

Those Covid Rules in full (updated):

- 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 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.
- As you leave do not 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.
- Face coverings are mandatory for all who are not exempt.
- 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.

200 Club Winners: Congratulations to :

July Draw:

£200 – Joe Savage, £90 – Peter Ferns,
£50 – Cathy Howes.

August Draw:

£200 – John Rogers, £90 – Brenda Allen,
£50 – Patricia Maguire.

Offertory 20 September 2020: = £1,134.35

Second collection for Home Mission Sunday
= £115.57.

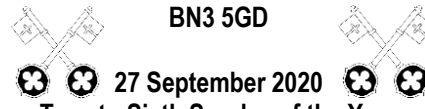
Stained Glass Window debt now =

£1,312.56

St Peter's Catholic Church

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27 September 2020
Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the Year

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Today is the Twenty-Sixth Sunday of the

Year. The first reading from the prophet Ezekiel and reminds us that the Lord will reward good deeds and punish bad ones. Put another way, the life of virtue leads to eternal life, and the life of vice leads to perdition, in that good deeds lead to human flourishing, bad deeds to the opposite. In the Gospel we have the parable of the two sons, one of whom talks the talk, but does not walk the walk, while the other at first refuses to do the father's will and then changes his mind and does it. Words are of course important, but it is deeds that count. Let us remember that we will be judged by the Lord on our behaviour. Let us have before us the example of Jesus, who perfectly followed the father's will in all things, even to accepting the Cross, as Saint Paul describes in the second reading.

This Sunday the diocese has asked us to

take up the second collection for the training of future priests, which should have been taken earlier in the year. There are baskets in front of the altar, as last week, where you can leave your donations. The parish collection will be taken as in previous weeks, at the door, as you leave. Many

thanks, in advance, for your generosity. There are free magazines in the rack at the back of the Church entitled 'The Evangelist' which are about St John's Seminary in Womersley, Surrey, which is one of the institutions that your money goes to support. Next week the second collection will be for Peter's Pence, which is taken up in all Catholic Churches throughout the world for the running costs of the Holy See.

Mass Intentions for the weeks starting 27 September

Sat 26 Sep 6pm GE Catherine Reynaud
Sun 27 Sep 8.30am For all parishioners
Sun 27 Sep 10am Domenico Nappi RIP
Sun 27 Sep 11.15am Maria McCarthy RIP
Mon 28 Sep 10am Rosemary Shephard RIP
Tue 29 Sep 10am Eva Dunn RIP
Wed 30 Sep 10am Zan Stevenson RIP
Thurs 1 Oct No Mass
Fri 2 Oct 10am Una and Jimmy O'Meara RIP
Sat 3 Oct 10am John Connolly RIP
Sat 3 Oct 6pm For all parishioners
Sun 4 Oct 8.30am GE Liz Hall
Sun 4 Oct 10am GE Catherine Reynaud
Sun 4 Oct 11.15am Phil and Eileen Harris 50 anniv.

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Our website www.stpeters-hove.org.uk is constantly being updated. Please visit it.

This Sunday a young lady is getting

baptised at the 10am Mass, after preparation with Fr Alexander. Let us pray for Tayla and her family on this happy occasion. Next Sunday Holly Sutton will be making her First Holy Communion at the 10am Mass, and Phil and Eileen Harris will be celebrating 50 years of married life. More happy occasions.

This Sunday evening our Oriental Orthodox brethren will be celebrating the Divine Liturgy at approximately 5.30pm. A warm welcome as always to Abouna Afrem and his congregation.

Our next baptism Course will be on Monday 5 October, at 8pm in the Hall. If you have a baby to baptise, please get in touch with Fr Alexander who will come and see you at home, and arrange for you to be enrolled on the course.

It is that time of year again! Last week the congregation was counted, and this continues for another three weeks, enabling us to take an average which is then passed onto the diocese. The figures we submit include a Mass by Mass breakdown. This is of great importance, and all are kindly asked to help in making sure that we come up with an accurate figure. Counters with clickers will count you as you leave the church by the main entrance. Please go out the main entrance only. Last week's count was as follows: 35 at 6pm, 45 at 8.30am, 108 at 10am and 91 at 11.15am. That makes a total of 279 which is roughly half of what our congregation was pre-Covid. Needless to say that represents a serious decline and all suggestions about how to encourage people to return are welcome.

We have heard the sad news of the death of Julie Maguire, who died aged 46, at Worthing Hospital on September 13, having received the Sacrament of the Sick and the Apostolic Pardon. She leaves behind two children, and her parents. May she rest in peace and may God comfort her grieving family. Her funeral mass will be here at Saint Peter's at 11am on Monday 5 October, to be followed by committal at Woodvale Crematorium. Let us pray for the repose of

her soul and for her family members at this difficult time.

We have heard the sad news of the death of Maria Fuller, at home on Tuesday 22 September, having received the Sacrament of the Sick and the Apostolic Pardon. Maria was for many years a faithful member of this congregation. Let us pray for her daughter Gabriella at this sad time and for the repose of her soul. The funeral arrangements will be announced in due course.

Liturgical Notes: September is the month dedicated to the Seven Sorrows of Our Lady. On days when there is no feast, we shall celebrate a Votive Mass of the Blessed Virgin. October, which begins shortly, is the month dedicated to prayer for the Missions of the Church, and also month of the Holy Rosary. On days when there is no feast we shall celebrate the mass for the Evangelisation of Peoples or the Mass for the Progress of Peoples. We have no bidding prayers at present, but let us keep this intention in mind.

Monday is the feast of Saint Wenceslaus, martyr.

Tuesday is the feast of Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels.

Wednesday is the feast of Saint Jerome.

Friday is the feast of the Holy Guardian Angels.

Saturday is the feast of the Blessed Martyrs of Sussex.

Registration for First Holy Communion and for Confirmation will start after the half term holiday and conclude on the Second Sunday of Advent, that is from 1 November until 6 December. So please watch out for forms at that time, and please have them in good time. Both courses will start in January. Because of restricted space and resources, we regret that will not be

accepting registrations from outside the parish. In addition, we are unable to accept late registrations. As in previous years, Fr Alexander will visit all the candidates at home when they have registered.

Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic? Are you an adult baptised Catholic who has never been confirmed? Are you a baptised Christian who wishes to be received into full Communion with the Catholic Church? Are you an adult who has never been baptised? If so, you need to speak to Fr Alexander to explore your further Christian initiation. We aim to start after Christmas, so the sacraments can be administered at Easter.

Our Parish Social Club meets on Friday at 1.30pm in the Hall. All are invited to the Hall, for tea, cake, chat and other activities, though, thanks to the Covid rules, you must bring your own refreshments. This Friday, 2 October, we shall be having bingo. On Friday 9 October, Michael Wilkinson, who used to teach American politics, will talk about what is at stake in the upcoming US Presidential election.

We are once again collecting donations for the Food Bank. Please leave your donation in the tub inside the door of the Outer Sacristy.

Times for Evening Opening of the Church for Adoration, Private Prayer and Confessions:
Monday 28 September 6-7pm
Tuesday 29 September 6-7pm
Friday 2 October 6-7pm
Sunday 4 October 6-7pm

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. 553. What are the different forms of the prayer of petition? It can be a petition for pardon or also a humble and trusting petition for all our needs either spiritual or material. The first thing to ask for, however, is the coming of the Kingdom. 554. In what does the prayer of intercession consist? Intercession consists in asking on behalf of another. It conforms us and unites us to the prayer of Jesus who intercedes with the Father for all, especially sinners. Intercession must extend even to one's enemies.

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, Liz Perkins, Richard Martin, Sheila Coldicott, Charlotte and Jenny Essex, Charlotte Lloyd.

Forthcoming events:

Friday 2 October, 1.30pm: Social Club – bingo.

Monday 5 October, 11am: funeral Mass of Julie Maguire RIP.

Monday 5 October, 8pm: Baptism Course.

Friday 9 October, 1.30pm: Social Club - Michael Wilkinson on what is at stake in the US election.

Sunday 1 November: registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation opens.

Tuesday 2 December, 7.30pm: Care Group meets.

Sunday 6 December: registration for First Holy Communion and Confirmation closes.

Parish Notice Board

Interfaith Prayer - This hour of prayer is

sponsored by our local Interfaith Contact Group. It is hosted each year by a different faith community and this year St Peters has volunteered. Because of COVID we are not able to meet face to face so we plan to continue from September to November on Zoom and reconsider the situation in January. Our prayer hour for this year will be 7-8pm on the last Thursday of the month: September 24th; October 29th; November 26th.

Our prayer hour is open to anybody and consists usually of meditative silence and occasional contributions from participants. If you wish to attend please email to register attendance on: bqclerk@outlook.com

Once registered the Zoom link will be emailed to you.

If you want to know more about this, feel free to email me on: katewilliamson50@gmail.com
Kate

Marriage Preparation Course

You will need to contact Esther Lyon 01273 698182. 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.

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