

Sick Parishioners

Please pray for; Jim McFarlane, Caroline Audy, Margaret Chapman, Maria Reynauld, Benedict Reynauld, Christopher Reynauld, Vincent O'Rourke, Jim and Valerie Lee, Eileen Banks, Matthew Garcia, Beverley Coughlan, , Sonia Wall , John London, Pat Musio. Veronica Green, John Lloyd, Denis Tribe, Louis Side.

Parent Toddler Group

Our Parent/Toddler group meet in the Hall from 1- 3pm on Friday afternoons. If you have a toddler or a baby you would be very welcome. For further details, please contact Claire 07931 877795.

House Blessings

If you would like your house blessed please, email Priests House

Prayers If you are having Mass offered for a special intention (sick or deceased person) please write a prayer and leave on lectern. There is no point in sending in a prayer a week or two in advance.

Hall Bookings

Hall hire £40 for child's party. Please book in time if you want our Hall for a child's party. Ring or email Priest's House.

First Communion dates

We have 3 main celebrations, June 9th, 10th and 16th. However if you want a celebration on a different day please contact me.

Greenery

If you happen to have good greenery in your garden could you do a bit of pruning and bring the cuttings to the Church any Thursday? Thank you!

Rotas 8/9 April

Readers

Sat 6.00pm J Hancock, C Kilgallon
Sun 8.30am I O'Mahony, S Wylie
Sun 10.00am K Young
Sun 11.15am K Braswell-Ralston, A Mullins

Special Ministers

Sat 7.00pm M McCullagh, K Manouan, J Johnson
Sun 8.30pm R Mulgrue, R Martin, J Bex
Sun 10.00am R McDermott, D Fletcher, J Murray, C Thorp
Sunday 11.15am M Flynn, P Maguire, H Bentley

Servers

Sat 6.00pm Bittar, Raffi, Freddie
Sun 8.30am P Fishenden, M Hardy, A Hardwicke
Sunday 10.00am C Johnson, K&M Royfs-Jones, M Johnson
Sunday 11.15am J O'Hare, O Hibbert, E Jordan

No Children's Liturgy for Easter Holidays

Coffee

Sun 10.00pm J Hampton, A Sheffield
Sun 11.15am S Simonds, J Shelvin, K Humphries

Mass Co-ordinators

Sat 6.00pm M Brown, M Grimes
Sun 8.30am S Cashman
Sun 10.00am G Silverstone
Sun 11.15am E Shorter

Collection £1965.00

Wishing you all a very joyful and relaxing Easter.

*May God bless
you all.
Fr. Terry*

St. Peter's Catholic Church Portland Road Hove BN3 5GD



April 1st

Easter Sunday

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Parish Secretary: Aisling Brombley
(In the office Wed-Fri. 9-12.30pm.)

Website: www.stpeters-hove.org.uk

Email st.peters.parish.ad@gmail.com

Mass times

Sat Mar 31st 7pm Private Intention

Sun Apr 1st 8.30am Maura Moher

Sun Apr 1st 10.00am Parishioners

Sun Apr 1st 11.15am Coughlan Family

Mon Apr 2nd 10am Noreen Sweeney

Tue Apr 3rd 10am Mary Fitzgerald

Wed Apr 4th 10am Manjona Victoria

Thur Apr 5th 10am Kathleen O'Grady

Fri Apr 6th 10am Thanksgiving (K Burke)

Sat Apr 7th 10am Maura Moher

Sat Apr 7th 6pm Fr Ambrose Tinsley

Sun Apr 8th 8.30am Parishioners

Sun Apr 8th 10am Manjona Victoria

Sun Apr 8th 11.15am Kieran Cashman

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday at 10.30am**

Easter Offerings

Your Easter offerings are given for the support of the priest. You can use your Gift Aid envelopes or the envelopes in your benches.

Sincere thanks

to all of you for participating in our Holy Week celebrations. A special word of thanks to those who were involved with music, Readings, Serving. We are very blessed to have such talented and generous people who prepare so well and make sure our celebrations are prayerful and uplifting.

Our thanks to **Andrew** and his Choir, to **Jane, Rob, Adrian**, Folk Group and Junior Choir for leading the music and singing. Our thanks to **Miran and Regina** for making sure our Church was welcoming and decorated with Easter flowers. There are many more who give a great service like Welcomers, Readers, Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Coffee Makers, those who help with Children's Liturgy, Church cleaning, Catechists for First Communion, Confirmation and RCIA, Money Counters and bankers

A Parish cannot be a true community without the willing support of generous Parishioners. **"It is in giving we receive"**.

Sincere thanks to Kate, Sue and helpers for all the support they have given **Johnie, Michelle, Alex, Livi and Dave** as they prepared for adult Baptism.

Eucharistic Ministers Preparation Evening

We have a number of new people who have volunteered to help as Eucharistic Ministers and we will have a short preparation for them on **Thursday evening April 26th** in the Church at 8pm. We need some more volunteers. It would be great to hear from Parishioners who are not over involved in the life of our Parish You would help every 5 or six weeks at the Mass you normally attend. All Parishioners should be able to help as Ministers of the Eucharist.

Eucharistic Ministers, Readers Coffee Rota

The new Rota for Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Coffee Makers, Servers will be ready in two weeks' time. Can new volunteers please contact us as soon as possible. I hope all those already helping will continue, but if you are unable please let us know. Some people just drop out but fail to let us know. Also if we make a mistake and your name is not on, just contact us. We don't drop people off the rota without contacting them.

Dates for your Diary

17th Apr Baptism Preparation
23rd Apr Confirmation Preparation
26th Apr Eucharistic Ministers 8pm
30th Apr First Communion Prep
11/13th May Confirmation Retreat
20th May Sunday tea Party 3pm
9th June First Communion
10th June First Communion
16th June First Communion
29th June Cottesmore Golf
30th June Confirmation
30th June Cottesmore Summer Fair
6th July International Dinner
8th July Parish Day

Cottesmore Golf and Dinner

The 29th June is not that far away. Please put the date in your diary and get a team of 3 together. Forms at the back of the Church. Contact Adam on 07739 181711 or adamsprackling@yahoo.co.uk

Safeguarding Awareness Training, Brighton & Hove Deanery

For all our Parish Volunteers working as Confirmation, First Holy Communion & Children's Liturgy Catechists, Wednesday 25 April 7-9pm St Thomas More Church, Patcham. Please contact Aisling Brombley at Parish Office for further details.

Wedding;

Please pray for **Caroline Woodward** and **Charles Ragsdale** to be married here on Friday **April 6th at 1pm.**

Gift Aid Envelopes

Those who make their contribution to the Church will find your new box of envelopes at the back of the Church. If you are a tax payer please fill out a **Gift Aid form** from the back of the Church. We will then get an extra 25% on your contribution.

Bus Pass Tea Party

Please put the date in your diary for the Sunday afternoon tea party organised by some of our younger mothers and Confirmation helpers **Sunday 20th May** at 3pm in the Parish Hall.

Baptism Preparation

The next preparation evening is **Tuesday 17th April** in the Priest's House at 8pm. We seem to have quite a number of Baptisms booked for May, June and July. Please note the days we are unable to have Baptisms. Saturday and **Sunday 9th/10 June, Saturday 16th June** (First Communion days)
Saturday 30th June (Confirmations)
Sunday 8th July (Parish Day).

Blessing; I would like to encourage parents to present their child for a blessing at Mass a couple of weeks before the date of Baptism. Please write the child's name and parent's names and give to me before Mass Starts and you will be called forward at the end of Mass.

A & B News at the back of the Church.

Financial statement

If you would like a copy of the Parish Financial statement you can take one from the back of the Church. Grateful thanks to **Vincent** for preparing it and to all of you who contribute on a regular basis. Remember if you Gift Aid your contribution you increase your gift by 25%. As you read the statement you will notice that the average weekly gift per adult is between £4 and £5. Some of course are giving far more and many far less. We need something in the region of £5 a family to keep our heads above water. Thank you.

Parish Day celebrations

We will have our usual celebration when we gather in the marquee in the grounds of Cardinal Newman School for our Parish day **Sunday 8th July.** For the past 17 years we have come together for Mass followed by BBQ and Picnic. This celebration will be similar to other years when we have all the families of First Communion children, and Confirmation candidates. We will also remember the many in our Parish who are celebrating Jubilees. I will be celebrating 50 years as a priest and many Parishioners will be celebrating *Silver, Ruby, Golden, Diamond weddings.*

We are members of one family but the road we all travel is often narrow and bumpy. But we are called to stand side by side with one another realising as Pope Francis often mentions that the Church is a "Field hospital" called by Christ to bind up hearts that are broken. The Parish Day comes at the end of a very busy month in the Parish especially for our musicians and choirs, with First Communion, Confirmations, International Dinner and Parish Day. Please put the **6th (International dinner)** and **8th July** (Parish day)in your diary.

200 Club

1st £200 Catherine Hoare-Exley
2nd £ 90 Hugh Foord
3rd £ 50 Mark Tickel.

We support our two main charities with profit from the 200 Club. It costs £1 a week or £52 a year. Forms at the back of the Church.

Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel

In some ways this gospel is a difficult one for prayer. It only presents a part of the story and the full unfolding of the good news the story contains lies in the next part of the text. However, even with this section there is plenty of material for reflection and for prayer.

1. The disciples are in a state of shock and suffering from a traumatic loss. Jesus, the one in whom they had placed so much hope, has been murdered and buried. Then, before they have time to recover, comes another shock – the body of Jesus is missing.
2. Mary and Peter, and possibly others, came and discovered that the tomb was empty. The part of the story we have in this text gives no explanations of what has happened. They are left in a state of bewilderment for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.
3. Yet in spite of the lack of explanation, the beloved disciple 'saw and believed'. Have there been times when others have shown this kind of faith in you when you were not able to offer satisfactory explanations and all you could say was 'trust me'?

Flat to rent

Lovely Two bedroomed maisonette available to rent. 5 minute walk from Hove station. Special rates for a fellow Parishioner or Contact Martha 07814931285 or msierankowska@yahoo.co.uk;

Going into Hospital

Please, notify me so that the chaplain can visit.

Gift Aid Statements are now available for collection. Please contact us by email if possible and we will send your statement to you. Our sincere thanks to all our Parishioners who Gift Aid their contributions and to **Jacqui Collins** for all her work with the Gift Aid scheme. We received over **£18000** from the Chancellor.

Marriage Preparation Course

I have now received the dates for the next Marriage preparation Session. It starts on 17th April. You will need to contact Esther Lyon 01273 698182. www.stpetersbrighton.org. I believe they have only a few places left.

Domestic Housekeeping Service

Do you need help with housekeeping? Call Bright & Beautiful Hove. Contact Velda on 07498 758582 velda@brightandbeautifulhome.com

Baby Sitting - Evie Hancock who lives in Hove, is an excellent and experienced baby sitter and a student at Cardinal Newman School. She is available for baby sitting and can be contacted on 07522279556..

World Meeting of Families –

Will be held in Dublin from **22nd to 26th August**. Bishop Richard will be leading a Pilgrimage of 100 people from our Diocese. The event includes a three day Congress exploring themes from ***Amoris Laetitia***. information contact wmof2018@dabnet.org

Mud Monsters

Paul Constable one of our excellent Coffee makers is doing the **mud run on 3rd June** to raise some money for our **Stained Glass Window**. Forms at the back of the Church but Paul will be there himself after the 10am and 11.15am Masses on Sunday 22nd April. paulconstable@yahoo.com

RE Teachers in Secondary Schools

Do you want to inspire young people and consider training as an RE Teacher. If so please contact Sally Dudley Recruitment lead at Sussex University. s.e.dudley@sussex.ac.uk or Claire.rooney123@btinternet.com

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

Easter Retreat Worth Abbey

For Young adults (18 to 35) at Worth Abbey for the Easter Triduum 29th Mar to 1st April. They will take part in the Cross Walk from Arundel to Worth starting on Palm Sunday to arrive at Worth on Good Friday. Contact TOC@worthabbey.net or fcarboney@wellspringbrighton.org.uk

Adoremus - We have been allocated 4 places for the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage Congress to take place in Liverpool from 7th to 9th September. If you are interested please take a form from the back of the Church. They will need to know numbers by 23rd March.

Food for all occasions. Call 07826 526527 or 07930 378899 food@feastofhove.co.uk

Maths: Sulaiman Wihba one of our Parishioners who *only* got 4 A* at A level and will be starting in Oxford next September is available to give maths tuition. He can be contacted s.wilba98@gmail.com or tel 07459026345.

Financial Adviser

Nick Lee a Parishioner has set up as an Independent Financial Adviser. 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
Caroline's Kitchen – Tel 595922 Caterers for Baptisms, etc. Tel 595922 or carolineriley@carolines-kitchen.co.uk

Foodbank; at St. Georges Church Court Farm road is open on Wednesdays from 12.30 to 2.30pm. They aim to provide food for people and families who find themselves in difficult situations. You can place gifts of sugar, long life juice, tinned fruits, tinned tomato's in the box at the back of our Church.

Street Pastors needed

The Church in action on the streets. Volunteers from the Churches in Brighton and Hove are needed to ensure the streets are safe for clubbers and others on a night out. After receiving training, volunteers do a once a month patrol usually between 10.30pm to 3am Friday or Saturday. If you can help please contact Alister Crow on 07817 604232 brighton@streetpastors.org.uk

Holy Land Pilgrimage

Aimed at those aged 18-35, the Sacred Heart pilgrimage taking in all the sites in October half term. There will be an Information Evening at 8pm on Thursday 16th in the Sacred Heart Parish Room. Further information can be found at facebook.com/HolyLand2017 or email YPPHL2017@gmail.com

Maths Tutoring

If you are looking for some help with maths contact Waseem Wihba 07466 097463
Small Group maths tuition for children 7 to 11. Experienced primary school teacher. Call Katie Jackson 07776 098522 www.stepupforlearning.com
French GCSE Tutoring Contact Daisy Messant a current A Level French student on 07736597621 daisyraemessant@gmail.com

Guitar Lesson

Fun friendly lessons. Full CRB Visit www.learnuitarbrighton.com
07855169344
Guitar Lessons- all styles. Dr James Westbrook Dip. Mus., FLCM, PhD (Music, Cambridge). jrw84@cam.ac.uk or: 07836 550210

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>

Host Families needed

All year round. Single/twin room accommodation required. Ring Maureen 01273 778918 or 07801827323 Studenthomes.me@hotmail.com

Thinking of Buying/Selling a car

contact is Phil Harris at Esplanade Motor Tel 07711 688147.

Computer problems

Call Peter Fishenden on 386593 Computer lessons £15 an hour p.fishend@ntlworld.com

Development worker SVP.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is an international Christian charity providing practical help to those in need. They want to employ a development worker for the Brighton region 20k. For application pack email thomasg@svp.org.uk