

Forthcoming Events

Thursday 7 July, 8pm: Social dancing.
Friday 8 July, 1.30pm: Social Club – Anna Lin on My Life as a Beauty Queen.
Wednesday 27 July, 7pm: Feast of Saint Charbel celebration.
Saturday 10 September, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Monday 12 September, 8pm: Baptism course.
Saturday 17 September, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Sunday 18 September: Stewardship Sunday I
Saturday 24 September, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Sunday 25 September, 3pm: Aneesa Chaudhry concert.
Sunday 25 September: Stewardship Sunday II
Saturday 1st October, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Sunday 2 October: Stewardship Sunday III
Saturday 8 October, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Sunday 8/9 October: collection for Leprosy.
Saturday 15 October, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Saturday 5 November, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Saturday 12 November, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Saturday 19 November, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Saturday 26 November, 9.15-10.45am: First Holy Communion.
Sunday 27 November, 11.15am: First Holy Communion.

What is the 200 Club? The 200 Club 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

1. Reaching the Unreached
<https://www.rtu.org.uk/>,
2. 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 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.

Saint Michael the Archangel,
defend us in the day of battle,
be our protection against the wickedness
and snares of the devil;
may God rebuke him, we humbly pray;
and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly
host,
by the power of God, cast into hell
Satan and all the evil spirits
who wander through the world seeking the
ruin of souls.
Amen.

Offertory: Offertory collection Sunday 26 June 2022. = £1,516.66
Retiring collection for Peter's Pence = £229.17

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Fri 9-1.

Follow us on Twitter @HoveSaint Join us on Facebook: search for 'Saint Peter's, Hove'. Find our YouTube channel: search for 'Alexander Lucie-Smith'. Right now we are doing a virtual Walking Tour Through the Bible, starting with the Book of Genesis, in bite size chunks. We are currently on the Book of Psalms. Please visit our website which is constantly being updated. Do ask to join our WhatsApp group.

This Sunday is the Fourteenth Sunday of the year. The prayers and readings are on page 105 of the maroon books. The first reading comes from the prophecy of Isaiah, and foretells the restoration of Jerusalem, which will act as a mother to the people of God, consoling them and nourishing them. This prefigures the way the Church is given to us by God to be our Mother. In the Gospel, taken from Saint

Luke, Jesus sends out the seventy-two disciple sin pairs to act as missionaries and to bring the good news to the towns and places He himself was to visit. In the same way, the Church is called to be missionary, and to prepare a way for the Lord and His Kingdom.

This Sunday, Stefano our Pizza Man, who has his pitch at the corner of Portland and Shelley Roads, is doing a fundraiser for Ukraine. All pizzas are £8, all monies for the Ukraine DEC appeal. In addition, Mary and Mary are selling cake for the same purpose on the corner of Tamworth Road and Portland Road. Last Sunday afternoon, thanks to Mary and Mary's efforts, we donated £330 to the DEC Ukraine appeal.

Next Sunday is Sea Sunday, when we have the collection for Stella Maris, the organisation that sees to the spiritual welfare of seafarers, many of whom are Catholic. Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. In the last year, more crews have been abandoned by their employers than ever before. Many are still being denied the right to leave their ships for even a short break away from the relentless noise and pressure onboard. Many are reporting more stress and poorer mental health. On Sea Sunday the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, or by visiting www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate, or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5. This collection is vital to enable Stella Maris to

continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you

Mass intentions

Saturday 2 July, 6pm: GE Maria Reynauld
Sunday 3 July, 8.30am: Antonietta Nicotra RIP
Sunday 3 July, 10am: For all parishioners
Sunday 3 July 11.30am: Stanislaw Szczerbiak RIP (birthday)
Monday 4 July, 10am: Thanksgiving (ML)
Tuesday 5 July, 10am: Tom W Fitzgerald RIP
Wednesday 6 July, 10am: Patsy O'Brien RIP
Thursday 7 July, No Mass
Friday 8 July, 10am: Bill Fuller RIP (birthday)
Saturday 9 July, 10am: Frank Duffy RIP
Saturday 9 July, 6pm: For all parishioners
Sunday 9 July, 8.30am: Holy Souls
Sunday 9 July, 10am: Sheila Coldicott RIP
Sunday 9 July, 11.15am: For our benefactors

Liturgical notes

We are in the season of Ordinary Time, when the vestments are green. The month of July is dedicated to the precious Blood of Our Lord. On days when there is no feast, we shall celebrate the Votive Mass of the Precious Blood.

- Monday is the feast of Saint Elizabeth of Portugal.
- Tuesday is the feast of Saint Antony Mary Zaccaria.

- Wednesday is the feast of Saint Maria Goretti.
- Saturday is the feast of Saint Augustine Zhao Rong and companions, martyr of China.

Do please remember that we have an electronic collection basket in the church porch called Dona. It is easy to use with a credit or debit card. One can also pay for items bought in the shop in this way.

Our next baptism course is on Monday 12 September at 8pm in the Hall. If you have a baby to baptise, please see Fr Alexander who will come and see you at home, before inviting you on the course.

The Social Club meets on Friday 8 July at 1.30pm. Social Dancing takes place in the Hall on Thursday evenings at 8pm.

Booking for First Holy Communion is now open! This coming scholastic year there are three courses, one each term. The first course is on Saturday mornings from 10th September to 26th November inclusive (but not the two Saturdays that fall within the half term holiday). Each session will be from 9.15am to 10.45am. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Advent Sunday, which falls on Sunday 27 November, at the 11.15am Mass. This course is nearly full. If you wish for a place for your child (and this course is for children accompanied by at least one parent), then please get in contact with Fr Alexander by email as soon as possible. In January another course will begin, which will also be on Saturday mornings, following consultation with parents; and a further course will take place in the

summer term, which will be on Tuesday afternoons after school. If you are interested in these later courses, please register your interest now.

Thoughts about Stewardship IV

So far we have only looked at things to do with administration and practical matters. It is important to stress that these things, though outwardly secular, are a religious matter and a moral one, as stewardship means looking after what God has entrusted to us, and exercising our God given responsibilities. We were made responsible when we were anointed as kings at our confirmation, so when we administer worldly goods, we follow our vocation to be wise as King Solomon. However, let us also remember that we were anointed as prophets and priests as well as kings, and consider how we are to respond to our vocation as people called to worship. The Liturgy is not just the most important thing that happens in our Church, it is also meant to be the centre of our parish life. Our guiding lights in all this are the Roman Missal and the Lectionary; people may have their own missals, of course, that combine the two, and all are welcome to use the Parish Mass Book which is in the benches. It is clear that the Missal and Lectionary envisage a collaboration between the celebrant, the musicians, the readers and the servers, as well as those who bring up the collection and the gifts. Not every Mass has to have music, but having music is the norm, and even in a weekday Mass, certain parts should be sung by the whole congregation, such as the Alleluia, the Kyrie and the Agnus Dei. In a Sunday Mass a choir is highly desirable, and we are very lucky to have two choirs; but the choir is meant to

lead the signing, rather than sing for the congregation. Equally desirable, and here too we are blessed, are accompanists, that is musicians who play instruments. It is the teaching of the Church that music is integral to worship, and not to be seen as an add on. We can do without it, as at the 8.30am Mass and during the week, but we would be truly failing not to have it at our main acts of worship. In a separate point, music does make Masses where children are present that much easier. Not everyone is able to play to a sufficient standard to act as an accompanist, but if you can, we would like to hear from you. Not everyone can sing well, but if you can, we would love you to swell the ranks of one of our choirs; and if you can't sing that well, please open your mouth and try as part of the congregation, as part of your vocation to be prophet, priest and king. When people sing in church it does make a huge difference if it is the whole congregation singing rather than just one or two isolated voices. One is aware that some people do not 'like' singing, but it is important to remember that in the Temple in Jerusalem, everything was sung, and this was the tradition of the Church too for many centuries.

If you are a reader, a Eucharistic minister, on duty at Mass, please come into the sacristy for prayers before the Mass begins at about seven minutes prior to the start.

We are collecting donations for the Food Bank. Please leave your donation in the tub inside the door of the Outer Sacristy. If locked, by the door. We have bought some new tubs and new boxes for donations.



Parish Notice Board

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

Deep Waters Sunday lunches are back, 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.

Counselling Service. Contact Lara who is experienced with counselling people with substance abuse, sexual abuse,

bereavement, couple counselling. Tel 07787 555168.

Oncology yoga course aimed at supporting cancer patients, no matter where they are on their journey. Learn how to improve your body functions, provide a container for your emotions and become excited about your healing. Course runs at The Tree of Life on Fridays 16.00-17.00. Call Eva on 07962 505782 for more information.

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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

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