

# 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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## Safeguarding Contacts

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## MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 20th	6 pm	Portslade	Intentions of Maggie Wares
Sunday 21st	9.30 am	Southwick	Barry Muggeridge RIP
	11 am	St George's	People of the Parish
Monday 22nd	10 am	Southwick	<b>NO MASS</b>
Tuesday 23rd	10 am	Portslade	Intentions of Trish Lang
Wednesday 24th	10 am	St George's	In Thanksgiving (JB)
Thursday 25th	7.30 pm	<b>St George's</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b> - Fr David Weston, RIP
Friday 26th	<b>11.30 am</b>	<b>St George's</b>	<b>Requiem Mass</b> - Fr David Weston, RIP
Saturday 27th	6 pm	Portslade	People of the Parish
Sunday 28th	9.30 am	Southwick	Eric Cripps RIP
	11 am	St George's	Patrick Gibbons 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

## LENT 2018

The season of Lent begins in less than a month - Ash Wednesday is 14th February.

This weekend there are sign-up sheets out for the two six-week Lent Prayer Groups which will be running in the Parish: Wednesday evenings in the Meeting Room at St Theresa's, Southwick, and Friday afternoons at the Mass Centre, Portslade. Please add your name to the list as soon as you can so that we can provide participants with course booklets before the sessions begin.

Our Lenten Day of Recollection / Retreat Day will be held on Saturday 17 March, 10 am to 4 pm at the Sellwood Centre, Dalesdown, Dial Post. (We used the same venue for the 2016 Advent Retreat Day). There is a sign-up sheet - please indicate if you require, or can offer, a lift.

A sheet detailing the opportunities for prayer and the times and venues of various services during Lent and Holy Week 2018. Please take a copy.

## Fr David Weston RIP

### Funeral arrangements – all at St George's

Thursday 25 Jan, 4 pm - Fr David's body will be received into the church

Thursday 25 Jan, 7.30 pm - Vigil Mass

Friday 26 Jan, 11.30 am - Requiem Mass; Bishop Richard will preside

### All parishioners are very welcome to any or all of these services.

We expect many people to be at the Requiem Mass and there will be pressure on parking. Please avoid coming by car if you can, otherwise plan to park in the surrounding streets. We will arrange for a minibus from St Theresa's if needed; please request this by 11 a.m. on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>.

St George's will be providing refreshments after the Requiem Mass. Could you provide food (finger food only)? If so, please say what you can bring by 11 am on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please also say if you are willing to help with serving the refreshments or to help in other ways that may be needed.

All offers of help, requests for lifts from St Theresa's and queries to [rota@stgeorges-hove-org.uk](mailto:rota@stgeorges-hove-org.uk) or the parish office (01273 708227).

## Recommitment at St George's

A reminder to everybody at St George's that this is the time to commit, or to recommit, to being involved with our Sunday Mass over the coming year. Please return your forms as soon as you can.

If you need more information, just ask! See Helen after Mass or email [rota@stgeorges-hove.org.uk](mailto:rota@stgeorges-hove.org.uk).

## VOLUNTEER BOOK-KEEPER

The Finance Committee for St Theresa's (Southwick with Portslade) is looking for a volunteer with computerised book-keeping experience to assist with data input and record keeping. The diocese currently uses a Data Development software program, Finance Co-ordinator, version 2. If you may be able to help, please contact the Parish Office (01273 708227) and leave your details.



## ASH WEDNESDAY ↔ PALM SUNDAY

If you have any unwanted, blessed palm crosses at home from previous celebrations of Palm Sunday, why not bring them back to church over the next couple of weeks so they can be burnt to provide the ashes for Ash Wednesday on 14th February?

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 (21 January 2018)

- First Holy Communion Tea Party at the Mass Centre, 3 - 4 pm. All prayer partners please come along to support the child for whom you are praying

**Sunday 28 January - RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**, with a retiring collection at all Masses for the work of CARJ (Catholic Association for Racial Justice).

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**Tuesday 23 January 2018 - TEA AND CHAT**, 10 am to 12 noon in St George's Hall. All very welcome.

**also Tuesday 23 January - Churches Together in Portslade**, Quiet Hour of Prayer, 7.30 to 8.30 pm, City Coast Church, North Street, Portslade

**Saturday 27 January 2018 - DEANERY MARRIAGE PREPARATION**, a follow-up session at St John the Baptist, Kemptown, at 2.30 pm to meet with Mandy from St Peter's, Brighton, to hear about their Marriage Preparation Course. We are still looking for more couples who would consider becoming course leaders or couple accompaniers in the deanery and in our parishes. If you are interested in going along contact the Parish Office.

**also Saturday 27 January 2018 - JUSTICE & PEACE ASSEMBLY 2018**, "HOPE overcoming FEAR: the Church in the Modern World - The Glory of God is the human person fully alive" at DABCEC 10 am - 4 pm. Speakers include Jack Valero, coordinator and co-founder of Catholic Voices and Dr Anthony Towey, Director of the Aquinas Centre for Theological Literacy at St Mary's University. To book contact [ruth.gerun@dabnet.org](mailto:ruth.gerun@dabnet.org) or 01293 651164 or [www.dabnet.org/courses](http://www.dabnet.org/courses) - **car-sharing is possible, please contact the Parish Office by 23 January.**

**Saturday 10 February 2018 - INTENTIONS MARRIAGE: Reflection Day**, Worth Abbey, 1.30 pm. All marriages, however wonderful, can always be enriched. Christian marriage is a vocation, a calling from God to live life in a certain way, imitating the love he has for us. For

people wanting to invest more in their marriage, join us for inspiration from organisations supporting marriage followed by Mass with Bishop Richard. Contact [katherine.bergin@dabnet.org](mailto:katherine.bergin@dabnet.org) or 01293 651152.

## SACRAMENTS

### CONFIRMATION

**Thursday 1 February** - next candidates' session in the Parish Room Meeting at St Theresa's, 7 - 9 pm

## NOTICES

**THE SVP** are holding regular Tuesday evening prayer meetings, 7 pm for 7.15 pm start in St George's Church. All welcome. If you need transport, please contact Colm Lennon on 07717 842966 about lifts.

**Street Pastors needed** at The Church in action on the streets. Volunteers from the Churches in Brighton and Hove are needed to ensure the streets are safe for clubbers and others on a night out. After receiving training, volunteers do a once a month patrol usually between 10.30 pm to 3 am Friday or Saturday. If you can help please contact Alister Crow on 07817 604232 [brighton@streetpastors.org.uk](mailto:brighton@streetpastors.org.uk)

**Bollywood Dancing** takes place every Friday 6 - 7 pm at St. George's Church hall on a 'drop-in' basis. Great fun, all welcome. Please contact Lucy Alphonso (St Georges' parishioner) 07790743075 for further details.

### **Mary Barrie RIP (ex-parishioner of St Theresa's)**

My Mum Mary (known to many as Pat) has died aged 97. She and I were regular parishioners at St Theresa's during the 70s, after which we had a spell going over to Gerry Coates at Steyning, and then again after I married in 1989 for another 10 years or so. I know there are some around who still remember her and are welcome to the funeral Mass celebration at St Michaels, High Salvington, at 10.30 am on Thursday, 25th January. God bless.  
*Neville Barrie*

## **VOLUNTEERS NEED AT CAFOD**

What is your New Year resolution? Why not help to make a difference in the fight against poverty and injustice by volunteering for CAFOD? CAFOD, the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development, are currently looking for enthusiastic volunteers to help them in their work. There are many ways to get involved such as in local schools, the parish or with fundraising, campaigning and more.

If you would like more information or feel that you could help CAFOD then please contact Martin on 01483 898866 or email [arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk)

**Please pray ...**

**... for all the sick and / or housebound:**

### **St Theresa's and The Mass Centre:**

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

### **St George's:**

Lavinia, Flo, Paddy, Balavendra, Claire, Celia, Maria, Compton, Vince, Ina, Sheilagh, Gwenda and Sandra.

**... for Mary Barrie (ex-parishioner of St Theresa's) and all whose anniversaries occur about this time:**

### **St Theresa's and The Mass Centre:**

Mabel Foot, Kevin McDermott, Valerie Newman, Mary Nicholson, Thomas Murphy, Edward Hilton, Katherine Streatfield, William Watts, Oscar Prendergast, Sean Levett, Alison McCloskey, Paul Howard, Norah Field, Dorothy Ockenden and Shannon Green.

### **St George's:**

Helene Clarke, Douglas William Diaper, Percy Webster, Klementine Altvatter, Donald Grover, Winifred Knight, Teresa Sims, Julia Colley and Sylvia Stace.