

**Sunday 28th April
Fifth Sunday of Easter**

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*Welcome to Saint Joseph's Church, Dorking
Toilets are available in the parish hall or there is an outside toilet next to the house. Books to help children follow Mass plus other books for children are in the entrance porch of the church.*

Our church is open all day, everyday, until sunset.
If you have a gluten intolerance and you wish to receive Holy Communion, please speak to Fr Ian before Mass.

We remember in our prayers
all those who have recently died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.
We also ask you to remember in your prayers the sick and housebound especially Hilda Turnham and those who care for them.

Saturday 27th April	9.30am Mass Adoration/ confessions until 11am. 6pm Mass	Eugenia Szarzynska RIP Celebrants Ints
Sunday 28th April Fifth Sunday of Easter.	8am Mass 10am Mass	People of the Parish Emily O'Neil Ints
Monday 29th April FEAST:-St. Catherine of Sienna	9.30am Mass	Fr. Dominic Rolls RIP
Tuesday 30th April of 5th week of Easter	9.30am Mass	Hilda Turnham Ints
Wednesday 1st May Mem. St. Joseph, the Worker	<i>No liturgy</i>	
Thursday 2nd May St Athanasius	9.30am Mass	Mark & Isabel van der Lande's int
Friday 3rd May Sts Philip & James Apostles.	9.30am Mass 3pm Wedding	Alan O'Hea RIP (PO'S) Lucy and Michael
Saturday 4th May The English Martyrs	9.30am Mass Adoration/ confessions until 11am. 1pm Wedding 6pm Mass	Anna Odyniec RIP Sophie and Charles Celebrants Ints
Sunday 5th May Sixth Sunday of Easter	8am Mass 10am Mass	People of the Parish Angus & Luiza Ints

PARISH OFFICE: Please note that Penny, the parish secretary is on holiday until May 9th, as a consequence the newsletter will not be e-mailed out, it will however, be available as normal on the parish website:
www.sjcc.org.uk

In regard to other administrative matters, we should be able to cope, although responses / replies, might not be as prompt.

MANY THANKS : The collection for the training of future priests: £402.50 **CAFOD:-** Recent receipt for £547.39

ROSARY CIRCLE FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS:- Given the not insignificant decline in priestly vocations and to encourage us all to pray for such vocations, we will begin a 'Rosary Circle' next month. This is a very simple spiritual exercise many of us could join in with; at least 20 people praying one decade of the Rosary each day, so the whole of the Rosary is prayed for this particular intention, thus creating a 'Rosary Circle'. Each month a new 'Rosary Circle Chart' would be on the church noticeboard listing the 20 decades of the Rosary and a number of columns for people to put their initial or a tick in the box to indicate they will pray the particular decade each day, to create a number of 'circles'.

To keep this spiritual exercise in our minds and hearts, the first Sunday of each month would be a 'sign up' weekend, when people can recommit to this by 'signing up again' or indeed take up this prayerful activity. Let it be said, however, that anyone can join the Rosary Circles at any time. Details of how to be involved will be along side the 'sign up'

CAFOD: Sudan Appeal. In Sudan, another part of the world where war has been raging, some 25 million people again face extreme hunger. CAFOD and their church partners are there, ready to help. You can support their initiative at cafod.org.uk/SudanAppeal or call 0808 585 88 85

Eddie Hopkins' ordination An invitation from Eddie:
*Happy news! Bishop Richard has officially accepted me for ordination. I very much look forward to celebrating Mass in Dorking on 30 June, but you are all very welcome to come to the ordination as well. This will be at Arundel Cathedral on **Saturday, 22 June** at 2:30pm. If you're coming, it would help with the planning if you could fill out the form at this link: <https://cpq.churchsuite.com/events/nbidc5u8>
With my prayers and best wishes,*

Deacon Eddie

On Sunday 30th June Eddie will come to the parish to offer one of his first Masses, in part, as a personal act of gratitude for the help, encouragement and support you have given to him during his residence here. Eddie will offer the Mass at 10am after which there will be a celebration to mark his ordination the previous weekend.

Parish Youth Group:- It is hoped that we would be able to start a parish youth group before the end of the school year for the youngsters in Yr 6 and above. There are various 'models' we could follow, but the venture would require parental support which in turn will require DBS checks etc. So, just to 'flag' this to you with a view to pastoral planning. If you would be willing to help, whether 'on hand' or with experience, do please contact Fr. Ian. Many thanks.

'Village meet' At the last pastoral planning meeting, there was discussion about having 'village meets' to get some sense of supporting one another locally; we would hope to pursue this idea, but it would require local organisers for the initial meetings. If you can help, again please contact Fr. Ian

Weddings:- We ask you to pray for Lucy & Michael, who will be getting married on Friday and for Charles and Sophie who will be married on Saturday and for all the couples getting married here at St. Joseph's across the year. We wish them every blessing for the future and for their marriage, may the Lord grant them every blessing in helping their spouse to attain to the Kingdom of Heaven.

PUBLIC EXAMS:- As we approach the month of May, public exams, GCSE, A level and tertiary education exams get underway; a time of anxiety and concern both for those taking exams and for their families, which can cause tensions! Please pray for those taking exams and for their families, that guided by the Holy Spirit, all may obtain the reward of their labours.

DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN:- Thanks to all those who have sent in 'jottings' about the pastoral plan. Someone has kindly volunteered to collate the responses, once this has been done, we will publish the 'jottings' with a view to having a meeting to address suggestions, observations and the like, to find a way forward for the life and mission of the local Church. Many thanks.

EASTER OFFERING:-Thank you to you for your Easter Offering, which realised: £3,662.53. Thanks also for the Easter cards and the enjoyable chocolate and other goodies!

Thanks to all those who helped with the Holy Week liturgies, especially the altar servers, (who also came to rehearsals) to the musicians, those who prepared things in the sacristy, the flower arrangers, and those who cleaned, tidied and prepared the church for Holy Week To take the opportunity to thank all those of you who help out in the life of the parish in so many varied and different ways, organising and running different things, whether that be the collectors and money counters, the coffee morning providers, the repository and card sellers, the flower arrangers, the parents who get their children in on time to serve Mass, the servers themselves, the readers, the gift aid organisers, the sacristans, the readers rota organisers, those who tidy up both in and around the church, the cleaners and of course the people that I will have forgotten to mention. Once again, my thanks, *Fr. Ian*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: Please note that as there is a wedding this Friday, there will be no meetings this week, we will resume in the usual way, the following week. The Confirmation programme continues in the usual way. Many thanks.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS 23rd June:- This will take place on Sunday 23rd June, **it will be an additional Mass to the day, at 12.00 mid-day** as the number of guests will be significant. Anyone is welcome to come to the Mass, but please be mindful of the First Holy Communion children and their families. There will be the usual 8 & 10 am Masses that morning

Mass and Meet lunches on the first Friday of each month. We are currently **seeking volunteers** to join our friendly team. This involves providing a simple lunch along the lines of soup, bread and cheese, followed by cake and tea/coffee for approximately 25 people. Lunches are held in the Taunton Room and, with a few helpers on board, the laying out and clearing away is a quick and easy process All expenses can be reclaimed.

If you feel you might be able to help out, either on the buying and organising side of things or simply to be an extra pair of hands on the day, we would love to hear from you. You would not be called on more than 3 times during the year, and less frequently if we have plenty of volunteers! Phone Ricki Hughes 07769 824833 or Julie Briscoe 07821 705209 for more information.