

Parish of the Sacred Heart,



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There will be a collection for your Lenten Alms for the
Season of Lent

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK.

- Sun 4th: Children's liturgy after morning Masses
Coffee & Teas after morning Masses
4PM Confirmation session 8 (Old Hall)
- Mon 5th: Coffee & Tea after 10AM Mass
- Tues 6th: 9:15AM-11:15AM Toddler Group (St T's Hall)
7:30PM Choir (Church)
7:30PM Justice & Peace meeting (Old Hall)
- Wed 7th: 8:30AM Ecumenical morning prayer
(St Paul's Woldingham)
1pm Lunch Club (Cent Hall)
8PM Journey of Faith (Old Hall)
- Thurs 8th: 8PM Baptism Preparation (Old Hall)
7:30PM SVP meeting (Committee room)
- Fri 9th: 11:15AM Stations of the Cross
- Sun 11th: Children's liturgy after morning Masses
Coffee & Teas after morning Masses
4PM Confirmation session 9 (Old Hall)

Morning Prayer every Monday 9:40AM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every
Tuesday and Saturday 9AM to 10AM

Rosary every Thursday 9:40AM

Confessions every Saturday 10:45AM – 11:15AM

Devotion to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour -
after Saturday Mass

Benediction every Sunday 4:45PM

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend:
Collection: £ 869.24 (Gift Aid £349.24)

Second collection: £1,242.21 was raised through the
annual CAFOD collection last Sunday. This donation will be
doubled by the UK Government, through match-funding,
and will therefore be worth £ 2484.42 to the world's
poorest people.

SUNDAY 4TH MARCH 2018

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sunday 4th

9:00AM -
Madalena Nelli (Anna)

10:45AM -
Mary Bohan RIP (M Hogan)

5:15PM -
People of the Parish

Monday 5th

10:00AM -
John Gilford Ints
(Ruby)

Tuesday 6th

10:00AM -
June Montague RIP

Wednesday 7th

10:00AM Latin Mass -
Mark Mackenzie RIP

Thursday 8th

10:00AM - Steven Harris RIP
(Jean)

Friday 9th

7:00PM -
Michael Conneff
(U Hendrow)

Saturday 10th

10:00AM -
Jimmy Mullen Ints
(Jean)

Sunday 11th

Fourth Sunday in Lent

9:00AM -
Campbell family Ints
(B Campbell)

10:45AM -
Cathlyn, John & Brendan
Flanagan RIP
(Flanagan family)

5:15PM -
People of the Parish



Two topics this week! A video on Reconciliation – Or The Creed – the first part. **Join us** – and also for our consideration of the readings for next Sunday, with ideas from the Lent booklet. **All welcome!**

8.00PM Wednesday 7th March, in the Old Hall

NEWS OF IRAQI CHRISTIAN REFUGEES IN MADABA

Many thanks to all who signed Easter cards for the refugee families in Madaba. These, together with a donation of over £2000 and books for the primary school will be taken to Jordan by Della Shenton of Parishes for Peace later in March. The director of Caritas, Jordan said, "Iraqi refugees are afflicted by frustration, loneliness, isolation, despair and sadness. They worry about their future and that of their children."

A few have left Jordan to return to Mosul in Iraq. Most have no wish or will to return. As refugees recognised by the UN they have permission to remain in Jordan for 3 months. For overstaying this period they are fined approximately £1.50 per person per day. None can afford to pay this so if they leave Jordan they do so with a large debt and no right of return for 5 years. Hence their unwillingness to return to Mosul.

Mike Wood.



WEDNESDAY 7TH MARCH 1 PM LUNCH CLUB

THIS MONTH'S MENU:

Fish cobbler, new potatoes and vegetables with parsley sauce.

DESERT: Fruit crumble and custard.

Tea, coffee and a raffle. All for £4.50.

APF RED BOXES



Would all promoters please collect the contents of the red boxes from their members and either leave it in the presbytery clearly marked with your name and a phone number or hand it to me by 2 April. Would any one in the parish who has a red box but does not have a promoter to collect their money please contact me. Moyra Brohier 342928.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT & SAVE THE DATE SUNDAY 11TH MARCH - MOTHERING SUNDAY

When trade is fair and just it has the potential to improve the lives of the farmers and workers who grow our food. When trade is fair, it can make the world a better place. Together we have that power to get involved and be part of the difference. It's a shocking fact that millions of poor farmers who produce the food we love still don't earn enough to feed their own families, yet they are our neighbours, our sisters and our brothers, equally loved by God. It's time for this injustice to end. When we choose to buy Fairtrade, we are treating our neighbours more fairly, helping people to have a better life. Through Fairtrade, millions of poor farmers and workers are already coming together to demand a change. They are working hard to close the door on exploitation and transform their communities, supported by Fairtrade.

Our next **Fair Trade stall is after Mass on Sunday 11th March - Mothering Sunday**; an opportunity to support the many women and men who earn their living as Fair Trade producers. Please come along and take a look and enjoy refreshments together.

WAYS IN WHICH TO OBSERVE LENT

Fridays in Lent

11:15AM Stations of the Cross
12:00PM soup, bread and cheese lunch. In the Old Hall
Proceeds to CAFOD. Would you like to help set up, cook or serve the lunch?

Eliz Wood:

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Lent Discussion Groups

Sunday @ 7.30PM

Monday @ 11.00AM

Wednesday @ 7.30PM,
8.00PM

Thursday @ 7.30PM

See the lists in the porch for venues and further details.

Books and activities for all the family are available in the shop.

Lent Extra has daily recol-lection, articles and children's activities - £1.25

Would those who attended the course for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion please be prepared to receive their commissioning on Sunday 11th March at whichever Sunday Mass they choose. Please advise the office as soon as convenient which Mass you will attend. If you can't make that day, another commissioning can be arranged privately with Fr Seán.

PLANNING / BUILDING EXPERTISE NEEDED!

Is there anyone out there that can help with planning, costing and/or building advice for a large new storage facility to be built adjoining the end of Centenary Hall for use by

our very own 5th Caterham Scout Group? Professional architect plans have been drawn up and we now need help making these become a reality. If you/

someone else you know can help, please contact Mel Flaherty at secretary5thcaterham@outlook.com or 07736 070455.

CATECHESIS

If you are interested in finding out more about the proposed new approach called the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, which is based on the Montessori system, you can read an article on it here: <http://www.ncregister.com/blog/simcha-fisher/a-little-about-catechesis-of-the-good-shepherd>. Please let Fr Seán know if you're interested in this project.

ST THOMAS' CHURCH

A couple of years ago, when we were talking about the sad closure of St Thomas' church, we discussed getting a statue of St Thomas to go into the Sacred Heart as a permanent memorial. I have approached a high-quality woodcarver in

Northern Italy, and am told that a new statue, about 1 metre high, hand-carved and painted would cost us in the region of €5000. Would anyone like to make a contribution towards this, perhaps in memory of a loved one, or

simply in memory of St Thomas' church? We could find a way to commemorate the names of significant donors if wished.

The woodcarvers' site is here: www.giuseppetuflessier.it

The Way of the Cross All Saints' Oxted Thursday 15th March 2018 8.00PM - 9.00PM. As we continue our Lenten journey following in the footsteps of Jesus to His Crucifixion, please join us as we reflect on the Stations of the Cross with Image, Word and Music.

THE WORLD MEETING OF FAMILIES IN DUBLIN

Bishop Richard invites you to join him for the World Meeting of Families in Dublin with the Holy Father, Pope Francis: 21-26 August 2018 sees the arrival of the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, Ireland. The Diocese is making the most of this wonderful

opportunity by organising a pilgrimage for those who would like to attend. It is open to families of all shapes and sizes, from tiny tots to Grand-parents. We will be staying together in Dublin City University accommodation and travelling

to events together by coach. A three day congress will be followed by a Festival of Families and a Solemn Eucharistic Celebration with Pope Francis. If you would like more information about the event visit

www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/
If you would like to join us on pilgrimage, please speak to your parish priest about how he can support you financially, and for a booking form. Alternatively you can contact Lizzie or Katherine of the Diocesan Pastoral team wmof2018@dabnet.org

Are you a graduate with a strong desire to inspire young people and transform lives through exploring some of life's biggest questions?

Have you considered becoming a Secondary RE teacher? The University of Sussex offers full and part time PGCE and School Direct Courses in Religious Education resulting in qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and a PGCE of up to 90 Masters Level Credits. For more information including eligibility and entry criteria visit www.sussex.ac.uk/education/ite/pgceandschooldirectsecondary/religiouseducation To discuss further contact either Sally Dudley, Initial Teacher Education Recruitment, Selection and Admissions Lead at Sussex University s.e.dudley@sussex.ac.uk or Claire Rooney, RE Curriculum Tutor c.rooney@sussex.ac.uk.

ADOREMUS - NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC PILGRIMAGE AND CONGRESS

Adoremus - National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress - Liverpool 2018: Adoremus ("let us adore") is the title being given to an initiative of all the bishops of England and Wales to create a special opportunity for us to reflect on

the centrality of the Eucharist in our lives.

From 7th to 9th September 2018 there will be a National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool called Adoremus. Through this event, and all the preparation taking place

before it, we seek to rejuvenate Eucharistic adoration in our parishes as the source of strength for our lives and for our mission, that of making present the love and compassion of Jesus in our society. You can read more about the

Eucharistic Congress here.

A&B Diocesan contact is Canon Tom Treherne whom you can contact via his assistant for the event Liz Fitch on 01424 420815 or by email office.admin@parishofgoodshepherd.co.uk

Days on the Eucharist - Preparation for Adoremus and World Meeting of Families: In order to give a flavour of Adoremus - National Pilgrimage and Eucharistic Congress, Liverpool 2018, and the World Meeting of Families in Dublin, the diocese is hosting a final morning session focusing upon the Eucharist within a family setting. Come and join Bishop Richard for a series of talks and workshops revolving around the theme of the Eucharist, with particular focus on its relevance to us within our family lives. All are welcome, whether you hope to go to the events or just want to find out more about the topic. Woking, Saturday 24th March and Holy Cross Priory, Heathfield, 14 April.

EASTER RETREAT FOR 18-35S AT WORTH ABBEY

Worth Abbey and The Well-spring Community invite young adults (ages 18-35) to celebrate the Easter Triduum (29th March-1st April) with a retreat at Worth Abbey. Over the Easter Triduum young adults from across the UK will be

gathering to celebrate the Death and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The retreat will be centred around participation in the Triduum liturgy from Maundy Thursday to Easter Sunday, with a programme of talks by the monks, discussion, prayer

& reflection and fellowship. Leading up to the retreat, you are welcome to be part of a 'Cross Walk'- a group of young adults and monks who will walk to Worth from Arundel, across the beautiful South Downs, carrying the cross. We will begin the walk on Palm

Sunday (25th March) and arrive at Worth on Maundy Thursday (29th March). Booking forms are now available. Please contact TOC@worthabbey.net or fcARBONE@wellspringbrighton.org.uk. You can also find more information via Facebook.

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 14th March 2018, celebrating the feast of St. Patrick. £599 per person sharing. Price includes flights with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £50. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia anytime on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com. Knock Pilgrimages is a member of the Travel Trust Association and is fully protected by ATOL T7613.

EVENINGS OF REFLECTION WITH BISHOP RICHARD, 2018

In 2016 and 2017, Bishop Richard invited Confirmation candidates to join him at Evenings of Reflection held around the

Diocese. Bishop Richard will be doing the same thing in 2018. The dates and locations are now available so that

parishes and Confirmation coordinators can factor them into their planning. Saturday March 10th - St

Mary Magdalene's, Bexhill. All evenings run from 7PM to 9PM. BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL. Contact Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

St. John Vianney Group: A group for men, aged 18-45 who wish to explore whether they have a calling to the priesthood. The next meeting takes place from 4-7.30PM on Sunday 4th of March at The Presbytery, Ireland's Lane, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 1QX. For more details contact the Fr. Con Foley - 01932 842643 or email foleycon@gmail.com



Your Prayers are requested for the following people who are ill or housebound:

Pat Knight; Kathleen & John Saunders; Helen Keogh; Daisy Hill; Christopher Browne; Kit Monk; Krista Thompson; Jane Hill; Rosemary Whale; Pam Weaver; Jimmy Mullen; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Elise O'Connor, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Baby Tabitha Harrison, Christine Vernon, Maureen Kelly, Mary Wallace, Gina Waiton, Joe Kelly, Ian Lester, Fred Ardley, Charmaine Wise, Breda Sharpe, Richard Sowa, Val Williams, Patrick Eade, Peter Sore, Emma Newton, Charley Lunn, Ursula Koh & Riche Ahearne.

BAPTISMS



Oskar Brotherton will be baptised here next week-end. Please keep him in your prayers.

Psalter week 3

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

2 Chronicles 36:14-16,19-23

Ephesians 2:4-10

John 3:14-21

GOSPEL REFLECTION

I suppose that, like me, most of you learnt as children the prayer Little Jesus, meek and mild, look on me a little child &c. The passage from the Gospel that we read today might make us reflect a little on just how meek and mild Jesus really is. Over the last couple of centuries, the 'meek and mild' interpretation of our Lord has steadily gained ground until God has come to resemble a sort of indulgent grandparent who lets us do anything we want and never complains. From passages such as we read today, we must conclude that, on the contrary, our Lord cares very passionately about some things, and it may not always be the things that we think he should. No doubt the traders in the temple saw themselves as providing a useful service to those who came to worship, but our Lord saw an insult to his heavenly Father in their actions, and reacted not just with anger, but also, shockingly, with violence.

Jesus often criticized those who stuck to the letter of the law while ignoring the spirit, but as today's Gospel shows, he is no laxist either, and we would do well to remember this, for there are many things commonly done even by those who regard themselves as devout Christians which directly violate even the ten commandments. Keeping the Sabbath holy, for example; this is more honoured in the breach these days.

No doubt today's passage is assigned to the third Sunday of Lent because of the prophecy of our Lord's resurrection. However, we would be wise to consider carefully as part of our Lenten reflection our own attitude to God's commands, and whether in some areas we even bother to keep the spirit, let alone the letter, of God's law.

YOUTH & SCHOOLS

**DAY FOR YOUTH LEADERS AND CATECHISTS -
INSPIRE 2018**

On Saturday May 12th, there will be a day for youth leaders, Confirmation catechists and young adult ministers, as well as anybody who is interested. The day will be delivered 'TED Style' with six great speakers each giving a short 20-minute talk. We're delighted to have Will Desmond from Sion/ theASCENT, Father Nick Crowe from the Dominicans, Lizzie Wakeling, Toby Harman, and others. A fantastic line-up! Bishop Richard will also be with us for the first part of the day. It's all happening at St Joseph's Church, Redhill on Saturday May 12th from 10AM to 3.30PM. Tickets are £10 with parish group discounts available. To book, or for more information, Email YMBookings@dabnet.org.

**STAFF VACANCY AT OAKWOOD SCHOOL, PURLEY DEPUTY HEAD (ACADEMIC) FOR
SEPTEMBER 2018**

Oakwood is an independent school for boys and girls aged 3-11. We have a strong Catholic ethos and particularly welcome applications for this post from practising Roman Catholics. Details at www.oakwoodschool.org.uk/staff-vacancies. Visits welcome. Closing date for applications is Friday 9 March 2018