

Forthcoming events

Sunday 5 September, 7pm-8.30pm: Sixth Session of Confirmation preparation.
Monday 6 September, 8pm: Baptism course.
Friday 25 September, 7pm: Choral concert postponed until further notice.
Thursday 29 September, 9am: Saint Christopher's School Harvest Festival.
Saturday 9/Sunday 10 October: Exhibition by Society of Catholic Artists.
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
Saturday 6 November, 9am/11am: FHC
Saturday 6 November, noon: Bereavement Mass.
Sunday 14 November, 7pm, Confirmation rehearsal
Saturday 20 November, 3pm Confirmation Mass
Friday 31 December, noon: Bereavement Mass.

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.

Please leave your donations for the Food Bank in the tub inside the door of the Outer Sacristy. If locked, by the door. Please remember we cannot accept perishable goods, opened packets or out of

date food. Bags for Life used by our clients to carry their goods home, also urgently needed.

Congratulations to our 200 Club August Winners:

£50 – Andrew Byrne
£90 – Peter Goodsman
£200 – Barbara Tarjani
Joining forms available for our **200 Club** at the back of the church, all funds raised go towards our parish charities.

Thanks to the generosity of Mary and Mary, the following is on offer this Sunday. Tickets are £5, all of which goes to the Hall refurbishment fund. There are 40 tickets. Get yours while you can.

Hainault Fryers fish and chips

6 Boundary Road
BN3 4EH 01273 422478

Any 1 Pie & Medium Chips

Please redeem before 26th September 2021

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

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@lifeoflibra.com

Offertory Collection:

Sunday 22 August 2021 £1,469.38.
Sunday 29 August 2021 £1,355.

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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-Third

Sunday of the Year, and the readings can be found in the blue Mass books on page 130. In the first reading the prophet Isaiah urges the people to have courage and not to be afraid. He assures the people of Israel that the Lord's promises to them will be fulfilled. In the Gospel Jesus cures a deaf man who has a speech impediment. Jesus takes the man away from the crowd, so that his cure will not represent a traumatic change or shock; this reminds us that Our Blessed Lord cares for each individual soul as such, an individual with special needs. Let us rejoice in His loving care.

Mass Intentions

Saturday 4 September 6pm For all parishioners
Sunday 5 September 8.30am For our benefactors
Sunday 5 September 10am Norman Remedios RIP
Sunday 5 September 11.15am Concetta Cauchi RIP
Monday 6 September 10am Tom O'Connor RIP
Tuesday 7 September 10am Jenny Burke RIP
Wednesday 8 September GE Kay Burke
Thursday 9 September No Mass
Friday 10 September 10am Kathleen and Felix Malenzak RIP
Saturday 11 September 10am For our Benefactors
Saturday 11 September 6pm GE Mr and Mrs Christides
Sunday 12 September 8.30am For all Parishioners
Sunday 12 September 10am Jim Burke RIP
Sunday 12 September 11.15am Holy Souls

We have heard the sad news of the death of Father Mario Sanderson on Monday 16 August at Holy Cross Care Home. Details of the funeral arrangements will be sent out as and when they are known. Meanwhile, let us pray for the eternal rest of his soul. Father Mario was, some years ago, parish priest of the Sacred Heart in Hove.

Once more, this Sunday, we are raffling something in aid of the Hall. We have been given a scooter to raffle. It is in perfect working condition. It would make a most wonderful present. The scooter cost £250.

Tickets are £1 each. The draw will be made next Sunday.

This Sunday the Confirmation group are meeting at 7pm. The session will end at 8.30pm, and will take place in the Church. (The Hall is still a work in progress).

Our next Baptism Class is on this Monday, 6 September at 8pm. The state of the Hall is at the time of writing still not quite clear so the exact place will be advertised via a notice on the Church door and via our social media.

Our running total of funds raised for the Hall is now £14,952.71. This includes the sum of £144.20 from the sale of cakes and other delicious things after Mass last Sunday. The hall is nearing completion, but no date can be set for this as yet. Many thanks to all who have donated and helped in so many ways! You are all being remembered at the Mass we offer for our Benefactors.

Liturgical notes

The month of September is dedicated to the Holy Angels and on days when there is no feast we shall celebrate the Votive Mass of the Angels. Wednesday 8 September is the feast of the nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Next year, the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth will celebrate The Queen's 70th anniversary, her Platinum Jubilee - the first time any British monarch has reached this historic milestone. There will be various celebrations across the country, culminating in a four day holiday from Thursday 2 June to Sunday 5 June inclusive. This is still some way off, but it is important that we begin to think of what we

want to do to mark this national celebration which the children in our parish will undoubtedly remember for years. It would be a great shame for Saint Peter's not to take part, and to miss being a focus of festivity in the community. In addition, we are an international community and it is worth celebrating the way the United Kingdom is home to so many people of differing origin, all united in living here and enjoying it too. The Platinum Jubilee celebrations will undoubtedly reflect this at national level, but we need to mark this at local level too. To this end, it is proposed to set up an Action Committee to look at what we can do.

Cardinal Burke is recovering from Covid, and send this message to all of us who prayed for him (the full message can be found on line): 'In the Sacred Heart of Jesus and through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I express deep gratitude to God, who has brought me to this point of healing and recovery.

As previously communicated by the leadership and staff of the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe, for whom I also express my profound appreciation, I am no longer intubated with a medical ventilator. I have been transferred out of the Medical Intensive Care Unit and settled in a hospital room where the doctors, nurses, and numerous hospital staff have provided vigilant, superb, and steadfast medical care. For these dedicated professionals, too, I offer heartfelt thanks, as well as to the priests who have ministered to me sacramentally. To those who have offered innumerable Rosaries and prayers, lighted candles, and requested the offering of the Holy Mass, I extend my sincere gratitude, and I ask the Lord and His Mother to bless you all. I also thank my brother bishops

and priests who have offered Mass for me or prayed for me at the altar.'

It is now time for us to resume a few more things that have been discontinued over the pandemic. Aisling is in the office and building up the readers' rotas and those for Eucharistic ministers (the latter are not so pressing as Holy Communion remains under one kind for now.) Please email her with your availability if you have not done so already. And please email her with same if you are invited to become a reader, which is a very important ministry in the Church. We also need to return to the custom of readers and ministers gathering in the sacristy ten minutes before Mass for prayers.

The care Group is meeting on Monday 13 September. This is the group that concerns itself with the sick, the housebound and others in any type of need. At present, at long last, visitors are now allowed in nursing and residential homes, subject to certain conditions, such as making an appointment and have a lateral flow test for Covid. This means that several of our parishioners have now been visited after a considerable interval. As mentioned before, we need to know about the sick and housebound if we are to visit them; so if anyone is at home or in a nursing home and wishes to be visited, please pass this news on.

Marriage Preparation Course

You will need to contact Esther Lyon 01273 698182. www.stpetersbrighton.org

If you are interested in what Catholics believe, a new group for enquirers is starting in September. Please contact Sue on 0755 730 1796 or Fr Alexander.

Education Sunday is marked this year on 12 September – just after the new academic year starts. The theme for 2021 is 'A word in season', taken from Isaiah 50:4. Education Sunday gives us the opportunity to give thanks to God for all who teach and all who study. This is all the more poignant as we attempt to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Teachers, pupils and leaders in our schools have suffered 18 months of disruption and uncertainty. For the second year in a row, GCSE and A Level students have been Centre Assessed or Teacher Assessed – a challenging situation for both teachers and pupils.

On 12 September, we pray that God will fortify those working to make our schools & colleges places of learning and sanctuary – not just teachers and leaders but all the support staff whose tireless work sometimes goes unnoticed.

A hybrid retreat where you are invited to come to Worth or join the retreat online.

A section of the retreat is silent.

FINDING STILLNESS: -The Open Cloister @ Worth Abbey

Mon 20th-Thurs 23rd September 2021

Fri 29th-Sun 31st October 2021

Mon 8th-Thurs 11th November 2021

Mon 13th-Thurs 16th December 2021

Further information or to book a place online go to: worth.co.uk/retreat-programme
Enquiries: retreats@worth.org.uk

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>



Parish Notice Board

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.

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

Music Tuition

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

Curious about Catholics? To learn more and talk in an unpressured and confidential environment, please contact Sue on 0755 730 1796 or Fr Alexander.

Thinking of driving lessons? Please contact Phil Harris (Bartholomews Driving School) on 07711 688147.

Caroline's Kitchen – Tel 595922
Caterers for Baptisms, etc. Tel 595922 or carolineriley@carolines-kitchen.co.uk

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