

### 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, Kathleen Patricia Winter.

### Parish Events

Saturday 25 May, 7.15pm Sacristans' Dinner.

Sunday 26 May, 6pm: Junior Film and Pizza night.

Tuesday 28/Wednesday 29 May: Clergy In service training.

Wednesday 30 May, noon: Funeral mass of Margaret Kelsey RIP.

Thursday 30 May.: Ascension Thursday. Mass at 10am and 7.30pm.

Saturday 1 June, 6pm: Unveiling of stained-glass window. Fr Jerry will attend.

Thursday 6 June, 11am: Mary Mass at Cottesmore.

Saturday 8 June, 11.30am: First Holy Communion Mass.

Sunday 9 June, 11.30am: First Holy Communion Mass.

Thursday 13 June, noon: Jubliarian's Mass at Arundel Cathedral.

Saturday 15 June, 11.30am: First Holy Communion Mass.

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.

Saturday 3 August: Film Night.

August 7-21: Visit of Father Enzo.

Monday 26 August: Day of recollection at West Grinstead.

### Catholaity Fair 2019. meeting 28th

**May:** This is a planning meeting and we have been asked to send a representative, it is a great way to get involved and meet others from our neighbouring parishes. This event has been running for over fifty years. If you would like to attend or know more please contact the office. Fr Alexander is unable to attend so it would be helpful if someone could represent the Parish.

**Parish Day Sunday 7 July 11.00am:** will again take place in the grounds of Newman school, we will be having our hugely successful **International Dinner** again this year to celebrate the diversity in our Parish, on the Friday evening. If you are interested in helping with either event, please do contact the Parish Office.

**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](mailto:stpetershallbn3@gmail.com)

**Pentecost Vigil Mass with New Catholics:** Bishop Richard invites you to join him in celebrating the Pentecost Vigil Mass with new Catholics – adults recently baptised or received into the Church – on Saturday 8th June at 5pm in Arundel Cathedral. ALL are welcome – families, friends, Godparents, sponsors, catechists and parishioners. New Catholics are also invited to an afternoon of prayer and reflection with Bishop Richard preceding the Mass. If you have not yet received your invitation please contact [ruth.gerun@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:ruth.gerun@abdiocese.org.uk) or telephone (01293) 651164.

### St. Peter's Catholic Church Portland Road Hove

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26 May 2019

Sixth Sunday of Easter

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**Website:** [www.stpeters-hove.org.uk](http://www.stpeters-hove.org.uk)

### Mass intentions this week:

Saturday 25 May 6pm James Casey RIP  
Sunday 26 May 8.30am Franko Dimaio RIP  
Sunday 26 May 10am For all parishioners  
Sunday 26 May 11.15am Adrian's intention

Monday 27 May 10am GE Simone Lloyd  
Tuesday 28 May No Mass  
Wednesday 29 May 12 noon Funeral of Margaret Kelsey RIP  
Thursday 30 May 10am Special Intention (P. Cornell)  
Thursday 30 May 7.30pm Holy Souls  
Friday 31 May 10am Tara Longley RIP

Saturday 1 June 10am Fung Lang Cheung RIP  
Saturday 1 June 6pm Ann Budd RIP  
Sunday 2 June 8.30am Brenda and Paul Allen Ruby Wedding  
Sunday 2 June 10am For all Parishioners  
Sunday 2 June 11.15am Adrian's Intention

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**This Sunday is the Sixth Sunday of Easter.** The first reading tells us of a challenge to the early Church: were new converts to Christianity, who had never been Jewish, obliged to keep the Jewish law when they became Christians? This question was settled by the meeting known as the Council of Jerusalem, which decided that they did not. The wording of the decision is important: 'It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves...' we read. Again, in the Gospel, Jesus speaks of the sending of the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, 'who will teach you everything and remind you of all that I have said to you.' We believe that the Church is the Body of Christ and is given life by the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, which protects the Church from teaching error, and guides the Church, through discernment, when difficult decisions have to be made. Needless to say, the Church's teaching on 'new' questions cannot contradict the teaching received from Jesus, but must be in continuity with it. Church teaching grows and develops, but it does not change.

**This Sunday there is a retiring collection for the missionary endeavour of the diocese.**

Confessions are heard every Saturday morning, from 10.30 to 11.15am.

This Sunday, 26 May, our family film night begins at 6pm. The film is Night at the Museum I, and pizza and soft drinks will be served at half time. The evening should end shortly after 8pm. All are welcome. Younger viewers are urged to bring bean bags to sit on. Parents who wish to drop children off and collect them later are free to do so, as long as they leave contact details. Parents and others who want to stay are also welcome!

This week there is no Mass on Tuesday morning, as Fr Alexander will be travelling to the clergy in service training. Moreover, Mass on Wednesday is at 12 noon and will be the funeral of Margaret Kelsey, who died in Saint Mary's Care Home, Preston Park, on Sunday 5 May. The celebrant will be Fr John Collins, who is chaplain to Saint Mary's. In addition, there will be two Masses on Thursday 30 May at 10am and at 7.30pm, as it is the Solemnity of the Ascension, which has now been restored to its rightful day, 40 days after Easter. It is a Holy Day of Obligation, when the faithful are bound to attend Mass under pain of sin.

We are unveiling the new stained glass in this Saturday, 1 June, at the 6pm Vigil Mass. All are invited to this and to drinks in the Hall afterwards. Fr Jerry will be the principle celebrant and will preach; we hope Fr Kevin Dring will also be there, as will several other invited guests.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Anne (Tiny) Lloyd, who was a parishioner at St Peter's for several years, and who died unexpectedly in her sleep on Sunday 12th May. She was 66 years old. Her funeral will be on Wednesday 12th June at 12 noon at St Mary Magdalen's Church.

**Liturgical Notes:** We are now coming to the end of the month of May, which is specially dedicated to Our Lady. June, which follows is the month dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. There are several beautiful hymns specifically to the Sacred Heart which we shall aim to sing. In addition, there are lots of hymns the treat of God's love for us in Jesus, which we will be singing too.

Monday is the feast of Saint Augustine of Canterbury, bishop.

Tuesday is the feast of the Blessed Margaret Pole, martyr.

Thursday is the solemnity of the Ascension. The nine days that follow, leading up to Pentecost, are the nine days of prayer that the apostles spent with Our Lady awaiting the coming of the Holy Spirit: the original novena. We shall be keeping this novena by reciting or singing the Come Holy Spirit daily.

Friday is the feast of the Visitation of Our Lady.

Saturday is the feast of Saint Justin, martyr.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Exposed takes place here every Friday after the 10am Mass for 30 minutes. If the Pope himself would give you a special invitation to visit him in the Vatican, this honour would be nothing in comparison to the honour and dignity that Jesus himself bestows upon you with the invitation of spending one hour with him in the Blessed Sacrament. "The divine Eucharist bestows upon the Christian people the incomparable dignity." (Pope Paul VI, *Mysterium Fidei*)

**From our Treasurer:** My apologies for omitting the offertory totals for the last three weeks. Here they are now: Sun 28 Apr £1,482.76 / Society of African Missions £727.68 Sun 05 May £1,551.27 Sun 12 May £1,624.61 / Training of future priests £302.28 Sun 19 May £1,319.21 The offertory totals include money collected in the baskets at mass plus a weekly average for standing orders. Since standing orders are paid monthly, in a four-week month the weekly amount is higher than in a five-week month. So we average it out over the year-to-date. Vincent Joyce, Treasurer

**Married Singles Lifestyle** –The Married Singles Lifestyle describes couples that may have lost a sense of closeness they once had as marriage partners and are living more like roommates. Retrouvaille (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) teaches couples how to survive times like these in their marriages. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulty at all levels of marital distress from disillusionment to deep misery. There is no group therapy or group work For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the programme commencing with a residential weekend on 7th - 9th June 2019 Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 or Email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

We have several important liturgical functions coming up, to wit:  
Saturday 8 June: First Holy Communion Mass at 11.30am  
Sunday 9 June: First Holy Communion Mass at 11.30am (not at 11.15am, please note)  
Saturday 15 June: First Holy Communion Mass at 11.30am  
Let us pray for all our young people involved, and their families. If you are an extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and are planning to attend either of these events, or if you could come to help out, please inform Fr Alexander, either verbally or via email. [Please note that on the Saturday occasions there will not be any 10am Mass or scheduled confessions.]

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.

Did you know that quite a lot of the staff who work in local nursing homes are devout Catholics? Many of them have expressed a desire for more visits from the parish, and even that we hold services in the homes, such as singing Christmas Carols, or other hymns at appropriate times. This would be a very useful thing to do, and some of you may have seen the programme on the television about the dementia choir. Quite a part from that, it would be a great act of charity to spend more time with the sick and disabled, as well as instructive and formative for those of us who are neither. To this end, if you would like to do something along these lines, please see Fr Alexander. And if you are already visiting a care home, let us see how this could be developed.

The Diocese has asked us to announce the following:  
• School Chaplains: Taste and See Sessions: The need for every Secondary School to have a full-time Chaplain and for chaplaincy to be available for every Primary School was identified in the Pastoral Plan. To help this happen Bishop Richard and Father Stephen Ortiger will be holding a series of regional meetings for members of parish communities who would like to find out more. All sessions run from 7 pm to 8.30 pm and will take place on 6th June at the Sacred Heart, Cobham, 12th June at the Holy Cross Priory, Heathfield and 13th June at St John The Evangelist, Horsham. Please book at [claire.martin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:claire.martin@abdiocese.org.uk) or ring 01293 511130.

• Family Day at Wonersh Seminary: Sunday 9th June from 12.30 pm with your picnics. contact Katherine on 01293 651152 or [katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk)

• **Grandparents' Pilgrimage** to West Grinstead: Wed. 12th June, from 10.30 to 3 pm. Mass with Bishop Richard, opportunity to visit the Secret Chapel, Adoration, Reconciliation, Rosary, and sharing with other Grandparents. Packed lunch needed. Cakes and drinks provided. For More information and to book call 01293 651152 or email at Rosie.Read@abdiocese.org.uk

• **Arundel Cathedral Festival of Corpus Christi and Carpet of Flowers:** Free Entry. 9.30 am to 8 pm on Wednesday 19th and 9.30 am to 5.30 pm on Thursday 20th June. Solemn Mass and Procession to Castle at 5.30 pm on 20th. Refreshments in the Cathedral Centre. All welcome!

• **Restored Lives Course** – Recovery from divorce and separation: 'Familias – the National Marriage & Family Life Organisation) are running 3, 1-day workshops, designed to equip individuals and teams to run the Restored Lives course in their parishes. The course helps those who have experienced separation and divorce to recover from the trauma of relationship breakdown and rebuild their self-confidence, offering them the tools and skills needed to live a restored, happy and fulfilled life. Details of London Workshop – Thursday, 20th June, at Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London, SW1P 1QN. Local contact Roger Carr-Jones family@rcdow.org.uk 020 7798 9363 ext 2363

• **Criminal Justice Roadshow:** Sat. 13th July, 11 am to 3 pm, Cobham Parish. More details to come!

• **Pilgrimage of Reparation and Consecration:** Saturday 20th July, at West Grinstead. Mass at 12 noon. Bishop Richard will be attending during the afternoon. Please see poster.

• **National Grandparents' Pilgrimage** to Walsingham: Sunday 21st July, from 11 am. Mass with Bishop Peter Doyle

(Northampton Diocese) at 12 noon. [www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org](http://www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org)

**Little Apostles:** As announced, 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. 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. The contact person for this is Caroline Kelly. If you want to help with either/both of these ventures, please say so.

**Celebrate Brighton:** Catholic Charismatic Family Weekend 13 and 14 July 2019: [www.celebrateconference.org](http://www.celebrateconference.org)

**Annual Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage:** 'Saint Hilda's Pilgrimage' : 10 – 25 August. Lincoln to Whitby. Full details and booking form now at the [www.thepilgrims.org.uk](http://www.thepilgrims.org.uk)

**Medaille Trust: Combatting Modern Slavery:** Spring 2019 booklet available now: [www.medaille-trust.org.uk](http://www.medaille-trust.org.uk)  
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