

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for week commencing 26/27 November 2022

Mass for this week: Advent Week 1

Sat. 26th Nov
11:30 St Bernard's Healing Mass
6:15pm OLSP Vigil
Fatina O'Neill RIP
James Fitzpatrick (foundation)

Sun. 27th Nov Advent 1
9:00 St Bernard's Sandra Harley
10:30 OLSP Jim Fitzpatrick RIP

Mon. 28th Nov Weekday of Advent
9:30 OLSP Jose Maria (Anni.)
11:00 OLSP Funeral Anthony Hagerty

Tues. 29th Nov Weekday of Advent
9:30 OLSP The Emergency Services

Wed. 30th Nov St Andrew
11:30 OLSP Requiem Mass Myra Payne
7:30pm Holy Hour at St Bernard's

Thur. 1st Dec Weekday of Advent
9:30 OLSP Teachers

Fri. 2nd Dec Weekday of Advent
No Public Mass
11:00am Adoration, leading into,
12noon Rosary OLSP

Sat. 3rd Dec
6:15pm Vigil Mass OLSP Lawyers

Sun 4th Dec Advent 2
9:00am St Bernard's John Winter RIP
10:30 OLSP George Bye RIP

LINGFIELD – St. Bernard's

Sun. 9:00am Advent 1 Sandra Harley

Reconciliation (Confession)

East Grinstead: Saturday 10:30 – 11:00 am and 5:30 – 6:00 pm

BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday at 3:00 pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Jack.

MARRIAGE – Marriage arrangements should be made with Fr. Jack at least 12 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To arrange for marriage preparations please contact Fr. Jack.

MASS INTENTIONS – Have a Mass said for a departed loved one, or someone who is sick, or to celebrate a family occasion. Use the brown envelopes at the back of the church. Please do it two months in advance if you want a specific date.

R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS – Persons interested in learning of the Catholic faith, and any adult person who wishes to receive Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation. If you need information regarding this please contact Fr. Jack.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY - Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital.

NEW PARISHIONERS – Our Parish Family invites all its members to share fully in our spiritual and social life. If you change your address or telephone number please tell Fr. Jack. Please also consider registering online at:

www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com after which you will receive the newsletter by email each Saturday.

PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK - We would like to pray by name for any members of our parish family who are sick. If you or a loved one would like to be included in the Bidding Prayers you are warmly invited to contact Fr Jack or Sue Faulkner 07462394964 suzy.faulkner@icloud.com at Our Lady and St Peter and Fr Jack or Nicky Daines 01342 870358 raymondaines@btinternet.com or Mary Watson 01342 836344 mbwatson@hotmail.co.uk at St Bernard's.

Prayers will be included for those who are suffering from a long-term illness as well as those who have a short-term illness or are taken ill suddenly. If you are requesting prayers for a loved one please ensure that they have given their permission for their name to be included.

LIVESTREAMING - We are pleased to have livestreaming of our services. Typically, this will be the 9am Sunday Mass at Lingfield and 10:30am Sunday at East Grinstead. Other masses and special services will be streamed as advertised in this bulletin.

REQUESTS - for livestreaming of weddings, funerals and baptisms should be made to Fr Jack or Jonathan Jenkins jamenkins64@gmail.com

www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com to join us online.

Donate to The Catholic Parish of East Grinstead and Lingfield here:



Scan me with your Phone

Enquiries concerning Baptisms and Weddings.

I am usually available to take enquiries on Saturday mornings, from 10am to 10:30am at Our Lady and St Peter's. Or call me to arrange a suitable time.

Confession/Reconciliation. This is an essential part of our spiritual lives. As always I am available after mass on weekdays. Also on Saturday Morning from 10:30 to 11:00 and evening from 5:30 to 6:00. You may also phone me for an individual appointment if you wish.

Adoration/Holy Hour at St Bernard's Lady Chapel - Contact Mary Watson 07512 203744 or Nicky Daines 07941 360104.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - This week there is a special collection in support of the work of our SVP groups and your generosity will be shared equally between its movements in Lingfield and East Grinstead. However, this does not qualify for use of Gift Aid envelopes.

THANK YOU for your generosity last weekend towards the Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund when, including Gift Aid benefit, £419 was donated. NEXT WEEK (4th December) there will be a collection in support of our Altar Societies dressing our churches with FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS. Please support them and use your purple Gift Aid envelopes to enhance your gifts by 25% straightaway.

MISSIO RED BOXES OLSP - Please will you bring your red boxes to church for year-end counting over the next few weeks. Please just deliver them into the sacristy and not leave them elsewhere. If you have any queries, just contact Chris or Margaret on 327002 (cjp_mrp@hotmail.com). Thank you.

“SVP - THE SECOND COLLECTION - this weekend of 26th/27th November 2022 is for the work of the SVP Conferences at St. Bernard's and Our Lady & St. Peter, in helping those in need. Please be as generous as you can; as you will be all too aware, the current economic crisis is causing more and more poverty, inflation, increasing fuel bills, spiralling food prices and rising mortgage rates. Whilst everyone is affected, those who are already struggling and those with fewer financial reserves will be especially impacted in the months ahead. Many thanks in anticipation of your generosity.”

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU!!!! - The SVP Winter Appeal has raised £1500 paying for 50 Winter Waterproof sleeping bags, already being distributed among the people sleeping out of doors. A huge thank you for your generous support, from those less fortunate than most and your SVP.

COP27 - the climate talks have ended in Egypt with Governments agreeing to set up a 'loss and damage' fund to support countries that have contributed least to causing the climate crisis but which are seeing communities devastated by its impacts. However, but too few of them have yet committed to put money into the fund. And worse still, too many countries at COP27 blocked further commitments to stop supporting the fossil fuels at the root of the climate crisis, condemning people in communities most vulnerable to its effects to further loss and damage. More info from www.cafod.org.uk

FAIR TRADE STALL - at both OL&SP and St Bernard's on the w/end of the 3/4th December.

EAST GRINSTEAD CATENIANS - Members are reminded of the dinner on 9th December and Carols on 11th.

"CONFIRMATION 2023" - Young people in the current Year 10 and above are warmly invited to find out more about the Confirmation Preparation Programme in our parish, which will start in mid January. Further information and an application form can be found on the Parish website <https://eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com/confirmation/>, or are available by emailing confegparish@outlook.com

"THIS DECEMBER COME AND JOIN" - Hale & Hound, Charlotte Hale (née Blackledge) who will be running **two** luxury traditional wreath making classes. Where you will learn how to create and decorate your own door wreath and enjoy some complimentary refreshments and home-made mince pies. Let's get into the festive spirit and decorate your front doors with that extra 'Oomph' this Christmas! **Dates - Saturday 3rd December 10-12pm & Sunday 11th December 2-4pm. For full details and booking please contact: Email - haleandhound@yahoo.com or Tel - 07714037730"**

PARISH CHRISTMAS GREETINGS - You are very warmly invited to send in your greetings again this year. Please send them to me by Thursday 15th December, ideally by email at address: leswhittaker252@outlook.com. Alternatively, I can be texted on 07502 274450, or greetings can be left in an envelope marked "Parish Christmas Greetings" in the sacristy at OLSP.

Electronic copies of the publication will be sent to participating parishioners, and everyone on the parish database. Hard copies will also be placed on the notice boards at OLSP and St Bernard's, and given to participants who are not "on-line". Please send donations direct to CAFOD again this year, at www.cafod.org.uk and click on the donate button, or send donation to CAFOD Head Office, Romero House, 55 Westminster Bridge Road, London, SE1 7JB. Please do contact me if you have any queries. Les Whittaker

WANTED - Volunteer Teacher for 3 months in Chitwan, Nepal (220km south of Katmandu) to teach primary school children in Sielehswor Adrs school. Accommodation and food provided. Please contact Mr Pandi, Ghurka Restaurant. 07774518908. Refugee Welcome Crawley are also looking for qualified teachers of English who can help with Syrian, Afghani and Ukrainian refugees. Please email rwchair@gmail.com if you can help.

CANDLE-LIT CAROL SERVICE AT ST BERNARD'S - This year we are introducing a new carol service, to be held at St Bernard's church, Lingfield, at 7.30pm on Thursday 22 December. All parishioners are encouraged to attend and sing. After the service SVP Lingfield will be serving hot punch and mince pies in the church hall. There is no charge for these. Donations to the Sudan baby-feeding programme will be welcomed.

URGENTLY NEEDED FOR REFUGEES WELCOME CRAWLEY - winter waterproof warm jackets - medium, trainers (size 41,42 and 43), medium and small jogging bottoms, T shirts, sweatshirts and jeans, All in good condition please. Leave in bags at the back of churches with the contents clearly labelled on the outside. Also, mobile phones and bicycles in good condition required. Thank you. Further information from Sue Joy. 07821379064.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE - As the new Resource Centre is now open men's winter clothes are welcome (T shirts, trainers and joggers) plus blankets, sleeping bags.

EG FOODBANK -

please spread the word to people you may know who are facing increasing financial difficulties, that the Foodbank based at the Jubilee Centre (JC) in Charlwoods Road is there to help and will offer a warm welcome to those who come along for assistance (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 1pm-3pm). In addition to providing food (voucher system in place), it works alongside the Citizen's Advice Bureau and Christians against Poverty, to provide advice on debt, fuel poverty and benefits.

The EG Foodbank - celebrates its 10th anniversary in December and during that time 237,968 kgs of food have been distributed, 16,000 people fed and 6626 food vouchers issued. Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks. Food donations - Christmas tubs of chocolates, biscuits, iced cake slice, and puddings (medium size) 300/440g, cooking oil 1 ltr bottles, instant mash potato and jars of peanut butter. Bring to church, drop at JC, or donate at Sainsburys and Waitrose. Put the **Bank the Food** app on your mobile phone as a reminder when you shop. www.eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk Tel. 07856 864251.

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE SHRINE OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM - We are planning a parish pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham next spring 12th - 14th May 2023. To confirm our booking we need to have an idea of numbers as soon as possible so if you are interested please contact: Nicky 0132 870358 or Eileen 01342 317424