

ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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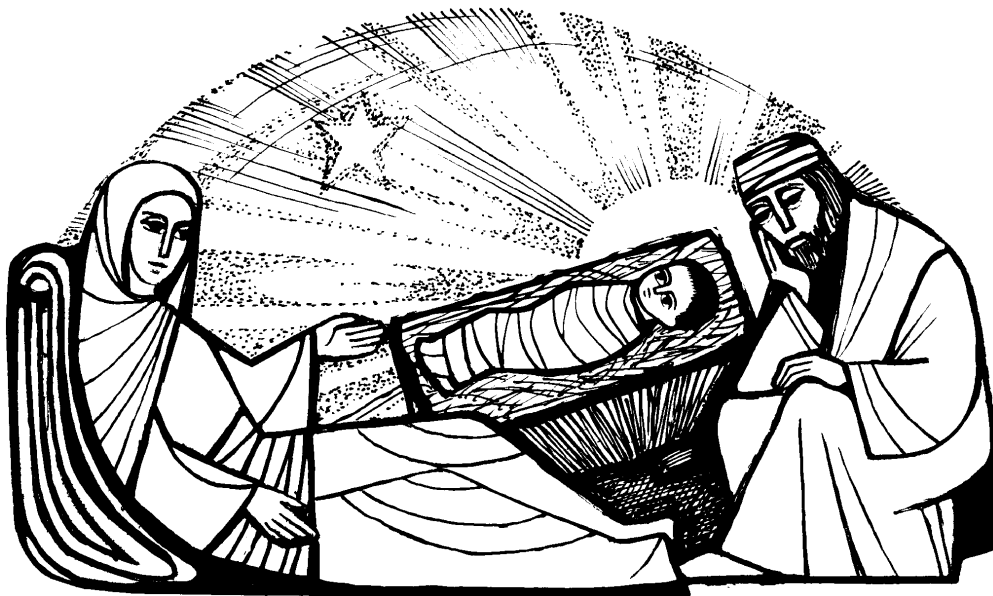
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A Warm Welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors

The Nativity of the Lord

Sundays: Cycle A Weekdays: Year I Sunday 25th December 2022



‘... and they will call him Emmanuel, a name which means God-is-with-us.’ And this is what Christmas is all about, that God, not only wanted to come to us, but to be ONE WITH US. During this Christmas season, shall we all try to be one-with-everyone, especially our families as this is what we are all called to be.

God bless you all,

Father John

RECENTLY DECEASED



Please pray for the repose of the soul of Peter Sketch who died recently. Keep Peters family also in your prayers.

ST ANN'S CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES



Saturday 24th December Christmas Eve
5pm Vigil Mass

8.30pm Carols and Readings leading into
9.00pm Solemn Night Mass

Sunday 25th December Christmas Day
8.30am Mass
10.00am Mass

THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB



The Friendship Club are having their first get together on 17th January at 10.30am in the Hall Annexe.

Anyone interested please come and join us for a coffee and a chat. For more information, please contact the parish office on 01737 353724

ST ANN'S CHRISTMAS CARD POST BOX



Please remember to check for any Christmas cards in the box in the Church porch. They have been all sorted alphabetically for ease.

SVP FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE LOCAL FOODBANK

For the Food List: Go to our website at <http://www.stansbanstead.comfor an updated list, or visit> <https://epsomewell.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

DAYS OF REFLECTION FOR MINISTERS, LED BY BISHOP RICHARD

Saturday 21 January 2023 at St Bernadette's church, Tilgate, Crawley – for Ministers of the Word 11am – 4pm

The day will include talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary and its use in the Liturgy, the Liturgy of the Word, preparing to read, using microphones, Lectio Divina and mass. Arrival from 10.30am for refreshments. Please bring a packed lunch. Please sign up at: [Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Word \(21-Jan-2023\) - ChurchSuite Events](#) E: Catherine.Christmas@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

Saturday 18 February 2023 at Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge – for Ministers of the Eucharist 11am - 4pm

The day will include theological and practical talks, Eucharistic Adoration, and mass. Arrival from 10.30am for refreshments. Please bring a packed lunch.

Please sign up at: [Day of Reflection for Ministers of the Eucharist \(18-Feb-2023\) - ChurchSuite Events](#) E: Catherine.Christmas@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.

To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar W:

<https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Has now finished for the Christmas holiday period and will resume Wednesday 11th January 2023.

PERMANENT CHANGE TO THE PARISH OFFICE HOURS

The office hours will change from the week beginning the **2nd January 2023**.

New Office Hours: Monday 9am to 3pm,
Wednesday 10am to 2pm & Thursday 9am to 3pm

DIOCESAN DIRECTORY 2023

The Diocesan Directory 2023 is now available from the Church porch. They are priced at £5.00. Please put your money in the newspaper slot in the porch.

**CHRISTMAS OFFERING
FOR OUR PARISH PRIEST
24th & 25th December**

As you know Catholic Priests do not take a salary, so they rely on your generosity at Christmas & Easter time as a thank you for all they do for their parish.

You can give by:

1. Bank Transfer with the reference 'Christmas Offering'
2. Gift Aid envelope (Blue) if you are a Gift Aider.
3. Using our new sumup machines at the back of the Church. All 24th & 25th December Masses will be programmed for this collection.
4. Placing your offering in the collection basket at the entrance and exit of the Church.

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

Tickets for the Pilgrim Pantomimes 2023 production are on sale from Saturday 3rd December at the Institute Banstead from 25th to 28th January 2023 with a Saturday matinee, tickets are 9-£13, available online through our Box Office agents Ticketsource via the Pilgrim Pantomime website. With a cast from the B5 churches don't miss this classic tale.

**VACANCY FOR FOUNDATION GOVERNOR
AT ST PHILOMENA'S CATHOLIC HIGH
SCHOOL FOR GIRLS**

There is a vacancy for a foundation governor from the Spring term of the academic year 22/23. We would be most interested to hear from practising Catholics with expertise in either Law, Finance or HR. Please contact the Clerk to the Governors by email cmingay@stphils.org.uk at your earliest convenience.

**CRIB OFFERING TO SUPPORT THE
CATHOLIC CHILDREN'S SOCIETY'S A&B
CRISIS FUND**

The Catholic Children's Society (CCS) is helping local disadvantaged families facing severe hardship due to the cost-of-living crisis. Through their A&B Crisis Fund, CCS is providing immediate, practical support to families in need. There are many vulnerable families in need of support with parishes across Arundel & Brighton donating their Crib Offering to support this important work. Every penny donated will be given out via CCS's A&B Crisis Fund to support local families in need. You can donate at the Crib or via the CCS website W:

www.cathchild.org.uk/crib Please contact Emily Mundon E: emilym@cathchild.org.uk if your parish would like to support the appeal and require posters, gift aid envelopes or any further information.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR
PARISH WHO ARE SICK**

Helen Guinness	Freda Griffiths
Karen Murray	Maureen Reilly
Indira Louis	Ashlee Rodgers
Christian Requena	Gillian Doherty
Wendy Counsell	Joshua Anderson
Damian Poole	Guilherme Guedes
Allan Norman	James Joseph
Michael Monaco	Edmund Louis
Josie Monaco	Michael Ashman
Helen Kershaw	Jake Brauer
Jane Scargill	Susan Smith
Jonathan Lewis	Spencer Thorpe
Cyrus Pascoe	Peter Baikie
Eileen Graham	Arthur Harding
Amy Grey	Cathy Paxton
Trish Nathan	Sean Gilligan
Gillian Wooldridge	Catherine Roberts
Elaine McKenna Duggan	Marie-Anne Murphy

**ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
DEADLINE FOR RECEPTION
APPLICATIONS – SEPTEMBER 2023**

For parents who have children who are due to start in Reception next September 2023, this is to remind you that the closing date to make an application is **15th January 2023**.

This deadline of **15th January 2023** is for both the supplementary information form (SIF), which should be returned to the school office and also for the online application made to Surrey County Council.

CHILDREN'S RIDDLES

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1. What did Santa pay for his sleigh?
2. Where does a snowman keep his money?
3. What do elves learn in school?

Mass Intentions			
Saturday <i>Vigil Mass of the Nativity</i>	24 Dec	5.00pm	Bartley & <i>Mícheál</i> Hickey RIP
<i>The Nativity of the Lord</i>		8.30pm Carols & Readings Leading into 9.00pm Solemn Mass – People of the Parish	
Sunday <i>Christmas Day Mass</i>	25 Dec	8.30am	Celebrants Intentions
		10.00am	Gerry Perera RIP
Monday <i>St Stephen, Feast</i>	26 Dec	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday <i>St John, Apostle & Evangelist, Feast</i>	27 Dec	No Mass	No Mass
Wednesday <i>The Holy Innocents, Martyrs, Feast</i>	28 Dec	No Mass	No Mass
Thursday <i>St Thomas Becket, Bishop, Martyr, Feast</i>	29 Dec	9.30am	Holy Souls
Friday <i>The Holy Family, Feast</i>	30 Dec	9.30am	Hanora O'Shea RIP
Saturday	31 Dec	6.00pm	Holy Souls
Sunday <i>Mary, Mother of God, Solemnity</i>	1 Jan	8.30am	People of the Parish
		10.00am	Vida & Isidore D'Souza RIP

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION
No Confession Saturday 24th December



CONTACT DETAILS

St Ann's website www.stannsbanstead.com

Hall Hire – stannshallmanager@gmail.com

Bereavement supporters - Joanna Stewart on 01737 355523 or

Paula Thomas on 07710 099682

Office Hours: Monday 9am to 3pm, Wednesday 10am to 2pm & Thursday 9am to 3pm

Riddle Answers: 1. Nothing, it was on the house. 2. In a snowbank. 3. The elf-abet.