

Christ the Prince of Peace Newsletter

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Mass Times

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am, 10:30 am

and 6:00 pm

Monday - Wednesday: 10:00 am

Thursday: 7:30 pm Friday: 12:00 noon Saturday: 10:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation:

10:00 am and 8:00 pm

Youth Mass: 6:00 pm 2nd Sunday

of the Month

Reconciliation: Saturday:

10:30 am - 11:00 am and 5:30 pm - 5:50 pm

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Sunday 8th April 2018

Cycle B (Sundays) and Year II (Weekdays)

SECOND, LOW SUNDAY, OF EASTER

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The story of 'Doubting Thomas' is aimed at all those generations of people who will not see the risen Lord, yet are asked to believe. So are we really being asked to believe in what we cannot see or hear or touch, when even those closest to Jesus had problems in accepting what was happening?

In today's gospel we see Thomas struggling with a problem that many of us still struggle with today. Thomas desperately wanted to believe in the risen Jesus, but he wasn't the sort of person to pretend he understood something when he didn't. He wasn't the sort of person that could pretend that he didn't have doubts when he did. There are many of us today who desperately want deeper meaning in our lives. There are those amongst us who may have become disillusioned with the Church and wish they could embrace what it once meant to them. There are many of us who would like to find a deeper faith but have found only stumbling blocks. Like Thomas, we find that the gap between faith and doubt too big a leap.

For those who find belief elusive, there is an uncomfortable beatitude in today's gospel. "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." This can feel like a reproach to those of us

who harbour doubts, but the important thing to remember is that doubt isn't the same thing as disbelief. Doubt can be a good thing even. Doubt means that we are still questioning something that we care about. Doubt means that we are still looking for answers that we are still learning and growing. Doubt is a tool that we can use to carve a mature faith. Belief isn't something we either have or haven't got ... belief is a process, and the product of that process, is one's own spiritual self. When we don't say yes, we are missing big opportunities to be part of God's picture.

Feast of The Annunciation of the Lord - 9th April

At the Annunciation, Mary's consent was one of the most important moments in the history of salvation and in the unfolding of the Eucharistic mystery. We call that moment her 'fiat', the first word in a Latin phrase that means "Be it done unto me according to your word." When we say yes to God, we allow his grace to be fruitful. When we say no, we are missing big opportunities to be part God's picture.

Exposition

Monday: 10:00 am - 10:00 pm Tuesday: 10:00 am - 10:00 pm Wednesday: 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Friday: 11.00 am - 12:00 noon Saturday: 10:00 am - 12:00 noon

Rosary

Monday - Friday: 9:10 am (term time only)

Meditation Group

Tuesday: 9.00 am - 10.00 am

Medjugorje Prayer Group

Thursday: 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Scripture Study

Wednesday: 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm

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If you would like to receive the parish newsletter by e-mail, please sign up via the parish website www.cpp.org.uk

Standing Order and Gift Aid Forms for your offering to the parish are available on the website. Please complete and give in to the parish office.

CONFIRMATION

The next session for candidates is Tuesday 17th April at 7:30 pm in the parish hall (information evening for parents and candidates).

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PREPARATION PROGRAMME 2018

The next children's session is Thursday 19th April at 5:30 pm in the parish hall Any queries, please email coppfhc@gmail.com

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 8th April Divine Mercy Sunday

Thursday 12th April Why Can't We Be One?

Saturday 21st April Soul Supper

Monday 23rd April Camino Get Together

Sunday 29th April 'Rosary at the Coast'

Friday 4th May Confirmation at St George's

College

Saturday 12th May First Holy Communion Masses

Thursday 17th May Faith in the Workplace Friday 18th May Royal Holloway Choir

Sunday 20th May 1950's Tea Dance

Fr Teyrnon

Please keep Fr Teyrnon in your prayers. He had a bad fall recently whilst back in Wales and has seriously injured his back. He is in hospital at the moment and will remain there for a long period.

Red Box - Missio

In the last year, members of the Red Box family in our parish have raised a fantastic £6,525.00. Thank you! Our sisters and brothers around the world continue to need our support. Please continue to support the work of the Red Box. If you don't already have one at home, or would like information on other ways to give to the Red Box, you can visit missio.org.uk

PARISH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY & NOTICES

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday 8th April: 2:15 pm Eucharistic Adoration and Reconciliation 3:00 pm Divine Mercy Chaplet followed by Mass (3:15 pm)

YOUNG ADULTS ALPHA COURSE

Our next session is at **7:00** pm on **Sunday 8th April**. Why not pop in for the chance to meet and socialise with other young adults from the parish? For further information please contact cppseminarlan@gmail.com

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Tuesday 10th April, 2 pm: The Catholic Women's League meet in the hall at 2 pm and at 3 pm Fr Alex Hill, parish priest of Our Lady Help of Christians, West Byfleet, will share with us his journey from Anglican Vicar to Catholic priest. Do come - everyone welcome.

WHY CAN'T WE ALL BE ONE?

Thursday 12th April, 8 pm: You are invited to a wine and cheese evening in the parish hall at which three ministers from different Christian denominations will attempt to answer this question. Whilst it is important to value the gifts we have in common, if we desire an even deeper sense of Christian unity, we need to be honest about some of the deeper issues that divide us; only then can we enter into an even more fruitful dialogue. There will also be an opportunity to pose your own questions to the speakers. Entry is free, but donations will gladly be accepted.

SOUL SUPPER

Saturday 21st April - Live music with Hermlone Thomas and friends. Great food. Tickets £15 for adults and £7 for children. To reserve a place please e-mail carmennarbona57@gmail.com

CAMINO de SANTIAGO get together

Monday 23rd April, 7:30 pm: We would like to invite those walking the Camino on 23rd May to a get together in the parish house for a drink and an exchange of views.

FAITH IN THE WORKPLACE

Thursday 17th May, 8 pm: Does your faith stop at the office door or does it play a part in the decisions you need to make at work? Join us in the parish hall for an interactive evening to explore whether faith has a role to play in the workplace. Listen to a selection of professionals and industry leaders and how they have lived out their faith in the workplace.

ROSARY ON THE COAST

Sunday 29th April, 3 pm: For more details please see the poster in the narthex or contact Mary Lee at the parish office or via cpp-pastoralassistant@gmail.com

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ROLLING BACK THE YEARS for PARISHES for PEACE!

You are warmly invited to join us for a VINTAGE TEA PARTY in the hall in Sunday 20th May from 2-5pm. Tickets (£10) include a cream tea, live music by a pair of wonderful professional musicians and a display of rare vintage cars.

If you have photographs or memories, please bring them along. Over the next few weeks we'll be inviting vintage experts to share their thoughts and talents! Any queries, please contact Adrienne Dines adriennedines@gmail.com

PARISH NOTICES

SVP

The parish SVP group has received requests through agencies on behalf of a number of poor families and individuals in Elmbridge and Spelthorne needing some furniture, specifically tables and chairs, smaller settees and chests of drawers. If you have available such furniture in good condition then please contact: johnmeldum@hotmail.com

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

We now have a children's choir for those in Year 3 or above. The choir sings at the 10.30 am Mass once a month. If you would like your child to join, please email Helen Hudson at helenchudson.hh@gmail.com

OTHER EVENTS & NOTICES

YOM HASHOAH SERVICE

Wednesday 11th April, 7.30 pm at The North West Surrey Synagogue. Voices of the Ghetto: The Lodz Ghetto in testimonies and music. It is essential that you contact pressofficer@nwss.org.uk if you wish to attend.

CARE MASS

Sunday 15th April, 3 pm: The next CARE Mass will be held at the Church of the Holy Name, Arbrook Lane, Esher. All are most welcome. Afternoon tea to follow the Mass.

LIFE TALK

Wednesday 18th April, 7.30 pm in Our Lady Help of Christians parish hall, Madeira Road, West Byfleet KT14 6DH. The talk will be given by Jo Johnson, entitled: 'Life charity: a positive and practical way to create a culture of life'. The mission of the LIFE charity includes the support and help to those facing difficult and unexpected pregnancies, justice for the unborn and to uphold the dignity of women.

ADORE (Alton Day Of Renewal)

Saturday 21st April 11.00 - 4.00: You are warmly welcome to a mini-retreat day (or morning/afternoon) of spiritual refreshment and renewal, focussing on Renewal and Mission. at Alton School, Anstey Lane, Alton GU34 2NG. 11.00am Rosary; 11.30am Mass; 12.15 Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; 1.00pm Shared lunch; 2.00pm Praise & Worship; 2.30 Talk "Setting the Downtrodden Free" by Peter Hobbs; 3.30 Prayer for healing. We end about 4pm. There is no need to register in advance, and no charge (though a collection will be taken to cover costs). For more information and directions, see poster or website: www.altonrenewal.com or telephone Alastair Emblem on 01252 714809.

Mass Times, Intentions and Diary for the Week Ahead

		MASS INTENTIONS		
SATURDAY 7th April	12 noon	Private Intention	11 - 12 noon	Eucharistic Adoration
EASTER SATURDAY	6 pm	Bob Kershaw RIP		
SUNDAY 8th April	9 am	John Webb-Jenkins RIP		
SECOND 'LOW' SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)	10.30 am	Pamela Isobel Malenoir RIP		
Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31	3.15 pm	Divine Mercy Mass	2.15 pm	Eucharistic Adoration & Reconciliation
	6 pm	Jenny El-Borai RIP	7 pm	Young People's Alpha (Hall)
MONDAY 9th April	I0 am	Valentina Onwu RIP		
The Annunciation of the Lord				
TUESDAY 10th April	I0 am	Mary Ondatto RIP	2 pm	CWL (Hall)
WEDNESDAY th April	I0 am	Brenda Frost RIP		
St Stanislaus				
THURSDAY 12th April	7.30 pm	Intentions of Elene Pakstiene	8 pm	'Why Can't We all Be One?' (Hall)
FRIDAY 13th April	12 noon	Maureen Lewis RIP		
SATURDAY 14th April	I0 am	Brian Cross RIP		
	6 pm	Charles Gal RIP		
SUNDAY 15th April	9 am	Mavis Openshaw RIP		
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	10.30 am	Georgina O'Sullivan RIP		
Acts 3:13-15,17-19; 1 John 2:1-5; Luke 24:35-48	6 pm	Larry Bolger RIP		

March for Life UK: Saturday 5th May in London

The annual UK March for Life, previously in Birmingham, is moving to London this year. This offers a wonderful opportunity for us to witness to the value and dignity of all human life. It comes as abortionists and their supporters are campaigning to totally decriminalise abortion and to ban prolife vigils outside abortion clinics through the creation of so-called 'buffer zones'.

Decriminalisation, once fully implemented, would mean the unborn could be killed at will, at any stage and for any reason. It would also mean women could be pressured to abort at home with no medical supervision and without any opportunity to be offered alternative solutions. See: http://pjsaunders.blogspot.co.uk/2017/03/diana-johnsons-radical-abortion-motion.html (The Bill to which the article refers, or similar, is expected to be reintroduced to Parliament soon.)

The prime purpose of the clinic vigils is to gently offer support to women to enable them to continue with their pregnancy. The creation of buffer zones would deny women this last, and sometimes only, choice. See: https://behereforme.org/. Women should be respected, supported and protected from pressure to abort whether by family, by partners or by circumstances. They, and their babies, need us to stand up for them. They need us to be at the March for Life. Time and venue to follow or see: http://www.marchforlife.co.uk/.

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