HOME MISSION SUNDAY

Home Mission Sunday is the title given to the day our bishops ask us to pray for the work of evangelisation and to support this vital work through a second collection.

(The picture shows then Bishop Richard meeting with Guildford Town Centre Chaplaincy)

On _Home Mission Sunday_, the bishops of England and Wales ask the faithful of our countries to look for ways in which we can all do our part in sharing the beauty and joy of knowing Jesus Christ.

When we speak of "Home Mission" we are not neglecting our sisters and brothers around the world (_World Mission Sunday_ gives due attention to this important work), but we recognise that we are called to witness to Christ in our homes, at work, in our friendships and in every aspect of our daily life.

Being part of the family of God means we should feel 'at home' but this also challenges us to be missionary disciples in England and Wales so that we can make a home for all who hunger and thirst for the God who loves them and wants them to come home to him.

- THIS WEEKEND -

BAPTISMS

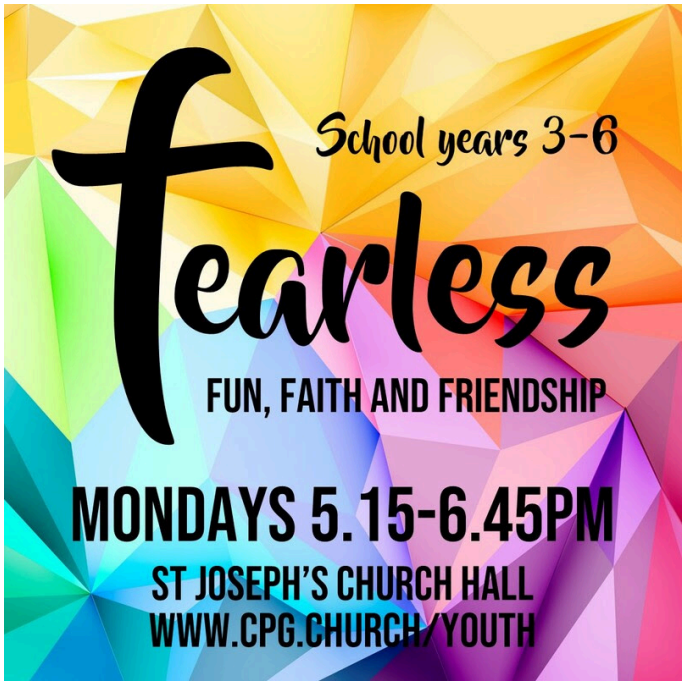
We welcome **Aisling Bond-Frost, Agatha Brandon, Mabel Brandon and Ezra Brandon ,**who will be Baptised this weekend **and assure them, their parents and godparents of our prayers and our support.**

- THIS WEEK -

FEARLESS AND FUSION

We had a fantastic first week back at our Monday youth groups! It was great to see so many young people there, and to welcome everyone back after the summer with lots of fun games.

It's not too late to sign your child up if you'd like them to join us!



Fearless: School Years 3-6 | 5.15-6.45pm

A fun and friendly group where the younger members of our parish can come together to make new friends and enjoy games, crafts and activities together, all while learning more about our faith. This week we will be starting our series on the Fruits of the Spirit! Sign up here: https://cpg.churchsuite.com/events/kja9nulm

Fusion: School Years 7-9 | 6.45-8.15pm

A welcoming space for the young people of our parish to relax with friends, have fun and explore their faith together. Each week is a mixture of games, time for prayer, and group discussions about what it means to be a young Christian today. This week we will be unpacking the big question 'Who Is God?' Sign up here: https://cpg.churchsuite.com/events/awqblxju

HOME GROUPS ARE BACK

Join us on Thursday 24 September at 8:00pm at St Joseph's Hall for our first gathering after the Summer Break!

Along with opportunities for worship, prayer and fellowship, the evening will feature the exciting faith story of one of our Parish's young adults, sharing their journey to the Catholic Church and the Lord's subsequent blessing of their life.

Refreshments afterwards. All welcome.

Come along, bring a friend and be encouraged!

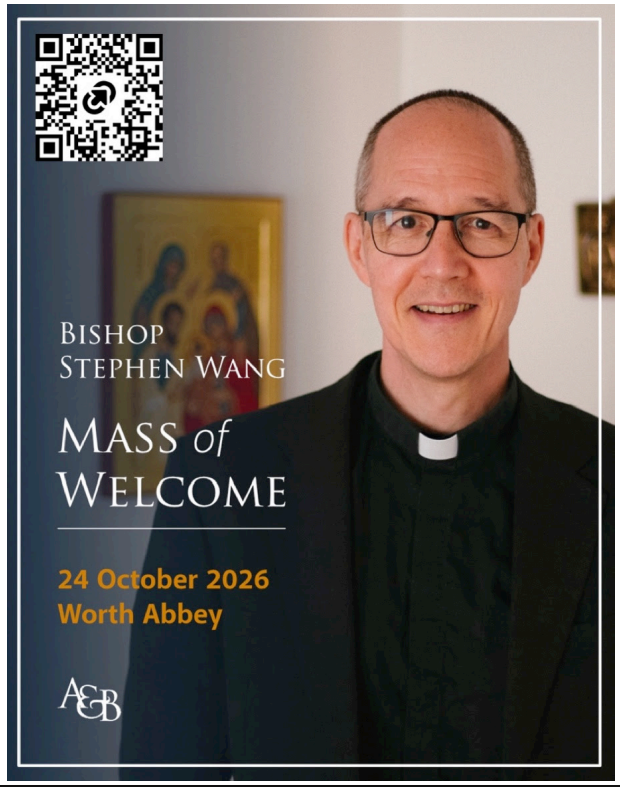
- NEXT WEEKEND -

ST EDWARD'S - A YEAR OF THANKSGING

The Community at St. Edward's invites the whole parish to join them in celebrating the beginning of a Year of Thanksgiving. There will be a Mass at 1pm on September 27th. Afternoon tea with bubbles will follow immediately afterwards.

The Mass will mark the day the church was opened in 1876. Next May will be the highlight of the Year as we celebrate its consecration by Bishop Cyril Cowdray.

- OUR NEW BISHOP -



MASS OF WELCOME

Our new parish has some 50 places for the Mass of Welcome with Bishop Stephen. For more details or to book a place go to details and to ask for a placego to: https://tinyurl.com/Massofwelcome26.

The coach will pick up at Milford (St Joseph's) at 9.20am and then at St Pius, Merrow at around 9.40am and returning between 3.30pm and 4.00pm.

If you don't have access to a computer and would like to request a place you can leave a message with your name and contact number at godalming@abdiocese.org.uk or 01483 416880.

- PRAYER -

MUM'S PRAYER GROUP (MPG)

Are you a mum looking to grow in fellowship and prayer with others from the parish? If so, please join us! We meet the last Sunday of each month at St Joseph's church hall. Come for a warm drink and chat from 3:30-4:00 followed by prayer and reflection over the Sunday Gospel from 4:00-4:45. Children welcome with your supervision. The first meeting will be Sunday 25th September. Any questions please contact Susie at stjosephsMPG@gmail.com

MASS INTENTIONS - THIS COMING WEEK

Please click here: Int 19th September 2026.pdf

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers:

Paola Griffith (Funeral on Thursday 8th October at 11am at St Pius X)

Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them,
May they rest in peace.

THE GUILDFORD CATENIAN MINI -RETREAT 19th SEPTEMBER IN ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH

CATENIANS
FRIENDSHIP IN FAITH

Catenian mini - Retreat on Saturday 19th September from 2pm-4pm

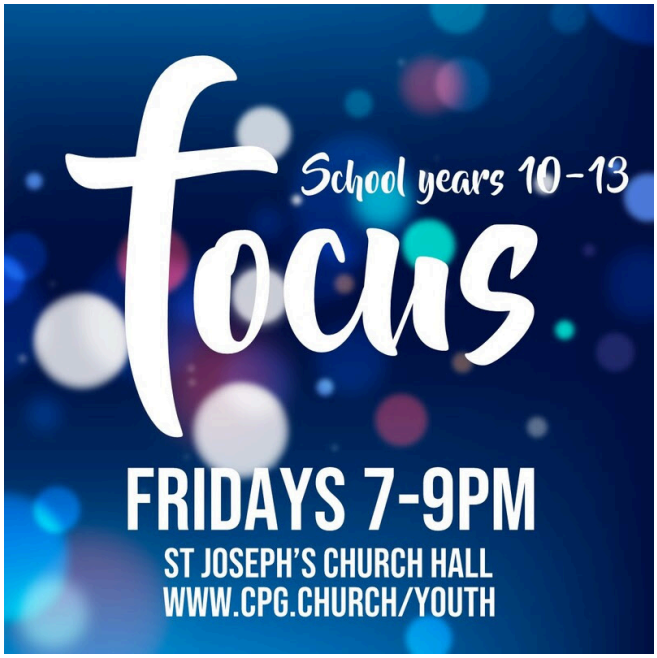
To reflect the life of St Joseph the mini retreat will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Confessions and Benediction. with Tea & Coffee afterwards in the Hall.

CONFIRMATION

Thinking About Confirmation?

If your child is in **Year 10 or above** and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2027, expressions of interest are now open until **31st of October**.

Young people preparing for Confirmation are encouraged to grow in prayer, formation, and involvement in parish life. They can do this through either:



- **Focus**, our weekly youth programme (Years 10-13) that meets on Fridays 7-9pm, beginning **11th September**. **Sign up:** https://cpg.churchsuite.com/events/qjypudcr
    - **This term we are starting an exciting course called "The Search Begins" by the Augustine Institute in amongst indoor hockey, games and amazing snacks!**
      You can watch the trailer here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y2kS1cQflwk. Sessions are completely free. We already have 20 young people signed up!
- Or a **Sunday afternoon formation pathway** for those unable to attend on Fridays, meeting once a month from 3.15-4.45pm in St Joseph's Church Hall. The first afternoon is **Sunday 11th October. Sign up:** https://cpg.churchsuite.com/events/cpild8rb
    - We will be using the 'Sycamore' Confirmation pathway from Fr Stephen Wang. You can take a look here: https://www.sycamore.fm/pathways/c-sacramental-pathways/confirmation-standard/

To formally express an interest in Confirmation, please complete the online form: https://cpg.churchsuite.com/events/hyl0zt7i

Any queries, please email confirmation@cpg.church

- FORMATION -

LAST CALL FOR RCIA

A strong group of enquirers has already registered for our 2026/27 course. If you have not yet applied and received the course dates, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible on 01483 562704.

There is no obligation: simply come and explore becoming Catholic. We run this course only once a year, so join others seeking a firmer spiritual and moral foundation. You have nothing to lose and everything to gain today.

天主教成人慕道班（廣東話班）

We are offering the RCIA in Cantonese again this year as well as in English.

你是否想認識天主教信仰、探索生命意義、進一步了解耶穌基督？誠邀18歲或以上人士參加堂區的廣東話成人慕道班。課程內容包括信仰分享、聖經認識、祈禱生活及天主教信仰基礎，適合未領洗或希望重新認識信仰的朋友參加。

開課日期： 2026年9月29日（星期二）

時間： 逢星期二晚上7:00–9:00

地點： St Mary's RC Church Hall, Guildford

最快領洗日期： 2027年復活節

查詢： rcia@cpg.church

登記 https://cpg.churchsuite.com/events/xei5alpm

GROWING CLOSER TO THE MASS

The Mass is the summit of Catholic worship, rooted in Christ's command, "Do this in remembrance of me." Its prayers unite generations of faithful Christians across past, present and future. Take time to ponder their meaning and discover Christ's love through His Presence on the altar.

Dates for your diary. During Advent this year we plan to run a four week evening course.. Held in St Joseph's Hall commencing on 25th November for four consecutive Wednesday evenings. More details later but for now reserve the dates. November 25th, December 2nd, 9th and 16th.

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP - PRAYER AND PUB

As life gets back to normal after the summer, here is what's planned for the Young Adults Group - Prayer and Pub in the coming year. Dates are on page 2.

IMPORTANTLY, the ordinary monthly meetings are going to be on a **Thursday** not a Wednesday. I know this is bound to inconvenience some people, but it should also allow other people to come who couldn't make Wednesdays.

Young Adults Activities 2026-27.pdf

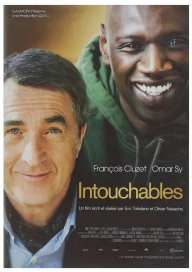
- MISSION -

CAFOD HARVEST FAMILY FAST DAY 2ND OCTOBER

CAFOD stands beside communities facing oppressive heat and drought. Put your faith into action, share the Lord's love and support our global neighbours experiencing shortages of food and safe water. Your donation helps CAFOD support schools and communities provide nourishing meals, improved access to water and school gardens. Giving children like Tayla a chance to complete their education.

Please donate using a green envelope, with the contactless machines, or online with the QR code or call **0303 303 3030**.

PARISH FILM NIGHT AT ST PIUS X



'The Intouchables' (15)

7pm for 7.30pm prompt start

Friday 25/9 at St Pius X

Based on true events, this tells of the friendship that grows between a wealthy quadriplegic and his new caregiver, from a different disadvantaged background. A global hit, for its balance of comedy and emotional depth! Please reserve places in advance: Book Seats via this link or call the Parish Office 01483 562704

THE THURSDAY CLUB AT ST. MARY'S HALL

If you are at a loose end on a Thursday afternoon and would like to make new friends, why not come along and join us? We

meet from 2.00 - 4.00p.m. every week. We know that you will enjoy the tea and cake and the various talks etc. that we have. Come and give it a try. For further information please call Mary Lawrence on 01483 827538.

- FINANCE & ADMIN -

200 CLUB

Congratulations to our winners

First Prize -Dr Mary Byrne

Second Prize - Anne Naysmith

Third Prize - Chris Bleasdale

at last Sunday's draw at St Mary's after Mass, winning cash prizes and raising funds for the parish. If you would like to join the 200 Club please contact the Administrator at 200club@cpg.church or the Parish office for inclusion in the December's draw at St Joseph's.

PS. Please can Dr Mary contact the Parish office to let us know the address to send the cheque!

- OTHER EVENTS -

WORLD PORRIDGE DAY SUPPER FOR MARY'S MEALS

Join with the wider parish community on **Sat. 10 Oct. at 7.00pm** at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church Hall, Haslemere**, for a Curry Supper with **Mary's Meals**. Enjoy delicious curry, entertainment and prizes. Contact Claudia Reyes-Lloyd on 07425 888 917.

KSC PUBLIC TALK

Experience the Thrill of America's Most Extreme Weather

The talk takes place on **Saturday 10 October 2026, from 10.30am to 12 noon**, at **St Pius X RC Church, 10 Laustan Close, Guildford GU1 2TS**.

Tickets cost just **£5 per person** (plus small booking fee) with all proceeds supporting the charitable work of the **Guildford & District Knights of St Columba**.

Advance booking is essential through **www.ticketsource.com**. Search **"Storm Chasing"**.

PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING

The recent heat waves and drought in the UK have highlighted the impact of extreme weather.

In November 2025, leading experts briefed over 1,200 MPs, peers, and other leaders in Westminster with the latest climate evidence and its implications for the UK.

The LiveSimply team in St Dunstan's invite you to a screening of the "**People's Emergency Briefing**", a 50 minute documentary produced from the Westminster briefing.

Where: St Dunstan's Church: Tuesday 6th October; 7pm refreshments for 7.30pm start. Tickets: Free from HERE

- CPG LIVESTREAM -

SUNDAY MASS ONLINE: 10.30am and 5pm
DAILY MASS ONLINE: Monday-Saturday - 10 am
EVENING PRAYER 6pm (Mon-Fri)

Please join us by clicking here.

If you have any intentions that you would like the community to pray for: an anniversary, sick family member or friend, someone or something that can be included in the 6pm Evening Prayer Intercessions please email: office@cpg.church or 01483 562704 by 4.45pm

- PRAYER FOR THE BISHOP ELECT -

O God, eternal shepherd,
who lead your Church in countless ways and rule over her in love, grant we pray, that Stephen, your servant, whom you have set over your people, may preside in the place of Christ over the flock whose shepherd he is, and be faithful as a teacher of doctrine, a Priest of sacred worship and as one who serves them by governing
Through Christ our Lord.

AMEN