

# St. Joan of Arc, Farnham

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## Second 'Low' Sunday of Easter 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Sunday Cycle Year A, Weekday Readings 2, Psalter Week

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

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
4.15pm	Confession	
<b>Second 'Low' Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday</b>		
5.00pm	Mass	Tony Woellwarth RIP (anniv)
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Second 'Low' Sunday of Easter</b>
9.15 am	Mass	Deceased Members & Friends of the Borelli Family RIP (anniv)
10.00am	Confession	
<b>Coffee after Mass in the Centre</b>		
11.15am	Mass	Peter Davies RIP
<b>Coffee after Mass in the Centre</b>		
5.00pm	Mass	James McGrory RIP (anniv)
5.45pm	Confession	
<b>Monday</b>	<b>13<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
11.00am	Mass	Holy Souls
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>14<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Church Closed</b>
7.30pm	Fathers Prayers	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Church Closed</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
11.00am	Mass	Pamela Morris RIP (anniv)
<b>Friday</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
9.15am	Whole School Easter Mass	
10.30am	Adoration	
11.00am	Mass	Anthony Rae Marshall RIP
Saturday	18 <sup>th</sup> April	
<b>12.30pm</b>	<b>Baptism</b>	<b>Ada Rose Shaw</b>
4.15pm	Confession	
<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>		
5.00pm	Mass	Holy Souls
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>
9.15 am	Mass	Holy Souls
11.15am	Mass	Holy Souls
<b>3.15pm</b>	<b>Confirmation Session</b>	
5.00pm	Mass	Holy Souls

### Mass Count: Easter 2026

Maundy Thursday = 196

Good Friday = 358

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> April: Easter Vigil Saturday = 233; Easter Sunday 9.15am = 363; 11.15am = 356; 5.00pm = 90 = 1042

**Second Collection 26<sup>th</sup> April** Education of Future Priests; Gift Aid.

*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**

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter A

**"My Lord and My God"**

This Sunday, the second of Easter, has several names:

It is the 'Octave Day', meaning it is still Easter Sunday, but we call it 'Low Sunday' to distinguish it from last Sunday. St John Paul II designated this Sunday 'Divine Mercy Sunday', the culmination of the novena to the Divine Mercy devotion given to St Faustina. Today, is also 'Thomas Sunday', recalling the apostle's profession of faith, 'My Lord and my God'.

Occasionally, it is referred to as 'Quasimodo Sunday', a play on words of the entrance antiphon "Quasi modo geniti", meaning 'as new-born infants', to mark that this Sunday the newly baptised have now taken their place amongst us as full members of the body of Christ. We pray for the 'Elect of God', adults recently baptised throughout the 'Guildford Catholic Parish' and our own parishioners received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church.

Regardless of its name, we know that being a Sunday, it is the celebration of the Resurrection. I would like to thank everyone who made the celebrations and commemorations of the Sacred Paschal Triduum & Easter Sunday such wonderful expressions of our faith. May the joy of the Resurrection help us celebrate right through to Pentecost. Fr. Simon.

**Advance Warning:** Fr. Simon will be away on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May. Fr. Denys of the Rosminians will supply the weekend but will only celebrate three of our normal four Masses. He will say 5pm (Sat), 9.15am and 11.15am Mass. There will be no 5pm on Sunday evening.

**Pope Leo has invited women and men of goodwill across the world to join him in praying for peace at 5pm this Saturday (11 April).** The Pope said he welcomed the news of a - albeit fragile - two-week ceasefire in Iran "as a sign of deep hope" and emphasised that "only through a return to the negotiating table can we bring the war to an end."

**St Thomas on the Bourne**

**Evensong on Tour**

**At St Joan of Arc - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April.**

### Our Monthly Coffee:

...will be taking place this Sunday **12<sup>th</sup> April** after the 9.15am and 11.15am Masses.

### Diary Dates:

**Monthly Coffee** – 12<sup>th</sup> April 9.15am and 11.15am Mass.

**2:2 Club** – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2pm.

**Cafod Soup Lunch** – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 12 noon.

**St Thomas Evensong on Tour** – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April.

**Monthly Coffee & Cake Sunday** 3<sup>rd</sup> May.

"THE GIFT" a six-week course on rediscovering the Holy Spirit and the joy of our faith, with inspiring videos, discussion and prayer. Endorsed and blessed by Pope Francis.

**Wednesday evenings in the Parish Centre 15th Apr – 20th May 7.45-9.15pm.** More detail and intro video on Parish website. To register, scan the QR code or go to [bit.ly/THEGIFT2026](http://bit.ly/THEGIFT2026). Or put completed registration forms in the collection baskets.



**Roof fundraising ideas:**

If anyone would like to run an event or has an idea to raise funds for the roof appeal please email Cecilia [farnham@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:farnham@abdiocese.org.uk)

**CAFOD Soup lunch:**

Will take place on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April** following the 11.30am Morning Mass. If you would like to help in the kitchen or offer to make some soup please get in touch with Jo [joanneellisuk@gmail.com](mailto:joanneellisuk@gmail.com)

**The Rosary Group:**

Meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm in the Church **21<sup>st</sup> April.**

**Fathers' Prayers:**

Takes place in the Church every **second Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm** and all the other Tuesdays are on Zoom at **7.30pm** Contact Antony for further details. [Antonyhjohnson@gmail.com](mailto:Antonyhjohnson@gmail.com) **Date: 14<sup>th</sup> April.**

**Scripture Study Group:**

**Meet on Wednesday mornings** in the Centre foyer of the Centre at **10.00am.** You are welcome to attend to study this weeks scripture.

**2:2 Club:**

**NEW DATE FOR YOUR DIARY - Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 2.00pm** in the *Centre*. Come along for a chat, games, tea and cake. Open to all of retirement age.

**200 Club:**

Contact John Dick to join St Joan of Arc 200 Club. £12 a number [johndick187@btinternet.com](mailto:johndick187@btinternet.com)

**Arcaid:**

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](http://www.stjoanofarcfarnham.co.uk/your-parish/parish-charity-arcaid) leaflets and forms are in the church porch. **Arcaid is St. Joan of Arc's own overseas Aid Charity.**



SCAN ME

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2026:**

9.15am Family Mass - Every Sunday.

Children are to Sign in weekly for Mass attendance.

First Holy Communion Session **26<sup>th</sup> April**

**CONFIRMATION EXPERIENCE 2026:**

**Sessions 3.15pm prompt start**

**19<sup>th</sup> April is the next session.**

Attendance Sunday at the 5pm Youth Mass. Sit together in the front reserved seats, and please sign up to read.

**Youth Mass 5.00pm**

**Let us pray for those in our families who are unwell at this time and especially for:** Gerry O'Donnell, Amiti Grech, Sheila Thorp, Ariane (St Polycarps), Brian Fernando, Suzanne Eames, Robin Eames, Kate Pontifex, Mary King, Eve Morgan, Carol Tutte, Donna Lawson, Anne Cheesman, Mary Burland, Jennifer Flack, James Flack, Art Attwood, Leo Murray, Elizabeth Murray, Peter McCormick, Elizabeth Leavy, Marie Robinson, Margaret Connolly, Andrew Torjussen, Siobhan Gorman, Mary Ditchburn, 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:**

**Edward Striegel RIP.**

**We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Tony Woellwarth, James McGrory, Pamela Morris, Norman Frew, Heather Anderson, Dorothy McKune, Maureen Hoddy, Victor Thomas, Bernard Smallbone, Eileen Gibbs, Martin Chapman, Aloysius Verhulst, Marie Taylor, Mike O'Donnell, Jowdat Paulus, Maria D'Souza, Sr Dolorina Murphy SSPS, Vera Barker, Remegio P. Confesor SR.

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



**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June.**

**Doors open at 6.30pm First Game 7.15pm.**

**£10 pp to include at least 5 games. Cash bar, Raffle. Bring your own Evening picnic, have fun raising funds for the Roof fund.**

**Tickets will be on sale in May after all Masses or email [mm@maher.je](mailto:mm@maher.je) or the Parish Office.**

**Easy fundraising:**

With #easyfundraising, supporting us is as simple as doing your normal online shopping. Sign up, shop online and retailers will donate to us - for free! Plus, sign up today and we could win a £250 donation:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/st-joan-of-arc-farnham-parish-centre-fund/3XQ1FX/ctos/GI82G3Ik/OSATE/facebook/>

**Lourdes Pilgrimage 2026:**

All places are now full.

**Forming Catholic Student Leaders:**

**Called to Love, 2 - 3 May 2026** A retreat for singles, dating and engaged young adults who want to think more deeply about relationships and the call to marriage. A relaxed weekend with input, prayer, discussion and social, as well as the opportunity to meet like-minded others! This year's retreat will have as its theme masculinity and femininity. <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/called-to-love/>

**Trustee Volunteer:** A new charity focused on autism advocacy & research, engaging with government on legislative change, is seeking three Trustees to advise on strategic oversight & governance. 30 mins per month max. Volunteer role. Contact [antonia\\_stuart@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:antonia_stuart@yahoo.co.uk)

**Please join us on a Mary's Meals walking pilgrimage :**

Would you like to join a Mary's Meals walking pilgrimage this year? Details of all the pilgrimages are available here: <https://www.marysmeals.org.uk/get->