

Sick Parishioners

Please pray for; Jim McFarlane, Caroline Audy, Margaret Chapman, Vincent O' Rourke, Jim and Valerie Lee, Eileen Banks, Matthew Garcia, Beverley Coughlan, Sonia Wall, Veronica Green, Denis Tribe, George Lamb, Kathleen Patricia Winter.

Parish Events

Monday 29 April, 8pm: First Holy Communion parents meeting.
Friday 3 May, 6-8pm: Altar servers' training and pizza.
Tuesday 7 May, 7.30pm: Parish Finance committee meeting.
Saturday 11/Sunday 12 May: Dr Kilmartin appeal at all Masses.
Saturday 11 May, 7pm: Film and Pizza night.
Sunday 12 May, 12.15pm: Adrian's party.
Saturday 18 May: First Holy Communion class.
Sunday 26 May, 6pm: Junior Film and Pizza night.
Saturday 1 June, 6pm: Unveiling of stained-glass window. Fr Jerry will attend.
Thursday 13 June, noon: Jubliarian's Mass at Arundel Cathedral.
Sunday 7 July, 11.00am: Parish Day.
Sunday 21 July, 12.15pm: Syrian Party.
Friday 26 July, 10am-noon: Little Apostles.
Friday 26 July, 12.30pm: Apostles Lunch Club.
Monday 29 July, 8pm: Baptism Preparation Course.
August 7-21: Visit of Father Enzo.
Monday 26 August: Day of recollection at West Grinstead.
Thursday 31 October: Mass to celebrate the Canonisation of Cardinal Newman.

200 Club Winner: Congratulations to the following:

March draw: £50 C DeCaprio, £90 Ailbhe Curran, £200 Peter & Sue McHugh

UCM: - Wednesday 1st May for a post Easter catch up, 7.30pm sharp in the church hall please, new members welcome.

Catholic papers and magazines. You may have noticed that we sell papers at the back of the Church, The Catholic Herald, The Tablet, The Catholic Times and The Catholic Universe. The parish buys them on a sale or return basis that has to be administered by the parish office. You can subscribe to these publications if you so choose, which means that they will arrive at your address by Friday rather than having to wait to get them on Sunday. Moreover, it may well be cheaper to be a subscriber. In addition, you can buy a subscription for someone as a present! If everyone did this, then we could cease selling at the back of the Church; though we could leave second hand copies there for interested parties. What do you think? The Tablet has 14,000 subscribers. Why not join them? Incidentally, reading the Catholic press is strongly to be encouraged. As Cardinal Newman, soon to be canonised, observed: "I want a laity, not arrogant, not rash in speech, not disputatious, but men who know their religion, who enter into it, who know just where they stand, who know what they hold and what they do not, who know their creed so well that they can give an account of it, who know so much of history that they can defend it."

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28 April 2019

Second Sunday of Easter

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Mass intentions this week:

Saturday 27 April 6pm Patrick & Annie Casey RIP
Sunday 28 April 8.30am GE Josie Staunton
Sunday 28 April 10am For all Parishioners
Sunday 28 April 11.15am Sheila Hermann RIP
Monday 29 April 10am GE Sidney Saunders
Tuesday 30 April 10 am Terry Hall RIP
Wednesday 1 May 10am Florence Duckworth RIP
Thursday 2 May No Mass
Friday 3 May 10am Basil James Rushton RIP
Saturday 4 May 10am Father Charles Jeffries RIP
Saturday 4 May 6pm Margaret Crew RIP
Sunday 5 May 8.30am Holy Souls
Sunday 5 May 10am For all Parishioners
Sunday 5 May 11.15am Eva and John Chricton RIP

This Sunday is the **Second Sunday of Easter or Low Sunday**, so called because on this day, after all the ceremonies of Easter, the liturgy is celebrated in a simpler, or low, way.

The Gospel is the story of what happened on the night of Easter Sunday, when Jesus appeared to his disciples and instead of rebuking them said: 'Peace be with you.' The account then tells us of the profession of faith of Saint Thomas, after his initial doubts. Saint Thomas is particularly revered in India where he later preached the faith, and so today is a special day for all Indian Christians. In addition, today is 'Divine Mercy Sunday' on which, according to the private revelations granted to Saint Faustina, Jesus particularly wants us to contemplate His Divine Mercy.

All the Masses this weekend, including the Vigil Mass on Saturday at 6pm, will be celebrated by Fr Rosario Arputham, who is a priest of the Society of African Missions (SMA). He will be making an appeal on behalf of the Society and its work. This constitutes our annual missionary appeal. Please give generously to this very important cause. Father Alexander is very grateful to Father Rosario for his visit, as this means he is able to take the weekend off. Please do make Father Rosario feel at home.

This Sunday marks the twenty-third anniversary of Fr Alexander's ordination to the sacred priesthood, which took place on the Fourth Sunday of Easter, 1996; this Monday, the feast of Saint Catherine of Siena, marks the twenty-third anniversary of his First Mass. Your prayers are solicited.

Many thanks to all who donated to the Survive MIVA appeal which raised the

sum of £778.50, for which the organisation, which provides vehicles to missionaries, has thanked us. Many thanks also for the Good Friday collection for the Holy Places in the Holy Land, which raised the sum of £261.24 which we will forward to Jerusalem in due course. Thank you to all who contributed to the Easter Flower collection, £160.55 was raised.

Many thanks to all who gave Fr Alexander Easter Cards, presents, and delicious things to eat and drink, and many thanks too for the Easter Collection. It is all greatly appreciated. And many thanks to all who made our Triduum a success. There were many appreciative comments about our singing, flowers, liturgy and the general appearance of the Church. Well done to all concerned! And continuing congratulations to Mark, baptised and confirmed on Easter night.

We have received the sad news of the death of George Lamb, who died at home early on Easter Monday. George, as many of you know, was our parish treasurer for many years, and the trusted collaborator of the late Canon Reynell and more recently Father Jerry. He had received the sacrament of the Sick some time previously. Let us pray for the repose of his soul, and for the comfort of his widow Caroline and their family. Funeral arrangements will be announced when known.

Liturgical Notes:

Monday is the feast of Saint Catherine of Siena, doctor of the Church and one of the patron saints of Europe. Tuesday is the feast of Saint George, patron saint of England and many other countries besides. This feast has been moved from its usual day, which fell in the Easter Octave. Wednesday is the feast of Saint

Joseph the Worker. Thursday is the feast of Saint Athanasius, bishop and doctor of the Church. Friday is the feast of Saints Philip and James, apostles. Saturday is the feast of the English Martyrs.

This Friday, 3rd May, our altar servers are invited for training in Church at 6pm, to be followed by Pizza and fun and games in the Hall afterwards. As usual, parents are very welcome to join us for the entire session, which ends at 8pm. If parents wish to leave their children, then they are kindly asked to leave contact details.

We are now entering the month of May, which is specially dedicated to Our Lady. During this month we should aim to sing more of the traditional hymns to the Blessed Virgin and to pray the Rosary more. To this end, after the weekday Mass, when there is no Exposition, we shall recite the Rosary communally. In addition, we can all say the Rosary at home.

The Rosary, Part One: The rosary probably began as a practice by the laity to imitate the monastic Divine Office (Breviary or Liturgy of the Hours), during the course of which the monks daily prayed the 150 Psalms. The laity, many of whom could not read, substituted 50, or even 150, Ave Marias (Hail Marys) for the Psalms. This prayer, at least the first half of it so directly biblically, seems to date from as early as the 2nd century, as ancient graffiti at Christian sites has suggested. Sometimes a cord with knots on it was used to keep an accurate count of the Aves. The first clear historical reference to the rosary, however, is from the life of St. Dominic (died in 1221), the founder of the Order of Preachers or Dominicans. He preached a form of the

rosary in France at the time that the Albigensian heresy was devastating the Faith there. Tradition has it that the Blessed Mother herself asked for the practice as an antidote for heresy and sin.

One of Dominic's future disciples, Alain de Roche, began to establish Rosary Confraternities to promote the praying of the rosary. The form of the rosary we have today is believed to date from his time. Over the centuries the saints and popes have highly recommended the rosary, the greatest prayer in the Church after the Mass and Liturgy of the Hours. Not surprisingly, it's most active promoters have been Dominicans.

"I see you have had some work done!" [Part Two] By the time you read this, the floors in the sacristies and on the ground floor of the presbytery will have been sanded and revarnished. In addition, the large Altar Missal is back from the repair workshop. The restoration of the volume cost £60, which, considering the painstaking nature of the work, is a very reasonable price. The Missal requires delicate handling, if it is to last the several hundred years Missals are supposed to last for. You will also notice the scaffolding outside the Church and inside the Church – this is to facilitate the installation of the new stained glass window.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Exposed takes place here every Friday after the 10am Mass for 30 minutes. The best time you spend on earth is with Jesus, your Best Friend, in the Blessed Sacrament! "How great is the value of conversation with Christ in the Blessed Sacrament, for there is nothing more consoling on earth, nothing more efficacious for advancing

along the road of holiness!" (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)

Date for the diary: The Diocese is celebrating the Jubilees of several priests on Thursday 13 June at noon, with a special Mass at Arundel presided over by Bishop Richard. The priests, with the number of years of ordination, are: Fr William Bradley (60), Fr John O'Sullivan (50), Fr Martin Thompson, Canon Thomas Treherne and Fr Brian Lowden (40); and Canon Timothy Madeley (25). Many of them are known to parishioners, so if you would like to come to the Cathedral on the day and join in the celebration, please note the date now.

On the last Friday in July, we plan to relaunch our parish playgroup for young children and their parents. It will be called **Little Apostles**, and it will run from 9.30am to 11.30am. The contact person for this group is Marta Pennington. More details will follow. On the same day we wish to launch our **Apostles Lunch Club** which will meet from noon, and may well include food, drink, bingo and other such fun and games. Please watch this space. And if you want to help with either/both of these ventures, please say so.

It is proposed to hold **our next Baptism preparation** course on Monday 29 July, in the Hall at 8pm. If you have a child to be baptised, then please speak to Fr Alexander before then so he can visit you at home.

Hall Hire: Please remember the hall is available for hire at £20 per hour, for bookings, please contact Jo Chamberlain our Hall Manager:
Tel 01273 204439 after 3.30 pm or email at stpetershallbn3@gmail.com

The Monday Club: Open Invitation. A warm welcome is extended to anyone wishing to join the Monday Club at Sacred Heart, Hove. Members meet every Monday at 2pm in the Parish Rooms, 39, Norton Road for tea and cakes, friendship and a range of social activities including outings, talks, bingo and conversation. For more information, meet new friends in an easy-going and informal setting. For more information, please call Bridget on 01273 736880.

Grandparents' Pilgrimage to West Grinstead: Wed. 12 June, from 10.30 to 3pm. Mass with Bishop Richard and opportunity to visit the Secret Chapel. More information
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