

## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

*Weekday Morning Prayer - 9.45am (Week 2)*

**Sunday 3rd September** **Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
6.00pm (*Vigil*) For all Parishioners  
9.00am Margaret Kennedy RIP  
10.30am The Intentions of Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor  
12.00 noon Mass in Italian  
5.30pm Iris Cole RIP

**Monday 4th September** **Weekday**  
10.00am L.J. Scaria RIP  
7.30pm Holy Hour

**Tuesday 5th September** **Weekday**  
10.00am Jessie O'Sullivan RIP  
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT until 11.00am

**Wednesday 6th September** **Weekday**  
10.00am Kathleen Chandler RIP

**Thursday 7th September** **Weekday**  
10.00am Michael Olubukola Martins RIP  
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT until 11.00am

**Friday 8th September** **Feast: The Nativity of The Blessed Virgin Mary**  
10.00am Tommy Browne RIP

**Saturday 9th September** **Weekday**  
10.00am Mary Hill RIP

**Sunday 10th September** **Twenty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
6.00pm (*Vigil*) Thomas Harte RIP (Anniversary Mass)  
9.00am For all Parishioners  
10.30am Niamh Pierce RIP  
12.00 noon Mass in Italian  
1.30pm Baptisms  
2.45pm Baptisms  
5.30pm Pat McKenna RIP

*Readings: Cycle A for Sundays & Solemnities  
Year 1 for Weekdays*

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

**Saturdays:** 10.45am (for as long as necessary)  
and after 6.00pm Mass *or by appointment.*

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## ST DUNSTAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### 3rd September 2017 Twenty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Welcome** to all new staff at St Dunstan's School and to the ninety new reception class children and their families, making a total of 600 children in the school.

**Foodbank Collection This Weekend (2nd/3rd)** - Please leave all donations of tinned/dried food and toiletries on the table in the narthex. These will be collected early on Monday morning.

#### **Day of Reflection for Readers**

Led by Bishop Richard: at The Sacred Heart Church, Cobham, KT11 1AA, on **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September**. 11.00 am to 4.00 pm (packed lunch needed). Talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary and its use in the Liturgy, the Liturgy of the Word, preparing to read, using micro-phones. Lectio Divina. Mass. Booking is essential as places are limited.  
To book contact [ruth.gerun@dabnet.org](mailto:ruth.gerun@dabnet.org) or 01293 651164.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK** especially for those whose names are on the prayerboard.

#### **First Reconciliation And Holy Communion**

If you have a child who will be in Year 3 or above at school in September and you think that they may be ready to celebrate their First Reconciliation and Holy Communion then please come to a meeting (for parents) on:

**Monday 11th September at 7.30pm in the Function Room.**

At the meeting we will explain how the programme works and what commitment is involved. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and we will distribute Application Forms. No need to get in touch with us before that date.

This meeting is essential, but if you really are unable to come then please get in touch with the Parish Office to arrange a separate appointment in September during the week following the meeting.

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOUL OF:**

**Len Miller RIP** (cousin of Geoff Penny).  
*Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord.  
May he rest in peace.*

**If you have ever thought that you might like to become a Catholic ...** then there is still time to make an enquiry before the next 'RCIA' course begins in September. Just call or email the Parish Office and we will arrange to meet you and answer any questions you may have.

**Thursday Afternoon Club This Thursday 5th September, 2.00pm**  
Our next meeting will be a presentation by Deirdre Leach on the changing face of life in the classroom down the years - from chalk-and-talk, times-tables and learning by heart to interactive white-boards, individual lap-tops and coding lessons! Deirdre will describe her own years as a pupil and a college student, and then her teaching career which began in the 1960s and ended with her retirement in 2007. However her interest and involvement with schools continues through her own grandchildren. As usual all are invited, together with any friends, to attend.

**Senior Lunch Is Back**  
Our next lunch will be on **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September at 12 noon**. The sign-up list will be up in the Narthex from this weekend for you to add your name. Please ensure you write your telephone number if you require transport. If you have any questions, please call Chris 01483 766913.

**Toddler Group**  
We shall be meeting again this term from Thursday 7th September 10 am-12 noon in the Function Room. Everyone is very welcome. Details from Jane Potter 01483 772981.

**Dialogue and Unity Day 2017, Saturday 23rd September, 10-4pm at DABCEC Crawley**  
The theme is 'Exploring how the Holy Spirit is opening new ways to work for unity.' We have two Roman Catholic Communities who have a charism for unity joining us for the day and we look forward to welcoming you too! Bring a packed lunch and a friend from another church. Book online: [www.dabnet.org](http://www.dabnet.org)>Courses>Dialogueand Unity or by phone 01293 651164

**Are You An Employer?**  
Could you provide a job for one or more refugees living in Woking urgently in need of work? The minimum would be 24 paid hours per week. The refugees may speak little English. Any work, skilled or unskilled would be considered. If you can help, please make initial contact with Mark on 01483 772981.

Save the date in your diaries for the first-ever **Friends of St Dunstan's School Fireworks Night** on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October! Tickets will be on sale shortly, with entrance £12 for a family ticket of up to 5 people, and individual advance tickets £5 for an adult and £4 for a child. All Parish members are very welcome to attend so please come along and support this exciting new event!

**FOR YOUR DIARY ...**  
**Diocesan Annual Grandparents Formation Day:** 21st September, Worth Abbey from 9.45am to 3.00pm.

**Diocesan Wedding Anniversaries Mass:** October 7th, Arundel Cathedral at 12.00 noon.

Please see the notice-board for further details of all these events.

**Walk For Woking Hospice**  
Members of Churches in and around Woking are invited to gather on Sun 8 Oct at 3.30pm for a gentle 3 mile sponsored walk to raise a much-needed £200,000 for Woking Hospice. **The Plan:** Each walker just needs to ask 10 people (neighbours/friends/family) to give £10. Needed: 2000 people x 10 sponsorships x £10 =£200,000! *Simple!* For this to work, we need **YOU** (and any others you can recruit) to sign up, get sponsors and do the walk.  
To sign up/other details go to: <http://bit.ly/churchesforwoking17> or pick up a sign-up form from the narthex.

**The Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies -** The CCRS is designed for people who are engaged in the communication of their Catholic Faith, whether directly or indirectly. It is open to catechists, people involved in liturgical work and other interested adults. For more details please see poster on the notice board and the website: [www.brs-ccrs.org.uk](http://www.brs-ccrs.org.uk) or call 0207 901 1900.

**Healing Service** at St Joan of Arc Church, Farnham, GU9 8DJ on Wednesday 6th September, 8.00-9.00pm (Adoration from 7.30pm). Please see notice board.

**Thank You ...** for last Sunday's Offertory collection of £3,556.40 (*the cash offertory plus the average of the standing orders*).

This weekend the retiring collection is for CAFOD.

Next weekend the retiring collection will be for the CATHOLIC EDUCATION SERVICE.

**Mass Readings for this Sunday 3rd September**  
**Jeremiah 20: 7-9**  
The prophet Jeremiah has been called to speak God's message into a culture that is hostile and largely unresponsive. Being a prophet is costly. He is tempted to choose an easier path. He even accuses God of seducing him into accepting a call that has brought him only 'derision and reproach' (vv. 7-8). Yet because of the divine spark within him he will not yield to the temptation.

**Romans 12:1-2**  
St Paul appeals to Roman Christians to remember 'the mercies of God' (what God has done in Christ) and to worship God by offering their bodies 'as a living sacrifice'. He reminds them that their behaviour as Christians must be different from that seen in the world around them. How they live their lives will determine their ongoing discovery of God's will for them.

**Matthew 16:21-27**  
A typical Matthean pattern is notable in today's gospel: Teaching follows incident or event. The incident here is Peter's misunderstanding of the first prediction by Jesus of his forthcoming passion, death and resurrection (v 21). Peter remonstrates with Jesus: 'Lord, this must not happen to you'. But Jesus sees things differently. He must follow the path of suffering marked out by God. Peter's well-meant remark is not a help but a hindrance - a stumbling block in fact. After this comes a teaching - applicable to all who follow Jesus. The journey will demand self-sacrificing love. Discipleship is costly. There is no easy route. The disciple will follow the Master.

Readings Next Weekend: *Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10; Matthew 18:15-20*

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