

Looking ahead: Now that the Jubilee and Confirmation are over, we are not having any major events between now and the autumn, as perhaps we all deserve a little break. However.... The charity Lepra, which looks after those suffering from leprosy, which is still an all too common disease, has asked us to have a collection and this will take place on Sunday 9 October, which is the Twenty-Eight Sunday of the Year, when the gospel of Jesus healing the ten lepers is read out. Lepra has asked us for an appeal before, and it seems a good idea to connect this charitable enterprise with the root and foundation of all charity, Jesus the Lord, who cared for and healed lepers.

Secondly, we need to think about Stewardship. This is a weighty theological term and means the way we look after what has been entrusted to us by God. There are three Sundays coming up – the Twenty-Fifth, Twenty-Sixth and Twenty-Seventh of the Year (18 September, 25 September and 2 October) – when the following gospels are read: that of the Bad Steward, that of Dives and Lazarus, and that of the servants who expect no thanks but are merely doing their duty. On these three Sundays we shall consider the question of stewardship, and perhaps by the third have an appeal for people to volunteer their time and their skills to help the parish. Often stewardship is thought of to do with fundraising, but you may have noticed that after the stained glass appeal and the Hall appeal we have an unofficial moratorium on fundraising. Rather we shall concentrate on contributions of a non-monetary nature, inspired by the values of the gospel which we hear read and want to put into action.

Forthcoming Events

Sunday 5 June 2022, 7pm: Concert in the Church, followed by refreshments in the Hall.
Thursday 9 June, 8pm: Social dancing.
Friday 10 June, 1.30pm: Bingo with Gretta.
Saturday 11 June, 11.30am: First Holy Communions
Saturday 11 June, noon: 140 Anniversary celebration at Saint Barnabas
Sunday 12 June, 11.30 am: First Holy Communions
Monday 13 June, 7pm: meeting of the Care Group
Tuesday 14 June, 7pm: Finance Committee meets
Sunday 19 June, 11.30am: First Holy Communions
Tuesday 21 June, 2pm: Funeral of Angus Galbraith at Downs Crematorium.
Friday 24 June, 10am: Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, Mass, followed by breakfast.
Friday 24 June, noon: Funeral Mass of Anne Key RIP
Saturday 25 June: Day retreat (Saint Martha's)
Wednesday 27 July, 7pm: Feast of Saint Charbel celebration.
Monday 12 September, 8pm: Baptism course.
Sunday 18 September: Stewardship Sunday I, Sunday 25 September: Stewardship Sunday II, Sunday 2 October: Stewardship Sunday III
Sunday 8/9 October: collection for Lepra.

200 Club March Winners:

Congratulations to £50 – Peter Goodsman, £90 – C DeCaprio, £200 – Agnes Grealish.

Offertory: Offertory collection Sunday 29May 2022. = £1,433.96

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

This Sunday we celebrate Pentecost, the feast that falls fifty days after Easter, and when the Holy Spirit came upon Our Lady and the disciples gathered in prayer in the Upper Room.

This is, after Easter and Christmas, the third most important feast of the Christian year. This year, Pentecost will see the culmination of the Platinum Jubilee celebrations. The 11.15am Mass will be one of Thanksgiving, as mandated by the

bishops of England and Wales, with suitable music. For the prayers and readings of Pentecost, please see the purple books, page 294. The first reading is Saint Luke's account of the giving of the Holy Spirit on Pentecost day, fifty days after Easter, to the nascent Church in the Upper Room. In the Gospel, Jesus consigns the Spirit to the disciples on the evening of Easter day, giving them to power to forgive sins, and sending them forth on their mission.

Today there is a retiring collection for the Catholic Communications network, which supports those working in the apostolate of the mass media.

This Sunday evening, we conclude our celebrations with the Grand Jubilee Concert. It starts at 7pm, and will be followed by refreshments in the Hall. The programme is as follows:

- Hamish Dustagheer, organ: Crown Imperial (William Walton)
- Kristy Braswell Ralston, soprano: O Mio Babbino Caro (Puccini), Vilja (Lehar), Mein Herr Marquis (Strauss)
- Saint Peter's Choir: Fairest Lord Jesus (Silesian folk song), Ave Verum Corpus (William Byrd), Brother James's Air (Gordon Jacob)
- Clive Connor, accordion: Greensleeves (Vaughan Williams)
- Hamish Dustagheer, organ: Toccata (Widor)
- Aneesa Chaudari, soprano: Ave Maria (Gounod), Pie Jesu (Fauré), Over the rainbow (Harburg)

- Saint Peter's Folk Group: Amazing Grace (Traditional), One is the Body (John Bell), Standing in the Need of Prayer (Traditional)
- Three for a Girl, our fabulous pop group.

The month of June is the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart, and on days when there is no feast we shall celebrate a Votive Mass of the Sacred Heart. Monday is the feast of Our Lady, Mother of the Church, which always falls the day after Pentecost. This feast recalls the central role Mary played in waiting for the Spirit to come and praying with the disciples in the Upper Room.

Many many thanks to all who helped with the Confirmation, and made it such a success. Lots of people said that they thought the Mass was wonderful. One was struck by the lovely music and the reverent atmosphere, and the Bishop's sermon was short and to the point. Above all, our confirmation candidates behaved impeccably and took full part in the Liturgy. Many congratulations to them. And, as you may have heard, next year Confirmation will be at the Cathedral, which is celebrating its 150 anniversary.

18 young people from St. Peter's, 2 from Rottingdean parish and 10 from East Brighton parish were confirmed.

Congratulations to Abisha Surenthiran, Aldyn Real, Annmary Jojo Antony, Cameillia Boulos, Catherine Hooper, Cian Wellings, Conor Healy Andrews, Eleanor Tate, Eleni Jacobs, Emmiebhel Crisostomo, Finley Hawkins, Jivin Jacob, Jose England, Junov Jadiana Hasisholan Pinem, Keira Royds-Jones, Lewis Austin, Mae Hardy, Molly Rogers, Olen Walke, Oliver Tate, Rachel Galapin, Serj Ajouri Shanessa Rodrigues, Tara Vernon Taraneh, Tiago Miguel, Almeida Costa, Ursula Robinson, Verity Flynn, Zoey Cason.

We have heard the sad news of the death of Mrs Anne Marie Kathryn Key who died at home in Hartington Villas on 23 May, aged 62. Her funeral Mass will take place here on Friday 24 June at 12 noon, followed by burial at Hove Cemetery. Let us pray for the repose of her soul and for the comfort of her husband and daughters and family members at this sad and difficult time for them. The day of the funeral is the feast of the Sacred Heart, and on that day there will be two Masses, one at 10am, of the feast, and Anne's funeral at noon.

We have heard the sad news of the death of Sheila Coldicott, who died at home in Hangleton on 27 May. She had received the sacrament of the Sick and the Apostolic Pardon a few days previously. Her funeral Mass will be here at a date and time to be finalised and announced when known. In the meantime, let us pray for the repose of her soul and the comfort of her grieving family.

The Care Group is Meeting on Monday 13 June at 7pm. Please approach Fr Alexander if you are interested in joining us. This is the group that tries to ensure that those stuck at home, and others who need support, are not neglected by the parish.

The Finance Committee will be meeting on Tuesday 14 June to discuss the financial position of the parish and ongoing and future expenses. If you have anything that you think needs to be discussed, please get in touch. The members are Vincent Joyce, our treasurer, Mary Whitehead, Eileen Harris and Ruth Meaden Jones.

The Social Club resumes on Friday 10 June when Gretta will be entertaining all comers with Bingo. All are welcome. On Friday 17 June John our sacristan will reveal all as he reflects on 'My Life in the City', speaking about his long and distinguished career in high finance.

First Holy Communion: The time has come to activate our plans for this for the coming scholastic year 2022/2023. There will be three courses, one each term. The first course is going to be on Saturdays 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. This allows for ten sessions; it is possible that the material may be covered in fewer than 10 sessions; we shall see. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Advent Sunday, which falls on Sunday 27 November, at the 11.15am Mass. Numbers are limited. 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; and a further course will take place in the summer term; these courses may be on Saturday mornings, or may be on a weekday afternoon, or even a Saturday afternoon, if these times turn out to be more convenient for parties concerned. Again, we shall see. Candidates for first Holy Communion should be in year three and above by the beginning of the new term in September. As a consequence of the above, the 10am Mass on Saturdays will cease from the end of August, and confessions will be rerouted to the Saturday evening, before the 6pm Mass.

Mass intentions

Saturday 4 June, 6pm: For all Parishioners
Sunday 5 June, 8.30am: Giuliana Sussex RIP
Sunday 5 June, 10am: A private intention (MB)
Sunday 5 June, 11.15am: In Thanksgiving, Platinum Jubilee
Monday 6 June, 10am: Patrick Peyton RIP
Tuesday 7 June, 10am: GE Hearns family
Wednesday 8 June, 10am: Mrs O'Malley
Thursday 9 June, No Mass
Friday 10 June, 10am: Padraig Grealish RIP
Saturday 11 June, 10am: Leon Hudson RIP (birthday)
Saturday 11 June, 6pm: Angela Dangerfield RIP
Sunday 12 June, 8.30am: Fred Crook RIP
Sunday 12 June, 10am: For all parishioners
Sunday 12 June, 11.15am: GE TFR Lucie-Smith

Liturgical notes

After Pentecost, the Church enters the season of Ordinary Time, when the vestments are green. However, next Sunday is Trinity Sunday, and the Sunday afterwards will be Corpus Christi. The Thirteenth Sunday of the year will be celebrated on the 26 June.



Parish Notice Board

Our Anglican brethren and neighbours at St Barnabas Church are celebrating their 140th anniversary on their patronal feast, on 11 June with a Solemn Mass at noon. The principal celebrant is the Right Reverend William Hazelwood, Bishop of Lewes and the preacher is the Revd. Canon Graeme Rowlands. There will be refreshments afterwards. Fr Alexander has been invited to attend and will be going as soon as First Holy Communions on that day are over. Parishioners are also invited, and their attendance would be a kind ecumenical gesture. Canon Graeme Rowlands is a very well known figure in the Anglican world, and will surely be worth listening to.

Day retreat – St Benedict for Today - Saturday 25th June. The monks of Worth Abbey based in East Brighton invite you to a Day Retreat introducing Benedictine insights for lay people, to be held at St. Martha's Convent, Rottingdean BN2 7HA. Time: 10 – 3pm. Please bring your own lunch. Teas and Coffees provided. Book your place(s) via brightonmonks@worth.org.uk or phone 07444 802368.

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.

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.

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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.

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