



St James the Great Peckham Rye
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MASS INTENTIONS

Saint John Henry Newman

Monday	10:00am	To Peace
Tuesday	10:00am	Young People
Wednesday	10:00am	Liturgy of the Word
Thursday	10:00am	Henry Topp FM
Friday	10:00am	Holy Souls
Saturday	06:00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday	08:30am	Fr Thomas Smith & Family FM
	10:00am	Intention of Jonathan White
	12:00noon	Intention of Middy Voices

Parish pastoral Council

Some ideas that were pointed out and discussed at last weeks meeting include:

- We are each given a gift at baptism – how can we use this to best serve the parish.
- As per Jesus' example at the Last Supper, the PPC should be the "foot washers of the parish", in a role of service/servant leadership.
- The parish responded very well during Covid, whilst some other parishes shut down. Our community worked together and tightened, how can we continue this now and in the future?
- How can we support each other and be aware and mindful of each other, e.g., if someone is missing for some weeks, shouldn't we be reaching out to them to make sure everything is ok?

Planned future events:

- ❖ Table Top Sale – **11th Nov 2023** £10 fee per table.
- ❖ Karaoke night
- ❖ Christmas Party
- ❖ Social/Mixer event to get key people from different groups together over e.g. cheese and wine, including:
 - H&S Committee
 - Safeguarding
 - Catechesis
 - Finance
 - Music
 - Readers, etc.

None of the above can happen without someone to spearhead it. Volunteers desperately needed.

Fr Jack

Today Isaiah talks about the great banquet in heaven. It is a usual reading for a funeral. Sadly people usually forget the reading before it, which we had last week, about the beautiful vineyard (the world) that the land owner leased out to tenants. They failed to produce fruit and so they were thrown out of the vineyard. The vineyard was leased to others. The vineyard is the church/world and everything was provided. But they did not cooperate with the generosity of God. **We have got to cooperate with the graces** (church, sacraments, prayer, love of all etc.) **God has given us.** When we cooperate with these graces we flourish. When we don't we turn in on ourselves. In hope we pray for the salvation of all but we can't be presumptuous..

Special day for all Eucharistic Ministers & Readers

On Saturday 21st October 9:30am to 4:00pm at Please put your name on the list on the notice board.

The Legion of Mary

Do a fantastic job visiting the sick and the housebound. They are desperately in need of new members. On the 29th October there will be a recruitment drive at all the Masses.

Please pray and consider joining.

Middy Voices Choir

Are currently in search of a bass guitar player or bassist/ interested individuals can call John on 0746300306.