#### **Forthcoming Events**

Sunday 21 May, 7pm-8.30pm: No Confirmation, Duke of Edinburgh weekend.

Tuesday 23 May, 3.45pm to 5.15pm: First Holy Communion.

Thursday 25 May, 8pm: Social Dancing

Friday 26 May, 11am: 'Mary Mass' at Cottesmore.

Friday 26 May, 1.30pm: Social Club.

Sunday 28 May, 7pm-8.30pm: No Confirmation, half term.

Monday 29 May, 10.30am: Power breakfast at Scottie's.

Monday 29 May, 8pm: Baptism course.

Tuesday 30 May, 11.30am: Funeral Mass of Michael Wilkinson RIP

Thursday 1 June, 7pm: Deanery Mass at Sacred Heart, followed by social.

Saturday 3 June, noon: Canon Heaney Diamond Jubilee, St Mary's, Preston Park.

Tuesday 6 June, 3.45pm to 5.15pm: First Holy Communion.

Sunday 11 June. 7pm-8.30pm: Confirmation.

Monday 12 June, 7pm: Meeting of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist.

Tuesday 13 June, 3.45pm to 5.15pm: First Holy Communion.

Sunday 18 June, 7pm-8.30pm: No Confirmation, Duke of Edinburgh weekend.

Tuesday 20 June, 3.45pm to 5.15pm: First Holy Communion.

Sunday 25 June, 7pm-8.30pm: Confirmation final session.

Tuesday 27 June, 3.45pm to 5.15pm: First Holy Communion.

Sunday 2 July, 3pm: Confirmations at Arundel Cathedral.

Tuesday 4 July, 3.45pm to 5.15pm: First Holy Communion.

Offertory Collection - £1,784.42

Two courses at Our Lady of Lourdes parish, Rottingdean, BN2 7GA - offered by Fr Maksym; all parishes in the Deanery are welcome to take part.

#### RCIA preparation course. Every

Tuesday, 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. - A formation programme for catechists of RCIA courses, covering all aspects of Catholic teaching, including dogmatic, moral and sacramental theology. Open to all catechists and to those who would like to deepen their understanding of the faith and also to adults preparing for baptism and enquirers about the Catholic faith.

#### **Extraordinary Ministers of Holy**

Communion, Saturday at 3.00pm in the Parish Hall - 5 sessions on May 13, 20, 27, June 3, 10. The sessions are based on Church Documents and Canon Law and will cover:

- 1. Ordinary and extraordinary ministers, the difference in general; role and function of EMHC.
- 2. The sacrifice of the Holy Eucharist and its relation to Holy Communion outside Mass; Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion.
- 3. Canonical aspects of receiving Holy Communion and the ministry of EMHC.
- 4. Mistakes and abuses against the Holy Eucharist and matters to be observed or avoided regarding the most Holy Eucharist'.
- Practical aspects of exercising the ministry both at Mass and outside of Mass.

#### St Peter's Catholic Church

Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Carlo Acutis.



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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'. We are doing a virtual Walking Tour Through the Bible. starting with the Book of Genesis, in bite size chunks. We are now beginning the prophet Jeremiah. Please visit our website which is constantly being updated.

This Sunday is the Seventh Sunday of **Easter.** The prayers and readings are to be found in the yellow books on page 275. The first reading, from the Acts of the Apostles, tells us what happened after the Ascension of the Lord: the followers of Jesus went back to Jerusalem and spent their time in continuous prayer, awaiting the Holy Spirit. This is what the Church today is called to do as well, as we prepare ourselves for the coming of the Holy Spirit next Sunday, which is Pentecost. In the second reading, Saint Peter is talking to the newly baptised

Christians of Rome and reminding them that they may have to suffer for believing in Christ, a prophecy that was certainly fulfilled. In the Gospel, from Saint John, Jesus prays for those who will come to believe in Him, namely ourselves.

This Sunday we are having a retiring collection for the missionary endeavour of the diocese, to support the diocese of Chulacanas in Peru.

This Sunday, there is Children's Liturgy at the 10am Mass.

#### Mass intentions

Saturday 20 May, 6pm: Padraig Grealish Sunday 21 May, 8.30am: Maureen O'Neill

Sunday 21 May, 10am: For all parishioners

Sunday 21 May, 11.30am: Gerald Meaden RIP

Monday 22 May, 10am: GE Kris Waddington

Tuesday 23 May, 10am: Giuliana Sussex

Wednesday 24 May, 9am: John Kam Mon Ling RIP

Thursday 25 May: No Mass

Friday 26 May, 10am: Giuliana Sussex RIP

Saturday 27 May, 6pm: For all parishioners

Sunday 28 May, 8.30am: Margaret Campbell RIP

Sunday 28 May, 10am: For Benefactors Sunday 28 May, 11.30am: Gibbon int

Liturgical notes
It is the month of May, which is
traditionally devoted to the Blessed
Virgin Mary. Because of this, we shall be
singing the traditional Marian hymns at
the end of Mass, and on days when there
is no funeral, we shall have the Rosary
after the weekday Mass.

This week is the novena to the Holy Spirit, so at every Mass we will be singing the Veni Creator, the Come Holy Spirit, or some suitable hymn to the Holy Spirit, as we implore the coming of the Spirit on us and the entire Church this Pentecost.

Monday is the feast of Saint Rita of Cascia, patron saint of impossible cases and patron saint of all women married to difficult men.

On Wednesday all the clergy of the diocese are assembling in Surrey. Hence, Mass is at 9am rather than the usual time.

Friday is the feast of Saint Philip Neri, the founder of the oratory. On Friday the 'Mary Mass' is taking place at Cottesmore at 11am. This will be offered for Vocations. Please note that from now on, as the Bishop has requested, we shall endeavour to have one Mass a week for the intention of Vocations.

A benefactress has given us a new white chalice veil and burse. They look good and these things are not cheap, so let us be grateful and pray for her.

Confessions are after Mass on Friday morning, at 10.30am. On Saturday

Confessions are heard before the evening Mass, at 5.15pm until 5.45pm.

Monday 29 May is the third Bank Holiday of the month and on that day, which is also the feast of Mary, Mother of the Church, we shall have Mass at 10am as usual and have a Power Breakfast afterwards at Scottie's, to which all are invited. Scottie's have been informed and are looking forward to having us!

The next Baptism course is taking place on Monday 29 May in the Hall at 8pm. If you have a baby to baptise, you will need to contact Fr Alexander and he will come and see you at home first.

The funeral of the late Michael Wilkinson will take place here at 11.30 on Tuesday 30th May. After the Requiem Mass, to be celebrated by his brother, Father Paul Wilkinson, burial will follow that afternoon at Woodingdean cemetery. This will replace the 10am Mass on that day.

A letter has gone out to all Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, proposing a meeting for them in the Hall at 7pm on 12 June. This is to discuss various practical and spiritual matters and the 'way forward' as Hove becomes a single parish in the not-too-distant future.

The meeting of the Finance Committee has taken place. We discussed the state of the various buildings we own and how best to look after them; we noted that the collections have remained the same since last year, and that we have a healthy bank balance. We also discussed two things of immediate importance. First we need

counters and bankers; and second we need more people to join the 200 Club.

Social dancing happens at 8pm in the Hall on Thursday; all are welcome. On Friday the Social club meets at 1.30pm.

Please remember, if you have need of a baptism certificate, a confirmation certificate, or a marriage certificate, the email address you need to use is as follows: SaintPeterArchives@gmail.com

Following the great success of our Syrian Coronation Lunch, there is another 'Syrian' feast in the offing. Monday 24 July is the feast of Saint Charbel, the hermit and miracle worker, who lived in Lebanon, and we shall celebrate with a Mass at 7pm followed by dinner in the Hall. Father Tristan Cranfield has once more been invited to celebrate the Mass, and has consented. He is, as you all know, fluent in Arabic, and will celebrate in that language, the language of Saint Charbel and our Syrian brethren. Please note the date now.

There are two major deanery events coming up soon. The first is on Thursday 1 June, and is the Mass and social at Sacred Heart at 7pm. Do please come to this if you can and if you are interested in drawing closer to other Catholic communities in Hove as we move together to form one parish. The second event is on Saturday 3 June at noon, at St Mary's, Preston Park, when Canon Oliver Heaney will be celebrating 50 years of priestly service to the people of God. There will be a social afterwards.

Agnes Grealish writes: 'Thank you for letting us sell tickets and collect donations for Martlets in memory of

Padraig. The [recent dance] night raised all in all including tickets and raffle a great total of £1,000. Everybody who attended had a great time so all effort was worth it!' Well done to all, especially the indefatigable Agnes.

**Gift Aid Envelopes.** There are a number of uncollected Gift Aid envelope boxes at the back of the church, so if you haven't done so already please pick up your box as soon as possible.

If you wish to alter how you donate and no longer require the envelopes please contact the Parish office so we can cancel your order. A large number of boxes were not collected last year, and since each box costs the Parish £2.63 we are trying to avoid wastage.

When you Gift Aid your offertory donations we are able to claim another 25% of the amount you give from the tax man. If you are not already Gift Aiding your offertory donations and would like to do so now, please contact the Parish office. Besides using the one off white Gift Aid envelopes you can also Gift Aid your offertory donation via standing order, using the Dona machine or via the Parish website.

Some 2022 statistics for you:

- Total offertory cash donations Gift Aided by numbered envelope = £12.565
- Total offertory donations Gift Aided by standing order = £36,898
- Total offertory cash donations not Gift Aided = £22,350

For information on anything Gift Aid related please contact the Parish office. We wish to make donating accessible to all and thank you for your continued support.

#### **Parish Notice Board**

Children's Liturgy takes place at the 10am Mass. It is for children from year minus 1 to First Holy Communion age. 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.

If you miss Mass on a Sunday morning, and this does sometimes happen, remember that there is Mass in Portuguese at 5pm on Sundays, and the Brazilian and Portuguese community is always happy to welcome visitors.

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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 meets in the Hall at 1.30pm on Fridays.

#### Deep Waters Sunday lunches,

organised by Wellspring Community, for students & young adults. Every 1st & 3rd Sunday of the mass after 11am mass (around 12pm) outside St Joseph's. It is a great opportunity to meet & have fellowship with other like minded young adults & students.

We are collecting donations for the Food Bank. Please leave your donation (in date items only please) in the tub

inside the door of the Outer Sacristy. If locked, by the door.

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 and on our notice boards in the Link.

How it works? Sign up for £52 per year for a chance to win a bi-monthly draw payable annually, half yearly or quarterly. 1st prize is £200, 2nd prize is £90 and third 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.

#### 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

**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

#### **Music Tuition**

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

SVP England & Wales Tower House provides sociable lunches and more for older people in Brighton & Hove. Tuesdays we host a memory café providing support, snacks and activities for people with dementia and their carers. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday join us for lunch, visit our pop-up or take part in art and activities. To book contact us on towerhouse@svp.org.uk or 01273 549604

**Counselling Service.** Contact Lara who is experienced with counselling people with substance abuse, sexual abuse, bereavement, couple counselling. Tel 07787 555168.



## Thank you for your offertory donations via the Dona device

If you are an existing Gift Aid donor, you still need to opt-in for Gift Aid on this system – it is not linked to the envelope or standing order system.

You can also donate directly to St Peter's via the Dona donations webpage on our website at http://www.stpeters-hove.org.uk/donations/
Or just click on the Donate button on the home page and follow the instructions.



### List of Hall Clubs at St Peter's

Day
Monday 9.15 - 10.15
Monday 10.15 - 11.30
Tuesday 17.00-19.00
Tuesday 19.15 – 21.00
Tuesday 14.30
Wednesday 9.45–11.45
Wednesday 14.15-19.00
Wednesday 19.00-21.00
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Thursday 18.00 – 19.45
Thursday 20.00 – 22.00
Friday 9.30- 10.30 P
Fridays 10.30.13.30
Friday 13.30- 15.30

Event
Yoga
Tai Chi
Brownies
Guides
UCM
Baby Ballet
Alta Academy of Dance
Union of Catholic Mothers
Music with Mike
West Hove Dance Academy
Music with Mike
West Hove Dance Academy
Rainbows
Brownies
Social Dancing
Pilates
ESOL (English language lessons)
Apostles Lunch Club

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