

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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SOLEMNITY OF MARY,
HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

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TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 1ST JANUARY – Octave of Christmas	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
MARY, HOLY MOTHER OF GOD	10.00am	Mass – Int. Marian & Ian Hillyard, RIP
Monday SS Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen	NO MASS	
Tuesday The Most Holy Name of Jesus	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday Christmas Feria	NO MASS	
Thursday Christmas Feria	6.00pm	Adoration and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.00pm	Mass
Friday Christmas Feria	9.00am	Mass
	11.00am*	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
Saturday Christmas Feria	9.30am	Mass
	10.15am – 11.00am	Confessions
Sunday 8th January	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD	10.00am	Mass

LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH OUR CHILDREN During the 10am Vigil Mass, we invite our younger children (approx. aged 3 to 7) to attend their own Liturgy of the Word in the Guild Room. **Parents are encouraged to join their children.** We welcome more help from those who seek to be leaders and support in this ministry to the children of our parish.

The Big Picture is an inspirational Bible Course and DVD produced by CAFE to help people find their place in the big picture of salvation history. **St Joseph's in Gerrards Cross** will be running this course over 12 weeks in the New Year in which we will study the Bible from the time of Creation through to the End of Time. We will explore the teaching presented by biblical experts, follow a daily personal reading plan and reflect on this in subsequent group sessions. This is an opportunity to deepen our love and understanding of the Bible. There are two opportunities to join the course which will run on **Thursdays from 12 January to 6 April 2017** in the morning at 9:30am or in the evening at 7:45pm for 8pm. Participants will need their personal copy of "The Big Picture" book, which includes a DVD, priced at £10 available from St Joseph's Parish Office (office@stjosephs.org.uk or 01753 886581). The book is inviting and full of inspirational quotes with plenty of room to record your personal journey through the bible.

'The Wizard of OZ' – 19-22 January 2017, The Elgiva Theatre

Join The Chesham Bois Catholic Players in following the Yellow Brick Road this coming January. It will include a large talented cast gathered from the surrounding area, great costumes, music and dancing. There will be five performances including two matinees and it could be the perfect post-Christmas show for parishioners and their families.

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2017

Preparations are now being made for our local inter-denominational event which will be on 3rd March 2017 at St John's Methodist Church in Amersham. The service has been prepared by Christian women of the Philippines. It usually lasts for one hour starting at 11am and is followed by a shared lunch which is optional. If you would like to take part as a reader, singer, or advisor, please let Elizabeth Beckwith know. Tel. 01494 4333363.

A big THANK YOU to all who work so hard throughout the year to ensure Our Lady's Church is a place of beauty, welcome, and prayer: our cleaning teams, flower arrangers, grounds-keeper, collection counters, tea and coffee and biscuit providers, those who launder the Altar linens, welcomers, Altar servers, Readers, Children's Liturgists, and Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, especially those who take Communion to the housebound.

Money Matters

Thank you so very much for your generous Christmas Offerings, Christmas Cards, gifts and messages of good will for Christmas.
I will offer Mass for your intentions – Father Andy

If you would like to begin contributing to our parish through the Gift Aid through numbered envelope or by Standing Order through your bank, please speak with Fr Andy.



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