



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

Ernest Eaton
 Fr David Weston
 Tom Piggins
 Emilie
 Peter Scoles
 Casey Jones
 Carmelita Shirkie
 Maria Jupp
 Chris Bennett
 Neil Harley Rudd
 Raymond Burtenshaw
 Abbi Zarrabi
 April Weller
 Roy Lewis

And all the sick & housebound
And all who have died

Collections

Offertory:

14th May: £1528.40

21st May: £1664.89

Second Collections:

None

Forthcoming 2nd collections:

28th May: Catholic

Communications Network

In Preparation for

Pentecost:

"Hail O Spirit most pure,
 Bond of the Son and the Father.
 O Christ, send down on me
 This Spirit with the Father,
 That he may sprinkle my soul with
 his dew and fill it with his
 royal gifts"

Synesius of Cyrene (c.370)

Message from April Weller:

April has been in hospital for some week and wants to thank everyone for their prayers. We continue to pray for her and all who are unwell, in hospital, nursing homes or at home. We pray for their families and carers.

*"Jesus wants hearts
 that are open and
 tender toward the weak,
 never hearts that are
 hardened"*

Pope Francis

FORTNIGHTLY PARISH NEWSLETTER

28th May & 4th June 2017

The Ascension of the Lord and Pentecost - Year A

Mass Times and Intentions

SATURDAY	May 27	6pm	People of the Parish (Joan Parkinson 1 st Anniversary)
SUNDAY	May 28	9.30am 11.30am	Prayers & Thanksgiving Mass Desmond Richard Condren RIP
MONDAY	May 29	10am	Joan & Norman Parkinson RIP
TUESDAY	May 30	10am	Joan Parkinson RIP
WEDNESDAY	May 31	8am	Bridget Walsh RIP
THURSDAY	June 1	12noon	Funeral of Juana Zoila Sayer RIP
FRIDAY	June 2	8am	Alice Rawcliffe RIP
SATURDAY	June 3	12noon 6pm	Joan & Norman Parkinson RIP Members of the Hobden Family
SUNDAY	June 4	9.30am 11.30am	People of the Parish Anna & James Kendall RIP
MONDAY	June 5	10am	Ada Mitchell RIP
TUESDAY	June 6	10am	Joan & Norman Parkinson RIP
WEDNESDAY	June 7	8am	Gerry Sullivan RIP
THURSDAY	June 8	12noon	Kitty & Tony Foley RIP
FRIDAY	June 9	8am	Christopher Coates RIP

Please book Mass Intentions in advance – now booking Masses for Aug/Sept 2017

CONFESSIONS: 5-15pm-5.45pm every Saturday. 11.15am-11.45am First Saturday of month.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Mon 9-10am, Tue 9-10am, Thurs 11am including Rosary.

Manchester - A Pain that Cuts into our Hearts

We have all felt in these days the deep shock and sadness of yet another terrible act of brutal and indiscriminate violence, compounded by the fact that many of the victims were / are young innocent children and teenagers. The Bible carries the constant tension of reconciling God's good-ness (and all-powerfulness) with the suffering of the innocent (*Book of Job, the Psalms*). I was already scheduled to be at Cardinal Newman, on the day of the news, to celebrate the leavers Mass for Year 11. We prayed for the Manchester victims and I shared with the young people how we try to reconcile, as Christians, such terrible events with our belief in a loving God: *God allows us to choose to do good, or to do evil. It's a huge responsibility, and shocking that people at times make such "bad" and wicked choices, and yet if we didn't have the choice (free will) then neither could we be "good people", neither could we choose the "best choices"; we'd just be robots ... puppets! God gives us free will and a conscience, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit to guide and protect us, to lead us to be the best we can be. I tried to encourage them: be successful in your important exams, achieve the goals you've set yourselves, but always remember the **BIGGEST** and noblest success, and most important goal of life, is to make the best choices in our life, to be the best people we can be for others, with God's help.*

Whatever words we use / find in moments of such sadness and pain, words give way to silence ... the silence of pain, the silence of solidarity, the silence of prayer, the silence of hope, the silence of God. God bless all young people and keep them safe.

Fr Kevin

Pentecost Weekend: 3-4 June

Saturday at 7:30pm the Chemin Neuf Community is holding a Pentecost Praise Evening at **St Patrick's, Cambridge Road, Hove BN3 1DE.**

Sunday at 6pm an Ecumenical Pentecost Celebration "Thy Kingdom Come" at **St Peters, York Place Brighton**

Parish Diary

Thurs 8th June 7.30pm SVP Meeting – Parish Room
Sat 10th June 10am Marriage Meeting – Parish House

Youth & Young Adults

Youth Group: School yrs 6-9. Next date **11th June 10.30-12 noon**. Come along for snacks, games, activities, craft & prayer.

Young Adults Group: For all aged 18-35. We meet once a month for pizza, prayer & socialising. Next date **11th June 6.30pm-8pm**. Newcomers welcome! For more info contact sacredheartyoungadultsgroup@gmail.com or find 'Sacred Heart Hove Young Adults Group' on Facebook.

Brightlights Festival is an annual event for Catholic young adults (ages 16-30) taking place **June 23rd – 26th** in the beautiful grounds of Alton Castle in Staffordshire. Come and join us for a weekend of live music from artists including One Hope Project and Guvna B. To journey together in Faith through liturgy and worship. And to hear simulating input the possibilities of living life: UNLIMITED. To find out more information or book tickets, visit our website: brightlights.org.uk, call 0300 075 0115 or find us on social media: T/FB/IG: BLFestival.

Foundation Governors & School Places at Cottesmore St Mary's School: If you would like your child to join Cottesmore St Mary's Catholic Primary school, there are a few places currently available in the current Reception Year, Year 1 & Year 5, plus two places for September 2017 for the new Reception year. Contact Cottesmore on 01273 555811. **On the weekend of 10 /11 June Art Gallagher, a parishioner, will share a few words on how we can support our school.**

Cottesmore Golf, Dinner and Dance: This is one of the school's biggest social events of the year, happening **on Friday 23rd June 2017**. The day is great fun and this year will raise funds for essential laptops for each classroom. Lots of non-golfers come to the evening, making it a fabulous get together, regardless of your interest in golf! It is very popular so contact Adam at adamsprackling@yahoo.co.uk to book your place or pick up an entry form at the back of the church to hand in to the School Office.

Cottesmore St Mary's Summer Fayre – A date for your diary! Summer Fayre is being held on **Saturday 1st July** between 12pm- 3pm. More information to follow in the coming weeks.

Understanding CAFOD Morning: You are invited to come and find out about CAFOD's work overseas and how we are trying to end poverty on **Wednesday 14th June** at **Holy Family Church Hall Lancing BN15 9BB** from 11:30-1pm. The morning will end with a simple lunch so please let us know if you would like to come (for catering purposes) by emailing arundelbrighton@cafod.org.uk or calling Martin or Jo at the Arundel and Brighton CAFOD volunteer centre 01483 898866.

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 June 11th**. All notices by **10am Tuesday 6th June** please.

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

Painting in Our Lady's Chapel:

From time to time a parishioner shares a moving piece of art work with us, displayed in Our Lady's Chapel. Francois Lavaud his own painting "The Shame of the Little Child on the Beach" – this depicts the innocent life, we may all remember from the news, of a young Syrian refugee washed up on a beach. The picture portrays the plight of all suffering children in the world, always in our hearts and our prayer.

Fatima Bike Ride: Les Whittaker, from Our Lady & St Peter's Church, East Grinstead, is undertaking a 1500 mile bike ride to Fatima, Portugal in June/July this year. He visits us the weekend of 28 May with an information table/display on Fatima - his aim is to proclaim the message given in the apparitions, in its centenary year, and at the same time to raise money for pro-life causes. Please see <http://www.worldfatima-englandwales.org.uk/fundraising.html> for further details.

Church Repository:

Fatima 100th Anniversary. Leaflets and other items from Fatima are now available at the Repository.

Blooming Great Tea Party:

will be held in the Parish Room on **Thursday 22nd June** from 1pm to 5pm, in aid of Marie Curie Care and support through terminal illness. Please come and bring a friend! If you would like to help out and/or can make a cake please contact Imelda Eaton on 01273 773361.

Thank you from Missio:

Fr Prasad, who we sponsored whilst he was studying to become a priest in a seminary in Sri Lanka, was ordained a priest on 21st April. There is a thank you letter from Missio, which is on noticeboard in the porch by the entrance door, should you wish to read more about Fr Prasad.

Street Pastors Needed:

the church in action on the streets - volunteers from the churches of Brighton & Hove caring, listening and helping. Along with other agencies, we help to ensure the streets are safe for clubbers and others on a night out who get into difficulties. After receiving training, volunteers do a once-a-month patrol, usually between 10.30pm and 3/4am on a Friday or Saturday. Come and join us: please contact Alistair Crow on brighton@streetpastors.org.uk or 07817 604232.

Diocesan Grandparents Day:

This will take place on **Wednesday 7 June** 10am-3pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in West Grinstead including Mass at 11.30am with Bishop Richard. The day will include Adoration, Benediction, Reconciliation and the Rosary. For more information contact Rosie Read at rosie.read@dabnet.org.

Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes:

27th July to 4th August 2017 – 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.

HAVE A BLESSED AND PEACEFUL WEEK!

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