

Catholic Parish of St Edmund, King and Martyr, Godalming

with St Joseph's, Milford



Third Sunday of Easter

He showed them his hands and feet.

Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded.

We find ourselves once again in the upper room. The disciples who met the risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus have just arrived and told the eleven and the others gathered there about what had happened and how their sadness had turned to joy.

It is significant, I think, that the risen Jesus always appears with the wounds of his passion. The joy of Easter is not a joy which is without a share in the passion, and the scars of suffering remain in Jesus and they remain in us too. The joy of the Gospel is not the simple happiness which the things of the world so often deliver, but the fruit of a rich and complex love which gives a radically new foundation to our very being that enables us to be joyful even while we suffer. Fifty years ago Pope St Paul VI spoke of how this can be seen in the lives of three saints in particular.

St Francis, who, having left everything for the Lord, rediscovers through holy poverty something, so to speak, of the original blessedness, when the world came forth intact from the hands of the Creator. In the most extreme abnegation, half blind, he was able to chant the unforgettable Canticle of the Creatures, the praise of our brother the sun, of all nature, which had become transparent for him and like a pure mirror of God's glory. He could even express joy at the arrival of "our sister bodily death": "Blessed are those who will be conformed to your most Holy will...."

St. Therese of Lisieux shows us the courageous way of abandonment into the hands of God to whom she entrusts her littleness. And yet it is not that she has no experience of the feeling of God's absence, a feeling which our century is harshly experiencing; "Sometimes it seems that the little bird (to which she compared herself) cannot believe that anything else exists except the clouds that envelop it.... This is the moment of perfect joy for the poor, weak little thing.... What happiness for it to remain there nevertheless, and to gaze at the invisible light that hides from its faith."

And then how could one fail to recall the luminous figure and example for our generation of [Saint] Maximilian Kolbe, the authentic disciple of St. Francis? In the most tragic trials which have bloodied our age, he offered himself voluntarily to death in order to save an unknown brother, and the witnesses report that his interior peace, serenity and joy somehow transformed the place of suffering - which was usually like an image of hell - into the antechamber of eternal life, both for his unfortunate companions and for himself.

Mass Responses for Third Sunday of Easter

PSALM RESPONSE: Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within

us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

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Mission Appeal Next weekend we welcome **Fr John Convery SX** from the Xaverian Missionaries, visiting our parish to appeal for prayer and funds to support some of the most unfortunate and disadvantaged communities in the world. Much of what they do in the Missions and at home depends on the generosity of church here in the UK; please pray for their work.

Cake Sale for Kasanka after all Masses next weekend This year we hope to raise £1,500 for secure fencing to keep the St Francis school safe from intruders and wild animals. Please help by making cakes (and of course, buying them!). Suggested donations for the cakes are: £5 for large, £3 for medium and 50p for small - and feel free to donate more. All types, sizes and flavours of cake are welcome, and as many as you can offer! Please label them to identify allergens: gluten, eggs, dairy, peanuts, sesame, and nuts. Thank you for your support.

Good Shepherd Sunday is next weekend. This marks the start of a month of Prayer for Vocations, and there will be a second collection for the Education of Future Priests taken on the following weekend (Gift Aided).

Please pray for Deacon Edward Hopkins currently serving in the Guildford parish while completing his studies at Allen Hall Seminary. He is to be ordained priest at Arundel Cathedral on 22 June along with Gustavo Campabello.

Children's Liturgy restarts at St John's 8.45am next Sunday; plus coffee (& cakes!) after Mass.

Baptism preparation The next sessions are in late April/early May. Please get in touch if you would like to arrange baptism for your child.

Fr Jonathan will be away for a few days this week. In case of need please contact Fr Rajesh or the Guildford clergy: 01483 562704.

Consultation on the future of our Churches.

Thank you to the large number who responded. We expect to feed back to the parish in May after analysis of responses and further reflection on their implication for our mission and for next steps. Please continue to pray for our parish and diocese:

Lord, the Word who is Life.

May all the people of our Diocese
grow in openness to the power of the Holy Spirit,
so that through a growth in understanding and
courage, and truly open to your call,
we may bear powerful witness to all around us,
for you are Lord for ever and ever. Amen.

There is also a group who are praying the Angelus daily at noon and 6pm for the parish.

Lifts to Mass Please get in touch if you are able to give an elderly parishioner a lift to Mass.

Visiting the Sick and Housebound Our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion take Communion to our parish's frailer members and currently we have about 20 being visited monthly. Our SVP members also visit on a regular basis. If you know of anyone who cannot come to Mass and would like such a visit please contact the parish office after obtaining their permission.

CAFOD Big Lent Walk Thank you so much to everyone in the parish for supporting our parish team of walkers and helping them raise £2,000 for CAFOD's work to alleviate global poverty. Well done everyone, what a super team effort.

Chilworth Abbey Study Morning led by Fr John Seddon OSB, on the Gospel of Luke & Acts of Apostles, from Jeff Cavin's 'A Quick Journey through the Bible'. Saturday 20 April, 9am-12.30pm http://www.chilworthbenedictines.com

Prayer and Pub for Young Catholic Adults & Students The next get together is 7pm, 24 April, at St Joseph's Guildford for prayer, catechesis and good times! More info: frtristan@cpg.church

April Churches Together Prayer Breakfast is at the Old Barn, Elstead, on Saturday 27 April, 8.30 to 10am. Contact Richard: 01252 702230.

Forgiveness Revd Tim Carter will lead a session on this on 27 April, 10am-12.30pm, at Godalming Baptist Church: what it is, what damage we can do to ourselves, the hurt and pain it causes us. For info: Sally G 428646 / pollard3@hotmail.co.uk

ADORE mini-retreat 27 April, 9.30am-1pm "I will pour out my spirit on all" with guest speaker Kristina Cooper. Online or at St. Bede's Church, Basingstoke. More info: www.altonrenewal.com

Cor et Lumen Christi Community Event 'Be filled with the Holy Spirit', on 27 April, 9am-9.30pm, Salesian College Hall, Highfield Road, Chertsey, KT16 8BX. Includes praise and worship, Mass, times of prayer, reflection & ministry. https://coretlumenchristi.churchsuite.com/events/hvkgnnb9

Learning to Speak from a Franciscan Heart Retreat at FRC Ladywell, 10-12 May, led by William Short OFM. www.franciscancentre.org.uk

Pete's Plant Sale – please get growing! This year the sale is after Corpus Christi Mass at Ladywell on 2 June, and we need lots of plants to sell. Please contact Jo Pomeroy on 07920 180495 if you can help. NB No houseplants please!

Bishop Robert Barron's 'The Pivotal Players' A new study course at Chilworth, from 22 June: https://www.wordonfire.org/study-programs/pivotal-players/

Week of Guided Prayer – 16 to 21 June We are hosting a week of guided prayer for the parish in partnership with the Franciscan Centre at Ladywell, which will include: one-to-one spiritual direction at agreed times during the week; and prayer workshops and time to pray and reflect together at evening sessions (7.30pm) during the week. For details and to register visit https://stedsgod.churchsuite.com/events/km734ty2

Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass at this year's Big Church Festival at Wiston Park (25 & 26 May). Join with over 30,000 people to worship together in the surroundings of the Wiston Estate, in the company of some of the best Christian artists in the world... https://www.bigchurchfestival.com/

Grandparents' Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation and St Francis, West Grinstead, 26 June, 10.30am-3pm. A day of sharing and prayer with other grandparents, led by Bishop Richard, with Mass, rosary, tours of the secret chapel. Book asap as places go quickly: https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/h4bozjok

Opposing the Decriminalisation of Abortion

The government's flagship Criminal Justice Bill has two important amendments that could fundamentally change our laws on abortion. The Church encourages us to write to our local MP to make our voices heard, asking MPs to oppose the decriminalisation amendment and support the reduction of the abortion time limit from 24 to 22 weeks (as babies born prematurely at 22 weeks are thriving). https://www.cbcew.org.uk/take-action-on-proposed-abortion-law-change/

Assisted Suicide debate is tabled for 29 April. Please write to your MP if you do not want assisted suicide to be legalised. More info at: https://www.spuc.org.uk/livesworthliving

CAFOD School Volunteers If you enjoy working with young people and would like to inspire them and bring alive their sense of global justice, CAFOD would like to hear from you! In your volunteer role you would be supported from our local A&B CAFOD office in Guildford, and with training and resources. For more information email: arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk

Homes for Ukraine The project has so far successfully matched 139 guests, and more visas are due to be approved. However over 2,000 families are still waiting to find a home. If there is any possibility that you may be able to offer a room in your home please contact: homesforukraine@SJOG.org.uk or visit: https://sjog-homesforukraine.uk/

Parish Finance Thank you to those who support the parish by their regular giving. Donations to the parish by bank transfer can be made to 'RCD AB Godalming', sort code 40-05-20, account 41077481.

Gift Aid and contactless devices Please note that even if you have already signed up for GA with the parish, a separate GA declaration is needed for donations via our contactless devices. It's quick and easy to do on the machine itself, and you only need to sign up once (not for subsequent donations). For more info contact Eileen: ga.godalming@abdiocese.org.uk

Some sources of practical support

Bereavement support The parish team can be contacted via: bereavementatsteds@gmail.com

SVP members offer regular visits, friendship and practical support to those in need. 07379 108009.

Godalming Foodbanks Please contact the SVP or Fr Jonathan if you need a referral for <u>St Marks</u> <u>Foodbank</u> or <u>Godalming Community Food Store</u>.

Good Neighbour schemes with volunteer drivers to help with transport to appointments, shopping, befriending etc: **Farncombe & Binscombe:** 07531 888398; **Godalming:** 07943 274461; **Witley & Milford:** 07871 570160; **Elstead:** 01252 702702.

Mental Health support Local mental health crisis helpline is 0800 915 4644, open 24/7 for support for adults and CYP. If you're worried about yourself/ young person, there's face-to-face support and assessment at Guildford Safe Haven.

Pope Francis' prayer intention for April is for the role of women. Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination women face in various parts of the world.

Please remember to pray for our diocese and parish and our clergy; for women; for peace.

The sick and those who care for them Nicole Gebhardt, Kate Hall, Ana Carvalho, Yvonne Cova, Penny Blackett, David Coombs, Liliane Hills, John McCarthy, Malcolm Baldwin, Alfonso Mora, Margaret Punter, Freda Apark, Philip Doyle, Alex Jolliffe, Pam & John Lennox, Nigel Ambrose, Tony McDonald, Sylvia Reilly, Valentina Masella, Danny O'Sullivan, Catherine Goodridge, Alan Berry, Nicolle Ernould, Nuala Gallagher, George Gelder, Audrey Hockey, Cliff Hutchinson, Ann Lloyd, Betty Matthews, Jean Rejniak, Maria Rogers, Margaret Silvester, Anne Stephens, Anita van Rheenan and Josie Whittle; those in our hospitals and care homes; and those who carry their illnesses privately.

The faithful departed in particular for Jim Naylor, Jono Holmes and John Donnelly who died recently, and Mike Keen, Eva Crane, Allison Clark, Hannah Clark, Edith Houston, Peter Allen, Gordon Monk, Albert Whitbourn and Giovanni Silano whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Schedule of Masses Third Week of Easter 2024

| Saturday 13th April | 6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's) | | | |
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| Sunday 14th April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER | 8.45am Mass (St John's) – People of the parish | | | |
| Monday 15th April | 10.30am Mass (St Joseph's) – Fiona Fleming McGirr RIP | | | |
| | 10.00am Mass available at St Joseph's Guildford | | | |
| Tuesday 16th April | 10.00am Mass available at St Joseph's Guildford | | | |
| Wednesday 17th April | 10.00am Mass available at St Joseph's Guildford | | | |
| Thursday 18th April | 10.00am Mass available at St Joseph's Guildford | | | |
| Friday 19th April | 10.00am Mass available at St Joseph's Guildford | | | |
| Saturday 20th April | 6.00pm Mass (St Edmund's) – People of the Parish | | | |
| Sunday 21st April | 8.45am Mass (St John's) | | | |
| FOURTH 'GOOD SHEPHERD' SUNDAY | 10 20am Mass (St Joseph's) Irona Hookham BID | | | |
| OF EASTER | 10.30am Mass (St Joseph's) – Irene Hookham RIP | | | |

Sunday Cycle Year B

St Edmund's Church is open each day, usually from 10am to 5pm www.stedsgod.com

Hearing loops systems are available in our churches For a communion host approved by Coeliac UK - please speak with a welcomer Mass Books are available – please ask if you can't find one



GUILDFORD DEANERY NEWSLETTER

EASTERTIDE 2024

In *The Word Who is Life* Bishop Richard says

I therefore take this opportunity to invite everyone in the Diocese

— lay faithful and religious, deacons and priests —
to join with me in forging our parishes into communities of saints,
into strong, lively and welcoming schools of discipleship.
May they be communities where the Lord is known and loved;
where the liturgy is experienced as an encounter with the wonder of heaven;
where daily prayer is a natural part of life;
communities of healing, where all are welcomed,
their dignity as children of God always recognised;
where young people grow in deep love for the Gospel,
for the sacramental life of the Church and for prayer;
where all know the riches of the Faith and seek to share it with others.

To help make this vision a reality it was announced earlier in the year that the community of communities which make up our deanery will become a single parish, under the join leadership of a team of priests. Fr Jonathan How will be their moderator, who will coordinate their work as first among equals.

FR JONATHAN WRITES:

What has happened so far?

- The clergy team met in February with Canon Kieron O'Brien and Deacon Nick St John, who are supporting the development of our new parishes and in March with Bishop Richard.
- The appointment of the moderator has been announced, effective when the new parish is erected.
- A date has been identified for Bishop Richard to celebrate Mass at which the new parish will be entrusted to the team of priests. This is planned for 10.30am on **Saturday 7th September** and will take place at St Joan of Arc Church in Farnham. We hope that many of the lay faithful will come together that day to pray for the fruitfulness of our new parish.

What are the next steps?

- Times of Eucharistic Adoration in each of our current parishes for the fruitfulness of the pastoral plan
- Reflection on the gifts and talents with which the Lord has blessed us as individuals, and as parish communities and to consider how these might contribute towards this renewed vision of 'Making our Church of today, everyone's Church for the future'.
- A meeting of representatives from the pastoral teams of each of our current parishes in May to help build a shared picture of our gifts and talents.
- Building means of communication across our communities such as this newsletter.

Why are these changes being made? This is explained in detail in the pastoral plan, but essentially this new structure will make us better able to put into effect the mission of the church, the mission of sharing the love of God with all people. The structures that we are so used to have served us well, but the world is changing. We need to be able to engage with the world as it is today, and the people of today, who so badly need the Word who is life. The restructuring of our existing Deanery into a single parish is not an end in itself – it is a tool to make us better able to live as disciples of the Lord and witness to his love and mercy.

Does this mean that we will see different priests each week for Sunday Mass? No, the plan is that each priest will continue to celebrate mass in the particular communities under his care, so that we can enjoy the continuity that we all value so much. We will try to support each other as much as we can, and there may be times that we are able to cover for one another, but in general you will probably not notice a change in this respect.

Will the mass times change? No one likes change, especially changes fundamental as the times of holy mass. The plan itself does not envisage changes to mass times, and if the number of priests remained constant things could continue much as they are. But in reality as the number of priests available continues to decline, it is inevitable that there will need to be some changes. This is an uncomfortable fact that we cannot avoid.

How will lay people be involved? This is a new structure, and we will need to feel our way carefully and grow it together. All the clergy in the existing Deanery believe that it is essential that we should involve the lay faithful of the Deanery in the process of change, as well as in the running of the new parish in the future: "For in the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body" (1 Cor 12:13). There may be some particular experience, qualities or expertise that you have that have been given for the building up of the body of Christ in mission. It is in the interests of us all – and all those people who so badly need to hear the good news, and all the generations of future disciples yet to be born – that we make real division our Bishop has set before us the vision of our parishes as 'communities of saints' and 'schools of discipleship'.

We will try and keep you informed of what is happening as we go along. In May there will be a gathering of representatives from the parishes across the Deanery as a first step in building a shared picture of the way God is at work in our communities.

There is a lot of work to be done but please bear with us if the rate of progress does not seem as fast as you might hope. All the members of the clergy team are also working in their parishes and many of them also have substantial diocesan commitments. The lay people who work with us are also busy women and men. We will all do the best we can: this is such an important step forward, we need to act decisively, but carefully. It is the Lord's plan that we need to implement: not mine, not yours. The world needs the good news; we are the particular frail earthen vessels that he has chosen to entrust it to at this particular moment in time. We are the ones who have been sent.

What can I do now?

- Pray that our parishes will become communities of saints and missionary disciples.
- Reflect on your own gifts and talents.
- Try to find out about some of the other parish communities around you.

PARISH WEBSITES

Ash & Heath End http://www.holyangelsash.org

Cranleigh & Bramley https://www.cpcb.org.uk

Farnham

https://www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk

Godalming https://www.stedsgod.com

Guildford https://www.cpg.church

Haslemere, Hindead & Chiddingfold https://www.catholichaslemere.com



INTRODUCING OUR CLERGY

Guildford Deanery is served by eight priests to whom the new parish will be entrusted and five deacons.

Ash and Heath End – Fr Robin Farrow with Deacon John Edwards

Cranleigh & Bramley – Fr Alistair Simmons

Farnham – Fr Niven Richardson

Godalming – Fr Jonathan How

Guildford– Mgr Canon Tony Barry (Dean), Fr Tristan Cranfield, Fr Roy Waters with Deacons Sean Evans, Edward Hopkins, Ian Hunt and Michael Phillips.

Haslemere, Hindhead & Chiddingfold – Fr Rajesh Minz

Mgr Canon Tony Barry grew up in Englefield Green and was formed at St John's Seminary, Wonersh and ordained Deacon just two months before the Church of St Joseph Guildford was opened in 1984. He served as a curate in Caterham and Chichester and then a number of other roles in the Diocese. In 2000 was appointed to the Team Ministry in Crawley Parish. Working with three other priests the parish grew as neighbouring parishes were successfully merged. This time was a formative experience and prepared Mgr Tony for his appointment to Guildford. As well as valuing the opportunity of working collaboratively, the Team Ministry in Guildford has allowed him to fulfil his responsibilities as Episcopal Vicar of Surrey - supporting parishes across the county when the need arises: the other priests generously taking on more of the Guildford Parish workload. As a member of the Bishop's Episcopal Council Mgr Tony has had the privilege of being involved in the development of *The Word Who is Life* and he is a member of its Steering Group. As the Chair of the Diocesan Education Committee he is is also keen that the schools are enabled to play their role in the Bishop's Vision.

Fr Tristan Cranfield is a member of the moderated clergy team in Guildford Parish, where he has served since February 2022. He is the Vocations Director for the Diocese and a member of the Council of Priests. Born in Shoreham, he grew up in and around Arundel, attending local Catholic schools, and served as an altar boy and chorister at the Cathedral. He studied Arabic and French at Oxford University, and lived abroad for several years in the Middle East. Before becoming a priest, he was a translator, mainly working with Arabic literature, but also spent some time working as a PA in a law firm and teaching English as a foreign language in Turkey, India and London. He was sent to Rome to train for the priesthood at the Venerable English College from 2011–2018, before being ordained back in Arundel. He has served previously in the parish of Eastbourne.

Fr Robin Farrow grew up in Maidenhead and was ordained priest in 2015, having previously served fourteen years in Sussex in the Church of England. He is married to Caroline and has five children. He was appointed to Ash in 2015. He enjoys reading and music when the children let him!

Fr Jonathan How grew up in Burgess Hill and was ordained priest for the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton in 1993. He has previously served as a priest in the parishes of Woking and Cobham and was appointed to Godalming in 2019. Fr Jonathan served for 18 years at St John's Seminary, Wonersh, teaching both Philosophy and Liturgy and acting as Bursar and as Director of Studies. He is a trustee of the Diocese and chairs its finance and art and architecture committees. He is also a Trustee of the Secular Clergy Common Fund and of St Joseph's Specialist Trust. Outside of the Diocese he serves on the Joint Liturgical Group and is a member of *Societas Liturgica*. Fr Jonathan has an active involvement with the Scout Movement at local, national and international level, to which he has made a significant contribution in the areas of Spiritual and Religious Development and Interreligious Dialogue. In his spare time he enjoys climbing and mountaineering.

Fr Rajesh Minz was ordained in 2008 for the Diocese of Rourkela in the North East of India. After ordination Fr Raj served as an Assistant Parish priest in his home diocese, setting up a new school. After two and half years he was transferred to St. Albert's Theological Regional Major Seminary in Ranchi, India where he had done his own theological studies. He taught theology there for two years before being sent to do further studies in Pastoral Theology at Leuven, Belgium. With the agreement of his bishop, who wished him to have the experience of living and working abroad as a missionary, he has served in our

Diocese in Bexhill since 2015, moving to Haslemere in September 2022. Fr Rajesh likes visiting the families, care homes, sick, elderly and housebound. His hobbies are: reading, writing, walking, basketball games.

Fr Niven Richardson grew up in Scotland, and was ordained priest in 1991. He came to Farnham in 2011, having previously served in Merrow and Burpham, Camberley, Seaford, Bexhill, Bognor. He really appreciates the natural countryside of Surrey and Sussex, especially the ponds and the seaside.

Fr Alistair Simmons is parish priest of Cranleigh and Bramley, having returned to his native deanery from the South coast. He firmly believes that knowledge of our faith and love of scripture can be effectively communicated and made more accessible through various artistic mediums – music, art, architecture, poetry, etc. – and he enjoys incorporating this aspect into preaching and teaching, especially as part of days of recollection and retreats. He believes that grow best as communities and individuals when we risk deepening our knowledge and appreciation of each other. It saddens him that invaluable local projects such as *Churches Together* seem to be kept going only by the older, committed generation in our parishes. He would love to see a re-flourishing and re-vitalisation of local ecumenical and interfaith dialogues, times of prayer and practical projects. Much does go on; we could do so much more. He says that "When our former bishop, Cormac Murphy O'Connor, once asked if I would consider pursuing further studies, I explained my long-held interest in *speculative theology*. (Those who know me well, know my love of pushing boundaries as well as embracing those who find themselves in, or beyond, the liminal spaces of our society and faith communities.) Unsurprisingly, perhaps, further studies did not materialise, not even when I later suggested Rahner's *theology of symbol* or *war and peace studies* as alternatives!"

Fr Roy Waters was ordained Deacon in 2002 at Chilworth Friary following a career in telecommunications and served there until 2010. He was appointed a Diocesan MC in 2006 until 2012. When Chilworth Friary closed in 2010 he then served in the parish of Cranleigh and Bramley for the next seven years. Following the death of his dear wife Hilary in 2015, he returned to St John's Seminary Wonersh to study Canon Law. He was ordained priest in Arundel Cathedral in May 2017 and appointed to the Catholic Parish of Guildford. He has two married sons and three grandchildren.

Deacon John Edwards comes from Farnham. He was ordained in 2005 after a career in BT and serves Heath End and Ash. He is married to Ann and has three children and five grandchildren. John and Ann enjoy caravanning and narrow boating.

Deacon Sean Evans was ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on 19th July 2021. He is married to Anna.

Deacon Edward Hopkins is originally from the Parish of the Nativity of the Lord in Redhill, Reigate and Merstham. Most of his working life was spent in Adult Education, where he focussed on teaching English to immigrants and refugees. Before starting seminary, he spent a year as a pastoral assistant at St Joseph's in Dorking, and after three years of study at St John's Seminary, Wonersh, spent a year on a pastoral placement at Arundel Cathedral. He is currently based at Guildford Parish at the weekends while completing his training at Allen Hall seminary in London during the week. He will be ordained to the priesthood on 22 June at Arundel Cathedral.

Deacon lan Hunt was ordained to the Permanent Diaconate on the 19th July 2021. Being born and raised in Guildford he was baptised in 2006, he is married to Sandy and has 4 children.

Deacon Michael Phillips was a professional soldier for 31 years, latterly as a soldier-diplomat. Ordained Deacon in 2009 Michael has been married for over 51 years with three daughters.

AND THE LAST WORD GOES TO FR NIVEN

What motivates me about the life of the new parish is all that is written in *The Word Who is Life*. The power of the positive and energising words speak of a church effervescent with life. It is full of dynamism and hope. It is this kind of parish that I am looking forward to. The words open and openness are used in the prayer that we are invited to say as we prepare for the forming of the new parish, drawing on the way that *The Word Who is Life* speaks of our communities as places where all are welcomed and of lively communities of faith. To be part of this is exciting and I look forward to this journey we will all be travelling on together.



GUILDFORD DEANERY MASS TIMES

| | Saturday Vigil | Sunday early | Sunday late | Sunday eve |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|-------------|------------|
| Farnham | 5pm | 9.15am | 11.15am | 5pm |
| St Joan's | | | | |
| Heath End | | 9.15am | | |
| Holy Family | | | | |
| Ash | 5.30pm | | 11.00am | |
| Holy Angels | | | | |
| Beacon Hill | 6pm | | | |
| St Anselm's | | | | |
| Haslemere | | | 11.00am | |
| OL Lourdes | | | | |
| Chiddingfold | | 9am | | |
| St Teresa's | | | | |
| Milford | | 8.30am (Polish) | 10.30am | |
| St Joseph's | | | | |
| Godalming | 6pm | | | |
| St Edmund's | | | | |
| Farncombe | | 8.45am | | |
| St John's C/E | | | | |
| Guildford | 7pm | | 11.15am | |
| St Mary's | | | | |
| Guildford | 6pm (Polish) | | 10.30am | 5pm |
| St Joseph's | | | | |
| Guildford | | 8.30am | | |
| St Edward's | | | | |
| Guildford | 6pm | 9.15am | | |
| St Pius | | | | |
| Bramley | | 9am | | |
| St Thomas | | | | |
| More | | | | |
| Cranleigh | 6pm | | 11am | |
| Xst Redeemer | | | | |

Websites

Ash & Heath End http://www.holyangelsash.org
Cranleigh & Bramley https://www.cpcb.org.uk
Farnham https://www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk

Godalming https://www.stedsgod.com Guildford https://www.cpg.church

Haslemere, Hindead & Chiddingfold https://www.catholichaslemere.com

Mass in Portuguese Woking, St Dunstan's 7.45am Mass in Italian Woking, St Dunstan's 12.00pm