

ST MICHAEL'S NEWSLETTER



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 28th/29th April

Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit.
John 15:5



6.00 pm People of the Parish
8.30am Private Intentions of Mary Turner
10.30am Tony Cliffe RIP

Mon 30th Weekday of Easter
NO MASS

Tues 1st Weekday of Easter
9.30 am Anthony Moulson RIP

Wed 2nd St Athanasius
NO MASS

Thur 3rd Ss Philip and James, Apostles
11.45 am Requiem Mass for Richard Cribb

Fri 4th The English Martyrs
9.30am Mary Taylor RIP

Sat 5th Weekday of Easter
10.0am Well-being of Corinne Bond
Followed by Sacrament of Reconciliation and at 5.15-5.45 pm

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 5th/6th May

6.00 pm Henry Smith & Michael Paul Cassar RIP
8.30am People of the Parish
10.30am Andrew & Elizabeth Robinson RIP

Please pray for the souls of those whose anniversaries occur at about this time

Alisa Scott, Anne Furlonger, Tony Cliffe, Felicity Giles,
Stefan Peturas, Anthony Moulson

May they rest in peace, Amen

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Corinne Bond, Fr Alan Sharpe, Robin Johnson, Bill Danson,
Irene Aniotz, Michael Hanks, Jean Rawlinson, Kay Fry,
Margaret Beeby, Anne Burman, Alfredo Sheffield,
Fr. Felipe Ortega, Nina Grant, Barbara Long, Sheila Hanks,
Mary Turner, Jean Haynes, Fernando Caprano, Grace
Sheridan, Johanna Rainsbury, Stephen Sullivan, Margaret
Hall, Monica McAllister, Margaret Cleere,
Rachel Fulton and Michael Machese
and all who need our prayers.

My Dear Friends,

I was delighted to see well over a hundred parishioners last Saturday at the launch of our "Parish Family Groups". It was a lovely evening together. It was good to see a real mix of people, many of whom were meeting for the first time.

When I left, well before the end, the groups were in full flood and already planning future social meetings.

Several people told me on Sunday that they had met people they had often seen in church but had never met before. As I wrote here last weekend, I am convinced that these groups will bring new life and new energy to the Parish.

Those who have "borne the heat of the day" over the years were delighted to sit back a little as others came forward with new enthusiasm and energy.

I am very grateful to those who have taken on leadership roles. I think the key to success will be team work and shared responsibility. It won't work if everything is left to the same few people. I feel very encouraged by the numbers and the atmosphere last Saturday, especially as I know that many who wanted to be there could not for one reason or another.

Thank you to everyone involved.
With my love and prayers for each of you

Fr. Tony

This weekend we welcome **Fr Matthew Kwaghtaver** from the Spiritans (Holy Ghost Fathers) in order for him to make an appeal on behalf of his mission. This will be our retiring collection this weekend.

Congratulations to Tsvetelina Markova and David O'Neill who were married at St Michael's last Saturday.

Next weekend at the 6pm and 10.30am Mass **Jemma Abi-Sleiman** will be speaking about her recent trip to **Lourdes with the HCPT**. You may know Jemma from altar serving and singing in Emma's music group. She's 17 years old and currently studying for A-levels.

Mass Intentions – If you would like a Mass said for someone or have a special anniversary please pick up a Mass intention envelope at the back of the Church and either give it to Fr Tony or post it through the Office letterbox.

Amnesty International has launched an Appeal for the unconditional release of **Akmaral Tobylova**, a graphic designer, who was jailed, then bailed, for browsing the opposition party's website because, as she says, she was interested in their policies of better housing and pensions. Please consider signing the Appeal Letter while it is in the Foyer.

More Ministers Urgently Required!

We're in need of more Readers, Welcomers and EM's (we are especially short in the Sunday 8.30AM mass). Please contact me if you are interested or have any questions/concerns. (Anastasya Beeston - anastasya.beeston@gmail.com /07851156922)

Pilgrimage to Fatima - You are invited to join a pilgrimage to Fatima this autumn with some parishioners from Reigate and Redhill parishes. They plan to depart with Tangney Tours on 11th October and return on the 15th at a cost of £682 per person sharing, with a single supplement of £80. For further details contact sean.mcgettrick@btinternet.com or on 01727 767352

Children with Cancer UK – Tim Belcher London Marathon

Thank you to all those at St Michael's who so generously supported Tim in the first leg of his London Classics fund-raising for Children with Cancer UK. Tim completed the London Marathon course in 4 hours 8 minutes, in a sweltering 24 degrees, thanks to the encouragement of friends, family and fellow runners. It was a marvellous day; and a celebration of people's kindness and commitment to good causes.

Christ is Risen, Alleluia!

Praetorium is a Catholic company which raises money for Catholic churches through increasing the use of their halls. Operating across the Southwark Diocese but with plans to expand to other areas in due course. They are looking to take on a full-time junior team member to learn the business and help facilitate further growth. Ideally they are looking for someone willing to learn, be organised, personable and confident. For more information, or to apply for the job please email Conor@lowcosthalls.co.uk with your C.V. attached.

"**HELP!!! Ashtead Girlguiding** needs more support. We have Rainbow, Brownie & Guide units in Ashtead that will have to close at the end of this summer term unless more adult volunteers are found. NO qualification needed - just love of kids & girl guiding. Full training & support provided. Current leaders are retiring and new volunteer parents are required to start next term on Monday or Friday evenings - just an hour a week. With so many girls on the waiting lists we need to keep these units open. Thank you!
If you can help please contact Denis Coutts: ashteadc@outlook.com or 07713 149971

For information on Arundel Cathedral and events at the Cathedral see their website. The Flower Festival with its carpet of flowers will be available to view from Wednesday 30 May. The annual Corpus Christi Mass and Procession at the Cathedral will take place on Thursday 31 May from 5.30pm.

The Trumpet – This year, instead of an Easter edition we are publishing a 'Whitsun' edition! So same 'rules' apply just keep sending all your stories, anecdotes, poems, pictures by email or post or personally by the end Monday 30th April. Many thanks Alison

March for Life UK /LifeFest18 will take place on Sat 5th May in central London, 9.30-1pm. LifeFest is in Connaught Rooms, Covent Garden. 1.30pm procession/march. 2.30-4pm rally in Parliament Square with speeches. A full itinerary is available at www.marchforlife.co.uk

Do women have a role in leading religion?
Tuesday 1st May from 18.30 - 21.00 at St. Mary's Church Hall, Stoke Road, Stoke D'Abernon, Cobham KT11 3PX
Exploring the important topic of gender in leadership of religion with three prominent leaders giving their perspective, followed by Q&A from the public. Speakers: Bishop Jo Bailey Wells - Bishop of Dorking; Rabbi Kath Vardi - North West Surrey Synagogue; Julie Siddique - former Executive Director of the Islamic Society of Britain
Attendance is free, a donation of £5 is suggested to cover costs. web site www.cofequildford.org.uk

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2018 – 26th July to 3rd August If you would like to go to Lourdes this year as part of the Diocesan trip please contact the Lourdes Pilgrimage Office, the Bothy, Cowfold Road, Coolham, Horsham RH13 8QL Tel: 01403 740110 or office@ablourdes.org If you need financial help to join, ring or email the Parish Office.

DAY FOR YOUTH LEADERS AND CATECHISTS - INSPIRE 2018 On Saturday May 12th, there will be a day for youth leaders, Confirmation catechists. Bishop Richard will also be with us for the first part of the day. It's all happening at St Joseph's Church, Redhill on Saturday May 12th from 10am to 3.30pm. Tickets are £10 with parish group discounts available. To book, or for more information, Email YBBookings@dabnet.org

The Arundel and Brighton Diocesan Trust is a charity - No. 252878

Happy Birthday to:
Eliott Crouzet-Smith and Samuel Beale 6 and Finley Kelly 5 on Monday
Eloise El-Dada 3, Phoebe McIlwraith 1 and Ewelina Szafran 8 on Tuesday
Eva Walsh 8 and Eva Baw 6 on Friday
Luke Surbutts 10, Ellis McManus 4, Alexander Heden 5 and Henry Costello 4 on Saturday

The next **St Michael's Soup Lunch** will be on Friday 4 May. A selection of homemade soups, breads and desserts, with tea/coffee, all for a donation of £5, will be served between 12 noon and 1.30 pm, in the Church Hall. All money collected will be shared between CAFOD, the Princess Alice Hospice and Besom. All are welcome.

I teach in a local Catholic school and have 2 bedrooms available for rent, in a fully furnished beautiful, spacious apartment in Leatherhead. This would suit a teacher or a professional person. Non-smoker is essential. For further details please contact Ros 07341265738

Next Week's Readings Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
1 John 4:7-10 John 15: 9-17

CAN WE HELP? *Do you find yourself in need of a helping hand, eg. shopping, collecting prescriptions, transport to hospital or GP?*

Ring one of these people and they will help if they can.

Geraldine Offord Tel. 210127 #

Ann Clark Tel. 277324

Tesco shop to be arranged.

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Last week's offertory collection came to £1,169.00

Last week's retiring collection for the **Education of Future Priests** raised £312.79

Rotas for Week Commencing -

Church Cleaning	29 th	Philippa Dupénois
	6 th	Keith Higgins
Sunday Coffee	29 th	Caroline King
	6 th	Maureen Anderson
Recorders	29 th	Mary Merrett and Oliver Mee
	6 th	Alan and Norma Kelly

Ministers Rota – 28th/29th April 2018

Saturday 6:00 pm
WM: Helen McGaugh and Mark McGaugh
R: Peter Exworthy and Millie McCleave
EM: Cat McCleave and Pauline Clark

Sunday 8.30 am
WM: Claire Hargadon and David Warnock
R: Garry Hayter and Martin O'Donovan
EM: Sheila Hayter and Judith O'Neill

Sunday 10:30 am
WM: Alick Friend and Danny Lynch
R: Gill Gruzalski and Steve Rouse
EM: Denise Rouse and Jacqui Shabankareh

You can e-mail copy for the Newsletter to newsletter@stmichaelashtead.org.uk to arrive by 9.30am on Friday morning or phone Steve Rouse on 818698