

# Brighton and Hove Deanery: Western Churches

Sacred Heart; St George's & St Theresa's; St Mary Magdalen's; St Peter's

Canon Colin Wolczak; Fr Tony Milner (on sabbatical); Fr Rod Jones OSB; Canon David Parmiter

**Sunday 13th July 2025, Sea Sunday, 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C. Weekdays: Week 15**

## Canon David Writes...

Last Saturday I was part of a full congregation at Arundel Cathedral taking part in the joyful ordination to the priesthood, for our Diocese, of Fr Gary Carter and Fr Scott Coleman. Fr Gary will serve in Epsom and Fr Scott in Burgess Hill and Haywards Heath. This joyful event comes at a time when there are small signs that the decline in religious belief is stopping and even going into reverse, especially among young people, who were much in evidence at the Cathedral. This movement in the surveys of religious belief has been reported in the press and many parishes have anecdotal evidence of young people turning up at their doors looking for truth, meaning and love. As a new parish coming into being later on this year, we need to be ready to respond to these cries from the hearts and minds of some of the young people in our area that the secular world is failing to meet. Please keep this aspect of our mission in your prayers. This is part of our Christian vocation to a good neighbour. St Augustine wrote an allegorical interpretation of the parable of the Good Samaritan which sees Jesus as the Good Samaritan. In brief, the man attacked as he is going down from Jerusalem to Jericho is humanity attacked by Satan, our spiritual life left for dead. The Priest and Levite, who pass by on the other side of the road, represent the Old Covenant unable to restore the man back to life. Jesus Christ is the Good Samaritan who is able to restore the man to new life in the inn of the Church through the sacraments. Whatever you make of such an interpretation, we can all be left feeling 'dead' by some of the events of life and often we are restored to 'life' through an encounter with Jesus in the Church. Ultimately, we seek to pass through the gates of death to eternal life. We are witnesses to this 'new life', and hopefully, this maybe the message that is beginning to cut through.

## The new Parish of Brighton & Hove

In the third edition of the Diocesan Pastoral Plan: The call to Mission, Bishop Richard wrote about the need to change the shape of deaneries and parishes. Reflecting on the many discussions that had taken place and the needs of the Diocese to enable her to carry out her mission, he wrote *"...the groupings of parishes that form deaneries currently, will themselves become parishes."* I am pleased to say that the current Deanery of Brighton and Hove has in place now the basic structures to become the new Parish of Brighton and Hove, which Bishop Richard will inaugurate in September. There is still much work to be done to develop fully as one parish. We will need to undertake this work gradually and carefully, clergy and lay people together. The overarching purpose of this change is that we work more closely together in the mission of the Church. Bishop Richard describes the Church's mission in this way: *"All are called to build up the Body of Christ, lead a holy life and promote the growth of the Church."*

Each existing parish will become a community of the new parish and will continue to be served by your current parish priest who, together with the other parish priests, will also have responsibility for the whole parish

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[www.sacredheartrove.org.uk](http://www.sacredheartrove.org.uk); [hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk).

All Masses Live Streamed: [www.sacredheartrove.org.uk/videos.html](http://www.sacredheartrove.org.uk/videos.html)

**St Georges**, Court Farm Road, BN3 7QR and **St Theresa's**, Old Shoreham Road, BN42 4RY, 01273 708227; [westhove@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:westhove@abdiocese.org.uk).

**St Mary Magdalen**, 55 Upper North St, BN1 3FH; [brightonstmarymag@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:brightonstmarymag@abdiocese.org.uk).

**St Peter's**, Portland Road, BN3 5GD, 01273 733840, [hovestpeters@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:hovestpeters@abdiocese.org.uk).

For any other contact information, including Safeguarding, please see the relevant parish website or church noticeboards.

## Mass Schedule

<b>Sat 12 July</b>		
6.00pm †	SH	People of the Parish
6.00	SP	Patricia Fitzgerald
6.30	SG	Polish Mass
<b>Sun 13 July</b>		
<b>15th Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
8.30 am	SP	Holy Souls
9.00	ST	Sally Harvey RIP (SVP)
9.30	SH	Annette Waddell RIP
9.30	SMM	Polish Mass
10.00	SP	Holy Souls
11.00	SG	Sally Harvey RIP
11.00	SMM	People of the Parish
11.30	SH	Larry Murphy RIP
11.30	SP	People of the Parish
5.00 pm	SP	Brazilian Mass
5.00	SMM	People of the Parish
<b>Mon 14 July</b>		
<b>Saint Camillus of Lellis</b>		
10.00 am †	SH	Countess de Borchgrave
<b>Tue 15 July</b>		
<b>St Bonaventure</b>		
10.00 am	SG	All Parishioners
10.00 am †	SH	John Nicholas Crowe RIP
10.00	SP	
7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
<b>Wed 16 July</b>		
<b>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</b>		
8.00am	SH	Anthony John Reynolds RIP
10.00am	SP	
7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
<b>Thurs 17 July</b>		
10.00am	SP	
10.00am ‡	SG	All Parishioners
12 noon †	SH	Fr Ray Blake RIP
7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
<b>Fri 18 July</b>		
8.00 am	SH	Sally Harvey RIP
10	SP	
7.00pm	ST	All Parishioners
<b>Sat 19 July</b>		
6.00pm †	SH	Valerie Tillson RIP
6.00	SP	
6.30	SG	Polish Mass
<b>Sun 20 July</b>		
<b>16th Sunday in Ordinary time</b>		
8.30 am	SP	
9.00	ST	Eileen M. Daly RIP
9.30	SH	People of the Parish
9.30	SMM	Polish Mass
10.00	SP	
11.00	SG	All Parishioners
11.00	SMM	People of the Parish
11.30	SH	Holy Souls
11.30	SP	
5.00 pm	SP	Brazilian Mass
5.00	SMM	People of the Parish

**SH:** Sacred Heart; **SG:** St George's

**SMM:** St Mary Magdalene's

**SP:** St Peter's; **ST:** St Theresa of Lisieux

† Adoration before. ‡ Adoration after

coordinated by a Moderator. The clergy will work collaboratively with the Leadership Team and the Finance Committee for the mission. I look forward to working with you all in the new parish. Canon David Parmiter.



*'He ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him' Luke 19.*

### **Sycamore Evenings**

#### **Paused at St Peter's**

We are having a short break. The 7<sup>th</sup> July and 14<sup>th</sup> July there will not be a session in the hall. However, we will restart our evenings together on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July and these will continue and be open and available to everyone. *We climb the sycamore tree together so that we can see Jesus more clearly, love him more dearly and follow him more nearly. Fellowship in Faith. You are most welcome.*

### **Regular Events**

#### **Weekly Reconciliation**

##### **5:15-5:45pm before Mass**

every Saturday at Sacred Heart, and/or St Peter's.

#### **Coffee and Cake**

**Sacred Heart** after all 9:30am Sunday Masses, in the Parish Rooms.

**St George's & St Theresa's** after every Sunday Mass, at both churches.

**St Peter's** after the 10:00 Mass on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays; after 11:30 Sunday Mass every week. Everyone is welcome.

#### **Sacred Heart Prayer Group**

**Every Tuesday after Mass at 10:30am**, SH Parish Room. All Welcome. You may leave prayer requests in the box at the **back of the Church**.

#### **Online Prayer Group**

##### **Thursdays at 8pm via video-link**

A small and informal group, meeting to pray and read the scriptures together. If you'd like to join the group, or just 'come and see' you'd be very welcome. Just send an email to [westhove@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:westhove@abdiocese.org.uk) and you will receive the link for the meeting.

### **St Peter's Social Group**

#### **Fridays at 1:30pm**

We meet in the hall, term time only. You are welcome to join this friendly group for good conversation and some light refreshments.

### **St George's Tea and Chat**

#### **22<sup>nd</sup> July, Parish Hall**

After 10am Mass at St George's, offering a time of socialisation and activity, aimed at older people in the parish. No need to book. Just turn up!

### **Sacred Heart SVP Social Group**

#### **Thursdays at 12:30pm after Mass**

For all parishioners. Soup, sandwiches, tea, and cakes. Entertainment- quizzes etc. . The next dates are 17<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> July. There will be just one date in August on 28<sup>th</sup> August. All Welcome.

### **St Peter's Union of Catholic Mothers**

#### **Tuesdays in the hall, 2-4pm,**

during term time, new members always welcome to join us.

### **Sacred Heart Film Club**

Thank you to everyone who has been attending this. The Group will take a break during August and September, but will resume on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October. Please do let David or Michael know if there is a film you would like to be shown at the Film Club.

### **Southwick Churches Together**

#### **9:30 every Wednesday morning**

St Michael's Church in Southwick, for a short service, led by people from churches in the local area. There are refreshments afterwards. All welcome!

### **St Peter's Tai Chi**

**Term time, in the hall 10:30-11:30am** on Mondays.

### **Other Events / Notices**

#### **Sacramental programmes, St Peter's**

We are taking calls for expression of interest for next year's **First Holy Communion** and **Confirmation** programmes. If your child will be in Year 3 (First Communion programme) or Year 10 (Confirmation Programme) in Autumn 2025 and would like to participate, please contact the parish office [hovestepeters@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:hovestepeters@abdiocese.org.uk).

#### **Extraordinary Ministers Training**

**Saturday 19th July, St Theresa's** in the back room of the church.

Morning session: 11:30 - 13:00

Afternoon session: 14:00 - 15:30

Tea & coffee will be provided, but please bring a packed lunch.

Open to all existing ministers who would like a refresher, and any new ministers invited by Canon David. Please let either Canon David or Juliette know if you are planning on attending.

### **Farewell to Our Dear Father Rod**

#### **Sunday 20th July, 11am, SMM**

Fr Rod has been recalled to Worth Abbey. His last Mass with us, as our Parish Priest, will be Sunday 20th July, 11am. We warmly invite you to join us for Mass and for refreshments afterwards in the Community Hall, as we thank him for his time with us and wish him a fond farewell.

### **St Mary Magdalen Feast Day**

#### **Tuesday, 22nd July, 5:30pm**

Mass will be celebrated 5:30pm. All are most welcome.

### **Appeal for transport to & from Mass St Theresa's**

We have a parishioner from Southwick who needs help getting to St Theresa's for Mass on Sundays. Please let the office know if you can help.

### **Eucharistic Adoration**

#### **Fridays, 5:30pm, SMM**

Eucharistic adoration will continue every Friday at St Mary Magdalen Church. The Church opens 4pm, with Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament 5:30-6:30pm. Come and spend time in prayer with us, interceding for our city, parish and loved ones.

### **Children's Liturgy at St Peter's**

Is looking for more help. If you would like to volunteer, please do not hesitate to contact the office. A quick reminder that Children's liturgy takes place on a term time only basis. Children are welcome up to secondary school age, those of secondary school age are to be encouraged to stay in the Mass. If the ratio of adults to children are not sufficient, we will have to ask some parents to join the group at that point in the Mass before the children go out. If parents do not come forward, then the liturgy will not be able to take place.

### **St Peter's Archive**

For baptism, or confirmation certificates, please contact the archive

team by email:

[SaintPeterArchives@gmail.com](mailto:SaintPeterArchives@gmail.com).

### Newsletter by email

If you would like to receive a copy of the newsletter to your inbox each week, please email Lisa, SH Parish Secretary: [hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:hovesacredheart@abdiocese.org.uk) to be added to the distribution list, this list is for all our churches.

### Celebrate 2025

For those who may have missed the Celebrate festivals in recent years, see [celebratetrust.org](http://celebratetrust.org) for the 'Witness of Hope' family-friendly residential festival in **August 2025** at Worth School and give thanks that the Holy Spirit will continue to move hearts and guide minds in Sussex and beyond.



### St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

SMM's Nursery is the perfect start to your child's educational journey! Feeding into our main school, it offers a fantastic opportunity for your little one to experience a seamless transition into Reception Class, ensuring they feel confident and prepared for their next steps in learning. So why not join us for a tour before the summer break, and discover this hidden gem for yourself.

### Fundraising / Giving

#### Special Collections 2025

**13<sup>th</sup> July; Sea Sunday**

14<sup>th</sup> September; Education Sunday

21<sup>st</sup> September; Evangelii Gaudium

#### Sea Sunday

Seafarers and fishers play a vital role in all of our lives, but they often work in difficult, hazardous conditions. Sea Sunday is this Sunday, 13<sup>th</sup> July. It is when the Church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Your support will make a big difference to seafarers and fishers in need. You can donate in church, by visiting

[www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate](http://www.stellamaris.org.uk/donate), or by texting 'SEA' to 70460 to donate £5.

This collection is vital to enable Stella

Maris to continue its important work, so please give generously. Thank you.

### Karla's Curry Evening

**Sacred Heart. 19th July, 7pm**

Don't forget Karla's curry evening on the 19th of July at Sacred Heart Church Hall at 7pm for ESSA (East Sri Lanka Survivors Appeal). Tickets are still available, and Karla will be selling these after Mass at the Sacred Heart.

### Easyfundraising

Please sign up and shop via the easyfundraising website or App when you're shopping with over 7,500 brands including eBay, Tesco, Marks & Spencer, Just Eat & more! Your online shopping won't cost you any extra and we'll be really grateful for your donations.

You can find our easyfundraising pages here: **Our Lady Star of the Sea**

[easyfundraising.org.uk/the-catholic-parish-of-our-lady-star-of-the-sea/](http://easyfundraising.org.uk/the-catholic-parish-of-our-lady-star-of-the-sea/)

**Sacred Heart:**

[www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sacred-heart-church-hove/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/sacred-heart-church-hove/)

Please also download the donation reminder [www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donation-reminder/](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donation-reminder/) which can be installed on your device and will alert you when a website provides donations when you shop online.

### SVP Cash4Coins

The SVP would like to raise more funds to support some of our projects and one way we can do so is by asking people to donate their leftover, old coins, or holiday currency to the SVP. The scheme is called Cash4Coins. So often after a holiday abroad people have leftover currency which is not used, or they may have old coins and banknotes which are no longer legal tender. The SVP can collect :-

- All foreign coins and banknotes
- Current UK coins and banknotes
- Any old British and Irish money
- Obsolete currency, i.e. pre-decimal

Working with Cash4Coins, a currency service for charities, all the above can be converted into UK legal tender for the benefit of the SVP both locally and to support the wider work of the Society. There are collection jars at St George's, St Peter's, and St Theresa's.

### Hangleton & W. Blatchington Food Bank

If you would like to donate to the foodbank we would be grateful for:  
**Chocolate; Long life orange juice; Pasta sauce; Tinned tomatoes; Tinned tuna; and Washing up liquid.**

We currently have a HUGE stock of soup so please do not buy us any. Donations may be brought to the hall on Wednesdays between 10.30 and 11.45 or dropped into the collection bins in the One Stop in Court Farm Road, Books Alive in Elm Drive or in Hove Waitrose, or at any of our churches. Thank you.

### Please pray for...

**Bob & Elena White,**

**Canon Colin Wolczak, Cathy Howes, Cheryl Evans, Noah Baker, Rex Curd,**

**Suzanne Grassie,**

**Theresa Price (Nee Maguire),**

**Tom Piggins and Winifred Wilde.**

### Please pray for all the sick

and/or housebound members of our parishes. Please tell your parish office if you would like to add someone to the list above.

### Please pray for all who have died

recently, especially...

#### Fr Raymond Blake RIP

It is with deep sadness that we announce the death of Father Raymond Blake, who served as a Parish Priest at St Mary Magdalen Church for many years. Fr Ray passed away on 3rd July. His funeral will take place at The Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead, RH13 8LT, 2pm on 23rd July. Please keep Fr Ray in your prayers.

#### Monica Compton RIP

We have had the sad news that Monica Compton of Sacred Heart Parish has passed away. Please remember her and her family in your prayers.

#### Alan Pusey RIP

Funeral Mass for Alan Pusey (husband of the late Pat Pusey) will be on Monday 21st July, 11am, St Theresa's Church, Southwick, followed by internment at Southwick cemetery, and celebration at The Barn, Southwick.

#### Rod Dearling RIP

We have heard the sad news that Rod Dealing (husband of Chris Dearling) died this week. Please remember them in your prayers.



**Sunday 13th July 2025,  
15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Gloria**

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

**First Reading: Deuteronomy 30:10-14**

Moses spoke to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keep his commandments and his statutes that are written in this Book of the Law, turn to the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

'For this commandment that I command you today is not too hard for you, neither is it far off. It is not in heaven, that you should say, "Who will ascend to heaven for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" Neither is it beyond the sea, that you should say, "Who will go over the sea for us and bring it to us, that we may hear it and do it?" But the word is very near you. It is in your mouth and in your heart, so that you can do it.'

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm Response**

**Seek God, you who are poor, and your hearts will revive.**

**Second Reading: Colossians 1:15-20**

Christ Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities — all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the Church. He is the beginning,

the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be pre-eminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia.

Your words, O Lord, are Spirit and life; you have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia.

**Gospel: Luke 10:25-37**

At that time: Behold, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, 'Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? How do you read it?' And he answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' And he said to him, 'You have answered correctly; do this, and you will live.'

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road, and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion. He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, "Take care of him, and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back." Which of these three, do you think, proved to be a neighbour to the man who fell among the robbers?' He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' And Jesus said to him, 'You go, and do likewise.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Profession of Faith**

**I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow during the next three lines) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come.**

**Amen.**

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