Our Lady Help of Christians



19th January 2025

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Baptism minimum 2 months notice required;

Marriage minimum 12 months notice required

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PAX CHRISTI - PEACE SUNDAY is today, January 19th. The theme is 'Forgive us our trespasses: Grant us your peace'. More information is online including the full message from Pope Francis, the work of Pax Christi, and how to donate. Please see the Pax Christi website: https://paxchristi.org.uk/peace-sunday-2025/.

PLEASE WELCOME Fr Raymond Tumba who is with us for our Sunday Masses this weekend.

ELEANOR (EILEEN) PEARSON R.I.P. Please pray for Eileen and her family and friends. The funeral details are to follow.

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday 19th January
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Sat. 6pm Mass – Ida & Julio Rodrigues RIP
9.15am Mass – Parishioners

11am Mass – Coughlin Family RIP

Week 20th - 25th January

Monday - St Sebastian

7pm Mass Charles Busuttil RIP

Tuesday – St Agnes

N.B. 10am Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament

<u>Wednesday</u> – St Vincent

N.B. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 10am until 10pm

Thursday - Feria

10am Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament

<u>Friday</u> – St Francis de Sales

10am Mass Fr. Mgr. Michael Kelly RIP

Saturday – The Conversion of St Paul

10am Mass Freddie Driessen RIP followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & the Rosary

Confession (Reconciliation): Saturday after morning Mass and 5.30pm or by appointment

Sunday 26th January

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sat. 6pm Mass – Terrilyn Borain RIP

9.15am Mass – Parishioners

11am Mass – Trevor Clancy RIP and

Maureen McCarthy RIP

2pm Baptism

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, Philomena Kennedy, 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.

WE WELCOME William Foster who was Baptised last weekend. May God Bless him and his family.

WEEK OF CHRISTIAN UNITY 18-25th January. We are invited to reflect on the story of Martha's confession of faith in Jesus as narrated in John 11:17-27. Each is called to sit with Jesus' provocative question to Martha: "Do you believe this?"

CHURCHES TOGETHER in Byfleet, West Byfleet, Pyrford, All Saints New Haw & St Michael's Sheerwater celebrating Christian Unity, are holding a Coffee Morning at Stoop Court, Camphill Rd, West Byfleet KT14 6HF on Wednesday 22 January 10am till 12 noon in aid of St Michael's Sheerwater for continuing work in the local community. Please bring cash!

RECONCILIATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PARENT MEETING.The Introductory Meeting for parents to enrol in Part II of the programme will take place on Monday 20 January in the hall following the 7pm Mass.

OFFERTORY. The monthly standing orders plus the weekly cash collections averaged £1,818 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:

EXPLORING CATHOLICISM (RCIA) meeting at 7.30pm on Tuesday 28 Jan in the STM room. The meetings are for anyone who might be interested in learning more about the Catholic faith perhaps with a view towards full initiation into the Church at Easter.

CAFOD COFFEE MORNING - many thanks for the cake donations and to everyone for their kind support at the coffee morning last Sunday. We were delighted to raise over £172 for CAFOD. For more information about CAFOD visit https://cafod.org.uk.

PARISH EPIPHANY DINNER. Thanks to all who supported the event making it once again a great success. The raffle on the night raised £550 and will be shared between two charities, The Lighthouse in Woking and Project Possible based in Aylesbury. Our thanks to all who helped organise the event before and on the day. We need more people to join the Parish Social Group if you can help in any way you will be most welcome. Please contact the Parish Office if interested. Thanks.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The next meeting for candidates is on Saturday 25 January at 4pm in the hall.

READING GROUP at St Dunstan's Church, 'The Confessions of St Augustine' with Fr Robert Sprott starting Wednesday 7.30pm Jan 22nd for 10 weeks. To join the group, text AUGUSTINE, your name and e-mail address to 07570632628.

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

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WORD ON FIRE BIBLE CONFERENCE

February 21-22nd with Bishop Robert Barron, N.T Wright, Tracy Rowlands and others. Tickets can be purchased on The Word on Fire website: https://wordonfire.vfairs.com/en/reg istration-form.

REDISCOVER YOUR MARRIAGE:

Retrouvaille is a Catholic ministry for difficulty. marriages in programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse and a loving relationship in your marriage. Countless couples have successfully saved their marriage by attending and using the tools provided. confidential information or to register for the next virtual programme, 27 February to 2 March, please visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or call 07887296983.

CHILWORTH ABBEY STUDY MORNING

Learn About Fulton J. Sheen, the Communicator on Saturday 15 February. Mass at 9am followed by refreshments, a video and talk until 12.20pm. £10 pp. Please book online: https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/st-augustines-abbey-chilworth.

VOLUNTEERS THANK YOU PARTY

Father Aaron invites all parish volunteers to a Thank You Party in the hall following the 11am Mass on Sunday 2 February. Thank you for signing up to come.

CRIB OFFERINGS will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society A&B Crisis Fund providing emergency grants to support children and their families in our diocese who are facing a crisis in their lives. Funds can be donated either via the wall box by the crib or online or via the gift aid envelopes in the porch. Every single penny donated will be given out via these grants.

PLEASE NOTE the parish office will close at 11am on Wednesday this week.

POP UP EXHIBITION "LETTERS FROM THE GLOBAL SOUTH" at St Dunstan's Church 22nd to 26th Jan. A display, designed for faith groups, schools & other communities, is travelling the country providing information how The Climate & Nature Bill could help redress the disproportionate adverse impact we in the UK are causing. There is a useful digital booklet to accompany the display and there is a fun quiz for children.

zero carbon Guildford will speak at St. Dunstan's Church on Thursday 23 Jan at 7.30pm on how to save energy in the home. Now that the energy price cap has been raised and colder weather is due, come and find out about free or very low-cost ways to reduce your energy bills. There will be tips on simple changes you can make and advice on potential grants. Take advantage of their expertise and find out what you can do to keep warm this Winter for less cost.

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 YOUR DIARY

20 th Jan	Reconciliation / FHC Parent Meeting, Hall, 7.30pm
25 th Jan	Confirmation Meeting for Candidates, Hall, 4pm
28 th Jan	Exploring Catholicism: RCIA Meeting, STM room, 7.30pm
30 th Jan	Parish Walk, meet outside the church 10am
1 st Feb	Seniors Friendship Lunch, Hall, 1pm
2 Feb	Volunteers Thank You Party, Hall, 12 noon
8-9 Feb	Woking Foodbank Collection
10 th Feb	Ecumenical Morning Prayer, St John's, 9.30am
10 th Feb	SVP meeting, St Thomas More room, 7.30pm
19 th Feb	Hope Café, St Thomas More room, 10.30 am
12 th Feb	Catenian Meeting, Hall, 7.30pm
10 th Mar	Ecumenical Morning Prayer, Our Lady's, 9.30 am