

### 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, Dennis Tribe, Rosemary Kilcourse, Adrian Van Twest.

### Parish Events

Sunday 3 November, 2.30pm: Blessing of Graves, Hove Cemetery.
Wednesday 6 November, 11am: Funeral Mass of Peggy Haslam RIP.
Thursday 7 November, 9.15am: Mass at Cottesmore.
Friday 8 November, 11.30am: Funeral Service of Adam Hinton RIP.
Friday 8 November, 7.30pm: UCM Quiz, in aid of the missions.
Saturday 9 November, 9am/11am: First Holy Communion
Saturday 9 November, 7pm: Adult Film Night: Jaws.
Sunday 10 November, 11am: Cake sale in aid of CAFOD.
Sunday 10 November, 7pm: Confirmation First Session.
Tuesday 12 November, 11am: Mass for deceased Clergy of the Deanery.
Thursday 14 December, 8pm: Parish Team Meeting.
Saturday 16 November, morning: Baby/toddler sale in aid of HCPT.
Sunday 17 November, 5pm: Family Film Night: Singalong Sound of Music.
Sunday 24 November: retiring collection for Stained Glass appeal.
Sunday 24 November, 3pm: Interfaith service at Stanford Avenue.
Monday 25 November, 8pm: First Holy Communion, parents' meeting.

**Thursday mornings Scripture Reflection:** 10am all welcome.

This Saturday, after the evening Mass, come to the Hall for our adult film night – Jaws, the Steven Spielberg classic. Fish and chips will be served half way through. The film is two hours long and we aim to start at 7pm and eat at 8pm. All are welcome! Come and meet your fellow parishioners. The film is a 12.

Our film for all the family, at which soft drinks and pizza will be served is going to be, by popular demand, The Sound of Music, on Sunday 17 November at 5pm. The audience is invited to sing along and to dress up as your favourite character.

We are celebrating an International Mass at 10am on the feast of Christ the King, 24 November. Jane is preparing lots of wonderful international music but we could do with another couple of readers, who would be happy to read in their mother tongue. There's a link below, with readings of the day. Ideally, we need someone who speaks one of those languages as a first language. We already have Frankie to read in Polish. Marie from the folk group may read in Portuguese or German, but it would be good to represent the congregation more widely.  
[http://www.virc.at/texte/jahr\\_a\\_e.htm](http://www.virc.at/texte/jahr_a_e.htm)

**Gift Aid:** 'A reminder to all who took Gift Aid forms after mass last weekend to complete them and return them to the Priests House in an envelope marked 'Gift Aid'.

UCM: meeting 6 November, 7.30pm in the hall, "Beryl and Pauline – BFF".  
New members welcome.

**Collection:** £ 1, 666.64

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

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Thirty First Sunday of the Year.

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### Mass intentions this week:

Saturday 2 November 6pm Margaret Callaghan RIP  
Sunday 3 November 8.30am For all parishioners  
Sunday 3 November 10am Holy Souls  
Sunday 3 November 11.15am Anthony Reynaud RIP  
Monday 4 November 10am DM Zorzan and Pieri families  
Tuesday 5 November 10am Holy Souls  
Wednesday 6 November 11am Funeral of Peggy Haslam RIP  
Thursday 7 November 9.15am Mass at Cottesmore  
Friday 8 November 10am Holy Souls  
Saturday 9 November 10am Holy Souls  
Saturday 9 November 6pm Anthony Lin RIP  
Sunday 10 November 8.30am Holy Souls  
Sunday 10 November 10am For all Parishioners  
Sunday 10 November 11.15am Joan McKee RIP

**This Sunday is the Thirty-First of the Year.** The readings carry on the theme of last week's readings, namely that of repentance before God. We are assured in the first reading that God is loving and merciful, and that He overlooks our sins so we can have time and opportunity to repent. Moreover, God is gradually leading us to greater self-knowledge, so that we may grow in holiness. In the Gospel we have an example of someone who has come to know himself and his own sinfulness and who casts himself on the mercy of the Lord, namely Zacchaeus, a tax collector of Jericho. Zacchaeus gives up his materialistic and greedy life to welcome the Lord into his house, and makes reparation for his past sins, by paying back all the people he has cheated four times over. In so doing he turns from being a lost person to being someone saved by the grace of God.

This Sunday the annual Blessing of Graves takes place at 2.30pm at Hove Cemetery, meeting in the north part of the cemetery. (Please note this revised time. It is the same time at other cemeteries in the city.)

Thanks to those of you who took forms to do with Gift Aid last week. This is the scheme by which, at no extra cost to yourselves, you can boost the parish's income by helping us to claim some of your money back from the taxman. Gift Aid is a very valuable source of income for many parishes, our own included. If you were absent, and would like to know more, please speak to Vincent our treasurer. (An email to the parish will be forwarded.)

Next Sunday is the Thirty-Second of the Year. On this day after the 10am Mass there is going to be a Cake Sale in the Hall in aid of Cafod, the Catholic Fund for

Overseas Development. Please support our Cafod group by buying lots of delicious cakes. If anyone would like to donate cakes, please bring them to the hall before Mass. Next Sunday is also the Sunday nearest to Armistice Day, so is Remembrance Sunday. The 11.15am Mass will be for the War Dead. On the same day, our Confirmation course begins at 7pm in the Hall. We have 22 young people registered for confirmation. Let us pray for them and their catechists.

Our stained glass debt stands at £16,955. Don't forget our **Advent table top sale on Sunday 8 December**. Would you like to book a table? If so, please express your interest to Fr Alexander as soon as possible. Someone will make an appearance under the guise of Saint Nicholas at the sale, and give presents out to children! Mary Senior is going to be selling delicious foodstuffs (including deep fried Mars bars!) and Mary Junior is going to be selling children's toys. Any other ideas?

Who is Saint Nicholas? He lived in the time of the Roman Empire and is the patron saint of children. While he was bishop of Myra, he was renowned for his acts of kindness to the young, often dropping presents through open windows to people in need. Hence, he is associated with present giving. His feast is 6 December.

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

The next baptism class will be on Monday 6 January in the Hall. If you have a baby to be baptised, you need to see Fr Alexander first before being enrolled in the class. Please email him, and he will be round to see you at home.

### **Liturgical Notes:**

November is dedicated to prayer for the Holy Souls in Purgatory. On days on which there is no feast and on which the Mass is being offered for a deceased person or for all the Holy Souls we shall celebrate the daily Mass for the Dead.

Monday is the feast of Saint Charles Borromeo. Saturday is the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica.

The funeral Mass of Peggy Haslam, who died on Monday 21 October in Grosvenor Lodge, will take place on Wednesday 6 November, at 11am, followed by burial at Portslade Cemetery. (This will replace the 10am Mass that day.) Peggy had recently received the sacrament of the Sick and the Apostolic Pardon. May she rest in peace, and may God comfort her family. Her son-in-law is Vincent Joyce, our parish treasurer.

Let us continue to pray for Adam Lea Hinton, who died on 26 September at the age of 43. His funeral service will take place on Friday 8 November at 11.30am, followed by burial at Woodingdean. Let us also remember in our prayers Pat Winter, who used to live in Ingram Crescent until recently, and who died on Monday 21 October, at her nursing home in Shoreham. Pat's funeral Mass will be at 1pm on Friday 15 November at 1pm. (There will be 10am Mass followed by Adoration on that day.)

**Ecumenical Notes:** This Sunday our friends from the Syriac Orthodox Church will celebrate their Divine Liturgy (what we commonly call Mass) in our Church at 5.30pm. Some of you have attended in the past and know that the languages used are Arabic, Aramaic (the language of Jesus Himself) and

English. On 24 November, the Antiochene Orthodox Church is going to celebrate the Divine Liturgy in the evening. Both communities have many members in the Syrian community, and Christians in Syria belong to a wide variety of Churches which fall into four major groupings: Protestants, Catholics (which includes Catholics of the Latin rite and Catholics of other rites, such as the Melchites), Oriental Orthodox (such as the Syriacs) and Eastern Orthodox (such as the Antiochenes). Many of these churches use nearly identical rites, but the Catholics are in communion with the See of Rome, the Eastern Orthodox with the See of Constantinople and/or Moscow, and the Oriental Orthodox are in communion with none of the above, though it is to be noted that the Oriental Orthodox enjoy warm relations, though not communion, with Rome. Anyway, we are happy to welcome our Orthodox friends of all communions. This is part of our commitment to ecumenism which starts with friendly relations with our churches.

Our Social Club meets every Friday from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. All are welcome, and please bring along all your friends! This coming Friday, 8 November, Charlotte Nicklas, who is an expert in the matter, is going to talk to us about her interest in historic dress and textiles. Other activities are lined up for future Fridays, including watching the film *The Lady in the Van*.

The Parish of Saint John the Baptist is hosting a Music in the Liturgy day which is open to all, non-musicians included, and which takes place on Saturday 23 November. Please see the poster in the narthex and go along if you are interested in matters liturgical.

Tours for Prospective Reception children - Cottesmore St Mary. Cottesmore St Mary, your local Catholic primary school, are holding tours for the parents of prospective Reception children, joining September 2020, on Wednesday 13 November at 9.15am; Thursday 14 and 21 November at 9.15am and Saturday 16 November at 9.30am. Please contact the school office (01273 555811) to reserve a place. Thank you for taking the time to visit so that you can find out more about us. We look forward to welcoming you to our school family.

The **UCM's quiz night** is taking place on Friday 8 November at 7.30pm in the hall. Tickets are £7.50 each and a ploughman's supper is included. See Eileen Harris for tickets or email [harrismbe@sky.com](mailto:harrismbe@sky.com). The quiz is being held to support the missions in Kenya.

**Are you aged between 15-30?** Do you know someone who is? The Big Encounter is an annual event for anyone in that age range; and is an opportunity to grow in faith by encountering Jesus in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, meeting other likeminded young Catholics and, praising him in Worship. Our event this year is being held at St Dunstan's Church in Woking on 9th November. Doors open at 3.30, the event concludes with Mass at 6pm, celebrated by Bishop Richard. Our guest speaker is the always entertaining and engaging Fr David King.

**Curious about Catholics?** To learn more and talk in an unpressured and confidential environment, please contact Sue Hollow on 0755 730 1796 or Fr Alexander.

### **Music Tuition**

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

**Ignite: Teenage Retreats:** 6-8th December 2019 @ Worth Abbey, for those in school years 7-9. We would like to invite you to our next Ignite teen retreat.... Ignite retreats are faith filled, fun packed weekends for teenagers held at Worth Abbey, a Benedictine monastery in Sussex. The weekends are all about exploring faith, getting to know God better whilst having lots of fun and getting to know other young Catholics. Expect talks, workshops, prayer, silly activities, games, sports, drama, a space for silence and stillness, good food and lots of fun! The weekends are run by me (Jess) a member of The Wellspring Community in collaboration with Worth Abbey. For more info please email Worth Abbey: [toc@worth.org.uk](mailto:toc@worth.org.uk)

**If you are going to hospital** please remember that even if you are asked about your religious affiliation, the hospital will not pass this information on to the Catholic chaplain, thanks to data protection laws. If you wish to be visited by a priest and/or receive Holy Communion, you need to inform the chaplain. At our local hospital in Brighton, this is Fr Peter Fitch, who can be reached on 01273 087839. He visits the hospital regularly and would be delighted to hear from you. Those receiving care at the Martlets Hospice might like to know that the Catholic chaplain in Monsignor Canon John Hull, whose number is 01273 563017. While on this topic, housebound parishioners and those ill at home are urged to contact their parish priest, who is always willing to visit the sick, along with members of the care group.

#### **Host Families needed**

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#### **Marriage Preparation Course**

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[www.stpetersbrighton.org](http://www.stpetersbrighton.org)

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