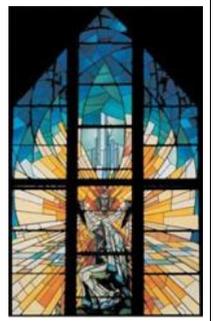




Our Lady of the Annunciation



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7th June 2020 The Most Holy Trinity YEAR A

The Holy Trinity, whose feast we celebrate today, is beyond the reach of time and the grasp of human reasoning. It is a mystery of our faith. We can only fumble in the dark in search of glimmers of light. "Two is company, three is a crowd" is a popular expression. The gospel would have it otherwise. There, the figure three symbolises completeness and perfect symmetry, and re-appears at all the key moments of the Christ story. His life itself constantly reflected the Trinity. Three figures make up the nativity scene in Bethlehem — the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Their first visitors were the three wise men. Later, in the desert preparing to begin his public life, Jesus was tempted three times by the devil. A good story should have a beginning, a middle and an end. Christ was a storyteller par excellence and three figures prominently in his parables. The Prodigal Son is about a father and his two sons; the Good Samaritan tells of the behaviour of three passers-by, the priest, the Levite and the Samaritan; the sower sowed his seed in three different types of terrain, yielding three different levels of harvest. The end of his life, as the beginning, has again the three motif. During his Passion, Peter denied him thrice. On the road to Calvary, he fell three times. The crucifixion scene has three figures, Christ between two thieves. Before his resurrection, he spent three days in the tomb....

God is love. There are Three Persons in the Trinity, the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit. Together they represent the fullness of love. The Father loves the Son, the Son loves the Father. The Holy Spirit is their love for each other. We are made in the image of a triune God. God the Father, who created us, his Son who saved us, and the Holy Spirit who continues to guide us. Our lives should reflect the Trinity. We should be always creative like the Father, compassionate like his Son, and dispose our talents in the service of others like the Holy Spirit.

Fr Keill.

Mass Intentions This Week

6 June: Saturday

10:00 Joan McHugh RIP
 18:00 Deceased Members of the Cahill Family RIP

7 June: SUNDAY

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

08:30 Ian & Thecla Sulzdorf RIP
 10:00 80th Birthday Celebration for Bridie Fowley
 12:00 UCM: All Parishioners

8 June: Monday

10:00 Birthday Wishes for Freiner Fernandes

9 June: Tuesday

10:00 Aaron Grimsley RIP

10 June: Wednesday

10:00 Deceased Members of the Norwood Catenian Circle RIP

11 June: Thursday SAINT BARNABAS

10:00 Fr Michael Hayes RIP
 19:30 Mandy Pavitt-Reed RIP

12 June: Friday

10:00 Arthur Fairservice RIP

13 June: Saturday

10:00 Tony Borfiga RIP
 18:00 Kathleen & Jack Winston RIP

14 June: CORPUS CHRISTI SUNDAY

10:00 Ines, Gerald & Godwin Zampa RIP
 12:00 Birthday Wishes for Chioma Utula



We will continue to livestream the 10.00am Mass each Sunday through our Facebook page.

The link will also appear on our website under the LIVE MASSES tab.

Please note that the although the Parish Office remains closed to the public the secretaries are back at work and therefore are available to answer email and telephone enquiries.

OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICER - Ann Marie Christian. Contact email - addiscombesg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk

COLLECTIONS & OFFERTORY

All second collections have ceased until public worship resumes. Please see the notice overleaf regarding the offertory.

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Fr David Peck, Lauren Horwood, Sharon Gillett, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Elizabeth Casey, Jack Burke, Florence Okugbe, Ethan Patel, Fr Alan Sharpe

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Mary Brown, Kathleen Rattigan, Bernard Masters, Paul Fulop, Mary Deakin, Joan McHugh, Ines Zampa, Mary Perera, Theodore Fernandes, Agustin Hernandez, Christopher Sergiou, Elizabeth Baidoo, Elizabeth Crayford, Sr Kathleen Rathe, Agnes Burns, Jim Duffin, Annette Haines, Jean Waldron, Bernard Peter Smith, Arthur Fairservice, Michael Sweeney, Basil Earl, Baby Kelly Connery, Catherine Purcell, Margaret Griffin

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

On behalf of the Social Club Committee, I hope that you are all safe and well!

The **Family of the Late John Conefrey** would like to thank you for your support, messages of condolence, prayers & Mass Cards that they have received over the last few weeks. A Mass will be offered for your intentions.

Thank you to the many members of the Parish Community who have supported the **Hospital Heroes Appeal at King's College Hospital**. To date, the Appeal has raised over £660,000.00 as well as many gifts for both members of staff and patients being donated to the Hospital. The Charity has set up a number of events, many of which are ideal for young people; all the information about the events can be found on the Hospital website: <http://www.supportkings.org.uk/events>

St Mildred's Drop In Centre for the Homeless is closed indefinitely and is unable to receive donations of clothes for men & women. However, please store your bags of clothing at home; they will be needed when the Centre reopens.

If the Social Club Committee can help you in anyway, please make contact with the Parish Office. You may need assistance with shopping, collection of medication, transport to a hospital appointment et al. **No task is too small - please make contact.**

NOTICE OF DEATH: We are sad to announce the recent death of Thelma Glancy, wife of Jack. Her funeral will take place next week and a memorial Mass will be celebrated when possible. Please remember Thelma, Jack and all the family in your prayers at this time.

OFFERING A MASS INTENTION: If you wish to offer a Mass intention at this time, please complete the form on our website under the **COVID 19** tab. You can print this off and return it via the parish office letterbox with stipend enclosed, or email it to us directly at addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk. If you choose to email the form we will then contact you once lockdown is lifted regarding the stipend.

REFUGEE SUPPORT - COVID 19

A number of people kindly filled out standing order pledges to support the community sponsorship scheme. We wrote to you in February to let you know we intended to activate the standing orders in April and to use our new bank account. In recent weeks we had a short list of potential properties and were close to finalising on behalf of the family. The home office has now advised us not to enter into any property lease commitments for the time being due to Covid 19. With this in mind, it would be wrong to take your standing order donations at this time. Consequently, we will defer activation of the standing orders until a later date; hopefully by the Summer. Addiscombe Welcomes Refugees would like to thank everyone who has given support to this amazing cause and we look forward to resurrecting the project as soon as possible.

MILK BOTTLE TOP RECYCLING

Although I am not currently able to deliver milk-bottle tops to the Portsmouth factory for recycling, I am still accumulating them at home. While you cannot deliver any to the church porch at present, don't throw them out, please let me have them at **79 Shirley Way** (leave them in my porch). **But** - a big but - **ONLY milk-bottle tops**, please. Many thanks Andy Bebington.

Lord Jesus,

*when you walked with us on earth
you spread your healing power.*

We place in your loving care

all who are affected by Coronavirus.

Keep us strong in faith, hope and love.

*Bring relief to our sick, console our bereaved,
protect those who care for us.*

We lift our prayer to you Lord,

and trust in your infinite mercy,

as we wait for the daybreak.

Amen.

COME LET US CELEBRATE

The Cultural Diversity Support Group warmly invites you to our **Virtual Big Lunch TODAY Sunday 7th June** starting at **2pm** until **4pm via Zoom**. Wear Cultural/Traditional Attire if possible.

Opening Prayers by Father Jackson, Bidding Prayers by Members, Music and Singing, Celebrate with Food and Drink, Wave your Flag.

Get join in details from **Agnes** on **07904 426545** or **Sylvia** on **07870 508790** by Friday 5th June at the latest. Hope to see you there!

CONFIRMATION 2020

The deadline for applications has now passed, thank you to all those that have enrolled. We will be in touch shortly.

CAN THE SVP HELP YOU?

During this difficult time of lockdown, our SVP members are asking if you, or anyone you know of in the parish that might appreciate a phone call or two during the week? If so, please send your/their details to the SVP, by emailing noelmsvas@hotmail.com and they will be delighted to add them to their list. Don't be lonely!

OFFERTORY

We have had a number of people ask how to make their weekly offering to church during this time of lockdown. There are a couple of ways you can still do this:

- You can put the money you would normally place in the plate to one side each week, and when we are worshipping together again, hand it all in at once.
- If you are a member of the Gift Aid scheme you can post the filled weekly envelope through the Presbytery/Parish Office door, or save up your weekly offering and then place all contributions into the ONE envelope dated for the week the church re-opens. All Gift Aid contributions are entered on individual records for the week they are received and banked and this would save the counters hours of work opening envelopes for individual weeks of lockdown.
- You might consider increasing your standing order at this difficult time for the church. *However if you do decide to do this PLEASE EITHER RING THE PARISH OFFICE OR EMAIL TO ADVISE US OF IT.*
- If you do not have a standing order but wish to make a **ONE OFF DONATION** via online banking, again *please ring the parish office who can then provide you with the correct details and reference needed to do this.*

EASTER OFFERINGS FOR YOUR PRIESTS - Will be deferred to a date later in the year.

Many thanks for your continued support

**STAY
ALERT** 

**CONTROL
THE VIRUS**



**SAVE
LIVES**