

### Sick Parishioners.

Please pray for Caroline Audy, Margaret Chapman, Jim and Valerie Lee, Vincent O' Rourke, Dennis Tribe, Rosemary Kilcourse, Liz Perkins, Richard Martin, Sheila Coldicott, Margaret Heffernan, Eric Mee. redeem before 26th September 2021

**Experienced Cleaner required** for the hall, early morning cleaner Monday / Wednesday / Friday 1 Hour 20 mins per day@ £10 per hour, if interested please contact Fr Alexander.

**Stair gate request:** If you have a redundant child's safety stair gate that is in good working order we could use it in the hall on the stairs going up to the balcony. Please contact the office if you can help.

**Carer required for young lady with Downs Syndrome.** India is 24 years old currently living in a private house in Brighton with two other girls with DS. She attends a cafe training course 4 days a week called Team Domenica. India's mother is looking for a carer to live in with India 4 days a week to assist in the mornings, get India to her course, collect her in the afternoon and care for her until she goes to bed. The wages are approximately £800 per week. Please contact Caroline on 07773 280623

**St Vincent's Charity shop:** Volunteers desperately needed for St Vincent's Charity shop on Portland road. If interested please contact Rachel on 07540 857816.

**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.

**Offertory Collection:** Sun. 26 Sept. 2021-£1,464.96

### Forthcoming events:

Sunday 3 October, 6pm: Eastern Orthodox Liturgy.
Sunday October 10, 11.15am: Unveiling of picture of Blessed Carlo Acutis.
Sunday 10 October, 7pm-8.30pm: Seventh Session of Confirmation preparation.
Saturday October 16: start of First Holy Communion programme.
Sunday 17 October, 10am: FHC Enrolment Mass. 6pm: Eastern Orthodox Divine Liturgy.
Monday 1 November, 8pm: Baptism Course.
Saturday 6 November, 9am/11am: FHC
Saturday 6 November, noon: Bereavement Mass.
Monday 8 November, 7.30pm: Meeting of the Platinum Jubilee Action Committee.
Sunday 14 November, 7pm, Confirmation rehearsal
Saturday 20 November, 3pm Confirmation Mass
Friday 31 December, noon: Bereavement Mass.

**You may notice that the magazine rack** has disappeared from the back of the Church. Someone tried to move it, and it fell apart. Given that it was an unlovely thing, and would be difficult to repair, we have ditched it. Magazines, pamphlets and other literature are displayed on the wooden structure on the right of the Narthex as you go in. Do help yourselves.

**The Platinum Jubilee Action Committee** has now been embodied in the persons of Eileen Harris, MBE, her daughter Trish, Wendy Wallis, Milad Albadin, Melitsa Bowen, Bill and Michelle Gatward, Jo Chamberlain and Janice Sagna. We will be meeting on Monday 8 November at 7.45pm.

### St Peter's Catholic Church

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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'. 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 Joshua. Please visit our website which is constantly being updated. Do ask to join our WhatsApp group.

### This Sunday is the Twenty-Seventh

Sunday of the Year, and the readings can be found in the blue Mass books on page 140. The first reading is from the Book of Genesis, which explains to us that marriage, the exclusive lifelong union between man and woman, is something that God ordained since the beginning. In the Gospel, Jesus explains that man and woman become one flesh when they are joined in marriage, and that what is joined in this way cannot be unjoined, therefore divorce, which was allowed by Moses, is in fact not possible. What God has joined together, let no one put asunder, as we say in the wedding ceremony.

### Mass Intentions

Saturday 2 October 6pm Danny Harrington RIP
Sunday 3 October 8.30am Margot Brown RIP
Sunday 3 October 10am For all parishioners
Sunday 3 October 11.15am Baby Chloe
Monday 4 October 10am Thanksgiving for Jose Maria and Christine Burtim
Tuesday 5 October 10am Thanksgiving for Jose Maria and Christine Burtim
Wednesday 6 October Patrick Peyton RIP (10 th anniv)
Thursday 7 October No Mass
Friday 8 October 10am Thanksgiving M. Lock
Saturday 9 October 10am For our benefactors
Saturday 9 September 6pm Christa Rushton intention
Sunday 10 September 8.30am Holy Souls
Sunday 10 September 10am For all Parishioners
Sunday 10 September 11.15am Ned Sullivan RIP

**This Sunday we have a Pastoral Letter from the Bishop which concerns the upcoming Synod about Synodality.** As a result of this, and because our consignment of Rosaries is still on the way, Rosary Sunday will be held next Sunday, 10 October. On this day the prayers of the Mass, though not the readings, will be taken from the feast of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary. Please take a leaflet, available at the back of the Church, that explains how to say the Rosary, and do pass one on to someone who may find it useful. We also have numerous rosaries to give away, so please make sure you get yours.

**Last Sunday's fundraiser for Cruse**, the sale of delicious Italian home made products by Luigi and Fabiana made the sum of £253 for Cruse. Well done to all involved!

**A visitor from Worthing gave us £10** for the Hall refurbishment. A kind parishioner has presented us with a cheque for £300. This means the running total for the Hall is now £15, 741.32. This Sunday we are holding yet another raffle! Some kind people have given us a digital bread maker. These usually cost around £100. Tickets are £1 each, and the draw will be made next Sunday. Don't miss out.

**This Sunday, our Lusophone brethren** will be celebrating Mass at 5pm.

**This Sunday is the third of four census** Sundays. The congregation will be counted as you leave Mass. Please let the clickers see you as you do so, and so not distract them in their very challenging task. Last Sunday the figures were as follows, with the previous Sunday's figures given first:

- 6pm 52, 50;
- 8.30am 46, 48;
- 10am 115, 116;
- 11.15am 88, 120.

That makes a total of 334 (compare last week's 301) spread over four Masses. In the next few weeks, please do encourage yourselves and everyone else to come and be counted.

**Next Sunday is the Twenty-Eighth Sunday** of the Year, and at the start of the 11.15am Mass we will be **unveiling and blessing the picture of the Blessed Carlo Acutis** that John Armstrong has painted for us, and given to the Church. Let

us pray for John, our benefactor! This day falls on the anniversary of the beatification of Carlo a year ago in Assisi. In future years, we hope, the feast of Carlo will be kept on the 12 October, which is the anniversary of his birth into eternal life. In the meantime, let us use this picture as a focus of our devotion, given that numerous prayers have been answered through the intercession of the young Blessed. Novenas are available at the back of the Church as are holy pictures.

**There was a serious mistake in last** week's newsletter. The Mass intention for 'Kay Doyle, recently deceased' was received and entered as usual, but this is nothing to do with Kaye Doyle, a member of the Union of Catholic Mothers. Many apologies for the confusion and upset that has resulted.

### **Liturgical notes**

The month of October is dedicated to prayer for the Missions of the Church and it is also the month of the Holy Rosary. On days when there is no feast we shall celebrate the Mass for the Progress of Peoples, or the Evangelisation of Peoples, or for persecuted Christians. Because it is the month of the Holy Rosary we shall say the Rosary after every weekday mass when there is no funeral.

Monday is the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi. The patron saint of Italy, Francis of Assisi was a poor little man who astounded and inspired the Church by taking the gospel literally—not in a narrow fundamentalist sense, but by actually following all that Jesus said and did, joyfully, without limit, and without a sense of self-importance.

Serious illness brought the young Francis to see the emptiness of his frolicking life as leader of Assisi's youth. Prayer—lengthy

and difficult—led him to a self-emptying like that of Christ, climaxed by embracing a leper he met on the road. It symbolized his complete obedience to what he had heard in prayer: "Francis! Everything you have loved and desired in the flesh it is your duty to despise and hate, if you wish to know my will. And when you have begun this, all that now seems sweet and lovely to you will become intolerable and bitter, but all that you used to avoid will turn itself to great sweetness and exceeding joy." From the cross in the neglected field-chapel of San Damiano, Christ told him, "Francis, go out and build up my house, for it is nearly falling down." Francis became the totally poor and humble workman. He must have suspected a deeper meaning to "build up my house." He gave up all his possessions. He was, for a time, considered to be a religious fanatic, begging from door to door when he could not get money for his work, evoking sadness or disgust to the hearts of his former friends, ridicule from the unthinking. But genuineness will tell. A few people began to realize that this man was actually trying to be Christian. He really believed what Jesus said: "Announce the kingdom! Possess no gold or silver or copper in your purses, no traveling bag, no sandals, no staff" (Luke 9:1-3). Francis' first rule for his followers was a collection of texts from the Gospels. He had no intention of founding an order, but once it began he protected it and accepted all the legal structures needed to support it. His devotion and loyalty to the Church were absolute and highly exemplary. Francis was torn between a life devoted entirely to prayer and a life of active preaching of the Good News. He decided in favour of the latter, but always returned to solitude when he could.

During the last years of his relatively short life, he died at 44, Francis was half blind and seriously ill. Two years before his death he received the stigmata, the real and painful wounds of Christ in his hands, feet and side. On his deathbed, Francis asked his superior's permission to have his clothes removed when the last hour came in order that he could expire lying naked on the earth, in imitation of his Lord.

Wednesday is the feast of Saint Bruno. Saturday is the feast of Saint John Henry Newman.

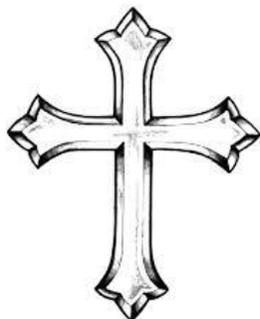
*'Go to the Madonna. Love her! Always say the Rosary. Say it well. Say it as often as you can! Be souls of prayer. Never tire of praying, it is what is essential. Prayer shakes the Heart of God, it obtains necessary graces!'* Saint Pio of Pietrelcina

*'To recite the Rosary is nothing other than to contemplate the face of Christ with Mary'.* Saint John Paul II.

*'The holy Rosary is a powerful weapon. Use it with confidence and you'll be amazed at the results'.* Saint Josemaria Escriva

**We have had our most recent Baptism** course, and the next one will be on Monday 1 November in (we hope) the newly refurbished Hall at 8pm. Currently every Sunday is booked up for Baptisms until the second Sunday of the month of November. Anyone who wants to enrol on the course is invited to contact Father Alexander, who will come and see them at home.

**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.



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You can now donate directly to St Peter's via the Dona donations webpage on our website if you wish to donate that way, at the following link <http://www.stpeters-hove.org.uk/donations/> Or just click on the Donate button on the home page. Many other churches have started using Dona and have found it very successful. You may have noticed our digital plate /contactless machine in situ in the porch but remains switched off until we have a proper power source, hopefully we will have this next week. In the meantime feel free to donate using Dona through our website as mentioned above. Please look out for further announcements.

**Lady Cleaner..** Available to work for single ladies and families in Brighton, services include deep cleaning, ironing, dressmaking and alterations. 16 years experience and references available on request. Please contact me on tel. 07909 309422 or email [ageoroshi@live.com](mailto:ageoroshi@live.com)

### **Counselling Service**

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

**Thinking of driving lessons?** Please contact Phil Harris (Bartholomew's Driving School) on 07711 688147.

### **Professional Organiser & Photo**

**Manager.** If you're looking for help decluttering and organising your home, business or photographs please contact Nicola Austin on 07747798858 or [nicola@lifeofibra.com](mailto:nicola@lifeofibra.com)

**Redundant iPads and Laptops** are desperately needed by the Gatwick Detainees' Welfare Group. An IT company has agreed to 'clean' devices to remove any data. These devices can enable a person whether in detention or after release, to help themselves; to access classes for speakers of other languages, to communicate with friends, family, our staff, their volunteer visitor and to access resources such as Food Banks and to join our post detention services. Contact Josie at: [josiewade@gdwg.org.uk](mailto:josiewade@gdwg.org.uk). <http://www.larasmith.co.uk>

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### **Music Tuition**

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

**Caroline's Kitchen – Tel 595922**

Caterers for Baptisms, etc. Tel 595922 or [carolineriley@carolines-kitchen.co.uk](mailto:carolineriley@carolines-kitchen.co.uk)

### **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](mailto:nicklee@pebble-financial.co.uk)

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