#### **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, Elizabeth Cullen, Anne Page, George Lamb, Kathleen Patricia Winter.

St Thomas' Fund – We are collecting Christmas presents for the homeless again this year, please leave gifts (wrapped) in the box in the porch. Suggested gifts socks, thermals toiletries, hats etc...for ladies and gents please. All donations by 20 December please. Thank you for your continued support.

Last week we should have had the retiring collection for the Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund. We will remedy that by having it this Sunday. Please be generous. Our lovely Cathedral needs the support of all members of the diocese.

We have some **Advent Day by Day booklets** to give out for those who would like them. There are versions for Infants. Juniors and adults: they are designed to help you get the most out of this Advent. Ask for your copy from Fr Alexander at the end of Mass. First come, first served.

**First Holy Communion:** Meeting for parents 26 November at 8pm in the hall.

Confirmation Group: They've raised over a £1000 so far, for Off The Fence. You can find out more & please donate at their main fundraising page below: https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=st petersconfirmation&pageUrl=2
Well done to all involved!

#### Church Flowers

We have some wonderful, loyal women who arrange our flowers every week. They could really do with some help. If you can spare some hours during the week, please contact the office.

#### Union of Catholic Mothers

They meet every Wednesday evening in the Hall at 7.30pm. At a time when many organisations are struggling membership of the UCM is growing. They give a great service and witness in our Parish.

# Childrens' Liturgy

We have a need for more adults to help with running our classes. Please contact the office if you'd like to volunteer.

#### **RCIA**

Every year we have a group of people who come together to discuss aspect of our Catholic Faith. If you are not a Catholic, or not baptised or belong to another church and would like to know more about our Faith you, would be very welcome. Contact Priest's House for more information.

#### **Junior Choir**

We practice in the Hall on Wednesday evenings at 6pm

# Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine

Fully escorted St Patrick's Weekend Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2019. £599.00 per person sharing. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or emailknockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

**Gift Aid** statements are being posted out, if you urgently need yours please contact the office.

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



25<sup>th</sup> November 2018



The Feast of Christ the King

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# Mass times & Intentions:

Sat 24 Nov 6pm DM O'Toole family RIP Sun 25 Nov 8.30am DM Colfer family RIP Sun 25 Nov 10am Parishioners Sun 25 Nov 11.15am Cyril & Lena Leslie Mon 26 Nov 10am The Holy Souls Tue 27 Nov In Thanksgiving from Charlotte Lloyd Wed 28 Nov 10am Victor Phelps RIP

Thur 29 Nov Liturgy of the Word Fri 30 Nov 10am Mary McGrane RIP Sat 1 Dec 10am GE Mary Docherty Sat 1 Dec 6pm Parishioners Sun 2 Dec 8.30am Kathleen Cornell RIP

Sun 2 Dec 10am GE Cathy Norris Sun 2 Dec 11.15am Margaret Byrne RIP (1 st anniversary)

# Confessions next Saturday

At 10.30am

Follow us on Twitter @HoveSaint Join us on Facebook: search for 'Saint Peter's, Hove'.

This Sunday is the Feast of Christ the **King**. It is the last Sunday of the liturgical year, and marks the conclusion of the year which we started in Advent 2017; next week, we celebrate the first Sunday of Advent and the start of the new year. As one would expect, the readings speak of how all things will be concluded in Christ who will reign forever as King when the world comes to completion. The first reading, as last week, comes from the prophecy of Daniel, and is a vision of the Son of Man assuming His eternal kingship. The Gospel recounts Our Lord's conversation with Pilate, who finds Jesus' kingship utterly incomprehensible, because it is not a kingship of this world. But it is Jesus, crowned with thorns, who is destined to reign forever, and Pilate and the Roman Empire he represents, who are destined to pass away.

This Sunday at 3pm our parish will host the annual Interfaith Service presented by the Brighton and Hove Interfaith Contact group. This will be attended by the mayor and other local dignitaries and will consist of prayers. readings and singing from a range of local faith groups - various Christians, Baha'i, Muslim, Buddhist, Jewish, and Quaker. Refreshments will be served in the hall afterwards including Noah's pudding, a seasonal Muslim delicacy. This is the first time we have hosted an Interfaith Service so it exciting and fits in with the formation of an Interfaith Commission put forward by the Pastoral Plan. We hope that many of you will be able to attend. Everyone is welcome.

**This Sunday at 4.30pm** (please note the slightly later time) we shall have **Vespers for the Dead** followed by Rosary. 'At the going down of the sun we shall remember them'.

#### **Liturgical Notes:**

In November, when there is no feast day, we shall celebrate the daily Mass for the dead, provided the Mass intention is for a deceased person; that is to say that we shall celebrate the Mass in the Missal designated 'for several deceased persons or for all the dead.' Friday is the feast of Saint Andrew, patron saint of Scotland, and many other countries beside.

Next Sunday Advent begins. Advent is the time of preparation for Christmas. It is a penitential season, and thus the vestments are purple, and there are no flowers on the sanctuary, and the organ is only used to support the singing. Advent consists of the four Sundays before Christmas and the intervening days, which means it is a short season, running from 2 December to the evening of the 24 December, just over three weeks. We should all try to use this time well, and if we do so, we will find Christmas that more rewarding.

Advent is a time when the faithful are urged to go to Confession. The sacrament of reconciliation is available at the usual times (Saturdays 10.30-11am) and in addition on Saturday 15 December, we shall have confessions all day with Adoration, from after the morning Mass until the evening Mass. Various visiting priests will be present to hear confessions: Fr Edward Burton (11am-noon); Father Ray Blake (noon-1pm) and canon Colin Wolczak (2pm-3pm), At other times, Fr Alexander will be available. The Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will help us all to focus our minds on the coming of the Lord. If you wish to sign up for an hour of watching in front of the Blessed Sacrament, there will be a list in the Sacristy shortly.

Don't forget our other Advent initiative, starting this week, namely the four sessions on **St Luke's Infancy Narrative** (Saint Luke, chapters one and two) on Thursdays, starting on November 29 at 8pm in the Upper Room. All are invited. Please bring a Bible with you.

Also this week, **Altar server training** is at 6pm on Friday in Church. This will be followed by fish and chips or pizza (depending on a popular vote) and will conclude at 8pm. Parents, when you drop off your children, please leave contact details with Terry or Fr Alexander.

Our diocese has a priestly ordination to look forward to. The Rev Jack Andrew Lusted is being ordained a priest through the imposition of hands of our Bishop on Wednesday 19 December at 7pm in Arundel Cathedral. Quite a few of us here have never been to an ordination, so it would be a good idea to

pencil this one into our diaries now. In addition, even if we do not go, we should start to pray for Deacon Jack as he prepares to serve the people of God as a priest in this diocese. We should also be praying for vocations. Fr Alexander intends to go to the ordination. Do let him know if you would like to come too. There is an after party, and the organisers would like to have some idea of numbers.

Our parish now has a finance committee. This is a group of people, who, at the invitation of the parish priest, advise him on the finances of the parish, consider future spending plans, and scrutinise the accounts. Fr Alexander has invited Eileen Harris, Vincent Joyce (our Treasurer), Terry D'Souza and Michael Maguire to join this committee, which will have its first meeting on Tuesday 29 January at 7.30pm. While on this topic, as you may well know, our parish finances are healthy, and we are not contemplating any major spending. But it is always good to keep a careful eve on our finances and the Finance Committee will help with this. If you have any concerns about the parish finances, please speak to your parish priest or a member of the committee: in addition, every parishioner has the right to see the accounts when they are published annually.

Our liturgy group will be meeting on Sunday 2 December at 7pm. A small group of us will plan various things to do with the Liturgy and music, with special reference to Christmas. If you wish to point anything out to that has something to do with the Liturgy, please feel free to approach Fr Alexander, Andrew Crichton our organist at 11.15am, Kate Szelles, Mary Reeve and Jane Noble.

Fr Alexander would like to appoint a manager for the Hall. The person appointed would manage the Hall bookings, take care of the keys, clean the Hall, and be the point of contact with all those who wish to book the Hall. Ideally, he or she would live close by. If interested, please speak to Fr Alexander, who will explain the remuneration.

Cottesmore St Mary Catholic Primary School We are holding tours for the parents of prospective Reception children, joining September 2019. The Date is as follows: 29th November at 7pm. Please contact the school office on 01273 555811 to reserve a place.

# Day of Recollection for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, Saturday 8th December.

The day will start at 10am with Mass. After coffee, we shall have a period of spiritual reflection on he nature of the Eucharist and the Eucharistic sacrifice, and the role of the Extraordinary Minister in the liturgy and the way the Extraordinary Minister extends the Eucharistic celebration to those who cannot be physically present. We will reflect on the centrality of the Eucharist and the Real presence in the Church's life, and the love and duty that we owe to the Blessed Sacrament and on our dignity as baptised persons called to participate in the Heavenly Banquet of the Mass. Please bring a Bible with you! Lunch will follow, which will be provided. After lunch, there will be a practical session in which we shall look at the various practicalities in our parish, particularly the way in which we minister to the housebound, and other matters as well, including any concerns that may arise. Finally, the day will end with a period of silent adoration in Church, in which we can dedicate ourselves to renewed service to the Church through this important ministry. We have a registration sheet in the Sacristy for people to sign so we can cater for lunch, please register after mass.

We plan to hold similar days for Welcomers and for Readers, both of which are important ministries in the life of the Church. These will happen after Christmas, but you might like to note the dates now. These sessions are for those currently engaged in welcoming and reading, and for all those who would like to become welcomers and readers. (We seem to have a particular need for new readers. Please consider this ministry, even if, indeed particularly if, your first language is not English - this is after all an international Church!)

The Readers'; day will be on Saturday 26 January, the feast of saints Timothy and Titus. The Welcomers'; day will be on Saturday 9 February.

The next **Baptism Class** will be on Monday, January 28th in the Hall. If you have a child for baptism, please get in contact with Fr Alexander before the date in question, so that a home visit can be fixed up in good time.

#### **Parish Events**

Sunday 25th November, 3pm: Interfaith Service

Sunday 25th November, 4pm: Vespers of the Dead and Rosary.

Monday 26th November, 8pm: Parents Meeting, First Holy Communion.

Thursday 29th November, 8pm: Saint Luke's Gospel I.

Friday 30th November, 6pm: Altar servers training, with fish and chips/pizza.

Thursday 6th December, 8pm: Saint Luke's Gospel II.

Friday 7th December, 7pm: Advent Service.

Saturday 8th December, 10am-4pm: Day of Recollection of Extraordinary Minsters of the Eucharist.

Monday 10th December, 8pm: Childrens' Liturgy Catechists' Meeting (Upper Room).

Thursday 13th December, 8pm: Saint Luke's Gospel III.

Saturday 15th December, 10.30am-6pm: day of Adoration and confessions.

Wednesday 19 December, 7pm:Ordination to priesthood of Rev Jack Lusted, at Arundel.

Thursday 20 December: Saint Luke's Gosp el IV.

Saturday 26 January, 8pm: Readers' day.

Monday 28 January, 8pm: Baptism class.

Tuesday 29 January, 7.30pm: Finance committee meets.

Saturday9 February: Welcomers' day.

Coffee Makers; Can we ask those who help with coffee at the 10am Mass to set up the Hall and put on the Burka boiler before Mass? So that coffee is ready when people come into the Hall after Mass. It is a very important service and the best place to meet after Mass. Can anyone with an email address on the Rota please contact the office? We seem to have a number of incorrect email addresses for people. We also have a

the Rota please contact the office? We seem to have a number of incorrect email addresses for people. We also have a sheet with some helpful notes pinned to the inside of the cupboard door above the sink.

#### St. Vincent's Tower House

Every Tuesday from 10am to 12.30 St. Vincent's Tower House in London Road Preston Park offer a warm and welcoming place for those who may need lunch and company for a few hours. Transport available. To find out more about Tower House older persons centre, telephone 020 7703 3030 or email KateN@svp.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, tined tomato's in the box at the back of our Church.

#### **Qualified Driver**

My name is Ruth Meaden, I'm an unqualified driver looking to take my test in December, (fully taxed & insured). I'm seeking a fully qualified driver to oversee my driving as I drive around Sussex, while I gain experience, a chance to enjoy the Sussex countryside free of charge. Please contact me at. 07588630309 or contact the Parish office.

#### **Hall Hire**

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

# **Parent Toddler Group**

They meet in the Hall from 1.30-2.45 on Friday afternoons. For further details, please contact Claire 07931 877795.

# Caroline's Kitchen - Tel 595922

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

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

#### Financial Adviser - Nick Lee

He would be delighted to help anyone with their Mortgage, Pension and Investment needs. You can contact him on 07500 660492 <u>nicklee@pebblefinancial.co.uk</u>

Recruiting now fully employed part time housekeeping roles available with Bright & Beautiful Hove. We operate in Hove & Shoreham. contact Velda on 07498 758582 velda@brightandbeautifulhome.com

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

# **Marriage Preparation Course**

You will need to contact Esther Lyon 01273 698182. www.stpetersbrighton.org

#### Host Families needed

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

# **HCPT Group Lourdes Pilgrimage**

HCPT is a registered charity offering pilgrimage holidays, taking children & young people from this area with disabilities or from disadvantaged backgrounds on a 'pilgrimage holiday' to Lourdes each Easter. We are looking for young volunteer helpers, and in particular (but not limited to) nurses, who might be interested in travelling in 2019 or beyond. Contact Michael Conneely hcptgroup21@gmail.com.

# **Counselling Service**

Contact Lara who is experienced with counselling people with substance abuse, sexual abuse, bereavement, couple counselling.
Tel 07787 555168
<a href="http://www.larasmith.co.uk">http://www.larasmith.co.uk</a>

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Secondary School: stress-free homework, study and revision with support from qualified teachers. For more information visit <a href="https://studysessionshove.wordpress.com">https://studysessionshove.wordpress.com</a> & contact Claire 07989 973890.

#### GCSE Science tuition,

individual (£30p/h) or small group. Please contact Mary Reeve 07852 977359

# **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

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Contact Daisy Messant a current A Level French student on 07736597621 daisyraemessant@gmail.com

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Are you interested in learning to play the piano? Then contact **John Byrne** on 07989 413459. Theory, GCSE, etc.