

CYCLING TO SANTIAGO IN AID OF THE NOMNTU PROJECT

Chris Devereux and a fellow Catenian are currently cycling through France and Spain to Santiago de Compostela, a distance of just over 1000 miles. The object is to raise necessary funds for The Nomntu Project, the charity he and Jane operate in the Eastern Cape region of South Africa. If you would like to make a donation, please visit www.nomntu.org or take a Nomntu envelope from the church. Parish Gift Aid donors may prefer to use one of their spare envelopes, writing 'Nomntu' on the front.

THE DIOCESAN JUSTICE & PEACE COMMISSION Spring Assembly, Laudato Si', responding to the call of Pope Francis, will be at St Mary's Church, Croydon on **Saturday 2 June**, 10.30am—4.00pm, preceded by Mass at 10.00am celebrated by Bishop Lynch. Speaker Ellen Teague. Free event. Everyone welcome. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea & coffee provided.

ST JOHN'S SEMINARY—WONERSH CAN YOU HELP?

The Seminary, near Guildford, Surrey (which has been involved in the formation of priests for over 125 years) is looking for some help with the cost of re-decoration and refurbishment of its bedrooms, which have received little or no upgrading for 40+ years. Many rooms have threadbare or no carpets, and curtains which are close to disintegration. Some of the beds and other furniture started their life in the Junior Seminary at Mark Cross, Sussex—which closed in 1970. The Seminary operates on a very tight budget, and there are no funds available for this much-needed work, which would cost in the region of £2,000 per room. A donation of £500 has been made from parish funds, but if you can help in any way, please send a cheque made payable to *St John's Seminary* to: Mgr Gerry Ewing (Vice-Rector), St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX. If you would like to Gift Aid your donation, please collect a form from the parish office, or ask Vivienne to email one to you.

WINTERSHALL 'LIFE OF CHRIST', GUILDFORD

Wintershall Education are in real need of hosts - people who welcome schools when they arrive and accompany them around the site, as they watch the performance. The production runs from **Tuesday 19—Saturday 23 June**, and, ideally, helpers would need to be onsite from 9:15am until schools leave at 3:30pm each day, for a minimum of 2 days. Please email Lucy at schools@wintershall-estate.com or ring on 01483 892167.

DONATIONS OF WOOL to make blankets for children in Syria and premature babies are much appreciated and can be left in the baskets provided in church porches.

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NEWSLETTER

27 May 2018

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (B)

Parish Diary:

- Wed 30 May** **St Christopher's Craft Circle** 7.00—9.00pm in the hall
- Fri 1 Jun** **EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** for one hour after the 9.00am Mass
- Sun 3 Jun** **10am Mass with Children's & Young People's Participation**
- Mon 4 Jun** **Parish Social Event: Musical Evening** 7.30pm
- Sat 9 Jun** **First Holy Communion Rehearsals** 4.15—5.30pm
- Sat 16 Jun** **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS 11.00am**
- Sun 17 Jun** **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS 12.00 noon**
- Weekly**
 - Wed** **Toddler Group** 9.45-11.15am (term time)
 - Fri** **Coffee** in the hall after 9.00am Mass
 - Sun** **10.00am Mass: Children's Liturgy**
Refreshments in the hall after Mass

27 May 2018		THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (B)
Sat	26 1800	Peter Warneford RIP (Kate & Don Ward)
Sun	27 0830	Anne Kellett RIP (Parish Right to Life Group)
	1000	People of the Parish
	1200	Tom Gleeson RIP Anniversary (Gleeson Family)
	1400	BAPTISM: Aithan Nathaniel Anglo
Mon	28	<i>No Mass</i>
Tue	29 0900	SCCF
Wed	30	<i>No Mass</i>
Thu	31 0900	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast Rosemarie Babbs RIP (Her Family)
Fri	1 0900	Saint Justin, Martyr, Memorial Suhail Michael RIP Anniversary
	0930-1030	EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT
Sat	2 1030-1100)	Sacrament of Reconciliation
	1700-1730)	
3 June 2018		THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (B)
Sat	2 1800	Stephen Love RIP Anniversary (Love Family)
Sun	3 0830	Mary Dwyer RIP Anniversary (Dwyer Family)
	1000	John Knibb RIP (Martin Cottam)
	1200	People of the Parish
	1730	CHALDEAN CATHOLIC RITE MASS (Iraqi Community)

LAST SUNDAY	Attendance	572
	Plate	£ 469.21
	Gift Aid	£ 561.06
		£ 1,030.27 <i>Thank you for your offerings.</i>

SURVIVE-MIVA (MISSIONARY VEHICLE ASSOCIATION) APPEAL

This weekend Gabriel Herbert will be making an appeal at all Masses on behalf of Survive-Miva, a Catholic Lay Association that provides funding for essential transport for the Church's healthcare work and pastoral support in isolated rural areas. A retiring collection will be taken. Survive-Miva Gift Aid envelopes are available from the church. Parish Gift Aid donors may wish to use one of their spare envelopes, writing 'Survive-Miva' clearly on the front.

APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Parents of children of two years of age and older are reminded to collect a certificate after Sunday Mass, which will provide evidence of the record of attendance when they apply for a place at a Catholic school.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:

Peter Barry, Rostam Bayandor, Marie Jeanne Bheemul, Oonagh Bulaitis, Michael Burke, Pat Carbery, Carmel Curtis, Marie Deans, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Francis Ellis, Patrick Gill, Court Guinness, Sean Healy, Margaret Jones, Patrick Kennedy, Michael McKenna, Pearl McLeod, Peter Millard, Michael Moores, Leslie Pinto, Catherine Thompson, Maria Tobin, Denis Vaughan, Nan Waldron, Ghylaine Lebentz Walter and Nickii Wright.

YEAR-END GIFT AID LETTERS

The new data protection regulations will not allow us to leave letters with names and addresses out in the church for people to collect. If you are a Parish Gift Aid Donor and would like a letter, please let Vivienne in the parish office know and one will be posted to you.

♪ ♪♪ MUSICAL EVENING ♪ ♪♪

The Social Committee is delighted to welcome back Joe Valdes for another musical evening for the entertainment of all parishioners of St Christopher's. This event will be held **on Monday 4 June at 7.30pm** in the parish hall. Joe will be performing "Stories from Liverpool", an acoustic tribute to The Beatles and other great songs from the 70's. Refreshments will be provided and all proceeds will go towards The Nomntu Project.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION this year will be celebrated at 11.00am on **Saturday 16 June** and at the **12.00 noon Mass** on **Sunday 17 June**, so please avoid this Mass if you are not involved with First Holy Communion. Please also note that there will be no Confessions on the Saturday morning and no children's liturgy or choir at the 10.00am Mass or coffee afterwards.

PAMELA'S PERU TREK IN AID OF ST RAPHAEL'S HOSPICE

I had the most wonderful experience in March trekking in Peru and visiting Machu Picchu, a truly breathtaking, spectacular Inca site built in 1450. Lasting friendships were formed during this unforgettable experience. My heartfelt thanks to everyone who so generously sponsored me. Thanks to you all I raised the magnificent amount of **£4,030.97** for St Raphael's Hospice. My next challenge for St Raphael's will be to abseil down the Spinnaker Tower in Portsmouth—no sponsorship required as I am self-funding. Thank you all so much again. God bless you all. Love Pam xxxx

LONDON SW CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS is a social group for young Catholics which meets every month. For further details visit our Facebook page or contact Miles on 07790 441242. Our next social evening is on **Saturday 2 June** at 7.00pm at Noor Jahan, Sutton SM2 5BQ.