

Please pray for those who are sick.

Rebecca O'Brien, John Lloyd, and Cathy Howes.

Please tell us in the parish office if you know of anyone who needs to be added to this list. Thank you!

The Royal Sussex County Hospital

chaplain is Fr Celestine, who can be reached by phone on 01273 696955 ext. 64122 or celestine.nnolim@nhs.net
Fr Celestine is in the hospital from 8.30am to 4.30pm every weekday.

Mass for Engaged Couples. Join Bishop Richard for a special Mass celebrating the momentous journey of discernment that is engagement towards the lifelong commitment made by couples preparing for marriage. Join us afterwards for a small drinks reception in the Cathedral Centre. We look forward to meeting many engaged couples from across the Diocese and sharing in their joy. Friday 5 July 7pm - 8pm, Arundel Cathedral, www.abdiocese.org.uk
E: formation@abdiocese.org.uk



You will see our Dona machine has changed we are trialling a new improved version for Dona and hopefully you will notice a better service with a significant lack of interruption of service. If you notice any issues with the device, please do let the office know as we will be providing feedback. Donations can still be made in the usual way using this new device. Donations can also be made online via our website or by using the QR code which is above and on the poster in the porch.

Please remember if you pay any tax you really should sign up to Gift Aid. It's minimal effort and means the parish can claim 25% from the UK Government, so for every £4 you give we can claim £1! It doesn't cost you anything - nor is this information used for any other purpose.

The Union of Catholic Mothers is

currently meeting on Wednesday evenings in St Peters Church Hall from 7.15pm until 9.00pm.

Talks, quizzes, occasional visits to Arundel and Our Lady's Shrine at West Grinstead, Sales, music etc. Do come to a meeting, you'd be most welcome.

Offertory collection Sunday 9 June -
£1271.63.

St Peter's Catholic Church

Portland Road, Hove

**Diocesan Shrine of
the Blessed Carlo Acutis**



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11th Sunday of OT: 16th June 2024

The T.V. programmes and films that bring us glimpses of the natural world are very popular and can create in us feelings of awe and wonder. Maybe our daily experience of nature is not quite so dramatic but still can help us appreciate the beautiful world in which we live and work. No wonder then that Jesus uses examples from the natural world to help us understand the kingdom of God and how it grows. The seed grows in the ground without our noticing and the small mustard seed grows so large that it is able to provide shelter and shade for the birds of the air. This idea is one of the foundations for evangelisation and pastoral work. What we do may seem small when we measure

it against the scale of what needs to be done, but if we only view it in this way we can be tempted to not to bother. But as just as nature produces her fruit so the work of God gives growth to our small endeavours. We could say the power of the resurrection is at work in all we do to build the kingdom of God no matter how small. In our second reading St, Paul says "...going as we do by faith and not by sight we are full of confidence..." so we can also have confidence that our prayer is like watering the ground to assist the natural processes of growth. God uses our prayer to give more growth to the seed of faith we discover in ourselves or have planted in others.

One area we might be being called to plant a seed is shown in our theme for the 'Day for life' which the Bishop's of England and Wales have asked us to mark in some way today. The theme is *The Lord is my Shepherd: Compassion and Hope at the end of life*. The Bishops ask us how to help those who are approaching the end of their natural lives. We can remember to pray for them and their families. We might be able to visit and offer a word of faith and encouragement. If we are able, we might be able to help a hospice with our time or money. Rejecting the idea of 'assisted dying' the Bishops' encourage us to sow the following good seeds: *'We support people with the companionship of a listening ear, appropriate treatment and the best of care, so that their last days can be times of grace, intimacy and love.'* It is a sensitive and difficult area of pastoral work and care but one that it is important not only to talk about but also to include in our prayers and our mission as a parish community.

God bless you, Canon David



Mass intentions

Sat 15 Jun, 6.00pm: Deceased members of Henderson family.
Sun 16 Jun, 8.30am For all parishioners
Sun 16 Jun, 10.00am Sophie Rose Johnstone 4 th Anniversary RIP.
Sun 16 Jun, 11.30am Maureen Patricia Smithson RIP
Mon 17 Jun, 10.00am: No mass, church closed.
Tue 18 Jun, 10.00am: Bernard Gallagher RIP
Wed 19 Jun, 10.00am: Terry Henderson RIP.
Thu 20 Jun, 10am: For all parishioners
Fri 21 Jun, 7pm: For all parishioners.
Sat 22 Jun, 6.00pm: For all parishioners
Sun 23 Jun, 8.30am For all parishioners
Sun 23 Jun, 10.00am . Sonia Reynauld
Sun 23 Jun, 11.30am Krystyna Szczerbiak RIP.

Confirmations

The next session takes place Monday 24 June 6-7pm in the Sacred Heart meeting rooms. If you are unable to attend please let Cassie know by email at pastoral.sacredhearthove@abdiocese.org.uk

First Communion please note we are not running a programme at the moment. More information will be provided in September.

Confessions are held on Saturdays

from 5.15 to 5.45pm followed by Mass at 6pm.

Brazilian Mass is at 5pm every Sunday at St Peter's. If you would like to attend please join them. The Brazilian and

Portuguese community is always happy to welcome visitors.

Canon David's Induction Mass will be on Friday 21 June at 7pm followed by a reception in the hall afterwards, do please come and join us. Help needed with setting up and clearing up please contact Canon David.

The Bishops' Conference website

contains information about the issues important to Catholics as we move towards the General Election. The website can be found here <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/>

Message from CAFOD & SVP

As we now know that a General Election will take place on 4 July, SVP and CAFOD are working together so that the combined voices of Catholic parishioners will be heard by parliamentary candidates in the coming weeks. It's so important that the voices and experiences of the most vulnerable are at the heart of our thoughts and decisions as we move towards an election.

We have resources for parishioners to assist them in their discernment: Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter and svp.org.uk/encounter for more information.

St Mary Magdalen - a Sanctuary of Prayer in the Heart of the City.

Mary Magdalen is now open on two afternoons of the week, Sunday and Friday welcoming people to spend time in prayer, adoration and quiet reflection. In the Pastoral Plan Bishop Richard has presented to us he specifically asked all our communities to spend time in Adoration, to pray for the future of the diocese and its mission of evangelisation.

More recently the bishop urged us to spend time in Adoration praying for vocations to the priesthood for our diocese. Alongside this call to prayer we are also aware of the many needs within our city and personal lives for the healing and peace of the Lord.

Over the past months a group of representatives from the parishes across the deanery have been exploring a vision to open St Mary Magdalen as a Sanctuary of Prayer within the heart of our city. The aspiration is that in time the church will be open 7 days a week for Adoration, prayer and pastoral ministry – serving both the Moderated Parish and the city we live in. Our hope is that it becomes a ministry that will help to bring together parishioners from across our communities in a wonderful work of service!

For the vision to become a reality we are inviting parishioners inspired by this vision to join together in this 'apostolate of prayer'. Depending on a person's availability coming on 'pilgrimage' to spend a little time during the course of each week, fortnight or month praying before the Blessed Sacrament. Please do speak to Howard Bentley if you would like to know more about this. Alternatively contact St Mary Magdalen directly:

St Mary Magdalen, Upper North Street, BN1 3FH
E brightonstmarymag@abdiocese.org.uk
T 01273 326793.

Thank you to everyone who donated or shopped at the Garden Sale last week.

It was nice to see so many people going home happy with their bargains and we have raised over £130 for Kids for Kids, enabling the poorest families in Darfur to have a better life. There is information about the charity on the noticeboard in the narthex.

Coffee will be available after both 10 o'clock and 11.30 Masses for the next few weeks. All are welcome. If you don't know anyone, please say hello to Mary, Ruth or Monica who are usually organising this, and they will be delighted to introduce you to some new friends.

Social Dancing takes place on

Thursdays in the hall, starting at 8pm. Do come and join in the fun! Suitable for all ages, 19-99.

The Social Club is held on Fridays

from 1.30pm in the hall, they are a friendly group and new members are always welcome.

Please remember, if you need a baptism certificate, a confirmation certificate, or a marriage certificate, the email address you need to use is:

SaintPeterArchives@gmail.com

Children's Liturgy takes place at the

10am Mass. It is for children from Pre-school age to First Holy Communion age. Pre-school children must be accompanied by an adult. Children and parents who wish to take part will be called up after the Gloria and Opening Prayer, and will then process into the hall. They will return for the Offertory. Children's Liturgy is every Sunday, irrespective of school holidays, except in the months of April, August and December.

Catering Services

Please contact Victoria for your catering needs. She will be happy to talk and guide you through her menus which she tailors to each individual's needs.

Victoria Myall, Victoriamyall@hotmail.com or Tel 07788673097

Thinking of driving lessons?

Please contact Phil Harris (Bartholomew's Driving School) on 07711 688147.

Seagull Delivery

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



We have a permanent Book Exchange

in the hall, which you will find by the windows above the cupboard to one side of the main entrance. Please help yourself to any books you like the look of, as they all need good and appreciative homes. We have lots of books in stock at present, so please help yourselves

What is the 200 Club?

This was set up initially twenty years ago to raise money for the parish Link construction between church and hall, and when that was paid off we kept the 200 Club going to support the charities which the parishioners voted for. It now supports two charities selected by our parishioners, namely

Reaching the Unreached

<https://www.rtu.org.uk/>, and

Sussex Nightstop

www.sussexnightstop.org.uk

Information about these charities is available at the back of the church.

How the 200 Club works.

Sign up for £52 per year for a chance to win a bi-monthly draw payable annually, half yearly or quarterly.

The 1st prize is £200, the 2nd prize is £90 and 3rd prize is £50. All the while your money is helping others.

We are looking for new members, so please do get in touch with the Parish office if you wish to join.

Message from parishioners: We are a young married couple who recently moved to the area and attend Mass at St Peter's. We are interested in connecting with other young couples in the parish for local recommendations, socialising and friendship. If you would like to connect please email us at ellenandelroy@gmail.com
Thank you, Ellen & Elroy



List of Events at St Peter's Hall

Day	Event	Contact
Mon 9.15 - 10.15	Yoga	lee.spearpoint@googlemail.com
Mon 10.15 - 11.30	Tai Chi	stpetershallbn3@gmail.com
Mon 16.40 - 17.00	Alta Dancing	info@altadance.co.uk
Mon 19.00 - 20.00	Paul Jukes Fitness	paul@pj-brands.co.uk
Tue 13.30	UCM Winter meetings. October - March	wendywallis@ntlworld.com
Tue 17.00-19.00	Brownies	http://girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter
Tue 19.15 – 21.00	Guides	http://girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter
Wed 9.15–12.15	Baby Ballet	brightonwestandhove@babyballet.co.uk
Wed 14.15-19.15	Alta Academy of Dance	info@altadance.co.uk
Wed 19.00-21.00	UCM Summer meetings. April - September	wendywallis@ntlworld.com
Thu 09.30 - 12.00	Music with Mike	mike@musicwithmike.co.uk
Thu 16.45 -18.00	Rainbows	http://girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter
Thu 18.00 – 19.45	Brownies	http://girlguiding.org.uk/information-for-parents/register-your-daughter
Thu 20.00 – 22.00	Social Dancing	stpetershallbn3@gmail.com
Fri 9.30- 10.30	Pilates	nicolajhowarth@gmail.com
Fri 10.30.13.30	ESOL (English language lessons)	KWadham@wea.ac.uk
Fri 13.30- 15.30	Apostles Lunch Club	stpetershallbn3@gmail.com