7.30pm
23 rd Feb	Widowed & Separated Group Lunch, Pia Ristorante, 12.30pm
27 th Feb	Parish Walk, meet outside the church 10am
1 st Mar	Seniors Friendship Lunch, Hall, 12.30 for 1pm
1 st Mar	Reconciliation / FHC Children Meeting, Church, from 3pm
2 nd Mar	Parish Carnival Themed Shared Lunch, hall, 12 noon
5 th Mar	Craft Club, St Thomas More room, 10.30am
8 th Mar	Confirmation Meeting for Candidates, Hall, 4pm
8-9 Mar	Woking Foodbank Collection
10 th Mar	Ecumenical Morning Prayer, Our Lady's, 9.30 am
10 th Mar	SVP meeting, Parish Centre, 7.30pm
10 th Mar	Baptism Preparation Meeting, STM room, 7.30pm
14 th Mar	CAFOD Family Fast Day
14 th Apr	Ecumenical Morning Prayer, St John's, 9.30am

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