



## CATHOLIC PARISH GUILDFORD



**The annual A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage begins this week with people of all ages travelling to France.** The pilgrimage is one of the most significant pastoral events in our diocesan calendar, with pilgrims journeying to Lourdes to serve one other and to renew their commitment to walk with Jesus - with the help of Our Lady and St Bernadette.

Joining Bishop Richard and the Pilgrimage Office this year are 114 Assisted Pilgrims, 99 Pilgrims, 186 Helpers and Leaders, 56 Redshirts and Leaders, 33 Nurses, Registered Mental Health Nurses and Health Care Assistants, 7 Doctors, 24 Chaplains, 10 Assistant Chaplains and 33 Support Team members. Please keep them all in your prayers.

Writing in this year's [Pilgrimage Handbook](#), Bishop Richard says: "The theme in Lourdes this year 'Go and tell the priests to build a chapel here' speaks to me not only of the Basilica of Lourdes and the blessings that flow in Lourdes, but also of the 'living stones, building a spiritual house' (1 Pt. 2:5). We are the Church, the Body of Christ, each living stone with the gifts and talents that we have received from the Lord. When the time comes for us to return home, may we return as 'living stones' firm in faith, growing in hope with the love that will enable us to truly build the Kingdom of God."

*If you would like to follow the Pilgrimage click for [The pilgrims Handbook](#)..  
The Livestream Camera for `Key events can be found [HERE](#)*

**PRAYER & LITURGY**

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### **WORLD YOUTH DAY 1-6 AUGUST 2023**

Please pray for the Young Adults of the Diocese who are attending World Youth Day with The Holy Father this week, that the Lord may bless them with open hearts that allow them to experience God's unfailing love, open minds that they may become aware of where the Lord is calling them, and open hands that they be willing to 'Rise Up' to become faithful workers in the vineyard of the Lord. You can follow their journey on Instagram @aandb\_youth

### **LATIN MASS**

There will not be a Latin Mass at St Edwards on Friday 4th August

### **JOIN ST PIUS X FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS SATURDAY 19th & SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST**

All Parishioners are welcome to joyfully celebrate the Patronal Feast Day of St Pius X at both Masses at St Pius X, after which there will be a celebration in the Hall:

Saturday 5.30pm Vigil Mass: followed by Celebratory Refreshments, Nibbles and Pizza

Sunday 9.15 am Mass: followed by Celebratory Breakfast including Fairtrade Coffee/Tea/Juice with Croissants, Cereal, Fresh Fruit and Yoghurt to help manage catering, please book your places for the celebration in the Hall after each Mass by signing up at [www.CPG.church/stpiuscelebration](http://www.CPG.church/stpiuscelebration)

Offers of help for the set up/set down and catering in the Hall warmly welcomed: please email [tonyandunacorning@gmail.com](mailto:tonyandunacorning@gmail.com)

### **ALTAR SERVERS MASS- SEPTEMBER 23RD AT ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL**

Bishop Richard, invites diocesan altar servers to a special Mass at Arundel Cathedral on Saturday 23 September at 12 noon, led by Bishop Richard. The Mass is for all those who have served, all those who are serving, and anybody who would like to serve - all are very welcome. The Diocesan MC requests attendees bring a cassock/cotta or an alb (if possible), and a packed lunch. There is no need to register, though attendees are asked to E: [office@cpg.church](mailto:office@cpg.church) to confirm numbers

### **ST PIUS X CHOIR**

It was great to hear the Children's Choir at St Pius singing at the 9:15am Mass recently. They will be doing so again soon, with a rehearsal after the Sunday morning service on 16th July, in preparation for leading the music at Mass the following week (23rd July) and on 10th September. If your child is in Year 3 and above, attends Mass at St Pius X, and would

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like to join, please sign them up  
here: <https://cpg.churchsuite.com/forms/pfihvsie>

### MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

Please keep in your prayers

**Jesus Perez-Duarte** ( Funeral on Friday 4th August at St Joseph's at 12 Noon)

**Maureen Somerville** (Funeral on Tuesday 8th August at 10am at St Joseph's )

**Mable Doreen Richards** (Funeral on Monday 21st August at St Pius X at 12.30pm)

## CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES



GYM Summer Club is back on 21st to 23rd August at St Joseph's Church Hall, for children going into school years 3 to 6. The club will be action-packed with fun games, arts and crafts, and faith-based activities. Spaces are limited, so please book your child's place as soon as possible by signing up [here](#) by 31st July.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next First Holy Communion preparation programme will begin in September 2023. The expectation is that children coming forward for First Holy Communion belong to families who actively share in the prayer and life of the parish. If your child is in Years 3 to 6 in September 2023 and is a baptised Catholic, please email [fhc@cpg.church](mailto:fhc@cpg.church) for a sign-up form.

## FORMATION

### ADVENTUROUS ACCOMPANIMENT

*"We need a Church capable of walking at people's side... a church which accompanies them on their journey" - Pope Francis.*

Pope Francis calls for each one of us to be initiated into what he calls the "art of accompaniment". As a community and individually, we can

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extend God's love to others and walk shoulder-to-shoulder with them in life and faith.

The **Adventurous Accompaniment** programme explores how to walk alongside people we encounter in life and faith (e.g. in your family, your workplace, in parish ministry). Join us over 6 weeks in September and October. The sign-up form and more information can be found [here](#).

## MISSION

### CAFOD CAMPAIGN- FIX THE FOOD SYSTEM

This weekend is your last opportunity to co-sign Salina's letter to the World Bank by adding your name to the master letter in the Narthex of your church urging the UK government to protect the right of farmers around the world to use their own seeds.

For further information on the Campaign please visit the CAFOD campaign website [HERE](#) for five reasons why seed sovereignty matters and look at this [DOCUMENT](#) on the Parish website. Thank you to the many parishioners, both young and old, across the parish that have already added their name to the letter.

Steve Rowden [srowden@cafod.org.uk](mailto:srowden@cafod.org.uk).

## DIOCESAN EVENTS

### **A Day of Reflection for Grandparents – Tuesday 26 September 2023 11am-3.30pm at the St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley**

Life experience comes at the price of the hard knocks and joyful moments and Fr Stephen Ortiger will help us to explore those and how we can see the hand of God in our lives. Our Youth Adviser, Lizzie Wakeling, will offer some helpful hints and tips into communicating with young people and tuning into what they may find helpful as they navigate their way in life. Attached is the booking link [A Day of Reflection for Grandparents \(26-Sep-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) If you wish to discuss your participation please contact the Marriage and Family Life Adviser, Katherine Bergin E: [Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk).

### **Marriage Anniversaries Mass – Saturday 30 September 2023 11.30am-2pm at Our Lady of Ransom, Eastbourne**

Bishop Richard will celebrate Mass at 11.30am followed by a small drinks reception. Please join us for a wonderful opportunity to renew your wedding vows and revel in the joy that marriage can bring. Family and friends are very welcome. Attached is the booking link [Marriage Anniversaries Mass \(30-Sep-2023\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) If you wish to

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To find out about and book events hosted by the Diocese please visit our website events calendar

W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

### **Would you like to learn more about the Catholic Faith?**

As part of the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies, different subjects are taught in depth over Saturdays in Crawley. These include the Scriptures, the Person of Jesus Christ, the Church and its sacramental life and moral understanding. The modules can be attended separately or can build as part of the Certificate. These courses, beginning in October run to April and suit anyone who is interested in developing knowledge of their faith, whether personally or to support a ministry. For more information, please contact the Formation Adviser, Deacon Jon Harman E: [jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk)

## **OTHER EVENTS**

### **Surrey Churches Preservation Trust's popular Ride & Stride - Saturday 9th September**

Enjoy a great day out cycling or walking, discover Surrey's heritage, and make a real difference. All funds raised help to repair and conserve Surrey's Christian churches. Sponsored coffee mornings and tea parties are also very welcome! Routes, maps and more information can be found here W: [www.surreychurchespreservationtrust.org/ride-stride/](http://www.surreychurchespreservationtrust.org/ride-stride/)

## **CPG LIVESTREAM**

**SUNDAY MASS ONLINE: 10.30am and 5 pm | JOIN US FOR DAILY**

**MASS ONLINE: Monday-Saturday - 10 am**

**Evening Prayer 6pm (Mon-Fri) Requests for Prayers can be sent to [office@cpg.church](mailto:office@cpg.church)**

## **PARISH PRAYER**

Looking into the signs of the times by the light of faith, almighty God, may we constantly devote ourselves to the service of the Gospel. Keep us attentive to the needs of all, that, sharing their grief and pain, their joy and hope, we may faithfully bring them the good news of salvation and go forward with them along the way of your Kingdom. Through Christ our Lord  
AMEN

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## **SAFEGUARDING**

Our Diocese is committed to safeguarding as an integral part of the life and ministry of the Church.

The Parish Safeguarding Rep, Rachel is looking for volunteers in each community to support the safeguarding work and protect all of our Parish by:

Checking safeguarding posters are displayed

Liaising with Rachel and Community reps about safeguarding issues.

If you are interested or would like to discuss this role further then please contact Rachel Brennan on 07759846240.