

Forthcoming events:

Monday 12 July, 2pm: Funeral of Dorothy Citrone RIP at Downs Crematorium.
Monday 12 July, 3pm: Funeral of Patricia O'Loughlin at the Downs Crematorium.
Friday 16 July, 11am: Funeral Mass of Chris Buckingham, RIP.
Friday 16 July, 7pm: Hamish Dustagheer Organ recital.
Sunday 18 July, 7pm-8.30pm: Fifth Session of Confirmation preparation.
Monday 19 July, noon: Funeral service of Annemarie Ingham.
Monday 9 August, 7pm: Meeting of the Finance Committee.
Saturday 21 August, 7pm: Grand Re-opening of the Hall.
Saturday 28 August, 7pm: International Dinner.
Sunday 5 September, 7pm-8.30pm: Sixth Session of Confirmation preparation.
Monday 6 September, 8pm: Baptism course.
Friday 25 September, 7pm: Choral concert
Thursday 29 September, 9am: Saint Christopher's School Harvest Festival.
Sunday October 10, 11.15am: Unveiling of picture of Blessed Carlo Acutis.
Sunday 10 October, 7pm-8.30pm: Seventh Session of Confirmation preparation.
Saturday October 16: start of First Holy Communion programme.
Sunday 17 October, 10am: FHC Enrolment Mass
Saturday 6 November, 9am/11am: FHC
Saturday 6 November, noon: Bereavement Mass.
Sunday 14 November, 7pm, Confirmation rehearsal
Saturday 20 November, 3pm Confirmation Mass

Friday 31 December, noon: Bereavement Mass.



Please leave your donations for the Food Bank in the tub inside the door of the Outer Sacristy. If locked, by the door. Please remember we cannot accept perishable goods, opened packets or out of date food. We have bought some new tubs and boxes for donations.

Bags for Life used by our clients to carry their goods home, also urgently needed.



Gift Aid Envelopes are now available at the back of the church. Please remember to collect them. Your number may have changed as part of our recent audit, this will not affect your donations.

Yellow envelopes are available at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to donate regardless of being a member of our scheme. Thank you for your continued support.

Offering Total 4th July: £1,619.41

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Follow us on Twitter @HoveSaint Join us on Facebook: search for 'Saint Peter's, Hove'. Find our YouTube channel: search for 'Alexander Lucie-Smith'. Right now we are doing a virtual Walking Tour Through the Bible, starting with the Book of Genesis, in bite size chunks. Please visit our website which is constantly being updated. Do ask to join our WhatsApp group.

This Sunday is the Fifteenth Sunday of the Year. The first reading is from the prophet Amos and, as was the case last week, he is a prophet who is told in no uncertain terms to go away, as the people are not interested in hearing what God has to say to them. In the Gospel Jesus sends our His apostles to proclaim the Kingdom by preaching repentance, and he knows that there are some who will listen and some who will refuse to do so. Once more we are confronted with faith and its opposite, unbelief.

This Friday we have our organ recital at 7pm. The idea of this is to raise money for the Hall, and there will be a retiring collection. More importantly, perhaps is the community building aspect. There will be

drinks on the pavement afterwards. It would be wonderful to have as many local people here as possible, particularly those who have never been in the Church before. Please bring as many of your friends and neighbours as you can. Thanks to all who have volunteered to steward and to help with the drinks afterwards.

Our next Baptism Class is on Monday 6 September at 8pm in the refurbished Hall. If you want to enrol, you need to see Father Alexander first; please email him and he will arrange to come and see you at home.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 10 July 6pm GE Bishop Budd
Sunday 11 July 8.30am For all Parishioners
Sunday 11 July 10am For our Benefactors
Sunday 11 July 11.15am Giuliana Sussex RIP
Monday 12 July 10am Giuliana Sussex RIP
Tuesday 13 July 10am Garry Murphy RIP
Wednesday 14 July Auxilia Musonza RIP
Thursday 15 July No Mass
Friday 16 July 11am Funeral of Chris Buckingham RIP
Saturday 17 July 10am Michael Green RIP
Saturday 17 July 6pm Louis Side RIP
Sunday 18 July 8.30am For our benefactors
Sunday 18 July 10am For all parishioners
Sunday 18 July 11.15am Jean and Larry Donnelly RIP

Let us continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Dorothy Citrone, whose funeral will take place at the Downs Crematorium on Monday 12 July at 2pm.

Let us continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Patricia O'Loughlin, whose funeral will take place at the Downs Crematorium on Monday 12 July at 3.00pm.

Let us continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Chris Buckingham, whose funeral Mass will take place here on Friday 16 July at 11am, which will replace the 10am Mass on that day.

We have heard the sad news of the death of Annemarie Ingham, who died at home in Portland Road on 19th May at the age of 46. Let us pray for the repose of her soul and the comfort of her family at this very difficult time. Her funeral service will take place here at 12 noon on Monday 19 July, followed by burial in Hove Cemetery.

Helping the bereaved. As you can see we have had an awful lot of funerals of late, on an unprecedented scale, and one is aware that there are a great many bereaved in our midst and that we could do more to help them. But how? One bereaved person recently confided to Fr Alexander 'people often say 'Do let me know if there is anything I can do' but it would be better that instead of saying that, they just did it.' So what to do? Here is a list of practical things:

- Pray - this is the default Catholic response. This can include attending masses offered for the deceased and visiting their grave (for those who are buried locally).
- Do send a card, write a letter, or ring up, as appropriate.
- Do bake a cake or some bread, make a casserole, or prepare some other easily storable food, and take it round, either by appointment or leave it on the doorstep with a note. Do ask who

might appreciate this, as Fr Alexander has a list.)

- Do make contact with the family and invite them round to some ordinary social function when the time is ripe.
- Do treat them as normal people who are undergoing a sad but normal period of life.

Liturgical notes

The month of July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Christ. On days when there is no feast we will be celebrating a Votive Mass of the Precious Blood. This devotion reminds us of the Passion of Our Lord and of the way we are redeemed through the Precious Blood of the Lamb.

- Tuesday is the feast of Saint Henry.
- Wednesday is the feast of Saint Camillus de Lellis.
- Friday is the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Of our target of £30,000 for the Hall restoration fund, we have raised the further sum of £178.30 from the sale of delicious things after Mass last Sunday, as well as a single donation of £100 from a lady from Surrey who follows our parish on Facebook. That brings our total to £9,552.86 so far. Many thanks to all who have helped and donated. For updates of progress of the hall refurbishment, please do check out our social media accounts. We will be showing week by week pictures of how things are going.

We have just bought in 30,000 votive lights from our suppliers. Luckily, as we have cleared a lot of space in recent months, we have room to store them, and our excellent candle curator is Fila. Let us see how long this supply lasts for. Every candle

lit represents a prayer made, and represents too the light of Christ that has come into the world. Lighting a candle is also a good way of remembering a departed soul and praying for their repose. So the more candles lit, the better. If one wishes to donate money for the candle one does this by putting a coin or two into the wall box marked 'Candles'.

The Parish Finance Committee is meeting on Monday 9 August. As the name suggests, this committee advises the parish priest on financial matters. If you have any concerns which you wish the committee to discuss please make them known to one of the members: Vincent Joyce (treasurer), Eileen Harris, Mary Whitehead or Ruth Meaden-Jones.

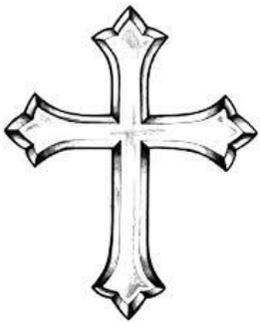
Dates for your diaries. Saturday 21 August is going to be an Open Day when we show off the newly refurbished Hall to all interested parties. We shall aim to advertise this widely, and we shall have tea, coffee, sandwiches, cakes, etc all day to showcase our new facilities. At 7pm on that day we shall have a Grand Re-opening, with the mayor of Brighton and Hove as guest of honour; there will be drinks, and His Worship will be serenaded from the gallery by one of our golden voiced parishioners. The following week, on Saturday 28 August, at 7pm, we will be holding our International Dinner in the newly opened Hall. All are invited to bring a dish that best represents their national cuisine, and drinks as well; afterwards there will be music and dancing to Adrian's disco. Numbers will be limited, so tickets will be sold in advance, but we look forward to having as many as we can squeeze in. (Bear in mind that we will have a larger hall than previously, and an overspill onto the pavement outside.)

Advance notice: Fr Alexander will be away on 19-23 July inclusive. During this time he will not be answering the phone or replying to emails. All enquiries should be directed to the Parish secretary. Canon Oliver Heaney will celebrate Mass on Tuesday 20 and Wednesday 21, and Father Alan Sharpe will be celebrating Mass on Friday 23 July. Many thanks to them. Fr Alexander also plans to be away from Monday 30 August to Friday 3 September inclusive.

The Parish Office will also be closed from 27th July for two weeks, normal service will resume from Wednesday 11th August.

As from last Sunday our manner of celebration is now back to near normal, with the exception of the Sign of Peace, the distribution of the Precious Blood, congregational singing, and Children's Liturgy. In addition, we still have to wear masks. However, at the time of writing, it seems that masks will be made voluntary on Monday 19 July, at which point congregational signing will also return; nor does there seem any reason not to offer Holy Communion under both kinds after the 19 July. Children's liturgy will return once the Hall is re-opened. In the meantime, Aisling our parish secretary is going to restart the rotas for EEMs and readers. Please email her if you wish to volunteer, before she emails you.

First Holy Communion begins this October. Fr Alexander has started visiting all the candidates at home with their parents. Don't miss out! He is looking forward to seeing you all.



Parish Notice Board

CCRS - The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) is beginning again in our Diocese this September. The course is designed for teachers in Catholic schools, for Catechists and for anyone who would like to grow in understanding as they live their Catholic faith. The CCRS offers a very flexible and accessible way of learning, it includes some online content and is made up of eight modules: six core and two specialist modules. Each module involves ten hours of course time and an assignment. For more information or to register your place please contact our Formation Adviser, jon.harman@abdiocese.org.uk

We are getting lots of passport forms and other forms to sign. Aisling has kindly taken this on. Please note that forms should be dropped off in office hours only, and all the details need to be filled in before submission for signature or counter-signature and stamping. They will then be handed back to you also during office hours, within a reasonable time. It is not possible to offer a while you wait service. Neither is it possible to countersign identity papers for people who one does not know. With regard to baptism and confirmation certificates, requests are best submitted in writing, with a stamped addressed envelope. Please remember to include as

much information as possible, as this makes tracking down the records easier. Dealing with forms does take time, and the parish does not charge for this service, but craves your patience.

Those Covid Rules:

- The capacity of the church is 100 people: two people per bench, spaced at one metre apart, and one person per chair. (Families can sit together.) Please spread out as widely as possible and do not bunch together.
- Please check in for track and trace purposes, either electronically or in writing.
- Please sanitise your hands on entry and exit.
- Please observe the one way system: up the middle, down the sides, especially at Holy Communion.
- If you take a newsletter, please take it home with you.
- There is STILL no congregational singing.
- The Church doors are to remain open to ventilate the building.
- Mass is shorter than usual.
- There is no procession of the Gifts to the altar. Your offering will be taken as you leave the Church.
- There is no sign of peace.
- Holy Communion will be received under one kind only.
- Communion must be given silently, avoiding any physical contact.
- Please remove your mask (if wearing one) and gloves to receive Holy Communion.
- As you leave do not to linger in doorways or other 'choke points'.

- People are urged not to come to the sacristy before and after Mass, unless they are servers or sacristans.
- Face coverings are mandatory for all who are not exempt.
- The Bishops also urge readers to wear disposable gloves.

Seagull Delivery - they deliver newspapers all over Brighton and Hove. If you want your paper delivered contact raj@seagulldelivery.co.uk

Music Tuition

Are you interested in learning to play the piano? Then contact John Byrne on 07989 413459. Theory, GCSE, etc.

Curious about Catholics? To learn more and talk in an unpressured and confidential environment, please contact Sue Hollow on 0755 730 1796 or Fr Alexander.

Thinking of driving lessons? Please contact Phil Harris (Bartholomews Driving School) on 07711 688147.

Counselling Service

Contact Lara who is experienced with counselling people with substance abuse, sexual abuse, bereavement, couple counselling. Tel 07787 555168 <http://www.larasmith.co.uk>

Caroline's Kitchen – Tel 595922

Caterers for Baptisms, etc. Tel 595922 or carolineriley@carolines-kitchen.co.uk

Financial Adviser - Nick Lee

He would be delighted to help anyone with their Mortgage, Pension and Investment needs. You can contact him on 07500 660492 nicklee@pebble-financial.co.uk

Host Families needed

All year round. Single/twin room accommodation required. Ring Maureen 01273 778918 or 07801827323 Studenthomes.me@hotmail.com Visit www.learnuitarbrighton.com 07855169344

Guitar Lessons- all styles.

Dr James Westbrook Dip. Mus., FLCM, PhD (Music, Cambridge). jrw84@cam.ac.uk or: 07836 550210

Marriage Preparation Course

You will need to contact Esther Lyon 01273 698182. www.stpetersbrighton.org