



THE CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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Parish Office Opening Times: Mon, Tues & Thurs 9am – 12 noon

Church Opening Times: For Mass each day and Eucharistic Adoration (see below) and Mon, Tues and Thurs 9am-1pm (except school holidays)

Prayers for the Sick

Sylvano Alphonso
Tom Piggins

**And all the sick & housebound
And all who have died**

Rachel Longbotham RIP
Madeleine Snow RIP

Collections:

Offertory:

29th April: £1426.95

6th May £1509.53

Second Collections:

29th April – Off the Fence: £565.94

Forthcoming Collections:

13th May – The Catholic

Communications Network

27th May – Missionary Endeavour of
the Diocese (Gift Aid)

Sick List:

Thank you to those who responded to the notice in the last newsletter regarding the sick list, the list has been updated accordingly and will continue to be updated on a fortnightly basis. As a reminder, any requests for **parishioners** to be added should be made to Fr Colin and names will be included for 2 newsletters (4 weeks) and then removed unless re-requested for another 2 newsletters (4 weeks). Any queries, please contact Lisa in the office.

Dates for the diary

Fri 29th June – Cottesmore Golf Day,
contact adamsprackling@yahoo.co.uk
for more information.

Sunday 15th July – Cottesmore
Summer Fair

“The Church needs everyday
saints, those of ordinary life
carried out with coherence”.

Pope Francis

FORTNIGHTLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

13th & 20th May 2018

7th Sunday of the Year & Pentecost Year B

Mass Times and Intentions

SATURDAY	May 12	6pm	Sarah Powell RIP
SUNDAY	May 13	9.30am	Eileen Ward RIP
		11.30am	People of the Parish
MONDAY	May 14	10am	Funeral of Trevor Messenger RIP
TUESDAY	May 15	10am	Trevor Messenger RIP
WEDNESDAY	May 16	8am	Dec Members of Polito Family
THURSDAY	May 17	12noon	Teresa Costabile Jochlik RIP
FRIDAY	May 18	8am	Mary Purefoy Turner RIP
SATURDAY	May 19	6pm	Ronnie Saldanha RIP
SUNDAY	May 20	9.30am	People of the Parish
		11.30am	Mr & Mrs GW Gillow and family
MONDAY	May 21	10am	Helen Baxter RIP
TUESDAY	May 22	10am	Maddie Hewitt Int
WEDNESDAY	May 23	8am	Kay Camillin RIP
THURSDAY	May 24	12noon	Funeral of Rachel Longbotham RIP
FRIDAY	May 25	8am	Tess McCarthy RIP

Please book Mass Intentions in advance – now booking Masses for July/August 2018
CONFESSIONS: 5-15pm-5.45pm every Saturday. 11.15am-11.45am First Saturday of month.
EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Mon 9-10am, Tue 9-10am, Thurs 11am including Rosary.

A message from Canon Colin

One of the characteristics of John's Gospel is how he presents the story of Jesus as a lawsuit between God and the unbelieving world. Witnesses are arranged on either side to argue the case. And the case at issue is: *Is Jesus the Messiah and the Son of God?*

When Jesus dies, the lawsuit is not finished. His claim to be the Messiah and the Son of God is confirmed in his resurrection. But there are still many who do not accept the evidence.

The principle advocate for Jesus' claim is now the Holy Spirit. He is the big lawyer, and his principle witnesses are the apostles.

What we celebrate at Pentecost is the coming of the advocate, the one who enables the apostles to be witnesses to Jesus' claims in the world. Before the coming of the Spirit they were frightened men. With the help of the Spirit they are graced with new courage. Their courtroom is the market-place of the world.

As we know from experience the lawsuit continues, the case is not closed. There will always be opposition to face, there will always be a jury to persuade. The Holy Spirit continues to be the advocate, calling on generations of Christians to come forward as witnesses in the case.

We are the current witnesses. Do we take the stand or are we in contempt of court.

Our silence is a gift to the unbelieving world and a denial of the "complete truth" which we have received.

*With Every Blessing
Fr Colin*

Brighton Festival & the Sacred Heart: As part of our outreach to the wider community, and also to be able share something of our faith, we will be an **OPEN CHURCH** to the public for **3 Saturdays in May (12th, 19th, 26th)** from **10am – 5pm**. Thank you so much to all who have volunteered to be a Welcomer. We hope many will visit the parish over these three days. Parishioners also are invited to come along and take part - there will be various activities inside the church. Why not bring along / invite friends, family & neighbours!

ALL OUR CHURCH SERVICES ARE STREAMED LIVE. TO VIEW GO TO www.sacredheartrove.org.uk/videos.html

Parish Diary

Thurs 17th May	7.00pm	Alpha Course (Week 2)
Sat 19th May	10am	Open Church (Brighton Festival)
	7.00pm	Curry Evening, Parish Room
Sun 20th May	9.30am	Children's Mass
Thurs 24th May	7.00pm	Alpha Course (Week 3)
Sat 26th May	10am	Open Church (Brighton Festival)
Sat 2nd June	9.15am	FHC Session – Parish Room
Sun 3rd June	9.30am	FHC Mass

Curry Evening: Karla is holding a Curry Evening on Saturday 19th May, to continue raising funds for the House Building for families in need in Sri Lanka. 7pm start in the Parish Rooms. Please come and support this great cause. Thank you. **Contact Karla on 01273 734560 for more info.**

Vocations Weekend for young women (20s and 30s)

Discerning God's Call in my life to be held on 25-27 May 2018 in Liverpool. The weekend is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). There will be input from the FCJ sisters on different aspects of vowed life, and time for prayer, reflection and discussion with other young women who are also considering a vocation to religious life. It's an opportunity to live community life for a weekend and meet some sisters! For more info contact Sr Lynne FJC at lynnefcj@hotmail.com or visit our website www.fcjsisters.org.

Big Church Day Out 26th-27th May - Wiston House, West Sussex

Join thousands of other Christians for two exciting days of worship and celebration! This event has something for all ages and lots of fun activities for children. Go to www.bigchurchdayout.com for more info about the event and www.celebrateconference.org/the-big-church-day-out to book half price tickets.

Parish Grandparents Pilgrimage to West Grinstead

Wednesday 13th June from 10.00-3.30pm. A day with other Grandparents for personal reflection. Opportunities for Confession, Adoration, visit the secret Chapel, Mass with Bishop Richard. Book with Katherine.bergin@dabnet.org.

Parenting Teens Workshop - St Peter's Church, York Place Brighton.

Please pick up a flyer for this event from the porch. Three workshops are being run for the parents of teens (relevant for those with children aged 10-18) and covering hot topics of today's teenagers such as navigating the digital world etc. The workshops are being held in June – specific dates and prices are available on the flyers or contact St Peters on stpetersbrighton.org/ptw for more information.

Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

27th July to 2nd August 2018 – Online applications are now open – check the Pilgrimage website for details www.ablourdes.org. Pilgrims requiring any level of medical, nursing or carer assistance, or those without access to the internet, should contact the Pilgrimage Office direct for a paper application form on 01403 740110.

Parish Room every week Mon: Tai Chi 50+ 11.30 – 12.30, Ian Kendall 07900 193230 or iktaichi@me.com. Monday Club 2 – 4pm Chat, cakes & raffle **Christian Meditation 7-8pm**. Come and discover the riches of this type of silent prayer. We follow the teaching of the late John Main OSB. "Meditation is a way of coming to your own centre, the foundation of your own being..." Info Tim 07870 360551

Youth & Young Adults

Sacred Heart Kids' Club Weekly at the coffee morning after the 9.30am Sunday mass. All ages welcome. Come and join us for games, crafts, friendship, hot chocolate or squash and a biscuit. Feel free to bring your own game and someone will play it with you, or join in with one of our games. Tea, coffee and biscuits for all adults.

Hangleton & West Blatchington Foodbank

We are a collection point for our local food bank at St George's. They are in need of long life (UHT) milk, tinned fish, tinned meat, sugar, biscuits, snacks and washing up liquid. We are fully stocked and unable to store any more pasta, baked beans or soup. Thank you.

Church Flowers

Parishioners are now able to sponsor altar and church flowers, please contact Pam on 01273 729258 if you wish to do so or complete a donation envelope, which can be picked up from the porch. The flowers can be sponsored for your own intentions, and if you wish, this can be mentioned in the newsletter. The suggested donation is £25.

Thank you from CAFOD

Thank you for your support to our Lent Fast Day appeal. Donations to CAFOD until 12 May will be doubled by the UK Government. We have planned a £5 million programme to combat malnutrition - and with it we hope to be able to reach 245,000 people. But we need the full amount of match funding to make it happen. You can help us reach the full amount needed for this crucial programme. We still have some way to go yet. To donate please go to cafod.org.uk/lent.

Brighton Celebrate Conference 14th & 15th July

at Cardinal Newman School. A non-residential weekend for all ages. Main speakers are David Wells, Rev. John Ryeland and Michelle Moran and praise and worship led by John Wright. A weekend of praise & worship, drama, Mass, range of workshops, opportunity for reconciliation. For more info see www.celebrateconference.org/brighton or call 01444 450203.

Diocesan Financial Controller - Hove: The

Diocese are recruiting a new Financial Controller. The full advert is on the noticeboard at the back of the church or contact Sarah Kilmartin on 01273 859705 or finance@bishops-house.co.uk for more information.

Pilates Class at Sacred Heart: Fridays at 2pm in the Parish Room. For more info please contact Sheila Conlon sheilaconlon1@gmail.com.

Next Newsletter: Sunday 27th May. All notices by 10am Tues 22nd May please.

HAVE A BLESSED AND PEACEFUL WEEK!

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