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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.

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Fundraiser Number 6: Jane Noble and our parish musicians are going to put on a concert of choral music in aid of the hall refurbishment. This will be on Friday 9 July at 7pm.

Forthcoming events:

Friday 4 June, 11am: Funeral of Bernie Harvey RIP.
Sunday 6 June, 6pm: Eastern Orthodox Divine Liturgy.
Monday 7 June, 10am: Funeral Mass of Paul Jaconelli RIP
Sunday 13 June, 7pm-8.30pm: Third Session of Confirmation preparation.
Monday 14 June, 8pm: Baptism course.
Saturday 19 June, 2-4pm: An Emmaus Walk
Thursday 24 June, 7.15pm: Meeting of the Parish team.
Sunday 4 July, 7pm-8.30pm: Fourth Session of Confirmation preparation.
Friday 9 July, 7pm: Choral concert
Saturday 10 July, 11am: Walking pilgrimage to Saint Mary de Haura, Shoreham
Friday 16 July, 7pm: Hamish Dustagheer Organ recital.
Sunday 18 July, 7pm-8.30pm: Fifth Session of Confirmation preparation.
Friday 6 August, 1.30pm: Social Club meets.
Saturday 7 August, 7pm: Grand Re-opening of the Hall.
Saturday 14 August, 7pm: International Dinner.
Saturday 21 August, 7pm: Film Night.

Interfaith Prayer:

This prayer hour has been on zoom throughout Covid but finally we plan a face-to-face on July 29th at 7-8pm at St Peter's. Everyone is welcome.

fering Total 23 May: £1,298.82



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This Sunday is Trinity Sunday, the Sunday specially dedicated to contemplating the Blessed Trinity, and understanding the doctrine of the Trinity, namely that there are Three Persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, in One God, and that God is a loving community of Persons joined in a dynamic relationship. In the first reading, from the Book of Deuteronomy, Moses proclaims the glory of God, who nevertheless stoops down to help His people and make Himself known to them, particularly through the revelation of the Law. In the second reading, from the Letter to the Romans, Saint Paul talks of how the Holy Spirit dwells within us and makes us the adopted children of God. In the Gospel, from Saint Matthew, Jesus commissions

His apostles to go out and baptise all nations 'in the Name [singular, please note] of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.' This is the mission of the Church, the proclamation of the Blessed Trinity.

There is coffee after 10am and 11.15am Mass as last week, we hope this time outside. Please do stop and have coffee, biscuits and some non-sweet things (by popular demand). Many thanks to Mary and Mary for doing this once again. See below for the stupendous amount they raised for the Hall refurbishment through last week's efforts.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 29 May 6pm In Thanksgiving
Sunday 30 May 8.30am Giuliana Sussex RIP
Sunday 30 May 10am For all Parishioners
Sunday 30 May 11.15am Thomas Kelly RIP
Monday 31 May 10am Giuliana Sussex RIP
Tuesday 1 June 10am Sick African children
Wednesday 2 June 10am Steven Slaughter RIP
Thursday 3 June No Mass
Friday 4 June 11am Funeral of Bernie Harvey RIP
Saturday 5 June 10am Jean Spencer RIP
Saturday 5 June 6pm Auxilia Musonza RIP
Sunday 6 June 8.30am Maureen O'Neill RIP
Sunday 6 June 10am Bernie Harvey RIP
Sunday 6 June 11.15am For all parishioners

Liturgical notes

The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. From a letter of Pope Benedict XVI on the 50th anniversary of Pope Pius XII's encyclical on the Sacred Heart: 'By encouraging devotion to the Heart of Jesus, [Pius XII] exhorted believers to open themselves to the mystery of God and of his love and to allow themselves to be transformed by it. After 50 years, it is still a fitting task for Christians to continue to deepen their relationship with the Heart of Jesus, in such a way as to revive their faith in the saving love of God and to welcome Him ever better into their lives. The Redeemer's pierced side is the source to which [Pius XII] refers us: we must draw from this source to attain true knowledge of Jesus Christ and a deeper experience of His love. Thus, we will be able to understand better what it means to know God's love in Jesus Christ, to experience Him, keeping our gaze fixed on Him to the point that we live entirely on the experience of His love, so that we can subsequently witness to it to others.'

Monday is the feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Tuesday is the feast of Saint Justin.

Wednesday is the feast of Saints Marcellinus and Peter, martyrs.

Saturday is the feast of Saint Boniface, bishop and martyr.

We have heard the sad news of the death of Bernie Harvey, at home on Thursday 20 May, having received the Sacrament of the Sick some time previously. Let us pray for the repose of her soul, and let us pray for her husband David and her children Daniel and Holly. Bernie's requiem mass will be celebrated here at 11am on Friday 4th June.

We have also heard the sad news of the death of Paul Jaconelli, who died in the Royal Sussex hospital on Wednesday 19 May, at the age of 59, having received the Sacrament of the Sick. Let us pray for the repose of his soul, and let us pray for his mother, Maria, and his sisters Sandra and Silvana. The funeral Mass will be on Monday 7 June at 10am, followed by burial in Hove cemetery.

Of our target of £30,000 for the Hall restoration fund, we have raised the further sum of £25 from foot-doctoring, a donation of £25, a cheque for £250 from a very kind single donor, and another donation of £40, plus a further £85.41 from the sale of coffee and biscuits after Mass, which brings our total to £7,060.83 so far. For updates of progress of the hall refurbishment, please do check out our social media accounts. We will be showing week by week pictures of how things are going.

John Armstrong, the Catholic artist, and our parishioner, who painted the Church sign and the picture of Saint Peter at the back of the Church, has gifted us with a painting, the first perhaps in the UK, of the Blessed Carlo Acutis. We plan to unveil it on Sunday 10 October, which is near to the date that will one day be his feast day.

First Holy Communion begins this October. As in pre-Covid years, Fr Alexander is visiting all the candidates at home with their parents, starting now. He will be emailing them all to book appointments. There is no need to give him cake etc when he comes round as he is fat enough already.

The Subcommittee on the spiritual life of the parish met on 16 May to consider how we can pray more. One thing that was discussed was the launch of a bereavement group, and also the Bereavement Masses that we have held in the past. These will happen again on Saturday November 6 at noon, to which we will invite by email the families of all those who have died in the last year, and on the last day of the year, Friday 31 December, which will be for all who are bereaved or finding life difficult. Moreover, we also intend to continue with occasional Holy Hours, and with Eucharistic Adoration in Lent and Advent. We also want to promote different spiritualities and methods of prayer, perhaps with monthly themes, as we did in May with the Rosary. We are also going to start Emmaus walks (see below). Finally, we thought of doing a pilgrimage on foot to some beautiful a religious spot in Sussex (see below).

An Emmaus Walk: Saturday June 19, 2-4pm: As we come out of lockdown many of us feel the need to reach out to others and to reflect on our spirituality. An Emmaus walk (Lk 24: 13-35) is taken with another member of our parish, maybe to the sea or Wish park, and having a chat about shared concerns to do with prayer, our parish, what we think is really important. Our first one will start at 2pm from St Peters where (hopefully) people will get together in twos or threes, say a short prayer and go off for a walk/chat/ coffee as they wish. That's all. Please join us. Check out what this did for Cleopas and his mate!

On Saturday 10 July, we aim to do a walking pilgrimage to Saint Mary de Haura, the historic and beautiful Church

in Shoreham, starting from here at 11am. The walk is an easy hour and half along the coast; the idea is to pray at St Mary's and then picnic on Shoreham Beach, and then return by bus or train. Those not up to the walk can join us there having made the pilgrimage by bus.

Following on from last week's directive from the diocese, Letters of Appointment as Extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist are ready and awaiting collection for: Sue Hollow, Claire Gwynn, Trish Longley, Wendy Wallis and Joise Staunton. Any other EM's are asked to get in touch if they wish this vital paperwork to be completed on their behalf!

We have received a new decree on Health and Safety from the Bishop. Given the local situation in Brighton and Hove, it is now possible to relax our cleaning regime in the Church. Moreover, we can collect money from the congregation if someone carries the basket round, rather than passing it hand to hand. There is still no congregational singing or 'physical' sign of peace, though. We are also advised strongly to maintain good ventilation. The Chalice is still not to be administered. There is no cap on funerals apart from 50% capacity of the Church, as for all other liturgies. 150 people or bubbles can be present at Mass, but you are all urged to sit as far as possible from each other. There is no need for stewarding, though you are all encouraged to keep on cleansing your hands on entry and exit. Many thanks to all who have taken part in this and made our Church 'covid-secure'. Thank you to our stewards and our cleaners! Quite soon we shall reintroduce the Bidding Prayers and we shall re-establish the Offertory procession.



Parish Notice Board

We do not have any Bidding Prayers at Mass any more, but people have suggested we pray for certain intentions, among which are:

- The people of Tigray Province, Ethiopia, and the wellbeing of Fr Teum Berhe, who is ministering there.
- Peace and reconciliation in the Holy Land.
- Political prisoners in Hong Kong, especially Jimmy Lai.
- The people of India, facing a dire Covid crisis, and the various nations around the world which do not have an adequate supply of vaccines.
- The sick of the parish, and all those who are looking after them.
- All students facing exams at this time of years, all who are teaching them, and their families.
- All people who are facing hardship and unemployment thanks to the pandemic.

If you have any prayer intentions you would like to bring to the notice of the parish, please email them in, or submit them in writing.

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Are you aged 18-30? CAFOD offers a gap year programme called Step into the Gap. As part of the 10-month programme, you will be based in either a youth retreat centre, university chaplaincy or a secondary school chaplaincy team gaining new skills, developing as a leader and gaining work experience. Accommodation and travel expenses are included. Full time placements include stipends. Find out more information including how to apply at www.cafod.org.uk/gapyear

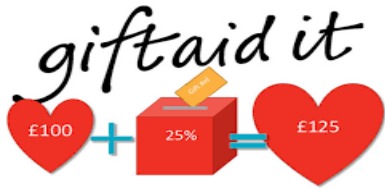
Married Singles Lifestyle –The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage

partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a 'Virtual' weekend on 1– 4 July 2021, call or text +44 788 7296983 or +44 797 3380443 or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com - or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

We are getting lots of passport forms and other forms to sign. Aisling has kindly taken this on. Please note that forms should be dropped off in office hours only, and all the details need to be filled in before submission for signature or counter-signature and stamping. They will then be handed back to you also during office hours, within a reasonable time. It is not possible to offer a while you wait service. Neither is it possible to countersign identity papers for people who one does not know. With regard to baptism and confirmation certificates, requests are best submitted in writing, with a stamped addressed envelope. Please remember to include as much information as possible, as this makes tracking down the records easier. Dealing with forms does take time, and the parish does not charge for this service, but craves your patience.

Those Covid Rules:

- 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 spread out as widely as possible and do not bunch together.
- Please check in for track and trace purposes, either electronically or in writing.
- Please sanitise your hands on entry and exit.
- Please observe the one way system: up the middle, down the sides, especially at Holy Communion.
- If you take a newsletter, please take it home with you.
- There is STILL no congregational singing.
- The Church doors are to remain open to ventilate the building.
- Mass is shorter than usual.
- There is no procession of the Gifts to the altar. Your offering will be taken as you leave the Church.
- There is no sign of peace.
- 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) and gloves to receive Holy Communion.
- As you leave do not to linger in doorways or other 'choke points'.
- 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.



Gift Aid Envelopes are now available at the back of the church. Please remember to collect them. Your number may have changed as part of our recent audit, this will not affect your donations.

Yellow envelopes are available at the back of the church for anyone who wishes to donate regardless of being a member of our scheme. Thank you for your continued support.

Seagull Delivery - they deliver newspapers all over Brighton and Hove. If you want your paper delivered contact raj@seagulldelivery.co.uk

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

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Counselling Service

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

Tel 07787 555168

<http://www.larasmith.co.uk>

Caroline's Kitchen – Tel 595922

Caterers for Baptisms, etc. Tel 595922 or carolineriley@carolines-kitchen.co.uk

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