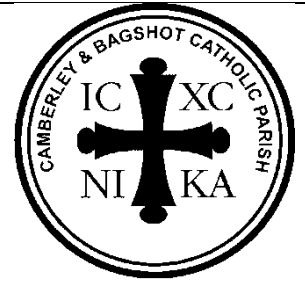


# CAMBERLEY & BAGSHOT CATHOLIC PARISH

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<b>4<sup>th</sup> December 2016</b>	<b>Sunday Readings: Year A</b>	<b>Weekday Readings: Year I</b>
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Sat	17.30	Second Sunday of Advent	SS Peter & John	Intentions of Chrissy Byrnes
Sun	09.30	Second Sunday of Advent	St Tarcisius	Marie Lowe RIP
	11.00	Second Sunday of Advent	Christ the King	People of the Parish
	15.00	<i>Holy Hour</i>	St Tarcisius	
Mon	10.00	Weekday in Advent	Christ the King	Stan Nahajski RIP
Tues	10.00	St Nicholas	St Tarcisius	James & Molly Day & Mary Wicham RIP
Weds	10.00	<i>Holy Hour</i>	St Tarcisius	Annice Craig RIP
	19.30	St Ambrose <i>followed by Holy Hour</i>	Christ the King	
Thurs	12.00	Immaculate Conception BVM	SS Peter & John	Margaret Crawley RIP
Fri	10.00	St Jan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin	St Tarcisius	Intentions of Jose Andrade
Sat	10.00	Weekday in Advent	SS Peter & John	Holy Souls
	17.30	Third Sunday of Advent	SS Peter & John	People of the Parish
Sun	09.30	Third Sunday of Advent	St Tarcisius	Eileen and George McCormick RIP
	11.00	Third Sunday of Advent	Christ the King	Intentions of Josephine Couban
	15.00	<i>Holy Hour</i>	St Tarcisius	

“In due course John the Baptist appeared.” In today’s Gospel we hear John the Baptist warning the people of God that the Kingdom of Heaven is near at hand. John is a fascinating figure and plays a very important role in the telling of the salvation story. John is often described as the link between the Old and New Testament, the last of the prophets to point out the Christ when he comes. His unique place in the Church is recognised as he is the only saint (other than Our Lady and St Joseph) to have two feasts, his earthly birth 24<sup>th</sup> June and his birth into heaven, his beheading on 29<sup>th</sup> August, and that the major feast is in fact his birth rather than his entry into heaven at death.

Matthew’s Gospel, based largely on Mark’s, was written primarily for a Jewish audience, and a Jewish reader would see John in a very specific role. Throughout the Old Testament, God is seen to show his message through the younger brother (think of Cain and Abel, Joseph and his brothers, Isaac and Ishmael etc.) which was counter cultural where the first born was the important role. This role was taken up by John, who, according to Luke’s Gospel, was cousin of Jesus and declared “I must decrease, and he must increase.”

John was also an odd character, wearing odd and funny clothes, a cause of rejection, but yet people felt compelled to listen, even if they didn’t like what they heard (think of King Herod Antipas). His sole vocation was to proclaim the Christ despite the cost. We too share in that vocation and this Sunday reminds us that we must be strong in faith and proclaim Christ even when it is counter cultural and people think it is odd. We need to be that voice in the wilderness proclaiming Christ by deed and word. *Fr Alex*

<b>Confession</b>	<b>Giving</b>
10.30 onwards Saturday SS Peter & John	The plate offertory last week was £714.10 The average weekly standing orders total £1091
16.45-17.15 Saturday SS Peter & John	
08.45-9.15 Sunday St Tarcisius <i>on the sanctuary</i>	
15.00-15.40 Sunday St Tarcisius	
19.10-19.25 Wednesday Christ the King	

**Advent Reconciliation Service** takes place THIS THURSDAY on the 8<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm at St Tarcisius.

**Retiring collection THIS weekend 3/4<sup>th</sup> December - Home Mission- Supporting outreach to non-church going (lapsed) Catholics**

The Bishops of England & Wales ask us to actively work to bring lapsed Catholics back to the Church and to invite those who have never known Christ to 'come and see'. For more information, free resources and to donate online: [www.catholicnews.org.uk/hms14](http://www.catholicnews.org.uk/hms14) #hms14 -

**Parish Christmas Tree Charity Gift Drive 2016**

The gift drive for Step by Step which helps homeless young people begins again this weekend.

Please take a gift tag or two from the Christmas tree display at the back of the Church.

Specific gift ideas are listed on the tags. Please bring your gift to Mass. Last date to bring gifts to Church is 19th December.

**St Tarcisius Christmas Coffee Morning Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

after the Morning Mass. As well as refreshments you will be able to enjoy a Tombola, Bottle Stall, Cake Stall and a Lucky Dip for the children, there will also be the opportunity to win a Luxury Christmas Hamper in the Raffle. All proceeds will go to the St Vincent de Paul society. Any donations for any of the stalls can be placed in the SVP Blue Box at the back of Church. Please label it for the St Tars Fundraiser. Thank you.

**Christmas Nativity Film**

A lovely opportunity to spend time together watching a film on the true meaning of Christmas. Please come and join me to watch **The NATIVITY** at SPJ Hall on:- **Thursday morning 15 Dec 9.30 am** followed by Mass **or Friday Night 16 Dec at 8.00 pm** Refreshments served. Look forward to seeing you all Mary G-C



**Forthcoming Baptisms**

Samual Hodge	SPJ	31 <sup>st</sup> Dec. 4pm
Leah Fernando	CTK	7 <sup>th</sup> Jan. 12noon

**PARISH DIARY**

07 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Confirmation group meet at BP
08 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Advent Reconciliation Service STAR
12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Talk on Our Lady at STAR 7.30pm
15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Advent Reconciliation at Knaphill
16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Advent Reconciliation at Woking
18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Service of Carols at SPJ 4pm

**St. Augustine's Catholic Primary School – Consultation on Changes to the Admissions Policy for 2018/2019** - In accordance with updated admissions guidance from the Diocese, the Admissions Policy and the Supplementary Information Form have been rewritten and new models implemented. The proposed admission arrangements can be viewed online at [www.staugustine.surrey.sch.uk](http://www.staugustine.surrey.sch.uk) .

**Summary of Changes:**

- A change in evidence of Mass attendance from frequency of worship to attendance at least once a month.
- A change of priority for catholic siblings who do not attend Mass at least once a month.
- A change in parishes which receive priority.
- A change in priority for non Catholic 'looked after' children.
- The inclusion of priority for Catechumens and Candidates for Reception into the Catholic Church.
- The removal of priority for those applying as 'exceptional circumstances'.
- The removal of priority for non-baptised children of baptised Catholic parents.

Any comments you may have should be sent to the Admissions Officer by email to [info@staugustine.surrey.sch.uk](mailto:info@staugustine.surrey.sch.uk) or by letter to the school by **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January**.

**Camberley Churches Together** Invites you to a special carol service for all who have been bereaved at St Michael's church, Camberley on Sunday 11th December 2016 at 2.00pm

**Surrey Heath Singers are at High Cross Church** in Camberley on Saturday December 17th, 7.30pm, singing Benjamin Britten's 'St. Nicolas,' with choristers from Guildford Cathedral, followed by Christmas Carols.

**Evening of Recollection** Former parishioner Brian Tougher, now in formation for the Franciscans, will lead an evening focussing on how we can grow in faith by imitating the virtues of Our Lady. 7.30pm Monday 12<sup>th</sup> December at St Tarcisius Hall.