

Sick Parishioners

Please pray for; Jim McFarlane, Caroline Audy, Margaret Chapman, Vincent O' Rourke, Jim and Valerie Lee, Eileen Banks, Matthew Garcia, Beverley Coughlan, Sonia Wall, Dennis Tribe, Rosemary Kilcourse, Adrian Van Twest, Liz Perkins, Richard Martin.

Parish Events

Monday 16 March, 8pm: Reading St Matthew's Passion.
Tuesday 17 March: feast of Saint Patrick
Tuesday 17 March, 7.30pm: Praying Saint Matthew's Passion.
Tuesday 17 March, noon: Burial of the ashes of Michael Cook, RIP.
Tuesday 17 March, 2pm: Funeral of Donald Hancock, Downs Crematorium.
Friday 20 March, 6pm: First Reconciliations.
Friday 20 March, 7.30pm: Stations of the Cross.
Saturday 21 March, 11am: First Reconciliations.
Saturday 21 March, 10.30am-4pm: Adoration and Confessions.
Thursday 19 March: feast of Saint Joseph.
Monday 23 March, 7pm: Training for new Extraordinary Ministers.
Wednesday 25 March: feast of the Annunciation of the Lord.
Sunday 29 March: Rededication of England as the Dowry of Mary.
Tuesday 21 April, 8pm: Baptism course, Upper Room.
Friday 24 April, 8pm: Quiz Night for stained glass appeal.
Sunday 10 May, after 10am/11.15am Mass: Bring and Buy for stained glass appeal.

Thursday mornings Scripture

Reflection: 10am all welcome.

Social Dancing in the hall this Thursday. All are welcome!

Collection Sunday 8 March, £1, 524.00.

The next baptism course is going to be after Easter and will take place on Tuesday 21 April at 8pm in the Upper Room. (Note the change of venue.) Parents who have a child to baptise need to see Fr Alexander in advance, so he can come round and see you at home beforehand. Meanwhile, in other baptism news, we are having lots of requests for the baptism of children who are no longer infants. These children require instruction first, so it is proposed to hold a course for them after Easter, on Monday evenings after school. So if you are 7+ and wish to be instructed prior to baptism, please let us know.

Your Lenten check list.

- Fasting
- Prayer
- Almsgiving
- Confession

From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church:

316. Who can receive the sacrament of the anointing of the sick? Any member of the faithful can receive this sacrament as soon as he or she begins to be in danger of death because of sickness or old age. The faithful who receive this sacrament can receive it several times if their illness becomes worse or another serious sickness afflicts them. The celebration of this sacrament should, if possible, be preceded by individual confession on the part of the sick person.

317. Who administers this sacrament? This sacrament can be administered only by priests (bishops or presbyters).

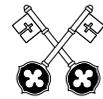
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St. Peter's Catholic Church Portland Road Hove

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8 March 2020



Third Sunday of Lent.

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Mass intentions this week:

Saturday 14 March 6pm Holy Souls

Sunday 15 March 8.30am For all parishioners

Sunday 15 March 10am Archbishop Peter Smith RIP

Sunday 15 March 11.15am Holy Souls

Monday 16 March 10am GE Anne and Bill Murphy

Tuesday 17 March 10am Thanksgiving (C. Lloyd)

Wednesday 18 March 10am William James McGoldrick RIP (anniv)

Thursday 19 March No Mass

Friday 20 March 10am Holy Souls

Saturday 21 March 10am Holy Souls

Saturday 21 March 6pm Niki Braterman RIP

Sunday 22 March 8.30am Giuliana Sussex RIP

Sunday 22 March 10am Val and Ted Leach and Fred Winsor RIP

Sunday 22 March 11.15am For all parishioners

Today is the Third Sunday of Lent.

Today Matthew Conneely will be speaking about HCPT, the Pilgrimage Trust that takes disabled children to Lourdes, and making an appeal, which will be another chance for Lenten almsgiving. Matthew writes: 'Every Easter HCPT take 6 or more local disabled or disadvantaged young people on a children's pilgrimage holiday to Lourdes, alongside thousands of other groups like ours from up and down the UK and beyond. They are cared for by volunteer helpers (who pay their own fare) and experience the spiritual side of Lourdes, a fun holiday (trips to the zoo, mountains, ice creams etc) and a caring environment. Each local group like ours is responsible for raising the fares for each child (£850) as well as the money to provide the fun activities in Lourdes - and fundraising is an ongoing activity! The experience is life-changing for these young people (and often the volunteer helpers - many of whom are young adults themselves) and often gives great respite to their families. Please follow our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/hcptgroup210) to learn more and get updates and photos from the group each Easter! Just to make you aware - HCPT have cancelled the entire Easter pilgrimage this year due to Coronavirus. This is the first time this has happened since the 1950's, when the charity was founded. As a group we are not down any funds, and so any money raised so far will simply be ported over to 2021, when we will be travelling again. We have invited all of the young people who missed out on this year's trip - although given we now have some extra planning time and funds, we are hoping to expand and take a bigger group than ever before.

In first reading the Children of Israel rebel against God in the desert, because they have no water. God provides them with a miraculous source of water, but their disobedience is not forgotten. In the Gospel, we hear Jesus' conversation with the woman at the well of Samaria, in which He promises to give her living water, water that will well up to eternal life. All this talk of water reminds us that two members of our congregation will be baptised at the Easter Vigil (and one will be confirmed), and the rest of us will renew our baptismal promises. This is the purpose of Lent, to prepare catechumens for baptism and to renew the lives of those already baptised.

Last week's cake sale after the 10am and 11.15am Masses raised the sum of £166.44. Many thanks to all of you who baked, and those of you who bought, and those of you who sold. In addition, a kind parishioner has given us the sum of £40. This means that the stained glass debt stands at £12, 712. The debt continues to fall and we hope to knock it on the head by the summer! Our next fundraising and community event will be the Quiz Night on Friday 24 April at 8pm. Please put the date in your diaries.

If there are any Cafod family fast day envelopes out there, please put them in the collection. Thank you all very much for your kindness and generosity. The whole sum will be forwarded to Cafod and announced when counted. Many thanks to our young Cafod supporters for making the appeal last Sunday.

Next Sunday is the Fourth Sunday of Lent. This day traditionally marks the half way point in the penitential season and is known as Laetare Sunday. On this day the vestments are rose, to symbolise the modified penitence of the day, on which

one can give oneself a treat for getting through Lent thus far!

It is the Year of the Bible, and it is Lent. On Monday, at 8pm in the Upper Room, we will continue our reading the Passion account of Saint Matthew, that is the chapters 26 onwards of Saint Matthew's Gospel. The format will be a simple Bible study, led by Father Alexander – please bring the text with you - and there will be plenty of time for questions and discussion. If you missed the first two sessions you can still join us. The session will end by 9.30pm, sharp. On Tuesday, at 7.30pm, Kate Williamson will be leading *lectio divina*, also based on the Saint Matthew passion account. All are welcome. This will take place in the Upper Room and will end by 8.15pm.

On Tuesday, the ashes of the late John Cook are being buried at noon in Hove Cemetery. May he rest in peace. At 2pm, the funeral of Donald Hancock takes place at the Downs Crematorium. (This is a correction with regards to place.) Let us pray for the repose of his soul, for his children and for his widow, Vangie.

This Friday we are holding Stations of the Cross, at 7.30pm. We will concentrate on the next 5 stations, namely: V, Simon of Cyrene helps Jesus carry the cross; VI, Veronica wipes the face of Jesus; VII, Jesus falls for the second time; VIII, Jesus meets the women of Jerusalem and IX, Jesus falls for the third time. Do come along and join in this meditation on the sufferings of Our Lord.

On Saturday we are continuing our weekly Adoration after Mass at 10.30am, which will last until 4pm when we close with Benediction. Please come

for part of the day! Fr Alexander will be available for confessions at the usual times, and will be present at other times as well. Remember the plaintive call of Jesus from Gethsemane when He returned from His anguished prayers to find His apostles fast asleep: "Could you not watch one hour with me?" This pleading call of Jesus echoes across time to each and every one of us. We all have concerns, anxieties, problems or pains that weigh us down and may sometimes seem insurmountable. But we can pour them all out to Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, where He waits patiently and lovingly for our company.

Some practicalities about Adoration. Caroline Kelly, assisted by Anne Wells, is in charge of the rota. Please sign in – the sheets will be in the repository which will be open for the whole of Saturday. In the repository are books (the parish library) which you may find useful. In addition, please feel free to use the yellow Parish Mass books, as they contain the Sunday readings as well as other prayers on the inside back and front covers.

This Friday at 6pm, and this Saturday at 11am, the First Holy Communion children are making their first confessions. On the Friday we shall be joined by Monsignor Canon John Hull, and on Saturday by Canon Colin Wolczak. We are very grateful to them for their collaboration.

Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Archbishop Peter Smith, archbishop emeritus of Southwark, who died on Saturday 7 March. Archbishop Peter was in charge of this diocese during the interregnum before Bishop Richard's appointment.

Prayer in time of Plague (according to the Ordinariate Use).
Almighty God, who in thy wrath did send a plague upon thine own people in the wilderness, for their obstinate rebellion against Moses and Aaron; and also, in the time of king David, didst slay with the plague of Pestilence threescore and ten thousand, and yet remembering thy mercy didst save the rest; Have pity upon us miserable sinners, who now are visited with great sickness and mortality; that like as thou didst then accept of an atonement, and didst command the destroying Angel to cease from punishing, so it may now please thee to withdraw from us this plague and grievous sickness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Boxes: where does the money go? The wall boxes in the Blessed Sacrament, Our Lady, and Sacred Heart side chapels are for donations to the parish for votive candles. There is a box in the lobby at the back of the church for those lighting candles in the 'Saints Chapel'. You may give whatever you choose for the candles. Also in the lobby are boxes for The Poor, the Stained Glass Window, and Holy Souls. The money you put in these boxes is only to be used for those causes: relief for the poor; reducing the window debt; and for Masses to be said for the souls of the departed. The wall box in the Repository is for items that you wish to purchase, and the proceeds go towards re-stocking the shop.

Our Social Club meets in the Hall this Friday at 1.30pm. We shall be watching the film *War Horse*, which is highly recommended. On March 27 we shall have bingo, and on Friday 3 April we shall have tea, coffee, cake, games and chat. The next Friday will be Good Friday, so we shall not meet, but reconvene after Easter.

Hall Events: below is a schedule of activities taking place in term time, if you are interested in finding out more or wish to hire the hall, please use the contact email below, Jo Chamberlain our Hall Manager will be happy to help you.

Hall Events for information email
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Monday Cubs 18.00 – 19.30
Tuesday Brownies 17.30 – 19.00
Tuesday Guides 19.15 – 21.00
Wednesday Junior Choir 18.00 – 19.00
Wednesday Union of Catholic Mothers 19.30 – 21.00
Thursday Rainbows 16.45 -18.00
Thursday Brownies 18.00 – 19.30
Thursday Social Dancing 20.00 – 21.30
Friday Apostle Lunch Club 13.30 – 15.30

Marriage Preparation Course

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

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.

CAFOD is looking for volunteers who have a passion for, and experience of, working with young people. CAFOD will provide training and support, and expenses will be paid. For further information contact CAFOD on 01483 898866.

Mini Walking Pilgrimage 'The God Who Speaks' 7 to 10 May: Arundel, Duncton, Chiddingfold, Guildford. Walk over a long weekend. Costs £50 total. Details and booking forms at www.thepilgrims.org.uk

Annual Day for Those who Support the Bereaved in Parishes: This Year on Wednesday 20 May, at St Bernadette's, Crawley.

Diocesan Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage: The St Thomas Way Pilgrimage: 'Walking in a Spirit of Thankfulness'. 15– 30 August, from Swansea to Hereford, via Cardiff and Abergavenny. More information at www.thepilgrims.org.uk

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