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First Sunday of Advent - November 26th/27th, 2022

First Reading. Isaiah 2:1-5: The prophet Isaiah speaks of pilgrims climbing up to Jerusalem and finding peace. We are called to make our home in Christ and in his Kingdom where there will be peace, justice and joy. The Church shows us the way.

Responsorial Psalm. 121: "I rejoice when I heard them say: 'Let us go to God's house'".

Second Reading: Romans 13:11-14: In a stark warning, Saint Paul calls us to amend our lives and return to the way of the Lord.

Gospel. Matthew 24:37-44: Jesus warns against complacency and summons us to focus on Christ and his life.

Intentions for the Masses celebrated this Weekend

Saturday	6:00 p.m.:	Intentions of Kay and Michael McCarthy
Sunday	10:00 a.m.:	Rev. David Maskell RIP
	11:30 a.m.:	Deceased Members of the Tabaosares Family

Saints of the Week

Monday 28 th November:	Saint Stephen the Younger
Tuesday 29 th November:	Saint Brendan of Birr
Wednesday 30 th November:	Saint Andrew, Apostle, Patron of Scotland
Thursday 1 st November:	Saint Charles de Foucauld
Friday 2 nd December:	Blessed Rafal Chylinski
Saturday 3 rd December:	Saint Francis Xavier

New Food Bank in Sunningdale

We are pleased to announce the launching of the *Hope Church Sunningdale Food Bank* (SHARE@ Hope Church Sunningdale). Share@ Hope Church Sunningdale will have a range of fresh produce and bakery items that are end of day items or surplus stock donated from local supermarkets which they would love to share with the Community. This is food that the Supermarkets/Shops cannot sell so it would otherwise go to waste! No voucher/referral is needed to attend the Food Bank. Anyone can collect a bag of food and also enjoy a tea/coffee and slice of cake. The Food Bank will run on **Tuesday 29th November, Tuesday 6th December and Tuesday 13th December 2022** from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Hope Church-Sunningdale, The Hope Centre, High Street, Sunningdale SL5 0NG. Spread the word and pop along!

Retreat of the Comboni Missionaries in Sunningdale

Due to our Provincial Retreat, there will be no celebration of daily Mass at the Sacred Heart Church from **Monday 28th November to Friday 2nd December 2022** inclusive. Celebration of daily Mass will re-commence on **Monday 5th December 2022** at **6:00 p.m.** in the Community Chapel. Many thanks for your understanding.

Condolences

We would like to express our sincerest condolences and deepest sympathies to Brendan, Kevin, Kerry and all the Fitzmaurice Family on the passing of their beloved wife and mother, Teresa who slipped away at home, fortified by the Body of Christ, early in the morning of Friday 11th November 2022. May she rest in peace and rise in glory. The Requiem Mass will take place on **Wednesday 7th December 2022 at 11:00 a.m.**

Mass Offerings

A Mass is very special and sacred. Whatever the reason it may be offered, for a particular Intention, in thanksgiving or for the Eternal Repose of a Soul, it is always important to remember that these Intentions offered to God as prayers of intercession and/or thanksgiving, in and through Christ's Passion and Death made present to us in the Sacrifice of the Holy Mass. We, as a Community gathered in the name of the Lord, pray for the Intention, the Deceased, those who are ill, or those facing various difficulties or challenges. We also offer a prayer of thanksgiving to God for the experience of God's loving grace helping us through a particularly challenging event or circumstance of life. If you would like to offer a Mass, please fill out an envelope available at the back of the Church and hand it to one of the Fathers.

November - The Month of the Faithful Departed

The Fathers in the Community in Sunningdale are offering **Mass** every day during the Month of November for all our dearly Departed "who have gone before us marked with the Sign of Faith". If you would like a particular remembrance for any of your deceased parents, relatives or friends, please write their names on one of the white forms provided in the Church Porch, and place it in the basket near the altar. Many thanks.

Nativity Scene

We would like to invite the children, young and older, to contribute in making a *Belén*, this is a larger traditional *Nativity Scene* which is commonplace in Spain. It does not just focus on the Holy Family, the Shepherds, the Angels and the Three Wise Men in the Stable, it includes all that was taking place around the miraculous birth of *Baby Jesus*. For example, there were women washing clothes, farmers working in the fields, chickens, sheep, cows, cats and dogs, ... all going about their normal activities.

The children taking part in the Liturgy each week will be creating the figures of the *Holy Family*, but all the other figures can be created by anyone who wishes. As soon as you have made your figure or model, please bring it back to the Church where we can see where it will fit in to the *Belén Nativity Scene*. We will invite the children who have made figures to come forward at the *Family Mass on Christmas Eve* and explain what they have made and why their model is important to the scene.

Some **modelling clay** is available for you to take away for creating your model. If you could make the figures about five centimetres in height that would be perfect. A list of items to make are below with two photographs of Nativity Scenes done in this way.

List of suggested models: Farmyard animals - Farm machinery - Crops to put into fields - Carts - Sheds - Animal Shelters - Trees - Palm Trees - Bushes - Flowers - Houses - A Marketplace with Stalls of fruit and vegetables or other things for sale - Men, Women and Children of the Town of Bethlehem.



The Sacred Heart Christmas Celebration 2022

We are pleased to invite you to our Christmas Party “**Step into Christmas**” on **Friday 9th December** in the Church Hall after **6:00 p.m. Mass**. The theme of this year’s event will be the ‘International Community’, celebrating the diversity of nationalities in the Sacred Heart Church Community itself. To add to the fun everyone is invited to wear something that in some way reflects their own nationality. There is a brochure at the back of the Church with plenty of simple suggestions, so please do have a look. You are encouraged, if at all possible, to come in your **national dress** and there will be a competition for the most striking or innovative costume. There will be Prizes! To complete the international theme, we are asking for some **national desserts** to be contributed from various countries. If you are willing to help with this, or in helping to organise the event, it would be much appreciated and you are requested to contact a Member of the Pastoral Team. **Tickets are now available at the price of £25 per person**. Last year we had over ninety attending and we are looking to fill every table in the Church Hall again for what will be a great night!

FUND-RAISING APPEAL

As a Community of Faith traditionally very aware of the needs of the Missionary Church overseas, we considered it very apt to have accepted a request from Fr. Melaku Tafesse mcccj, a Comboni Missionary (Verona Father) from Ethiopia working out of our Community in Leeds, to support the completion of a **Montessori Kindergarten and Primary School** near **Nekemte** in **South-western Ethiopia**. This is an ambitious year-long project to educate children of school-going age in a very rural area and, in so doing, to improve their chances in life and help alleviate the poverty in which they and their families live. We are hoping to raise £125,000 which is about half the total amount that will be required to complete the School. Thank you all for the warm welcome you gave Fr. Melaku last weekend and for the evident enthusiasm with which the Appeal for the completion of the School in Nekemte was received. Grateful thanks indeed to all who have already donated and to those who have pledged to donate by the end of March next year. As this Appeal will run over the coming year, we would ask you to consider whether you are able to make a pledge to donate in the future. There are ‘pledge sheets’ ranging from **£25 to £200 plus** available from any Member of the Pastoral Team after Mass each day. Other ways to donate are by *Bank Transfer* or *Cheque* (made payable to ‘The Verona Fathers’) or by *Standing Order* or by *Cash*. Details of these methods of donating can be found on the reverse of the *Appeal Leaflet* that Fr. Melaku distributed last weekend. If you do not receive a leaflet, these are available from Fr. Julio or a Member of the Pastoral Team.

The Vision of the Church

Inspired by the great commission of Christ to the Apostles before He ascended into heaven, we want to “go out into the world and make disciples” (Matthew 28:19). The following are the values we hold at heart, and we want to promote: missionary outreach, a welcoming attitude, regular prayer life, team work, service and the joyful celebration of the Sacraments.

The Sacred Heart Church Website

We encourage you to visit the website for the Sacred Heart Church in Sunningdale which you can find at: <https://www.sacredheartsunningdale.com> It is very encouraging to receive your feedback so that we can continue to improve our service to you. If you know of anyone from the Sacred Heart Church who would like to receive our Newsletter and updates, please do not hesitate to send us their e-mail address so that they can be added to our mailing list, always though after asking their consent. For those who do not have access to a computer or to the internet, we can always send a copy of the Newsletter and the Sunday Missalette by post, and so we would be obliged if you could pass on your/their name and address, and if appropriate, after asking the person’s consent.

Weekly Appointments

- **Taizé Prayer Meetings:** We are holding a prayer service every Friday following the spirituality of *Taizé* which is characterized by silent contemplation of the Word of God and inspired by *Taizé* Chants. The Prayer will take place after the 6:00 p.m. Mass and will last for one hour.
- The **Sacred Heart Church Newsletter** is sent via e-mail every **Saturday** morning.

- Two **attachments for the Sunday Eucharist** are sent via e-mail on **Saturday** afternoon, namely: The Weekly Newsletter; And the Sunday Liturgy with **Mass Readings and Prayers**.
- There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** on **Wednesdays** from 10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. with **Benediction** at 12:15 p.m.
- The **Lectio Divina Prayer Meeting** that takes place over ZOOM on **Thursday evenings** starting at **8:00 p.m.** will resume after the Advent and Christmas break on January 12th 2023.
- **Study Group:** The next Study Group Session will take place **December 7th 2022**. The topic of discussion is *Faith, Healing and Reconciliation*. We use a supporting text from the novel: "The Shack" by William Paul Young. All are welcome to enjoy interesting discussions to discover and deepen the understanding of our Faith. Please, join this very topical discussion through Zoom: Meeting ID: 998 270 0200. Find this reference at: <https://www.sacredheartsunningdale.com/study-group>
- **Confessions:** Every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and on call. *Just ring the bell at the main door to the House!*

Mission Intention for November 2022: Children Who Suffer.

We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

Services to our Faith Community

Church Cleaning Roster: December 3rd **Angela and Louis Lee**

*January is traditionally the moment for recruiting and stepping-down from the 'Cleaning Ministry' in our Church. This year, four volunteers have left their service for various reasons. We want to express our sincerest thanks to **Charles Pinsent, Bruno Bayfield, Mary Kennedy and Priscilla Delisle** for their invaluable contribution over the years to our Church Community. We are aware that many of you are willing to serve our Church. We encourage you to step forward and join the ranks of the 'Holy Dusters'. This implies to spare for the Sacred Heart Church for just **four hours per year**. Please, call or e-mail Jenny Dias for details on what the 'Cleaning Ministry' involves. We only need your time as the Fathers provide all the cleaning materials and equipment. It is not difficult and it is very rewarding. If you are a family with young children, you will find this service especially amusing. Thank you in advance for your generous response. Volunteers can contact Mrs. Jenny Dias at: jenniferdias@btconnect.com or by mobile telephone on **07973 724404**.*

Reading Ministry: December 3 rd	6:00 p.m.: Kitty and Anthony Hooley
December 4 th	10:00 a.m.: Sue Douet
December 4 th	11:30 a.m.: David Cleworth

Flower Rota: *During the Season of Advent as is traditional there will be no flower arrangements in Church. Volunteers for the coming year, however, can contact Mrs Siobhan Burn by mobile telephone on 07833 968869.*

Collection

Thanks are in order for the **£848.22p** received in the Sunday Collection over last weekend's Masses. We warmly thank all those who continue to contribute to the upkeep of the Church through the Sunday Collection and/or a regular **Bankers/Standing Order**.

Prayer Requests for this Week

"The Lord is near to those who call on Him,
who call trustfully upon His name" (Psalm 145:18)

For the **Hooley Family** on the loss of Mike, Anthony's elder brother, at Frimley Park Hospital.

For the **Fitzmaurice Family** on the loss of Teresa after a short illness.

For Philippa and all the **Anderson Family** after the loss of Philip, for courage in faith and hope.

For the **Gracey Family** after the loss of Lionel, for courage in faith and hope.

For the good health of **Mr. Barry Newnham** who is presently at the Farnham Rehabilitation Centre.

For the good health and well-being of **Mrs Edna Baldwin**.

For **Anne and Ian Robertson** on their Fifty-Fourth Wedding Anniversary which fell on October 12th. They would like to praise and thank the Lord God for all the many blessings they have received down the years.

For the well-being of **Orest Petrusiak** and Caroline.

For **David**, recovering from major surgery.

For the well-being of the **Mate Family**.

Prayers are requested for the wife and children of **Mr. Thomas (Tom) Murphy RIP** on the great loss of her beloved husband and their Father.

For **Mrs. Teresa Ancona** and her family on the loss of her husband Cecil last 11th April 2022.

For the health of **Mrs. Mellita Taylor**.

For the health of **Ms. Isabella Schmidt**.

For the well-being of **Mr. Bill Sox**.

In thanksgiving for the recovery of **Mr. Sean Smyth**.

For the well-being of **Mr. Ian Robertson**.

Prayers are requested for **Mrs. Elizabeth Somapala** and her Family.

For the well-being of **Sabrina** and her Family.

For **Simon** and **David Rawlins**, their **Father and Families** on the passing of their Mother, Teresa Ann (Terry) Rawlins.

For the **Viaje Family** on the loss of Jose, Father of the late Elvira Bucu RIP.

For the return to full health of **Mr. Charles Pinsent**.

For the **Griffith Family** on the death at an early age of Paul RIP.

For the **Hughes Family** on the very unexpected death of their dear brother, Paul.

For **Mrs. Nina Tresillian** and her family on the untimely death of her daughter Annabel at the age of 38. Annabel was buried from the Assumption of Our Lady Church in Englefield Green 15th June 2022.

For **Fr. Martin Devenish** and his **Family** on the unexpected death of Edward James.

For the recovery from a recent operation of **Mr. Toni Perera**, brother of Mrs. Sharmi Wieck.

For **Mr. Michael Burn**, Siobhan's husband, and their Family on the loss of his Mother Wynne.

For **Mrs. Margaret Mills**, the sister of Harvey Martin who has been diagnosed with cancer.

For **Adrian** and **Amanda** and the well-being of their family.

For the good health and recovery of **Mrs. Christine Hambley**.

For the good health of **Mrs. Julie Erdmann**.

In thanksgiving for the recovery of **Mrs. Nicky Pardo**.

For the good health of **Sandy**.

For **Mrs. Shelagh Johnston** and her family and her Family on loss of their beloved Terry.

For **Cidalia**, and her children, **Marco and Lilyana**, on the death of their Father, **Virgilio Marques RIP**.

For **Mr. Vincent O'Sullivan** (the Father of Mrs Sonia Clarke) for his health and well-being.

For **Mrs. Lorraine Mulroy** and her children on the death of her husband, Ambrose.

For **Mr. Gordon Littlecott** and his sons, on the great loss of his wife and their mother, Sheelagh.

For the recovery of **Mr. Tony Wilson**.

For the well-being of **Mr. Robert Timpson**, for **Carole** and her Family.

For the well-being **Mr. Bill Biles**, and of his wife, **Emma**.

For the well-being of **Julie Mallison**.

For Noelle McNelis' brother-in-law, **Colin Wood**.

For **Stephanie**.

For the well-being of **Mrs Jennifer Street**.

For good health for **Mrs Anne Russell**.

For the recovery of **Mr. Robert Czgula**.

For the successful medical treatment of **Mrs Maggie Wordingham**.

For the improvement of health of **Mrs Catherine Ware**.

Your prayers are also requested

For the eternal rest of **Mr. Mike Hooey RIP** who passed away on Sunday 6th November 2022.

For the eternal rest of **Mrs Teresa Fitzmaurice RIP** who passed away on Friday 11th November 2022.

For the eternal rest of **Mr. Philip Anderson RIP** who passed away on Friday 28th October 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mr. Lionel Gracey RIP** who passed away on Sunday 23rd October 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mrs Gloria Barras RIP** who passed away on Tuesday 4th October 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mr. Patrick Harrington RIP** who passed away on September 24th 2022.
For the eternal rest of **H.M. Queen Elizabeth II**.
For the eternal rest of **Mr. Thomas (Tom) Murphy RIP** who died on Thursday 4th August 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mrs Teresa Ann (Terry) Rawlins RIP**, who died on Thursday 30th June 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mr. Jose Viaje RIP** who passed away on June 29th 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mr. Paul Griffith RIP** who passed away on June 29th 2022 after a long battle with cancer.
For the eternal rest of **Mr. Paul Hughes RIP**.
For the eternal rest of **Annabel Tresillian-Clarke** who died of Covid-related causes at the early age of 38 years.
For the eternal rest of **Edward Devenish RIP** who died in the early evening of June 2nd 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mrs Wynne Burn RIP** Siobhan's mother-in-law who passed away on May 19th 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Virgilio Marques RIP** who was found dead at home on April 14th 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Mrs Mary Richmond RIP**.
For the eternal rest of **Ambrose Mulroy RIP** who died on the afternoon of April 18th 2022.
For the eternal rest of **Cecil D'Ancona RIP** (*'The Dentist'*).
For **Mr. Terry Johnston RIP** who passed to the Father's house on Wednesday 10th November 2021.
For the eternal rest of **Larry**, who has died at only thirty-one years of age.
For **Mrs Sheelagh Littlecott RIP**, who passed away in the early hours of Wednesday 30th March, 2022.
For **Mrs Christine Bambury**, Nuala's mother-in-law who passed away unexpectedly on March 12th 2022.
For **Ms. Siobhan Marrow RIP**, the niece of Pat and Sean Smyth, who lost her life to cancer on January 13th 2022.
For **Mr. Simon Gaffney RIP**, a nephew of Nicky Pardo who has recently passed away most unexpectedly at only fifty-two years of age leaving a widow and three teenage children.
For **Mr. John McGoldrick RIP** who died at the young age of 48 on December 21st 2021.
For **Mr. Anton Strigáč RIP**, Father of Janette Strigáčová, who passed away unexpectedly on November 23rd 2021.
For **Frances Reynolds RIP**, dear friend of Ann Roberston, who died on January 9th 2022.
Mrs. Eileen Berkeley who passed away on Tuesday 4th January 2022.
For **Mrs. Claire Dunn RIP** who passed away on Saturday 11th December 2021.
For **Mr. Brian Donovan RIP**.
For **Mrs. Patricia Margaret Moore RIP** who passed away on Friday 15th October 2021 at the age of 92.
For **Mr. Andy Maslaveckas RIP** who passed away on October 20th 2021 after a short battle with cancer.
For **Mrs. Sona Watt RIP** who passed away on August 24th 2021.
For **Mr. Honorable Generoso RIP**, the Uncle of Ms. Mel Genova who passed away recently in the Philippines.
For **Mr. Donald Davenport RIP** who passed away on August 17th 2021 at the age of 77.
For **Mr. Robert Paul Beahan RIP** who passed away on August 24th 2021 at the age of 92.
For **Florence Clarito Alimen RIP** who passed away recently after an unfortunate accident.
For **Mrs. Maureen Hannon DHS RIP** who passed away on Tuesday 3rd August 2021.
For **Mrs. Margaret Devenish RIP** who passed away of old age on Friday 23rd July 2021.
For **Mrs. Teresa Pinsent RIP** who passed away on Saturday 3rd July 2021.
For **Mrs. Helen McNelis RIP** who passed away on Thursday 15th July 2021.
For **Mrs. Sandra Garratt**.
For **Mr. Adrian Thomas RIP**, who passed away on 11th June 2021.
For **Mr. Pat O'Connor RIP**, who passed away on Monday 21st June 2021.

For **Mr. Thomas Reilly RIP**, the brother of **Mrs Patricia Brown**, who passed away after a very short illness.

For **Mrs. Patricia Mary Conroy RIP**, who passed away on June 1st 2021.

For **Mr. Zoltan Torok RIP** who passed away unexpectedly through a motorcycle accident.

For **Mr. Agnelo Menezes RIP**, the dear Father of Christabelle Menezes-Sachdev who sadly passed away from COVID-19 on May 1st 2021.

For **Tash Athanasiades RIP** who passed away on May 14th 2021.

For **June Barnes RIP**, who passed away at the age of 88 on Saturday 24th April 2021.

For **Mr. Jamie McCaul RIP**, who passed away on March 3rd 2021 and was buried from our Church on Friday 26th March.

For **Mr. Thomas Francis Fleming RIP**, on the anniversary of his death.

For **Mrs. Ann Mary Smyth RIP**, on the anniversary of her death.

For **Mr. Thomas Smyth RIP**, on the anniversary of his death.

For **Wyn Vickers RIP**, who passed away on February 27th 2021.

For **Mr. Tony Mercer RIP**, who passed away on February 7th 2021.

For **Mrs. Bridget McGeechan RIP**, who died on February 1st 2021.

For **Mr. Thomas Patrick Salmon RIP** who passed away on 26th December 2020 and was buried from the Sacred Heart Church on Friday 15th January 2021.

For **Ms. Theresa Fanning** who passed away on Wednesday 13th January 2021.

We would like to encourage you not to hesitate to ring or send a message if the Fathers are able to assist you in any way.