Sick Parishioners

Please pray for; Jim McFarlane, Caroline Audy, Paul Smith, Margaret Chapman, Maria Reynauld, Benedict Reynauld, Christopher Reynauld, Vincent O' Rourke, Susan Luckhurst, Jim and Valerie Lee, Eileen Banks Matthew Garcia, Beverley Coughlan, , Marita Aramyo, Bernie Harvey, Sunita Hand, Sonia Wall, John London, John Reeve, Margaret Waters. Catherine Mooney. Pat Musio, Veronica Green.

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

Open Church

We have been very blessed and able to keep the Church open for prayer all the time and many of you drop in and light candles. I have closed it a little early recently but I hope we can continue to keep it open most evenings until 7pm.

Rotas 13/14 January Readers

Sat 6.00pm J Hancock, C Kilgallon Sun 8.30am I O'Mahony S Wylie

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Sun 11.15am N Chapman, A Szerbiak

Special Ministers

Sat 6.00pm C Atherton, A Graham, C Robertson

Sun 8.00pm R Mulgrue, R Martin, J Bex Sun 10.00am M Addison, T Milligan, I Farringdon, J Brady

Sunday 11.15am C O'Flynn, K McCurdy, P Savage

Servers

Sat 6.00pm Bittar, Freddie, Raffi Sun 8.30am S Yates, T Tall-Stuart, Herbie

Sunday 10.00am N Sim, C Hooper, W Bevins

Sunday 11.15am J O'Hare, O Hibbert, E Jordan

Children's Liturgy

Pre-School Marta
Reception/Year 1 Fiona
Year 2/3 Natalie Andrew

Coffee

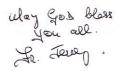
Sun 10.00pm I Farringdon, A Jordan, F O'Hara Sun 11.15am L Hennessey, H Beckford, S Garner

Mass Co-ordinators

Sat 6.00pm C Kilgallon Sun 8.30am M Tall-Stuart Sun 10.00am D Talerton Sun 11.15am E Shorter

Collection £1943.00

I WISH YOU ALL A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR



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



January 7th

Feast of the Epiphany

Parish Priest: Fr. Jerry O'Brien

Priest's House,

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Website: www.stpeters-hove.org.uk **Email** st.peters.parish.ad@gmail.com

Mass times

Sat Jan 6th 6pm Dorothy Kelleher Sun Jan 7th 8.30 Maura Moher Sun Jan 7th 10am Parishioners Sun Jan 7th 11.15am Bill and Eileen Agate

Mon Jan 8th 10am Pat Donovan
Tue Jan 9th 10am Chad Goddard
Wed Jan 10th 10am Tom McCarthy
Thu Jan 11th 10am Linda Harland
Fri Jan 12th 10am McHugh Family
Fri Jan 12th 12.30 Vera Wood
Requiem
Sat Jan 13th 10am A.Lin Chiew Hoong

Sat Jan 13th 6pm Sheila O'Rourke

Sun Jan 14th 8.30 David Wright Sun Jan 14th 10am Parishioners Sun Jan 14th 11.15am Private Int

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday at 10.30am.

Feast of the Epiphany 6th Jan

We celebrate the end of the Christmas season this weekend. We give thanks for the many blessing we have received and go forward in hope now to live the Christmas message of hope, peace and joy.

Requiem Mass

for the repose of the soul of **Elizabeth Crosbie**.

On Tuesday 16th January at 10am . May she rest in peace.

Requiem Mass

for the repose of the soul of **Vera Wood on Friday 12**th **January at 12.30pm.** May she rest in peace.

Sincere Thanks

As we get back and settle into to a new year I want to thank you for all the support you have given not just at Christmas but throughout the year and pray that all of us can work together to bring the Good News to one another.

A special word of thanks to those who give much of their time to make sure our Parish is alive and active. All our musicians and Choirs give a great service to the parish not just at Christmas but throughout the year. I would also like at this time to thank our Catechists for First Holy Communion and Confirmation. RCIA, and to all those who help with Children's Liturgy on Sundays. Thanks also to all our Readers. Eucharistic Ministers. Servers. Coffee Makers, and Church cleaners. Sacristans. Flower arrangers, money counters, to Jacqui for keeping the Chancellor on his toes and reminding him to pay up on time, to Vincent for his accurate book keeping. (every penny accounted and Financial statement will be ready soon). Finally thanks to our Parish Team for keeping me on the straight and narrow.

Christmas Offerings

Sincere thanks for your very generous Christmas Offerings and presents.

Charities

We support two main Charities as well as St. Thomas Fund for the Homeless, CAFOD, the Martlets etc. We will make a presentation of £3000 to Reaching the Unreached helping disadvantaged children in India and Sussex Night Stop helping young people in Brighton on Sunday 21st January. The money was mainly raised by those who are members of our 200 Club. Thank you for your generosity.

Dates for your Diary

11th Jan Parish Team Meeting

20th Jan Confirmation event

28th Jan Mission Appeal

13th Feb Baptism Preparation 8.15pm

31st Jan Bishop Richard Meeting

9th June First Communion

10th June First Communion

16th June First Communion

30th June Confirmation

6th July International Dinner

8th July Parish Day

Gift Giving

We got a variety of lovely gifts from the children at our Christmas Masses and they have been given mainly to people in our Nursing/Rest homes. Many thanks for all the gifts.

School Forms, Please note;

If you are known to me and attend St. Peter's and wish to send your child to one of our Schools, please complete the form and post in Priest's House with Baptismal cert. I will bring the completed form to the school. All forms should be with me before 15th January.

Baptism Preparation

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

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.

Golden Jubilee

I put this note in last week newsletter to let you know that I will celebrate the Golden Jubilee of my ordination on Parish Day 8th July. We will mark the occasion when we gather as a Parish to celebrate our Parish Day in the grounds of Cardinal Newman School. We have booked the marquee for the grounds at Cardinal Newman School from Friday 6th for an International dinner and Sunday 8th for our Parish day. It will be similar to what we have had for the past 17 years celebrating the life of our Parish.

Anointing of the sick

Those who are my age will remember when this Sacrament was known as the "last Rites". People wouldn't let the priest know that the person was seriously ill until they were unconscious. In the letter of St. James we hear the words "if there is anyone sick among you they should send for the priests of the Church and they should pray over the sick person. The prayer of faith will give strength and peace to that sick person and if they have failed in any way they will be forgiven" It is a beautiful sacrament giving hope not just to the sick person but to family members too.

Parish Team Meeting will meet this Thursday 11th January at 7.30pm. We hope to spend some time reflecting on "planning for the future"

Junior Choir members

Meet this Wednesday in the Hall at from 6pm to 7pm.

Stained Glass Window

I hope you have had time to look at the 4 different designs displayed at the back of the Church for the last month. We now need to take a decision and choose one of the designs before the presentation is made to the Historic Churches Committee in March. Please choose one of the designs and place in the box at the back of the Church.

World Meeting of Families - Will be held in Dublin from 21st to 26th
August. Bishop Richard will be leading a Pilgrimage of 100 people from our Diocese. If you are interested please contact me at Priest's House. Cost of flight and accommodation around £700. Wonderful international speakers will lead session for adults and there are age appropriate activities for children and young people. The final Mass on the Sunday 26th will be celebrated by Pope Francis

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

Thinking of Buying/Selling a car contact is Phil Harris at Esplanade Motor Tel 07711 688147.

Seeing your life through the lens of the Gospel

- 1. The Epiphany is a feast that celebrates light. In the words of our first reading, it is time to 'Arise, shine out!' Today we hear again the story of the wise men who came to seek the infant king. They followed the light of the star, and found the light of the world. So overcome were the wise men that they knelt to praise Jesus, offering him lavish treasures as well as their love and adoration.
- 2. Imagine the light they carried with them after that encounter, as they made the journey home to their own country. Their lives were changed forever. And so were ours the Epiphany marks the moment when the light of Christ first shone out to all nations.
- 3. Think about a person who transformed your life in some way, or a moment or event that changed the direction of your life. 'Epiphany' is sometimes described as a time of sudden realisation; an 'Aha!' moment. Let today be the day when you encounter Jesus, as the wise men did. Let the light of the Nativity and Epiphany guide you as you prepare to return to your work, school of college. Carry the light with you. Like the wise men, return to your everyday life 'by a different way'.

St. Peter's website

Thanks for the photographs you have sent in for our website. Please keep sending them and some of them will find their way on to the website.

Please note our new email address st.peters.parish.ad@gmail.com

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 <u>carolineriley@carolines-kitchen.co.uk</u>

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

Marriage Preparation 2018

Contact Marriage Care on 0800 389 3801. They will give you all the information you need. Courses take place at the Cassidy Centre St. Marys Church Preston Park.

appointments@marriagecare.org.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.

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 vou 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

Domestic Housekeeping Service

Part-time, fully employed, housekeeping roles available now. Fair rates of pay and weekly hours within school day. Contact Velda at Bright and Beautiful 07498758582 velda@brightandbeautifulhome.com

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

Guitar Lesson

Fun friendly lessons. Full CRB Visit www.learnguitarbrighton.com **07855169344**

Guitar Lessons- all styles. 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