

Sick Parishioners

Please pray for; Jim McFarlane, Caroline Audy, Paul Smith, Margaret Chapman, Maria Reynauld, Benedict Reynauld, Christopher Reynauld, Vincent O' Rourke, Jim and Valerie Lee, Eileen Banks Matthew Garcia, Beverley Coughlan, , Marita Aramy, Bernie Harvey, Sunita Hand, Sonia Wall , John London, Margaret Waters. Catherine Mooney. Pat Musio. Veronica Green, Ken Powell. Gerard Coughlan, Renee Waller, John Lloyd, Denis Tribe.

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 me or ring Priest's 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.

HSPC Lourdes Pilgrimage and Diocesan Pilgrimage

We will take up a retiring collection next weekend to support the handicapped Children's Trust and the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage.

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Readers 10/11

Sat 6.00pm C Grimes, A Wilson
Sun 8.30am S Wylie, I O'Mahony
Sun 10.00am N Austin
Sun 11.15am W Wallis, A Ralston

Special Ministers

Sat 6.00pm M McCullagh, K Manouan, J Johnson
Sun 8.00pm B Palmer, S Coldicott, S Cashman
Sun 10.00am R Kin, D Keys, K R-Jones, E McIntosh
Sunday 11.15am M Malenczak, C O' Flynn, S Hall

Servers

Sat 6.00pm Bittar, Freddie, Raffi
Sun 8.30am P Fishenden, M Hardy, A Hardwicke
Sunday 10.00am C Andrews, K Westbrook, L O'Mahony, A Heathfield
Sunday 11.15am J O'Hare, O Hibbert, E Jordan

Children's Liturgy

No Liturgy – Half Term

Coffee

Sun 10.00pm P Constable, C Sheriff
Sun 11.15am Essam, Sally, Elham

Mass Co-ordinators

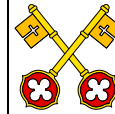
Sat 6.00pm M Brown, M Grimes
Sun 8.30am B Palmer
Sun 10.00am F O'Hara
Sun 11.15am H Beckford

Collection £2037.00

*May God bless
you all.
Fr. Jerry*

St. Peter's Catholic Church

Portland Road Hove
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February 5th



5th Sunday of Ordinary time

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Mass times

Sat Feb 3rd 6pm Marcie Cavanagh

Sun Feb 4th 8.30 Eileen Palmer

Sun Feb 4th 10am Parishioners

Sun Feb 4th 11.15am Audrey Fitzgerald

Mon Jan 5th 10am William O'Brien

Tue Jan 6th 10am Liturgy of the Word

Wed Jan 7th 10am Kitty Fitzgerald

Thu Feb 8th 10am Beverley Coughlan

Fri Feb 9th 10am Hugo McDyer

Sat Feb 10th 10am Nori & Egidio Zorzan

Sat Feb 10th 6pm Claire Gwynn

Sun Feb 11th 8.30am Dec Members of Palmer Family

Sun Feb 11th 10.00am Parishioners

Sun 11th Feb 11.15am

Bradleys 50th Anniversary

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday at 10.30am

Please pray

for the repose of the soul of **Fr. Frank Harrington. Requiem Mass** at St. Dunstan's Woking on Tuesday 13th February at 12noon. May he rest in peace.

Funeral Service

for the repose of the soul of **Bridget Tucker** at Woodvale Crematorium on Thursday 15th February at 4pm. May she rest in peace.

Requiem Mass for Hertford Leslie

On Tuesday 20th February at 11am. May he rest in peace

First Communion

The next Parent's Meeting is on **Monday 26th February** in the Hall at 8pm. It is important for parents to attend this meeting so that they are well prepared to help their children prepare for First Holy Communion.

Baptism Preparation

The next preparation evening for parents who have a child for baptism will be **Tuesday 13th February** at 8.15pm.

Confirmation Preparation

Away/Retreat weekend

Every year we take the Confirmation candidates for a long weekend as part of their Confirmation preparation. We have booked a residential venue **St. Bartz** near Barcombe just outside Lewes from Friday evening **11th May** to lunchtime on Sunday **13th May**.

Next Meeting

The **Catechists** will meet with the Confirmation Candidates on Monday **19th February 7-8.15pm**.

Feast of St. Blaise

We will keep the feast on **Monday** with the blessing of throats after the 10am Mass. We pray " *through the intercession of St Blaise and the Lord's tender mercy, may you be protected from all decease of the throat, in the name of Father , Son and Holy Spirit* "

Adult Formation Group

Meet on Monday evenings. Next Meeting **5th February** in Priest's House 8 to 9pm. The evenings are helpful for those who want to know more about our faith or thinking of joining our Church.

Parish Team Meeting

The next Parish Team Meeting will be here at the Priest's House on Tuesday **20th February** at 8pm. Items for the agenda to Priest's House.

Dates for your Diary

5th Feb Adult Formation Group
13th Feb Baptism Preparation 8.15pm
19th Feb Confirmation prep
26th Feb First Communion Parents
9th June First Communion
10th June First Communion
16th June First Communion
30th June Confirmation
6th July International Dinner
8th July Parish Day

Gift Aid Statements are now available for collection. Please contact 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.

Stained Glass Window

I mentioned two weeks ago that the majority of people were in favour of the two fishing designs. Debbie will incorporate aspects of both designs. If you are able to contribute please use the envelopes in the benches. We will have a number of retiring collections during the year for the Stained Glass Window. At the moment we have £11k. Thank you. We have a Window fund but make cheques to St. Peter's Catholic Church.

Meeting with Bishop Richard

At our meeting on Monday night **Kate Williamson** gave a very helpful short talk on what it means to be Baptised and the call given to all baptised to be the bearers of **Good News**. We went on to discuss the future of our region keeping in mind that Pastoral regions (Parishes) will be much larger in the future as the number of priests dwindle. We were also reminded that this is not a time to be afraid but a time of opportunity. The Scripture passage we reflected on reminded all of us of the "*variety of gifts given to us for a good purpose*". We also reflected on the following question and we ask you to give it some consideration.

If Bishop Richard came to St. Peter's and said "I cannot find a priest for Southwick/Portslade/St. Georges, Sacred Heart". So from the 1st of May your Pastoral Region (Parish) will be all of Hove/Portslade/Southwick (Don't worry Parishioners from Southwick/Sacred Heart, we have no intention yet of expanding). If it happened and it may in time how would we manage to care for the people with just one priest? What help are you able to give as a baptised member of that Pastoral region?
Then on Wednesday we met with Bishop Richard and other representatives from the different Parishes of the Deanery. Reports from Parishes were similar. I have heard most of them many times over the past 50 years. No great decisions were taken but we all left with the desire and challenge to encourage people to play a more active part in the life of our Parishes.

Eucharistic Ministers

We have quite a number of Ministers of the Eucharist but some on our rota seldom come forward to help. Can you please check the **Rota** and do your best to help. There isn't a problem if you are away on holiday. We seem to have problems on Sat eve and 8.30 Sunday morning. Can I also ask other Ministers to be generous and volunteer if someone happens to be away. Thank you.

Marriage Preparation Course

I am still waiting for dates for the preparation course. As far as I know the Spring course is full. If you intend getting married this year you should attend a preparation course. Please contact me for details.

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.

200 Club

1st £200 Jade Follows
2nd £ 90 Catherine Howes
3rd £ 50 Diana Farrar

As you know we were able to give £3000 each to two of our charities profit from the 200 Club. If you wish to join the 200 Club please collect a form from the back of the Church. It costs £1 a week or £52 a year and we have a draw every month for £200, £90 and £50.

Holy Ghost Fathers

Letter of thanks from **Fr. James**
"I want to thank you sincerely for your welcome, prayers, meal and support. Your Parish is really exceptional.the beauty of the Liturgy, attendance, participation, it was just amazing". You gave £1100 to support the missionary work.

Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel

This passage contains three stories and there is food for thought in each of them.
1. The first is one of healing. You might reflect on a time when you were sick in mind, body or spirit and someone who helped take care of you. Remember them with gratitude.
2. The second story adds another dimension. People freed from *demons*. We can find ourselves imprisoned by fear, anxiety, guilt, low self-esteem, addictions, bitterness.
3. The third story has a number of different elements to consider. Jesus goes to a desert place after a busy day, He felt the need to for quiet, to ground himself once more. In the rough and tumble of daily life how do you keep in touch with what is going on inside yourself? What difference does it make if you take time out?
We also see Jesus breaking new ground. He wasn't afraid to move on and continue his ministry.

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. She will also be donating 10% to a charity. (*Not sure whether it is gross or net.*)

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

Concert in aid of the Samaritans at the Good Shepherd Church Dyke Road on Saturday 3rd February 7.30pm. Tickets £10, available on the door.

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**. Wonderful international speakers will lead session for adults and there are age appropriate activities for children and young people. This is followed by a concert style Festival of families on Saturday, and the event concludes with Mass celebrated by Pope Francis on Sunday. If you are interested please contact me at Priest's House. Cost of flight and accommodation around £700.

100 places have been booked by our Diocese with accommodation at Dublin University. For further information contact wmof2018@dabnet.org

Thinking of Buying/Selling a car

contact is Phil Harris at Esplanade Motor Tel 07711 688147.

Food for all occasions.

Call 07826 526527 or 07930 378899
food@feastofhove.co.uk

Caroline's Kitchen – Tel 595922

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

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

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

Gift Aid

Thanks to those who signed a form last week. You have received a form from us and we would be grateful if it was returned as soon as possible. It is a painless way of supporting the mission of the Church and keeping our buildings in good order. If you have still to join the Gift Aid scheme please do so today. Just fill it in and return it to Priest's House and we will send you a " **Gift Aid Declaration form**". For every £1 you give to the Church we as a charity can claim back another 25p. So if you even give just the price of a cup of coffee every week we get back another £25 a year.

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

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>

Computer problems

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

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

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07855169344

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Dr James Westbrook Dip. Mus., FLCM, PhD (Music, Cambridge).
jrw84@cam.ac.uk or: 07836 550210

Host Families needed

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