

St. Joan of Arc, Farnham

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Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

11th October 2026

Sunday Cycle A, Weekday Readings 2, Psalter Week 4

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

Saturday	10th Oct	
4.15pm	Confession	

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Ray & Marie Traynor RIP
Sunday	11th Oct	28th Sunday in OT
9.15 am	Mass	Jeannette O'Donnell RIP
10.00am	Confessions	
11.15am	Mass	Peter King RIP (anniv)

BBQ/Braai after Mass

5.00pm	Mass	John Walsh Intentions
5.45pm	Confessions	

Monday	12th Oct	St Wilfrid
11.00am	Mass	Liam Higgins RIP (anniv) & Margaret McGovern RIP

Tuesday	13th Oct	Church Closed
7.30pm	Rosary	
8.15pm	Father's Prayers	

Wednesday	14th Oct	Church Closed
2.00pm	2:2 Club	

Thursday	15th Oct	St Teresa of Avila
11.00am	Mass	Baptiste Johnson Intention

Friday	16th Oct	
10.30am	Adoration	
11.00am	Mass	Robert Schillé RIP

7.00pm	Quiz Night	
Saturday	17th Oct	

12.30pm	Baptism	Emilia Rosellina
4.15pm	Confession	

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

5.00pm	Vigil Mass	Rita Bell RIP (anniv) & David Nolan RIP (anniv)
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Sunday	18th Oct	29th Sunday in OT
9.15 am	Mass	Bishop-Elect Stephen Wang

Handmade Soap Sale

11.15am	Mass	Amiti Grech RIP
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5.00pm	Mass	Bill Thompson RIP (anniv) & Patrick Dooley RIP (anniv)
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Mass Count: 3rd/4th October: Saturday 5pm = 103; Sunday 9.15am = 159; 11.15am = 173; 5.00pm = 124 **Total 559**

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

2nd Collection: World Missions Sunday 18th October. No GA

Cake Sale thanks: Thank you to everyone who supported the monthly cake and coffee sale last weekend. **£300.62** was raised for the Roof Fund. **Many thanks.**

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time A

The Resurrection

In the Creed we state, 'I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come'. Yes, we hope and take comfort that our departed loved ones are in heaven, but this is not our final reality. At our personal judgement, the quality of our 'faith, hope and love' on earth will already have demonstrated whether we have chosen heaven or hell. Purple, then, is the ordinary colour for a Requiem Mass, reminding us of its penitential character; the funeral is not a 'canonisation', but a liturgy that, as a charitable act, compels us to pray for the repose of the soul of our loved ones, that they complete their purification, and so rest in peace.

As a person is a unity of body and soul, our redemption is not complete until we get our bodies back, and so, the culmination of our faith is the resurrection of the dead on the last day and life everlasting in the 'new heaven and new earth' to come. As Christians, we believe that when Jesus comes again, all humanity will experience the resurrection, both the just and the unjust will rise and receive the 'Last Judgement', as a confirmation of our personal one. This is the warning of Mt 25:31-46 (c.f. *Christ the King, Year A*) which shows us that 'faith alone' is insufficient for salvation but that it must be lived out, with the 'corporal & spiritual works of mercy' an example of our faith in action, the truth of our relationship with Christ laid bare.

As we pray for the coming of the Kingdom in its fulness, we long to experience a renewal of the whole universe, a time when God will live with his people so we may see him face to face and be like him for all the ages. This is the definitive realisation of God's plan to bring all things together under Christ, all things in heaven and things on earth.

Advance Warning:

On **Saturday 14th November** there is no 5pm Mass, as Fr. Simon is not available due to other pastoral commitments within the wider 'Guildford Catholic Parish' that week.

The 9.15am, 11.15am and 5pm Mass on Sunday 15th Nov. will be celebrated as normal.

Saturday Masses: 5.30pm at Holy Angels (Ash); 5.30pm at St Mary's (Aldershot); 6pm at St Anselm's (Hindhead); 6pm at St Edmund's (Godalming); 6pm Sacred Heart (Bordon).

Please check their websites for any alterations to their schedules.

St Joan's Rosary Group will meet every Tuesday at 7.30pm in the Church throughout October.

Pope John Paul II said "Rediscover the Rosary in the light of scripture, in harmony with the Liturgy and in the context of you daily lives".

Readings – Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time.

1st Reading: **Isaiah 25:6-10a**

Psalm: **Ps 23(22):1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6. R1**

2nd Reading: **Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20**

Gospel: **Matthew 22:1-14**

Daily Readings can be found www.universalis.com

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

No Mass at St Joan's on Tuesday 13th October.

Mass of Welcome to Bishop Stephen Wang: Saturday 24th October 11.30am at Worth Abbey

Following his Ordination, Bishop Stephen will celebrate a Mass of Welcome followed by a reception. He invites people from across the Diocese to attend this Mass, to meet him and give thanks.

Rosary Group:

Will meet every **Tuesday in October at 7.30pm** in the Church. Everyone is welcome to come along **13th, 20th, 27th**.

Father's Prayers:

We hold Fathers' Prayers in the Church every second Tuesday of the month, **13th October at 8.15pm** all other Tuesdays on Zoom at 7.30pm for more details contact antonyjohnson@gmail.com

Life in the Spirit Prayer Group:

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

A Day with Mary:

Saturday 24th October 2026 Arundel Cathedral. www.adaywithmary.org 9.30am Mass – 4.30pm. Bring a packed lunch.

Confirmation 2027:

For those who will be in school years 10, 11 or 12 from September, and are contemplating receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2027, now is the time to ensure that the Holy Mass, especially on a Sunday is the source and summit of your life. **Collect an application form by the sanctuary at the end of Mass.**

Childrens' Liturgy: Will take place on the 18th October during the 9.15am Mass.

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.

2:2 Club:

Takes place in the Parish Centre on the Second Wednesday of each month at 2.00pm. Come along on **Wednesday 14th October at 2.00pm** for games, tea and cake and a chat. Open to all over a certain age and retired!

Diary Dates:

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

Parish Quiz Night: Friday 16th October.

Handmade Soap Sale: 18th October.

CAFOD Soup Lunch: **Friday 6th November tbc**

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.*

Wine Tasting Event: 28th November 1.30pm.

Leaf Clearance & Christmas Tree helpers: Saturday 5th December.

Christmas Readings & Carols: Sunday 20th December 3pm followed by refreshments.

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 Stranding RIP. Requiem Mass Friday 23rd October at 1.45pm.

Robert Page RIP.

We pray for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Fr John Bradley, Peter King, Liam Higgins, Cyril Hunt, Kathleen Deane, Friedah White, Leonard Waters, Michael Lentz, Mary Evans, Peter Hunt, John Cooney, Phyllis Le Guével, Maria O'Hagan, Elizabeth Gardiner, Evelyn Pearse, Sophia Fox, Steven Holmes, Muriel Leese.

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

SUNDAY BBQ/BRAAI THIS SUNDAY 11TH OCTOBER 12PM

Come along and have a BBQ Lunch/Coffee/Milk Tarts.

Raffle filled with South African goodies. In Aid of Arcaid & the Roof Fund.

QUIZ NIGHT – FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER 7.00PM for 7.30PM

£10 per person. Bring your own picnic supper and drinks.

Raffle on the night. Tickets on sale after all Masses.

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HOMEMADE SOAP SALE

Amicie will be selling her wonderful homemade soaps in aid of the Roof fund on **Sunday 18th October** following the 9.15am & 11.15am Masses. Cash or Dona. **Perfect Christmas gifts!**

PUZZLE SWOP IN THE LINK

Take a puzzle and donate £2 for the roof fund. You can exchange it for one of your own or return it once completed, take another one, donate £2 again.



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR



Sunday 22nd November 10.00am -1.30pm.

Come along after or before 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.

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 coffe/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.

Wine Tasting Event – Saturday 28th November 1.30pm