

**THE PARISH  
OFFICE IS OPEN  
9.15am-13.00pm  
Monday, Tuesday,  
Thursday & Friday**

**Catholic Parish of  
St John the Evangelist Tadworth  
Weekly Newsletter**

**11 August 2019**

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DAY	DATE	TIME	CELEBRATION	MASS INTENTION
Saturday	10 Aug	6.00pm	Mass: 19 <sup>th</sup> . Sunday Ordinary Time	M Tugwell Thanksgiving
Sunday	11 Aug	8.30am 10.30am	Mass: 19 <sup>th</sup> . Sunday Ordinary Time Mass: 19 <sup>th</sup> . Sunday Ordinary Time	People of the Parish Mary Boucher and the sick of the Parish
Monday	12 Aug	9.15am	Service Word & Holy Communion	
Tuesday	13 Aug	9.15am 10.30-11.00am	Service Word & Holy Communion Prayer Group in Lady Chapel	
Wednesday	14 Aug	9.15am	Mass: St. Maximillian Kolbe	Sayuri Kamamoto Intention
Thursday	15 Aug	10.00am 7.30pm	<b>Mass: Assumption of our Lady</b> <b>Mass: Assumption of Our Lady</b>	
Friday	16 Aug	9.15am	Mass:	Mary Duggan RIP
Saturday	17 Aug	10.00-10.30am 6.00pm	Reconciliation/Confessions Mass: 20 <sup>th</sup> . Sunday Ordinary Time	Sr. Columba O'Halloran OSB RIP
Sunday	18 Aug	8.30am 10.30am	Mass: 20 <sup>th</sup> . Sunday Ordinary Time Mass: 20 <sup>th</sup> . Sunday Ordinary Time	People of the Parish Fr. Patrick O'Connell 100 <sup>th</sup> Birthday

LITURGICAL SEASON: ORDINARY TIME		WEEK 19
SUNDAY READINGS: Cycle C		MAIN COLLECTION LAST WEEK: £890.76
WEEKDAY READINGS: Cycle 1		RETIRING COLLECTION THIS WEEK:
MORNING PRAYER: Week: 3		

PARISH DIARY – THIS WEEK	PARISH DIARY – COMING UP
Tuesday: 9.45am The Coffee Club	<b>3 Sept:</b> Parish Priest Supersession
	<b>18 Sept:</b> Liturgy Group meet
	<b>22 Sept:</b> 5.00pm 'Parish Songs of Praise' - music event
	<b>2 Oct:</b> 7.00pm Mass of Induction – Fr. Stanislaw
	<b>18 Oct:</b> Launch of Bereavement Group
	<b>26 Oct:</b> Parish Ceile-Barn Dance with Fish & Chip Supper

## From the Parish Priest

On Thursday we celebrate the ancient Feast of the Assumption of Our Lady into Heaven. The doctrine was dogmatically and infallibly defined by Pope Pius XII on 1 November 1950, in his Apostolic Constitution *Munificentissimus Deus*. In our time Pope Francis has often encouraged devotion to our Lady, a perfect model of what a Christian should be. For many youngsters today a rosary is a popular fashion accessory worn round the neck. May I commend its perhaps more traditional use as a wonderful meditation on the mystery of our salvation. God bless for the week.

*Fr. Richard*

## Feast of the Assumption

Wednesday is the Feast of the Assumption and is a Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated at 7.30pm (at St. Ann's) 10.00am and 7.30pm (at St. John's).



## Comings & Goings

Fr. Richard is not the only one on the move! Congratulations go to Archbishop John Wilson, who was installed as the new Archbishop of Southwark at St George's Cathedral on 25<sup>th</sup> July. Archbishop Peter Smith retired on that same day and Bishop Richard asks us to keep him in our prayers. Our Diocese owes Archbishop Peter a great debt of gratitude for all that he gave to the diocese while we had no bishop. Further away but quietly a friend of this parish, Bishop Tom Burns, has recently retired as Bishop of Menevia. In the diocese Canon Paul Jennings (Shoreham) and Fr. Martin Jacobus (Haywards Heath) are both retiring this summer.

## St. John's Library

The library in the hall foyer is now closed. The remaining small collection of books will be given to a charity shop.

## MUSIC IN THE PARISH

### Organist/Pianist Workshop - Saturday 21st September 2.00 - 3.45pm

A workshop for keyboard players and organists. Learn about the practical side of setting up the piano, when to play, and how to select suitable hymns. Only want to play one or two hymns to gain confidence? Come along and learn how to get started.

### Singers' Workshop – Sunday 22nd September 2.00 - 3.45pm

Current members of the Parish Music Group and **NEWCOMERS** welcome. We badly need more singers and instrumentalists. This is an introduction to the music we sing, including new material from our new hymn book **LAUDATE** which will be in use from 22 September.

### For everybody: Afternoon Tea followed by 'PARISH SONGS OF PRAISE' Sunday 22nd September 4.00pm

## Work around the Parish

In the past week or so essential re-pointing work has been carried out to the lower exterior part of the church building. Over the next few years we will have to attend to re-pointing the whole building including the tower. The Parish Office has been completely re-furnished with new desks and cupboards installed. A clear out of the Hall foyer has been completed and was long overdue. Cutting Edge continue to keep our grounds in good condition. They have cleared decades of garden waste from the presbytery garden. Jim Demitriou (Jim.Com) has just completed a range of maintenance fixes. The Parish Finance Committee (PFC) are working hard on the Parish Development Programme. Progress to install a new sound system has been slow due to lengthy diocesan approval processes. The main plan to repaint the church and to develop the entry area (narthex), remains on track. Final costings and some work to construct a funding strategy are in the pipeline. Everyone will have seen that we now have our handrail back on the steps leading to the church. Grateful thanks to all who have worked hard to get it repaired so quickly after its little prang. Particularly thanks to Mark Pattison (Property Manager), Fred Green and Bryn Boucher.