

ST ANN'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

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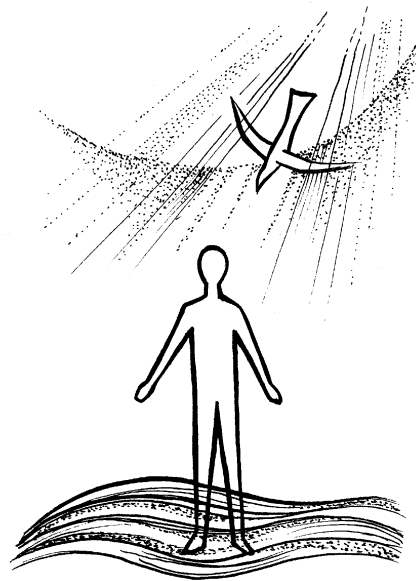
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A Warm Welcome to all Parishioners and Visitors

### The Baptism of the Lord

Sundays: Cycle A Weekdays: Year I Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2023



***'Here is my servant... my chosen one in whom my soul delights. I have endowed him with my spirit...'*** Fitting words to each one of us from today's First Reading from Isaiah on this Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. This is celebrating our baptism too. One thing that I have learned over the years is that although my baptism happened once many years ago, I need to continually renew my commitment to it every day. We should not forget just how privileged we all are in having Jesus as the Lord and Saviour in our lives.

God bless you all,

*Father John*

### MEMORIAL MASS

There will be a Memorial Mass for Hanora Oshea RIP on **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January at 11.30am** followed by refreshments in the Church Hall. All welcome. Hanora was known to many in our parish and Kathy would like you to join her in honouring her mother's life.

### THANK YOU

A big thank you for your very generous Christmas offerings and gifts to me this Christmas.

God bless you all,

*Fr John*

**P.S This is not the reason I am absent this weekend!**

### MEMENTO

"Quite soon, I shall find myself before the final judge of my life. Even though, as I look back on my long life, I can have great reason for fear and trembling, I am nonetheless of good cheer, for I trust firmly that the Lord is not only the just judge, but also the friend and brother who himself has already suffered for my shortcomings, and is thus also my advocate, my 'Paraclete.' In light of the hour of judgment, the grace of being a Christian becomes all the more clear to me. It grants me knowledge, and indeed friendship, with the judge of my life, and thus allows me to pass confidently through the dark door of death. In this regard, I am constantly reminded of what John tells us at the beginning of the Apocalypse: he sees the Son of Man in all his grandeur and falls at his feet as though dead. Yet He, placing his right hand on him, says to him: 'Do not be afraid! It is I...' (cf. Rev. 1:12-17)

**Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI  
8 February 2022**

### BEREAVEMENT Café

The Bereavement Café will be open on **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January from 2-3 pm**. We meet in the Annexe. Why not come along, or bring a friend/family member, and meet us at our regular monthly bereavement café. All welcome.

Are you struggling with bereavement or loss? Would it help to have someone to talk to? We have bereavement supporters trained to listen, support, and accompany people experiencing grief. **Call Joanna Stewart on 01737 355523 or Paula Thomas on 07710 099682**

### THE FRIENDSHIP CLUB

The Friendship Club are having their first get together on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> 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

### SVP FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE LOCAL FOODBANK

For the Food List: Go to our website at <http://www.stannsbanstead.com> for 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](http://DayofReflectionforMinistersoftheWord(21-Jan-2023)-ChurchSuiteEventsE: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](http://DayofReflectionforMinistersoftheEucharist(18-Feb-2023)-ChurchSuiteEventsE: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>

### LETTERBOX

The parish office door now has its own letterbox! Please use this for any office related post or key returns. Thank you.

## ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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 **15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**.

This deadline of **15<sup>th</sup> 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.



## CATENIANS

### **An exciting opportunity for young people: The Catenian Bursary Fund**

The Bursary Fund was formed by the Catenian Association which is an organisation of Catholics founded to promote friendship and support, and to strengthen Catholic family life. Catenians work and help to support Catholic youth throughout the world.

The Catenian Bursary Fund is a UK registered charity with the aim of offering financial help to young people about to volunteer to do something wonderful for others.

The Bursary Fund makes two types of awards:  
**Lourdes Awards.**

Every year many young Catholics travel to Lourdes to work as a helper or as support staff to an assisted pilgrim. This can be a life-changing experience and the Catenian Bursary Fund can help with expenses. This can be as an individual or with an HCPT or Diocesan Pilgrimage. The fund also supports those providing the same service to assisted pilgrims on the Jumbulance

**Individual Project Award** This is a financial grant made to assist a young Catholic, who wishes to undertake some individual project by volunteering to do something wonderful for someone else in the UK or overseas. This could be as an individual or with others, organised individually or through another organisation.

The essential issue is that you will be doing something to benefit others – not yourself. To find out more information about the Catenian Bursary Fund and how to apply, please access: [www.catenianbursary.com](http://www.catenianbursary.com) or contact Eric Doherty, Epsom Catenian Charity Officer: [eric.doherty@ntlworld.com](mailto:eric.doherty@ntlworld.com)

## 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
Tina Barker	

## SECOND COLLECTIONS

**This Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> January – None**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January – Pax Christi – Peace Day.**

## JUSTICE & PEACE ASSEMBLY

Our Annual Justice & Peace Assembly on Saturday 28 January will explore food and conflict and the positive steps we can take towards a fairer, more peaceful world. The event will take place in person at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley with Bishop Richard and speakers from CAFOD, Pax Christi, and the Ecological Conversion Group. There is no cost to attend, please book your free place [here >>](#) or contact our Social Action Adviser E: [Tessa.Ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Tessa.Ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk)

## CHILDREN'S RIDDLES

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1. Why did the patient laugh after his operation?
2. What did one raindrop say to the other?
3. What bird never grows up?

Mass Intentions			
Saturday	7 Jan	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday <i>The Baptism of the Lord</i>	8 Jan	8.30am	John Nash RIP
		10.00am	John and Mary Griffiths RIP
Monday	9 Jan	No Mass	No Mass
Tuesday	10 Jan	6.00pm	Holy Souls
Wednesday	11 Jan	9.30am	Mona & Gordon Paterson RIP
		10am to 12pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday	12 Jan	9.30am	Beryl & Guy Fawkes 60 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary
		10am to 12pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	13 Jan	9.30am	Tom Manning RIP
Saturday	14 Jan	6.00pm	Paolino Di Maria RIP
Sunday	15 Jan	8.30am	Mercy Immaculate RIP
		10.00am	People of the Parish

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
**No Confession Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Confession Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January 10.00am to 10.45am**  
*(Please check our website or the Church door  
for last Minute alterations to Confession times)*



**CONTACT DETAILS**

St Ann's website [www.stannsbanstead.com](http://www.stannsbanstead.com)  
Hall Hire – [stannshallmanager@gmail.com](mailto: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. Because the doctor put him in stitches. 2. 'Two's Company threes a cloud' 3. The minor bird.