### **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.

#### **Parish Events**

Tuesday 21 January, 7.30pm: Parish Finance Committee

Thursday 23 January, 8pm: Parish Team Meeting.

Thursday 30 January: Years 6 and R Reconciliation at Cottesmore.

Friday 31 January, 7.30pm: Musicians party.

Saturday/Sunday 22/23 February: Apostolate of Adoration visit.

Wednesday 26 February: Lent begins.

Friday 14 February, 7.00-8.00pm: Junior Choir Party.

Please remember that while every effort is made to assign a Mass intention to the day requested, this is not always possible. In addition, a Mass intention may be moved if a funeral Mass is booked on that day. The intention for the Holy Souls is funded from the donations made to the collection box at the back of the Church, RIP means 'rest in peace' and that the person has died. GE means 'good estate' and that we are praying for the well-being of a living person. In addition to the named intention, every Mass is offered for all the living and all the dead.

Remembering St Josephine Bakhita, the patron saint of modern slaves and human trafficking. This is a call to make both St. Josephine Bakhita and the ending of modern-day slavery our Rosary intention on Saturday 8 February 2020. St. Josephine Bakhita is a saint who was a slave and her feast day on the 8 February is an opportunity to focus

prayers on bringing an end to slavery and trafficking. The diocese has formed an anti-slavery group which is seeking ways to promote awareness of this modern day take on an age-old abuse of human dignity. The discovery of the 39 victims in a trailer in Essex recently has particularly highlighted this evil trade. If you, or anyone in the parish would like to be kept up to date on our activities then please contact our Social Action Adviser, Tessa Ricketts at Tessa.Ricketts@abdiocese.org.uk.

**UCM** have their Fun Quiz on Wednesday 22 January at 7.30pm in the hall. The Martletts have written to thank the UCM for all their hard work in fundraising for them over the past year and presented them with a certificate, thanking them for the £150 donation. Thank you to the UCM, who have a membership of 25 might be small in number but have proved very effective in fundraising and supporting several local charities. Well done to all concerned.

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

**Thursday mornings Scripture** Reflection: 10am all welcome.

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Collection Sunday 12 December, £1, 476. Retiring collection for St Barnabas Fund, £690.41.

# St. Peter's Catholic Church **Portland Road Hove BN3 5GD**



19 January 2020 Second Sunday of the Year.



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### Mass intentions this week:

Saturday 18 January 6pm For all parishioners

Sunday 18 January 8.30am Frances Raimondo RIP

Sunday 19 January 10am Holy Souls Sunday 19 January 11.15am Holy Souls Monday 20 January 10am Giuliana Sussex RIP

Tuesday 21 January 10am Peter Spencer RIP

Wednesday 22 January 10am Ahline Lock RIP

Thursday 23 January No Mass Friday 24 January 10am GE Sister Mary Teresa

Saturday 25 January 10am Holy Souls Saturday 25 January 6pm Holy Souls

Sunday 26 January 8.30am Holy Souls Sunday 26 January 10am For all parishioners Sunday 26 January 11.15am Holy Souls This Sunday is the Second Sunday of the year. The Saturday Vigil Mass will be celebrated by Fr Paul Wilkinson, as Fr Alexander will be at St Bartz, near Lewes, celebrating Mass for our Confirmation candidates. Let us pray for the success of their weekend retreat. Today the vestments are green, which is the colour of ordinary time, and which represents spiritual growth. Ordinary time carries on until Lent, which begins on Ash Wednesday which this year falls on February 26.

In today's Gospel, Saint John the Baptist points to Jesus as the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world. This phrase is deeply familiar to us as part of the Liturgy of Holy Communion, when we, before the Blessed Sacrament, acknowledge Jesus as the Lamb of God who atones for our sins and who gives us the peace that comes from union with God. Today, therefore, we should concentrate our minds on the doctrine of the atonement, and how Christ, through his work of redemption, has brought us together with each other and with God. if we acknowledge and accept His saving work. It is the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, and it is important that we acknowledge that he only true foundation of unity amongst Christians is our common confession of Jesus as Saviour.

Next Sunday is the Third Sunday of the Year.

Confessions are heard every Saturday morning, from 10.30 to 11.15am.

Our stained glass debt currently stands at £14, 636. Many thanks to the Union of Catholic Mothers for their kind donation of £306.

### Liturgical notes:

Monday is the feast of Saint Sebastian, martyr.

Tuesday is the feast of Saint Agnes, virgin and martyr.

Wednesday is the feast of Saint Vincent, deacon and martyr.

Friday is the feast of Saint Francis de Sales.

Saturday is the feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul and marks the end of the Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity. January is the month dedicated to the Most Holy Name of Jesus. For the week leading up to the feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, which falls on 25 January, we are, in conjunction with other Christians, urged to pray for Christian Unity.

Let us pray for Michael Green, who died on Saturday 28 December. Michael was for many years a deeply appreciated reader in our Church. Let us remember his widow Regina in our prayers too at this very difficult time for her. His funeral will take place on Friday 24 January at 11am here at St Peter's. May he rest in peace.

Musicians party – 7.30pm on Friday 31 January. To thank all our wonderful musicians – organists, keyboard players, drummers, flautists, accordionists, guitarists and singers and others – we are holding a party in the Hall on the above time and date. Please put it in your diary now. Spouses are warmly invited as well. Many who come to this Church express their appreciation of our musicians, so this party is a way of thanking them.

We also have to remember our **Junior Choir** members who are greatly appreciated by us all. The party for them has been changed to Friday 14th
February, and will start at 7pm in the Hall

run until 8.30pm. There will be food, drink and games! Please note the date. Adult helpers are welcome!

Our Social Club meets in the Hall this Friday at 1.30pm. We will be watching the superb film Brooklyn, which is the interesting and moving story of a young Irish woman leaving her homeland and settling in New York in the late 1950's, based on the best-selling novel by Colm Toibin. All are welcome and please bring along all your friends. Tea, coffee, cake and other refreshments will be served at half time.

This week both the Parish Finance Committee is meeting, and the Parish Team. If you have any items that you wish either or both groups to discuss, please make them know. The Parish Secretary can help you if you do not know any members of either body. The Finance Committee will be considering works that need to be done to the buildings, especially the Hall. We are fully aware of the defective lighting in the Hall, which is caused not by dead bulbs but by wiring that no longer works. This is one of the many things requiring attention! Re the Church doors, which are slowly rotting away, repair would be more expensive than replacement, so we think it best to leave the current doors in situ for as long as they are serviceable, and then replace them entirely at a future date. From the Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church: 281. In what way does the Church participate in the eucharistic sacrifice? In the Eucharist the sacrifice of Christ becomes also the sacrifice of the members of his Body. The lives of the faithful, their praise, their suffering, their prayers, their work, are united to those of Christ. In as much as it is a sacrifice, the Eucharist is likewise offered for all the faithful, living and

dead, in reparation for the sins of all and to obtain spiritual and temporal benefits from God. The Church in heaven is also united to the offering of Christ. 282. How is Christ present in the Eucharist? Jesus Christ is present in the Eucharist in a unique and incomparable way. He is present in a true, real and substantial way, with his Body and his Blood, with his Soul and his Divinity. In the Eucharist, therefore, there is present in a sacramental way, that is, under the Eucharistic species of bread and wine, Christ whole and entire, God and Man. 283. What is the meaning of transubstantiation? Transubstantiation means the change of the whole substance of bread into the substance of the Body of Christ and of the whole substance of wine into the substance of his Blood. This change is brought about in the eucharistic prayer through the efficacy of the word of Christ and by the action of the Holy Spirit. However, the outward characteristics of bread and wine, that is the "eucharistic species", remain unaltered.

**Diocesan Justive & Peace Assembly:** 'Still no room at the inn? How can we respond to the homelessness crisis facing our society today?' On Saturday 25 January 2020 from 10am to 4pm at the St. Philip Howard Centre, Crawley. Speakers from CSAN, Homelink in Lewes, Crawley Open House, and more. Fairtrade stall and stands. Drinks available - please bring your own mug if possible, and packed lunch. To book your free place or run a stall/stand contact rosie.read@abdiocese.org.uk. (Stall space allocated on a first come/first served basis).

Evening of prayer for the separated, divorced & remarried: The diocese is holding an afternoon of welcome,

listening, conversation & afternoon tea for the Separated, Divorced and Remarried. This event will be held at St John the Evangelist parish in Horsham on Sunday 23 February at 3pm and will conclude with the celebration of Evening Prayer. Please respond to Katherine Bergin on

Katherine.Bergin@abdiocese.org.uk to assist with catering.

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.

## **Marriage Preparation Course**

You will need to contact Esther Lyon 01273 698182.

www.stpetersbrighton.org
From the Compendium of the Catechism
of the Catholic Church:272. When did
Jesus Christ institute the Eucharist?

Thank you - Old Books for Books Abroad: I think I have almost 5,000 books now so I have enough now, thank everyone for all your donations. Bernie Harvey.

**Rite of Election 2020** – Advance Notice: Saturday 29th February, at 2.30 pm, with registration from 1 pm.

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