

The Parish of Southwick with Portslade (St Theresa's and Mass Centre) and The Parish of West Blatchington with Hangleton (St George's)

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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 4th	6 pm	Portslade	People of the Parish
Sunday 5th	9.30 am	Southwick	Robert Mendoza RIP
	11 am	St George's	Deceased parents RIP of Ralph & Indika Fernando
Monday 6th	9.30 am	Southwick	NO MASS
Tuesday 7th	10 am	Portslade	Dolores Brooks RIP
Wednesday 8th	10 am	St George's	Private Intention (C.E.)
Thursday 9th	7 pm	Southwick	Eric Cripps RIP
Friday 10th	9.30 am	Portslade	NO MASS
Saturday 11th	6 pm	Portslade	People of the Parish
Sunday 12th	9.30 am	Southwick	Intentions of Canice Michael
	11 am	St George's	Martin Gilligan RIP

~ MORNING PRAYER ~

Tuesday & Friday, 9.15 am

~ EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION ~

as announced

~ CONFESSIONS ~

Saturdays 5.30 pm (Mass Centre) *by arrangement*,
Sundays following 11 am Mass (St George's) *on request*,
& at call

ICON PAINTING GROUP AT ST MARY'S

If you are interested in learning to paint / write icons, or already have experience in painting them, and would like to do so with other people in a prayerful and mutually supportive group, call Rosie Bradshaw for details on 01273 708092. We will meet on the first and third Fridays of the month, 3-6 pm, in the Cassidy Centre at St Mary's.

Cottesmore St Mary Catholic Primary School Prospective parents September 2018

We will be holding tours for parents with children starting school in September 2018. The dates are 14th, 16th, 21st and 23rd November at 9 am, and an evening tour on 30th November at 7 pm.

Please contact the school office on 01273 555811 to book your place - we look forward to showing you around!

ADVENT SMALL GROUPS

Wednesday evenings (except the first meeting):

(7.30 pm in the Parish Room, St Theresa's, Southwick)

28th November (Tuesday),

6th, 13th and 20th December (Wednesdays)

Friday afternoons:

(2 pm in the Mass Centre, Portslade)

1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd December

If, as is hoped, another group runs at St George's then further details will be given. Sign-up sheets will be out next month but put the dates in your diaries now.

Prayer Meetings

The SVP will be holding prayer meetings on Tuesday evenings, starting on Tuesday 7th November, meeting at 7 pm for a 7.15 pm start in St George's Church. All welcome. If you would like to attend but have no transport, there will be a mini bus pick up at 6.30 pm from St Theresa's and 6.45 pm from the Mass Centre. If you have any concerns or questions, please contact Colm Lennon on 07717 842966.

Sunday 19th November

SVP GAMES AFTERNOON - Enjoy board games? We will be having a games afternoon on Sunday 19th November in St George's hall 12 noon - 2.45 pm. This event is free to all. Donations for refreshments would be welcome. There will also be a raffle on the day, with all proceeds going to support our twinning project in India.

SVP

The parishes' St Vincent de Paul (SVP) Conference would welcome new members. If you would like to find out more, please contact Colm Lennon on 07717 842966. (Have you read the four-page spread in the November edition of the A & B News all about SVP?)

MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS

November for Catholics is usually thought of as the Month of the Dead and / or the Holy Souls in Purgatory. Traditionally, Masses for the repose of the souls of our deceased relatives and friends are offered at this time.

November envelopes for your personal lists of deceased relatives and friends are available at the back of the churches and the filled envelopes will be brought forward to the altar as part of our Offertory Procession during November and then placed on the altar during the celebration of Mass.

Please do not put Mass requests of cash in these envelopes as they will not be opened until the end of November. Mass requests for the Holy Souls and for deceased relatives and friends should be made using the usual Mass Intention request envelopes.

N.B. *It may already be too late to request Mass for a specific date in November as most weekend intentions are already booked.*

Emergency Sick Calls: The Parish Office

If no reply, try Fr Jerry O'Brien at St Peter's, Hove: 01273 733840

Information for the next newsletter to Wai-Fan

at the Parish Office no later than Wednesday 10 am please.

DIARY DATES

TODAY (5 November)

- retiring collection after all Masses for The Retired Priests Fund
- Blessing of Graves, 3 pm in the various cemeteries and burial grounds around the deanery. We will be in Portslade Cemetery this year (*having already celebrated the Blessing of Graves at Southwick Cemetery on Sunday 1 October*).

NEXT SUNDAY (12 November)

- retiring collection after all Masses for the Brighton & Hove Deanery Night Shelter Project.
- As today is Remembrance Sunday the 11 am Mass at St George's will begin with the observance of a two-minute silence.
- The children preparing for First Holy Communion will be leading the 11 am at St George's.

Sunday 19 November - retiring collection after all Masses for The Cathedral Maintenance Fund

Sunday 26 November - Solemnity of Christ the King (National Youth Sunday), the Confirmation Group will be leading the 11 am Mass at St George's

Tuesday 14 November - ANNUAL NOVEMBER MASS FOR DECEASED CLERGY, 11 am, St Peter's, Hove. Please come and pray for deceased priests of the diocese and deanery who have served in our parishes. There will be no other parish Mass on this day. All welcome.

also Tuesday 14 November - TEA AND CHAT, 10 am to 12 noon in St George's Hall. All very welcome.

Saturday 2 December - PARISH ADVENT DAY OF RECOLLECTION, from 10 am to 4 pm, using the facilities of Compass House, at Worth Abbey. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. You are invited to bring a plate of food so that we can have a shared lunch.

ADVENT SUNDAY (3 December) - A SERVICE FOR ADVENT (*Churches Together in Portslade*), 3 pm at the Mass Centre, Vale Gardens. Followed by refreshments. All welcome.

10 December (Second Sunday of Advent) - CATHOLIC BIBLE SUNDAY. All those who currently exercise the liturgical

ministry of reader in our parishes will be invited make a formal renewal of their commitment. *If you wish to continue reading at Mass and appearing on the readers' rotas, please make every effort to be at one of the parish Masses on that particular Sunday.*

Sunday 17 December (Gaudete) - is the Third Sunday of Advent and we will celebrate *BAMBINELLI SUNDAY* when you are invited to bring the Baby Jesus / Bambino / Christ Child from your own crib or nativity at home and have them blessed.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM

Next preparation evening, Wednesday 15th November, 7.30 - 9 pm in the Parish Meeting Room at St Theresa's, Southwick. Please contact the Parish Office (01273 708227) to book a place on the course.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday 11 November, 9.30 - 11 am: The next preparation session for the children at The Mass Centre (Portslade)

CONFIRMATION

Thursday 9 November, 7 - 9 pm: The next session for candidates, in the Parish Meeting Room at St Theresa's.

MARRIAGE

It is a requirement of the Diocese that a notice period of six months is given of the intention to marry.

NOTICES

Saturday 11 November - *THE BIG ENCOUNTER 2017*. Catholic Festival for 15-30s, featuring: Live Music, Workshops, Confession, Adoration, and some amazing talks at Newman College, Hove. From 7 to 9.30 pm (doors open 6.30 pm). Free entry. Details from Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

Sunday 19 November 2 pm to 5.30 pm - *HOPE 2017*: A festival day for 11-14s coinciding with the first World Day for the Poor, will challenge us to think about how we live Christ's call to serve those in need, includes Mass, drama and input. Contact Jack.Regan@dabnet.org to book and for more information. We expect those attending to be part of organised groups. Young people wanting to attend without accompanying adults must contact Jack Regan for a consent form.

NEEDED AT ST THERESA'S

Organist or someone to lead congregational singing at Sunday Masses and on Feast Days at St. Theresa's required permanently or as relief. Guidance would be offered if you have not tried this ministry before. (See James Johnson, organist at St Theresa's.)

Please pray ...

...for the sick and / or housebound:

St Theresa's and The Mass Centre:

Stephen, Olive, Christopher, John, Roy, Giuseppe & Ester, Connie, Jean, Tom, Ena, Cheryl, Mark, Mary, Sheila, Elizabeth, Audrey, Mary, Stephen, Robert, Joan, Mac, Padiag, May, Heather, Christine, Ana, Keith and Anna.

St George's:

Lavinia, Elizabeth, Flo, Balavendra, Claire, Celia, Patrick, Maria, Compton, Vince, Ina, Sheilagh, Gwenda, Sandra and Fr David.

... for all whose anniversaries occur about this time:

St Theresa's and The Mass Centre:

Alice Reynolds, Sophie Ward, Arthur Camps, Joan Lytle, John Joseph McCarthy, Margaret Gallagher, Mary Cammiade, Hilda Jenner, Michael Lawlor, Bernard Ring, Mary Kelly, Reg Chisholm, Kathleen O'Callaghan, Reginald Smart, Bridget Mallett, Daphne Bishop, Evelyn Langridge, James Forrest, Mary Lanniman, James Inglis and Mary O'Kane.

St George's:

Thomas Smith, Mary Maginty, William Parkinson, Walter Fernando, Bernard O'Brien, Joe Pyatt, Hannah Winifred Jenkins, Margaret McDonald, Cesario B. Esguerra, Lily Violet Clark and Shaun Desmond Leigh.