

Those Covid Rules in full:

- 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 sanitise your hands on entry and exit.
- Please observe the one way system: up the middle, down the sides, especially at Holy Communion.
- There are no hymn books or Mass books.
- If you take a newsletter, please take it home with you.
- You are free to bring your own Missal with you.
- There is no Holy Water in the stoups.
- There is no congregational singing.
- The lavatories and the Church Hall are shut.
- The Church doors are to remain open to ventilate the building.
- Mass is shorter than usual.
- There are no Bidding Prayers.
- There is no procession of the Gifts to the altar and no passing around of the collection baskets.
- There is no sign of peace.
- The collection will be taken as you leave the church.
- 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) to receive Holy Communion and do so at once.
- As you leave do not to linger in doorways or other 'choke points'.
- Once Mass is over the Church will be closed and cleaned.

- People are urged not to come to the sacristy before and after Mass, unless they are servers or sacristans.
- If social distancing of 3 metres is observed there is no need to wear face coverings. The Bishops urge face coverings where social distancing is reduced to one metre.
- The Bishops also urge readers to wear disposable gloves.

All Hall users please Note the following.

- The Hall has to be well ventilated. The windows in the loos are to be kept open. When the Hall is in use the street door must be propped open. Windows to be closed when you leave.
- After you have used the chairs, place them stacked in place with a note on them saying when they were used. When you use chairs, pick the stack that has been used least recently. This is to ensure that the use of chairs is rotated.
- The capacity of the Hall is 30 people.
- Enter the Hall from the link; leave by the street doors; please respect this one way system.
- Do not form queues by the loos.
- Children must be accompanied when they use the loos.
- Please use the hand sanitiser provided.
- Please wash your hands after using the loos.
- Please respect social distancing.
- At Hall events, the organisers need to note who is attending, for any track and trace measures. These names and contact details must be kept for three weeks.
- Every time the Hall is used, it has to be cleaned afterwards.

Offertory Sunday 12 July: £1,229.84

St. Peter's Catholic Church

**Portland Road Hove
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2 August 2020



Eighteenth Sunday of the Year.

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Mass Intentions for the week starting 1 August

Sat 1 Aug 6pm Holy Souls

Sun 2 Aug 8.30am GE Evans family

Sun 2 Aug 10am For All parishioners

Sun 2 Aug 11.15am Ray Westgate RIP

Mon 3 Aug 10am Marisa Bracco

Requiem Mass

Tues 4 Aug 10am GE Simone Lloyd

Wed 5 Aug 10am In Thanksgiving (C Lloyd)

Thurs 6 Aug No Mass

Friday 7 Aug 10am GE Liz Hall

Sat 8 Aug 11am Confirmation candidates

Sat 8 Aug 6pm For Benefactors

Sun 9 Aug 8.30am Bernard Pemberton RIP

Sun 26 Aug 10am For all parishioners

Sun 26 Aug 11.15am Sheila Hermann RIP

Today is the Eighteenth Sunday of the Year. If you have a Missal the readings are from Year A. If you have a

phone with internet connection, you can find the readings and all the prayers at universalis.com The first reading is from the prophet Isaiah in which God invites the people of Israel to the waters of salvation to enjoy the free gift of grace that He offers them. In the Gospel, Jesus gives a practical demonstration of His compassion for the people who follow Him by making sure they all have enough to eat, by the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and fishes. This foreshadows the miracle of the Eucharist, by which He gives His faithful followers His Body and Blood as nourishment for their souls. In the second reading, Saint Paul underlines the nature of God by saying that 'Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ.' He means that the love of God, given to us in Jesus, once given, is never taken back. So, today's readings should give us all the sense that we are all profoundly loved by God; pictorially this message is given to us in the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

This week, please note, there is daily Mass, as usual at 10am, apart from Thursday. Please note that the Church will be open every morning when Mass is celebrated and closed at noon. The Church will also be open in the evening for Eucharistic Adoration from 6pm to 7pm apart from Wednesdays and Thursdays. Please check on the website if in doubt. Please note that on Saturday Mass is at 11am and is the final Mass of Confirmation. Please note that there will be no confessions at the usual time. However, Father Alexander is available for confessions during the hour of evening opening. Do see the list elsewhere in this newsletter. Please note too that the Parish office will be shut during the week commencing Monday 10th August, and during that week there

will be no daily Mass, or church opening, until Friday evening.

Please note that **Monday's Mass at 10am is the Requiem of Marisa Bracco**. Her son will be present. Marisa was buried with curtailed rites during the pandemic, and we are now making up for this with a proper funeral Mass without the coffin present. If you are able to come that will be an excellent way of showing your solidarity with those in mourning, of whom there are many at this time.

The **funeral of the late Danny Harrington** will take place at the Downs Crematorium at 3pm on Monday 10 August. Mass for the repose of his soul will be celebrated at 10am on Sunday 16 August.

Liturgical Notes:

August is the month dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. On days when there is no feast, we shall celebrate a Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin.

Tuesday is the feast of Saint John Vianney, the curé of Ars, the patron saint of the parochial clergy.

Wednesday is the feast of the dedication of the Basilica of Saint Mary Major, the oldest church dedicated to our Lady in the Western world.

Friday is the feast of Saint Cajetan.

Saturday is the feast of Saint Dominic, founder of the Order of Preaching.

The government guidelines on the opening of multipurpose community facilities (that is, among other things, **Church Halls**) says: We recognise the importance of social clubs for some individuals and recommend that these can proceed with caution in venues that have been made COVID-19 secure. This is good news! It means we can reopen our Church Hall for all its usual activities, subject to certain conditions such as

ensuring good ventilation, social distancing and hand sanitisation. This means coffee after Mass can resume, and so can our social club and so can social dancing. Please watch this space. In addition, please note the Covid regulations for the Hall, which are on the back of this newsletter.

Our Social club will resume its activities at 1.30pm on Friday 21 August. Do come, and put the date in your diary now.

On Monday evening, 3 August, our **finance committee** is meeting, to discuss the parish finances and the work to be undertaken in the Hall and elsewhere around the Church and annexed buildings. Vincent our treasurer will be present, as will the other members: Eileen Harris, Mary Whitehead and Ruth Meaden-Jones. If you have any concerns, or matters you think ought to be discussed, please mention it to one of them. Currently our finances are in an interesting condition, thanks to the recent pandemic.

Our **Parish Team** is meeting on Tuesday 18 August. This group exists to advise the parish priest and undertake and monitor initiatives in the parish. This meeting will be a relatively informal one, the first after lockdown, and will try to explore the way ahead. If you have any concerns that you would like to be raised, please approach a member of the team. If you do not know who they are, please ask around.

The Compendium of the Catechism of the Catholic Church is a handbook of the Catholic faith in manageable form. We are looking at what it says about Prayer in the Christian Life, a very important subject. These extracts are for you to take away with you and ponder over.
539. What is the role of prayer in the mission of the prophets? The prophets drew from

prayer the light and strength to exhort the people to faith and to conversion of heart. They entered into great intimacy with God and interceded for their brothers and sisters to whom they proclaimed what they had seen and heard from the Lord. Elijah was the father of the prophets, of those who sought the face of God. On Mount Carmel he achieved the return of the people to the faith, thanks to the intervention of God to whom he prayed: "Answer me, O Lord, answer me!" (1 Kings 18:37).
540. What is the importance of the Psalms in prayer? The Psalms are the summit of prayer in the Old Testament: the Word of God become the prayer of man. Inseparably both personal and communal, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, this prayer sings of God's marvellous deeds in creation and in the history of salvation. Christ prayed the Psalms and brought them to fulfilment. Thus they remain an essential and permanent element of the prayer of the Church suited to people of every condition and time.

Times for Confessions: Over the next few weeks, the First Holy Communion children are making their first confessions. The times are as follows for them, and everyone else who wishes to go to confession. One hopes at least one of these slots will be suitable for you! Remember, God is calling you to go to Confession, if you are reading this! (You are kindly asked to let the children go to the head of the queue, if there is one – one hopes there will be.) Please note this list has been amended since last week.

Sunday 2 August 6-7pm
Monday 3 August 6-7pm
Tuesday 4 August 6-7pm
Friday 7 August 6-7pm
Friday 14 August 6-7pm
Saturday 15 August 10.30am- 11am
Sunday 16 August, 6-7pm
Monday 17 August 6-7pm
Tuesday 18 August 6-7pm
Friday 21 August 6-7pm
Saturday 22 August 10.30am-11am

200 Club: We are delighted to announce we have gifted our two charities, Reaching the Unreached and Sussex Nightstop cheques for £3,000 each. Winners of draws from our lockdown period will be announced shortly.

Our next **baptism course** will be on Monday 17 August, at a location to be determined. Please contact Fr Alexander to book yourself on the course.

Forthcoming Events

Monday 3 August, 10am: Requiem for Marisa Bracco, RIP.
Monday 3 August, 7.30pm: Meeting of the Finance Committee.
Saturday 8 August, 11am: Confirmation Mass.
Monday 17 August, 10am: Requiem for Frank McCauley, RIP
Monday 17 August, 8pm: Baptism course.
Tuesday 18 August, 8pm: Meeting of the Parish Team.
Saturday 22 August, 11am: Final First Holy Communion session.
Saturday 29 August, 11am: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 29 August, 1pm: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 5 September, 11am: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 5 September, 1pm: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 12 September, 11am: First Holy Communion Mass.
Saturday 12 September, 1pm: First Holy Communion Mass.

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, Sheila Coldicott, Charlotte and Jenny Essex, Charlotte Lloyd.

Parish Notice Board

Marriage Preparation Course

You will need to contact Esther Lyon
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