

St. Joan of Arc, Farnham

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Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th September 2026

Sunday Cycle A, Weekday Readings 2, Psalter Week 2

We gather to worship God in union with Leo XIV, Our Pope.

Saturday	26 Sept	
4.15pm	Confession	
Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Elizabeth Richardson RIP
Sunday	27 Sept	Twenty-Sixth Sunday in OT
		Thanksgiving for the Harvest
9.15 am	Mass	Maria Eugenia Pimenta RIP
11.15am	Mass	Bill Steijger RIP (anniv)
5.00pm	Mass	Evelyn Borelli RIP
2026 Confirmation Certificates and Refreshments		
Monday	28 Sept	
11.00am	Mass	Pauline Groves RIP
Tuesday	29 Sept	
11.00am	Mass	Nigel Sims RIP (anniv)
Wednesday	30 Sept	Church Closed
Thursday	1st Oct	
11.00am	Mass	Scripture Group Members Intentions
Friday	2nd Oct	
10.30am	Adoration	
11.00am	Mass	Geneviève Dansette RIP
Saturday	3rd Oct	
10.30am	Adoration	Parish Congress
4.15pm	Confession	
Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time		
5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Dan & Donna Freshwater Intentions
Sunday	4th Oct	27th Sunday in OT
9.15 am	Mass	Pat Padilla RIP
Cake Sale & Coffee after Mass		
11.15am	Mass	Mary Ditchburn RIP
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5.00pm	Mass	Pamela Moscati Orloff RIP

Mass Count: 19th/20th September: Saturday 5pm = 120; Sunday 9.15am = 182; 11.15am = 104 ; 5.00pm = No Mass **Total 406.**

2nd Collection: CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is the 2nd October. 3rd/4th October.

2nd Collection: Prisoner's Sunday 11th October.

Catholics do good at every opportunity.

Catholics pray every day.

Catholics come to Mass every Sunday.

FRIDAY IS A DAY OF ABSTINENCE FROM EATING MEAT

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time A 2026

The Sacrament of Confirmation

Applications for the 'Sacrament of Confirmation' at St Joan of Arc are now open. To apply:

- You need to be in School Year 10, 11 or 12 and be under 18 by the end of June 2027.
- And be regularly attending Sunday Mass at St Joan of Arc
- or at Holy Family (Heath End) or Holy Angels (Ash).

You can collect an application form from Mass this Sunday; they need to be returned as soon as possible, but at least by **Friday 23rd October.**

For those who are Baptised and have received their First Holy Communion, one further Sacrament of Initiation enables them to commit to their faith wholeheartedly. We hope you feel you are ready to take this step. Confirmation is both a gift and an invitation. The Holy Spirit comes to the individual who is anointed with the oil of chrism and helps him or her live a life of faith. Parents bring their babies to church to be Baptised and at Confirmation it is the young person who takes responsibility themselves for leading an active Christian life.

Before embarking on this process, you should consider the following commitment:

- I attend Sunday Mass each week
- I will commit to the programme, putting work, clubs & other programmes into 2nd place.
- I wish to grow in my faith and am ready to participate in discussions.
- I will listen to input respectfully and allow others to express their opinion.
- I wish to live out my faith.

Let us pray for those in our families who are unwell at this time and especially for:

Gerry O'Donnell, Liz Cross, Michael Pattie, Sheila Thorp, Ariane, Brian Fernando, Suzanne Eames, Robin Eames, Kate Pontifex, Carol Tutte, Donna Lawson, Anne Cheesman, Jennifer Flack, James Flack, Art Attwood, Elizabeth Murray, Peter McCormick, Elizabeth Leavy, Margaret Connolly, Andrew Torjussen, Siobhan Gorman, Francis Galliano, Eileen Farebrother, Noreen Yelland, and for all in our Parish community who are unwell.

Please let the Parish Office know if any names can be removed.

We pray for the recently deceased:

Peter Standring RIP.

Maria Eugenia Pimenta RIP

Robert Page RIP

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:

Fr David Buckley, Mattheus Steijger, Nigel Sims, Christopher Turner, Bernadette Blower, Margaret Mary Moorten, Peggy Griffin, Brian Edwards, Pamela McGarrigle, Paul Maddox, Sam Wheller, Brian Taylor, Brian Mulvin, Annie Trigwell, Simon Dick, Henry Aylett, Hugh Gallacher.

May the Lord grant them all a place in His Kingdom.

Mass of Welcome to Bishop Stephen Wang:

Saturday 24th October at Worth Abbey

Following his Ordination, Bishop Stephen will celebrate a Mass of Welcome followed by a reception, at Worth Abbey on Saturday 24 October at 11.30am. He invites people from across the Diocese to attend this Mass, to meet him and give thanks. Free coach travel is being arranged as parking is restricted at the Abbey - please enquire at your local parish office to book your place. (see below)

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 place

go 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. <https://tinyurl.com/Massofwelcome26>

Parish Congress:

Saturday 3rd October at St Polycarps School. (see the poster in the porch for details to how to book your place).

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:

Every **Wednesday – 7.30pm** in the Parish Centre. Come and refresh your prayer life. Everyone is welcome to come along.

200 Club:

Contact John Dick to join St Joan of Arc 200 Club it's £12 a year for one number. john dick187@btinternet.com

Arcaid: Arcaid is St. Joan of Arc's very own overseas Aid Charity. If you would like to support Arcaid in any way please have a look at their work on our website.

www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk/your-parish/parish-charity-arcaid leaflets and forms are in the church porch.



SCAN ME

Diary Dates:

Cake sale & coffee: 4th October.

2:2 Club: 14th October; 11th November.

Parish Quiz Night: Friday 16th October - **tbc**

Sunday BBQ Braai: Sunday 11th October.

Christmas Bazaar: Sunday 22nd November.

*If you would like to come and join the **planning team** for the bazaar or have any new ideas, come along to our next planning meeting on Tuesday 13th October 10am-11am in the Centre Foyer.*

Registered? Are you registered with your community here at St Joan of Arc? Please complete a green registration form which are in the Church Porch, so we have your most up to date details and return it to the Parish Office.

Foodbank: www.farnham.foodbank.org.uk

Food supplies are low at the moment, donations are appreciated: this month: Tinned vegetables & Tinned Potatoes, UHT juice; UHT milk, UHT Desserts – Rice pudding, jelly, sponges and Toilet Rolls. **Many thanks.**

Readings – Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

1st Reading: **Ezekiel 18:25-28**

Psalm: **Ps 25(24):4-5b. 6-7. 8-9. R6a**

2nd Reading: **Philippians 2:1-11**

Gospel: **Matthew 21:28-32**

Daily Readings can be found www.universalis.com

Fr Simons Daily Reflections are on the website. www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk

Cake Sale - Calling all Bakers:

The roof fund cake sales begin again on **Sunday 4th October**. If you would like to set up and sell cakes or make/bring a cake to sell – **sign up on the board in the Church porch.**

Sunday morning Coffee:

Sunday 4th October after the 9.15am and 11.15am Masses in the centre.

Sunday BBQ/Braai 11th October 12 noon

This is a joint fundraising event for

The St Joan of Arc Roof Fund and Arcaid.

Can we please ask for help on the day itself, Donations of any kind to the event (the BBQ/Braai will include Boerewors in a roll / plus veggie alternative) a Raffle of South African goodies and we ask for assistance to make South African milk tarts (the recipe will be provided and no previous experience is needed making these!)

Please contact: joanneellisuk@gmail.com



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



Sunday 22nd November 10.00am -1.30pm.

Come along after or before your Sunday morning Mass.

Please sign up – on the board in the Church porch if you would like to get involved in helping in any way before, during or after the event.

Please start to gather brand new or nearly new gifts, toiletries, chocolates, bottles, jewellery, Christmas items. If you run a business and would like to offer a service, dinner for 2, wine, money off an activity voucher, etc all would be very much appreciated for our Silent Auction or Raffle prize. But most of all – put the date in the diary and come and have a coffee/tea and a Bacon/hotdog/Veg roll and enjoy your community of St Joan of Arc.

We will be **collecting items** on the weekends of 7th/8th November & 14th/15th November.

Specific request dates:

Bring a Bottle Sunday – 24th/25th October

Bring a Tombola/Raffle item Sunday - 31st Oct/1st Nov.

St Joan of Arc Playgroup:

Tuesday's term time £2 - 9.30-11am for parents and carers of pre-school Children, you will be warmly welcomed.

Farnborough Hill School Open Morning:

Thursday 1 October at 9.00 am. Please see the poster for further details.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass – Saturday 3 October at

Arundel Cathedral: E: simon.south@abdiocese.org.uk. To book your free place, you can scan the QR code on the poster. Mass followed by a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. Family & Friends are welcome to attend.