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Newsletter of Catholic Parish of St. John the Evangelist Tadworth

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22nd February – 1st March 2020 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 22nd	6.00pm	Rita Connolly RIP
Sunday 23rd	8.30am	John Graham RIP
	10.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 24th	9.00am	Morning Prayer, Liturgy of the Word and Adoration
Tuesday 25th	9.15am	Dipre Family Healing
	1.00pm	Funeral Service: Mary Hartfield
Wednesday 26th		Ash Wednesday
	10.00am	Rita Connolly RIP
	7.30pm	Angelina's wellbeing
Friday 28th	9.15am	Inez Hutton RIP
	7.00pm	Stations of the Cross

First Sunday of Lent

Saturday 29th	6.00pm	M Tugwell Thanksgiving
Sunday 1st	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Rita Connolly RIP

Confessions: Saturdays 10.00-10.30am, 5.15-5.45pm and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesdays 6.00 – 7.00pm

Family Mass & Children's Liturgy in the Hall: Sundays 10.30am; **in the Church:** First Sundays

Prayer Group in Lady Chapel: Tuesdays 10.30am

This Week:

Tues: Coffee Club 9.45am
FHC Catechists meeting
7.00pm
Sun: FHC programme session 4
before/after 10.30 Mass

Coming Up:

4th Mar: Pastoral Outreach 7.30pm
5th Mar: Bereavement Group 7.00pm
6th Mar: Simple lunch 12.15pm
7th Mar: New readers' introductory session
4.30pm
11th Mar: Joint Lenten Reconciliation Service at
St. Ann's 7.00pm

Week of Guided Prayer Epsom & Redhill Deanery Sunday 15th - Friday 20th March 2020:

This event is a valuable opportunity to explore different ways of praying in the midst of your daily life. A trained Prayer Guide will accompany you, listen, encourage and help you to explore ways to deepen your relationship with God through prayer. You can meet your Prayer Guide at St Michael's, Ashtead, or St Joseph's, Redhill, at a time of day that suits you or in your home if you are housebound.

The Week begins with an Opening Service on Sunday 15th March at St. Michael's Church Ashtead and will conclude with a Closing Service on Friday 20th March.

The closing date for bookings is Monday 24th February but no one will be turned away.

Booking forms are available at the back of the Church or you can email John Roberts, one of the co-ordinators, johnandmau@yahoo.co.uk, for more information or visit www.jesuit.org.uk/tags/week-guided-prayer.

The God Who Speaks - 2020 Year of the Word of God: Join us for a series of talks by Fr Tony Milner BSc STD. **8pm at the Parish Hall at St Joseph's, Falkland Grove, Dorking, RH4 3DL:**

27 Feb: Genesis 1-11, God's Word and Creation

26 Mar: The Gospel of John, focusing on the Lent readings

23 Apr: The Acts of the Apostles, living the Resurrection

21 May: Who were the Prophets? Messengers of God's Word

Year of the Word at St. John's: we want to celebrate, live and share God's word. We have our new sound system so this is a wonderful time to expand our team of readers. **We will be holding an introductory session for potential new readers on Saturday 7th March from 4.30pm onwards**— please do consider coming along just to see what's involved; you do not need to have any experience of public speaking. Have a word with Fr. Stanislaw after Mass if you are interested.

Day of Recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Led by the Reverend John Garry, a priest of St Patrick's Missionary Society (Kiltegan Fathers) on: **Saturday 23rd May 2020 10.00am – 4.00pm** at St Teresa's Independent School, Beech Avenue, Effingham Hill RH5 6ST. Please see the poster at the back of the church for more details.

Receiving Holy Communion under both kinds will be suspended for the time being in light of current concerns about the health of our parishioners.

Eucharistic Adoration: Jesus loves us without limit, and offers Himself to us in the Holy sacrament of the Eucharist. Can we take time out of our busy lives to give Jesus love and adoration in return? Spending an hour in the presence of the Lord, to sit quietly in prayer or just to think and reflect, can be the most wonderful part of your week. During the season of Lent there will be an additional hour for Eucharistic Adoration on Friday mornings after Mass.

The Lady Chapel now benefits from a glass screen to separate it from the Sanctuary. As well as making this a better space for quiet, private prayer, it also means that we now have an area for young children who may become restless during Mass.

The "Simple Lunch" (also known as Agape Lunch) started in 1991 as a way of helping the local community. St. John's supports the homeless hostel in Leatherhead, now known as Leatherhead Start, which provides emergency accommodation and support for vulnerable men and women. On the first Friday of every month, we organise a frugal lunch of bread, cheese, tea and coffee; parishioners make a donation for the lunch, and the proceeds go directly to Leatherhead Start. It is a convivial lunch and many friendships have been formed on these Fridays! Why not come along and join us at this wonderful parish event, knowing that you'll be helping a good cause at the same time. **The next lunch will be Friday 6th March at 12.15pm.**

World Day of Prayer: this year will be held at **St Peter's Church, Walton on the Hill at 2.00pm on Friday 6th March.** We are praying with the people of Zimbabwe. The theme this year is "Rise! Take your mat and walk". All welcome. (See notice in porch).

Banstead B5 Holiday Fun Week 27th – 31st July: Registration online from 10.00am 21st March to 11.00pm 22nd March. The link will be available on the website <http://www.banstead5.org.uk>. Please email: B5holidayfunweek@gmail.com or phone Louise on 07904 387265 or see poster in the porch.

Main Collection last week incl. standing orders: £967.62

Second Collection last week Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund: £469.29