

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for week commencing 24/25 December 2022			<p>BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday at 3:00 pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Jack.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>REQUESTS - for livestreaming of weddings, funerals and baptisms should be made to Fr Jack or Jonathan Jenkins jamjenkins64@gmail.com</p> <p>www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com to join us online.</p>
Mass for this week: The Season of Christmas			
Sat. 4:00pm Childrens' vigil mass OLSP 6:15pm Vigil Mass Davies - OLSP 11:30pm 'Midnight' Mass OLSP	Christmas Eve	Anne & Steve Thanksgiving	
Sun. 9:00 St Bernard's 10:30 OLSP	Christmas Day	Phyllis Flemming	
Mon. 9:30 OLSP	St Stephen	Sheila O'Neill	
Tues. 9:30 OLSP	St John	Maura Tarpey Agnes Wallace	
Wed. 9:30 St Bernard's 7:30 Holy Hour at St Bernard's	The Holy Innocents		
Thurs. 9:30 OLSP	St Thomas Becket		
Friday 9:30 OLSP 11:00 Adoration, leading into, 12 noon Rosary OLSP	The Holy Family		
Sat. 6:15 Vigil Mass OLSP		Marianne Wade	
Sun 9:00 St Bernard's 10:30 OLSP	Mary, Mother of God		
LINGFIELD – St. Bernard's			
Sun. 9:00	Christmas Day		
Reconciliation (Confession) East Grinstead: Saturday 10:30 – 11:00 am and 5:30 – 6:00 pm			

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 - Wednesday 7:30pm – 8:30pm. Rosary, Silence and Music. All are welcome. Contact Mary Watson 07512 203744 or Nicky Daines 07941 360104.

ADORATION & ROSARY AT OLSP - Please note there will be NO Adoration and Rosary on Fridays' 23rd and 30th December. We will return at 11.00am on Friday 6th January (Epiphany) – All Welcome. If you would like to receive a copy of our weekly rosary prayer and meditation document by email please contact me

on leswhittaker252@outlook.com. It can also be viewed on the church noticeboard. Les Whittaker.

COUNTED MISSIO RED BOXES OLSP - With thanks, please would box holders collect their named boxes from the window ledge close to the choir loft access door.

SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS AT OLSP - We're having a short break over Christmas and the New Year but will be welcoming you back on Sunday 8th January.

BUMPER CHRISTMAS DRAW PARISH 100 CLUB - Congratulation to winners in the draw held at Refreshments after 10:30 Mass last Sunday: £50 wins to Mr McTigh and Mrs Holland; £25 wins to Mr & Mrs Green and Mrs McLaughlan; £15 wins to Mrs Pond and Mr & Mrs Vasey. Thank you to all our supporters and a Happy New Year to us all.

PARISH MAGAZINE - We plan to publish the Parish Magazine in early Spring in preparation for the Parish Annual Meeting. As last year, may I ask for a short review of the year from the various parish organisations as well as some items of relevant interest. The copy date is 13th February 2023, please submit this either to myself or to Klara King.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY 2022 SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - Across the year, 23 Special Collections have raised £10,725 in donations before the application of Gift Aid further benefit. Thank you very much indeed (and to this figure can be added £5,612 for the Extraordinary collection in support of Ukrainian refugees in the Spring)

AND FROM THE NEWSLETTER - a Happy Christmas greeting to all our readers and contributors. And, for the New Year, please remember that Mapande (mapande@aol.com) is the only source of submission for all your contributions; receipt, please, by midday Thursdays certain.

COMPLIMENTARY 2023 MISSIO CALENDARS - are available for collection from the church tables at both churches.

ADVENT TREE - this is available at OLSP at the back of the Church in aid of Crawley Open House (COH), our local homeless centre which covers a wide area including helping people in East Grinstead and Lingfield. In addition to being a 55 bed hostel, COH also opens its doors everyday to provide food, advice and support for many marginalised and poor people. Please take a label on the tree, or in the small box, and bring the item along asap. Thank you.

"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 emailingconfegparish@outlook.com

JUSTICE AND PEACE ASSEMBLY- Saturday 28 January from 9.30-1.30pm with the theme Hungary for Change - exploring food and conflict and the positive steps we can take towards a fairer, more peaceful world. email: Tessa.Ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk to register a place. Venue: St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley.

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 - the needs for EG Foodbank are now – brown sauce, deodorants men and women, disposable razors, fruit juice 1ltr Longlife, instant mash potato, jar of peanut butter, kitchen roll, long grain rice, marmite.

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 Charwoods 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.

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

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