

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

*Weekday Morning Prayer - 9.45am*

<b>Sunday 2nd February</b> 6.00pm ( <i>Vigil of Sunday</i> ) 9.00am 10.30am 12 noon 5.30pm	<b>The Presentation of the Lord</b> , Candlemas, Feast All Parishioners Rita Bushell RIP Felicitas Andaya RIP Mass in Italian Bridie McKeown RIP
<b>Monday 3rd February</b> 8.00am—7.00pm 10.00am <i>Blessing of throats</i> 7.00pm	<b>Weekday</b> <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament</i> Milagros S. Regalado RIP Holy Hour
<b>Tuesday 4th February</b> 10.00am <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11am</i>	<b>Weekday</b> Stella Parrott
<b>Wednesday 5th February</b> 10.00am <i>Year 3 at this Mass</i>	<b>St Agatha, Virgin and Martyr</b> , Memoria Lucy
<b>Thursday 6th February</b> 10.00am <i>Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Sacrament of Reconciliation until 11am</i>	<b>St Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs of Japan</b> , Memoria His Excellency Archbishop Edward Adams, on his retirement
<b>Friday 7th February</b> 10.00am	<b>Weekday</b> Gerard Summerville RIP
<b>Saturday 8th February</b> 10.00am 6.00pm ( <i>Vigil of Sunday</i> ) 7.45pm	<b>Weekday</b> John McEvoy RIP The Intentions of Sr Margarethe Maria Huizer Mass in Portuguese
<b>Sunday 9th February</b> 9.00am 10.30am 12 noon 1.30pm 5.30pm	<b>Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Racial Justice Day</b> All Parishioners The Intentions of Nana and George Asare-Aidoo Mass in Italian Baptisms Alice Thompson

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

**Saturdays:** After 10.00am and 6.00pm Masses *or by appointment.*  
**Tuesdays and Thursdays** during Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.

*Readings: Cycle A for Sundays & Solemnities Year 2 for Weekdays*

### DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

<b>Sunday 2nd February</b>	Food Bank Collection this weekend First Holy Communion Meetings, 3pm, 4.15pm Confirmation Meeting, Function Room, after the 5.30pm Mass
<b>Monday 3rd February</b>	First Holy Communion Meetings, 6pm
<b>Tuesday 4th February</b>	Senior Lunch, Function Room, 12 noon
<b>Wednesday 5th February</b>	Icon Painting, Liturgy Room, 10.30am-1pm Youth Alive, Function Room, 4.30-6.15pm
<b>Thursday 6th February</b>	Toddler Group, Function Room, 10am-12 noon RCIA Meeting, Function Room, 7.30pm
<b>Friday 7th February</b>	School Coffee Morning, Function Room, 8.45-10am Encounter, Function Room, 7-9pm
<b>Saturday 8th February</b>	Alpha, Function Room, 8am
<b>Sunday 9th February</b>	CAFOD cake sale, after 9am Mass

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## ST DUNSTAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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Father Simon Hall

Deacon Russell Young  
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**2nd February 2020**

### The Presentation of the Lord, Candlemas

Fr Peter wishes to thank you all for your prayers and best wishes which he truly appreciates, and is humbled by.

He has returned to the parish, but on "light" duties only for the time being.

He says "God bless you all; you are wonderful."

#### Parish Pilgrimage to Poland

Please book now if you are intending to join this Pilgrimage. Bookings are closing shortly.

#### Monday Adoration and Holy Hour

This Monday, 3rd February, 7-8pm.

While we all bring to the Lord that which is closest in our hearts you may also wish to pray for the future of this country and for Europe at this momentous time. On the first Monday of each month, when there is a Holy Hour, Adoration will not end at 5pm but continue into the Holy Hour.

There will be a CAFOD cake sale after 9am Mass next Sunday, February 9th.

#### Racial Justice Sunday

Next weekend, Sunday 9th February, the Catholic Church in England and Wales will celebrate Racial Justice Sunday. The theme is: "You are at the heart of the Church". It will celebrate the contribution Travelling Communities make to the church. It is an opportunity for all Catholics to pray for, reflect on and respond to racial justice matters within the church and wider society. Racial Justice Sunday should encourage proactive discussion on overt and covert forms of racism experienced by fellow Catholics from the Travelling Communities. The retiring collection next Sunday will be to support the church in its work with travellers. Your contributions, however large or small, will help to make a difference. Thank you,

There will be a collection for **Woking Foodbank** after all Masses this weekend, Saturday 1st and Sunday 2nd February. They would especially appreciate the following: canned chicken, canned ham, washing detergent, long-life sponge puddings, UHT milk and snacks and crisps for lunch boxes. Thank you!

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK** especially for **those whose names are on our prayer board.**

#### Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

This Sunday, 2nd February, is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord, which occurs forty days after the birth of Jesus, and is also known as Candlemas Day. The candles used in our church will be blessed during Mass. Parishioners may bring for the blessing candles that they will use for prayers in their homes.

#### Gift Aid Envelopes

Gift Aid envelopes are being ordered for the next tax year, which starts in early April. Some parishioners have indicated that they would not need any more blue Retiring Collection envelopes as they already had sufficient for the half-dozen Gift Aidable Retiring Collections during the year. Could parishioners who have sufficient blue Retiring Collection envelopes for the coming tax year and do not need a new batch in March please either contact the Gift Aid Organiser, Ian White, at [ianwh236@gmail.com](mailto:ianwh236@gmail.com) or on 01932 340747, or contact the Parish Office. White envelopes for the weekly Offertory Collection are always Gift Aidable and will be ordered as normal.

#### Fr Frank's Memorial—The Holy Family

A model of the intended memorial statue for Fr Frank is on display in the Narthex together with a poster introducing the proposal. The actual height of the statue has not finally been determined but we hope this will give you a good idea of the sculptor's unique interpretation of our vision.

#### Disabled Parking Spaces

Before parking in a disabled parking space, please could you consider whether you would be able to use a normal space instead, so as to leave the disabled ones for those using a wheelchair or walking aid who cannot manage without the extra room.

#### Encounter—Friday 7th February, 7-9pm

Our group for young people in school years 10-13. At Encounter we provide a friendly atmosphere, food and drink, and let the Holy Spirit do the rest.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF:  
Kevin McDonagh RIP.**

*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.  
May he rest in peace.*

The **Parish email address has changed** to [woking@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:woking@abdiocese.org.uk) as a result of the Diocese updating all diocesan addresses. Apologies for the inconvenience.

**The Parish Magazine** is now accepting contributions in the form of stories, comments, letters, reflective accounts, prayers or photos for the Easter edition. Please send via the church office for the attention of the editor. Or alternatively email [zilightfoot@gmail.com](mailto:zilightfoot@gmail.com). Deadline 9th March 2020.

**The Parish Magazine** is seeking new advertisers—please contact [zilightfoot@gmail.com](mailto:zilightfoot@gmail.com) if you require more information or rates.

#### **Mascot Friendship Café**

We offer good company, a quiz, some seated exercise, music, newspapers and refreshments—tea, coffee, and cake. You can join in with what ever you want. This is a safe place for people living with memory loss, for their family, friends and carers to meet. 10.30am to 12.30pm every Wednesday at St Paul's Community Halls, Oriental Road Maybury GU22 7BD. A warm welcome is guaranteed!

**Woking Street Angels** All churches are invited to a Commissioning and Worship service on Sunday 9th February at 4pm, for about an hour, at All Saints Church, Woodham Lane, Woodham, Woking GU21 5SH. Tea and cake to follow!

#### **St John the Baptist School Quiz Night**

Friday 13 March 2020 at 7:00pm

Come and join us for an evening of quiz fun in aid of SJB! Feel free to bring a team (max 8 per team) but teams can also be formed on the night. The evening is open to friends, family, students and anyone else who loves a quiz or wants to support SJB. No bring your own please. We will be selling soft and alcoholic drinks and snacks and you might find a raffle thrown into the mix too. Tickets can be bought online at [www.trybooking.co.uk/PCP](http://www.trybooking.co.uk/PCP) for £5 each, (plus 40p booking fee). In the interests of the planet, we are not issuing tickets but will have a list on the door. Hope to see you there!  
*The PTA*

#### **Ecumenical Mental Health Project**

Green for Go! Go for Help! Please see the poster on the Church notice board giving details of services available for people in crisis. This time of year can be difficult for many people, these contacts might help the person sitting next to you in the church or someone you meet in the street. As you leave the church why not take a photo of the poster to store on your phone? If you are interested in the Mental Health Project do get in touch by emailing: [catherine.martindale@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:catherine.martindale@abdiocese.org.uk).

#### **Faith in Politics: Parliamentary and Public Affairs Internships 2020-21 – APPLICATIONS OPEN**

This is open to Catholic graduates with a desire to work in public life and make the world a better place one step at a time. Apply at [www.faithinpolitics.org.uk](http://www.faithinpolitics.org.uk). Applications close on February 28th.

*Coming Soon...*

#### **Parish Day of Renewal Saturday March 7th**

This will be an opportunity to come and spent a day (or a half-day) with the Lord. The day will be led by a visiting speaker and include Mass, Adoration, Prayer and Reconciliation. More details next week, but please do put the date in your diary now.

#### **Missio Red Box Collection**

A big thank you for the box collection for 2019 which totalled £7,950.10. In April or May we will be given the grand total for our Parish which will include the Annual members donations.

Through Missio, your generosity helps the work of the missionaries as they, inspired by their faith, build schools, provide health care and “root” the church, often in difficult circumstances.

Many thanks also to the “Box Collectors” who generously give their time throughout the year, Local contact Rafaela: 01483 762075.

#### **Entry Into St Dunstan's School for Reception Class September 2021**

The Supplementary Information Form (SIF) for entry into St Dunstan's School, Reception Class September 2021, requires a signature from a priest confirming parents' level of attendance at Mass for one year. (As do other Catholic Schools).

In order to help us to be as fair as possible in signing the SIFs, we have a 'signing-in' system at Mass each weekend.

**For entry in September 2021 the signing-in began on the weekend of 11th/12th January. Please come to the Parish Office to set up a 'sign-in sheet' for this purpose.**

There are still copies **A&B News** available this weekend. Please take one, they are free.

#### **Evening Prayer for the Divorced, Remarried & Separated**

Sunday 23rd February, at 3pm  
All those in our parish communities who may be divorced, remarried or simply separated are warmly invited to come together with Bishop Richard at St John the Evangelist Church in Horsham for afternoon tea, conversation and the celebration of Evening Prayer, which will conclude the afternoon. It would be useful to know approximate numbers to allow us to cater appropriately. If you could send through the name(s) of those who are coming along, that would be useful. You can send the information to [Katherine.Bergin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Katherine.Bergin@abdiocese.org.uk). Thank you.

#### **Woking Choral Society Concert**

Saturday 14th March, 7.30pm HG Wells Centre.  
Gioachino Rossini's Petite Messe Solennelle, with Musical Director Richard Bannon conducting, soloists Miriam Allan, Carris Jones, Peter Davoren and Robert Rice, with pianists William Vann and Libby Burgess alongside Edward Dean playing Harmonium. Tickets £18, students £5, children under 16 free available at [www.wokingchoral.org.uk](http://www.wokingchoral.org.uk) or the Lightbox, Christ Church Shop or Brittens Music in New Haw.

#### **St Dunstan's School Teaching Assistant Vacancy**

Start Date: as soon as possible

Monday: 9am – 1.30pm

Tuesday to Friday: 9.30am – 2pm for 38.6 weeks per year (to include 3 Inset days) (part time post)

Salary: Surrey Pay Grade S3 (dependent on relevant experience) £17,316 - £18,242 (full-time equivalent).

Closing date for applications: rolling programme. Should the right person be employable then this advert will close.

Application forms and the job description are available to download on the school website under vacancies. Alternatively please contact the Headteacher's PA Mrs A. Murray at [amurray@stdunstans.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:amurray@stdunstans.surrey.sch.uk).

*St Dunstan's Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people in its care and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. The successful candidate will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS disclosure and sign the Catholic Education Service contract of employment.*

#### **Woking Debates**

##### **Islamophobia - Saturday 8th February**

Woking People of Faith are promoting the Woking Debates' next topic—'Islamophobia: How much of a problem is it in Woking?'. It will be held at Christ Church, Jubilee Square, 8th February, 11am - 12.30pm. How aware are we of the problems faced by Woking residents who are Muslims? Mohammad Shoaib, from Muslim Engagement and Development will open the discussion and some Woking Muslims will share their personal experiences. There will be ample opportunity for local residents to share their views and concerns about the challenges we face. Entrance is free, donations welcome. Tea and coffee from 10.30am. Further details from Keith Scott, email [keithsc\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:keithsc_2000@yahoo.com).

#### **Adult HCPT Group 508 is going to Lourdes**

on 14th May for a one week restful pilgrimage, staying at Hosanna House in the hills overlooking Lourdes. We cover all Lourdes activities as a relaxed family group in which you can do as much or as little as suits you. The Group takes adult Pilgrims including a few disabled, and we have our own chaplain and nurse with us. If this interests you, please contact Philip Jones at [waterphil@TalkTalk.net](mailto:waterphil@TalkTalk.net) or 01483 772698, or through the parish office.

#### **Engage—Taking the Gospel Into Schools**

Engage Woking Schools are looking for a Primary Schools Worker to join their team providing Christian assemblies, RE and other activities in the schools of Woking. This is a great opportunity to be part of a team, to build on our vision and to develop work established for over 25 years. The post, based at St Andrew's Church, Goldsworth Park is for a 35 hour week, term time only. For further details and an application pack, please see [www.engagewoking.org](http://www.engagewoking.org) or email Shelley at [office@engagewoking.org](mailto:office@engagewoking.org) Deadline for applications: 3rd February; Interviews to be held on 7th February.

#### **Readings for the Presentation of the Lord**

##### **Malachi 3:1-4**

The Prophet Malachi seems to point to John the Baptist as the messenger who will prepare a way for the Lord. The Prophet Malachi assures us that that Lord will come. 'The Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his temple'. We hear the message of John the Baptist and the call of the Prophet to be ready to receive the Lord when he comes again.

##### **Psalms 23: 7-10**

Who is the king of glory? It is the Lord.

##### **Hebrews 2: 14-18**

Jesus fully shared in our human nature and so he understands us. He knows our needs. This enables Jesus to be compassionate towards us. As high priest he not only forgives our sins but intercedes for us from his place at the right hand of God. It is a great reassurance for us to know that Jesus is so familiar with us.

##### **Luke 2: 22-40**

The prophecy described in today's First Reading is fulfilled, the Lord enters his temple. Mary and Joseph fulfil the requirements of the law and present their son in the temple. There they encounter Simeon and Anna, two people who spent years dedicated to prayer. Prompted by the Spirit, Simeon recognises Jesus as the Messiah and the light of the world. This was a blessed moment, once described as 'a moment when the world's old age welcome into its arms the eternal youth of God'. (Glenstal Bible Missal). Yet this moment is tinged with sorrow as Simeon speaks to Mary of the future suffering her son will endure. A reminder that there is no Easter Sunday without Good Friday.

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#### **Readings next Weekend**

Isaiah 58: 7-10; Psalm 111: 4-9;  
1 Corinthians 2: 1-5; Matthew 5: 13-16.

#### **Did you know...? The Catechism says:**

**529** The presentation of Jesus in the temple shows him to be the firstborn Son who belongs to the Lord. With Simeon and Anna, all Israel awaits its encounter with the Saviour—the name given to this event in the Byzantine tradition. Jesus is recognized as the long-expected Messiah, the "light to the nations" and the "glory of Israel", but also "a sign that is spoken against". The sword of sorrow predicted for Mary announces Christ's perfect and unique oblation on the cross that will impart the salvation God had "prepared in the presence of all peoples".

Thank you for last Sunday's Offertory collection of £3,541.30 (*the cash offertory plus the average of the standing orders*) and for £664.95 for CAFOD.

There is no retiring collection this weekend. Next weekend, on Prisoners Sunday, the retiring collection will be for the Catholic Association for Racial Justice.