

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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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 3rd	6 pm	Portslade	Maeve Campbell RIP
Sunday 4th	9.30 am	Southwick	People of the Parish
	11 am	St George's	Intentions of the Harvey family
Monday 5th	10 am	Southwick	NO MASS
Tuesday 6th	10 am	Portslade	NO MASS
Wednesday 7th	10 am	St George's	NO MASS
Thursday 8th	7.30 pm	Southwick	NO MASS
Friday 9th	10 am	Portslade	Phyllis Dixon RIP
Saturday 10th	6 pm	Portslade	Fr James Kirwan RIP & all deceased parishioners RIP
Sunday 11th	9.30 am	Southwick	Norma Wighton RIP
	11 am	St George's	People of the Parish

~ 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

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 14th February.

Sign-up sheets are 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.

CHOMP CLUB - FEBRUARY HALF TERM

The Chomp Club provide a free healthy lunch and fun activities to children and their families who struggle to eat well during the school holidays. During the February half term holidays, we will be opening at venues across Brighton & Hove. Spaces are limited, so all families should register as soon as possible. Please see poster for details of times and locations.

- To register for Chomp at Gloucester Place, Benfield, St. Mark's, or West Blatchington please email chomp@onechurchbrighton.org, or call 07955 597880.
- For Fabrica: call 01273 778646 or text 07955 597880 or book at www.fabrica.org.uk/events
- For Bevendean: text/call 07533011417
- For Moulscroomb: text/call 07399582613



Hope to see you there!

VOLUNTEER BOOK-KEEPER

The Finance Committee for St Theresa's 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. Can you help? If so, please contact the Parish Office (01273 708227) and leave your details.

Let us pray ...

... that those who have material, political or spiritual power may resist any lure of corruption.

Holy Father's Universal Prayer Intention
February 2018



Women's World Day of Prayer

is celebrated annually on the first Friday of March. Each year a different theme is prepared and presented by a different nationality. This year the theme is "All God's Creation is very good" prepared by women of Suriname, next year the theme will be "Come - everything is ready", prepared by women from Slovenia. The day operates locally on an ecumenical level, with each denomination and church trying to offer a local representative who will co-ordinate things and be a point of contact for the parish. There is an opportunity to attend a regional preparation day; otherwise, there is a local meeting to discuss the shared service, a rehearsal and then the service itself. After several years as the parish representative for St George's, Jeanne Brett is stepping down. We are very grateful to her for all she has done. Might there be someone to replace her? If so, have a word with Jeanne or contact the Parish Office (01273 708227). Thank you.

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 (4 January) - we will mark the Feast of St Blaise (3 February) with the Blessing of Throats after all weekend Masses.

NEXT SUNDAY, 11 January - is the 26th World Day of the Sick and the theme this year invites us to reflect on the phrase, "Woman, behold your son ... Behold your other. And from that hour the disciple took her into his home." (Jn 19:26-27).

- There will be a retiring collection after all Masses for the Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Trust.
- The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated after all weekend Masses.

Friday 23 February - CAFOD Lent Fast Day: "FAST, PRAY, GIVE". There will be a midday Mass at the Mass Centre, Portslade, followed by a frugal lunch.

(A retiring collection will be taken up after Masses on the weekend of 24/25 February)

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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 or 01293 651152.

SACRAMENTS

CONFIRMATION

Ash Wednesday, 14 February - the Confirmation Group will meet at 7 pm in the Parish Meeting Room before attending the evening Mass together at 7.30 pm. After Mass the meeting continues in the Meeting Room until 9 pm.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday 24 February, 9.30 - 11 am: The next preparation session for the children at St Theresa's, Southwick.

NOTICES

Called by Name Retreat is a vocation retreat for young adults (aged 18-35) being held 9 - 11th February at Worth

Abbey, Crawley. It offers an opportunity for you to tune-in more deeply to the call of Christ in your life, to discern His will for you, discover deeper meaning and direction in your life, and to grow in the trust and freedom to respond generously to the Gospel. To book, or for more information, please contact Katrina on TOC@worth.org.uk / 01342 710318.

World Meeting of Families 2018 - Bishop Richard invites families to join him on a pilgrimage to Dublin for the World Meeting of families 22nd – 26th August 2018. This event includes: a three day congress exploring themes from Amoris Laetitia. Wonderful international speakers will lead sessions for adults and there are age appropriate activities for children and young people. This is followed by a concert style "Festival of Families" on the Saturday and the event concludes with Sunday Mass concelebrated by Pope Francis.

Cost of flight and accommodation around £700. 100 places have been booked by our Diocese with accommodation at Dublin University. For further information contact wmo2018@dabnet.org

SVP NEWS

Dear Parishioners,

On Saturday the 10th and Sunday the 11th of February, the SVP President for our parish will give a short talk at the end of Each mass. The SVP's mission is to seek and find those in need, to help them in a spirit of justice and to tackle the causes of poverty where we can. We aim to be generous with our time, our possessions and ourselves in the service of others. Have you thought about joining, would you like to find out more about what we do. Are you thinking of what you will give up or take up for Lent. Why not find out what the SVP are doing this Lent?

Colm Lennon, Conference President

SVP GAMES AFTERNOON: You are invited to come and enjoy an afternoon of board games at St George's Hall on **Sunday 11 February 1 pm - 3.30 pm.** Come and have fun, a few laughs and a chat whilst playing some old and some new family-friendly board games. All welcome, no experience necessary. Nibbles provided and a raffle will be held to raise funds.

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.

From Fr David Weston's family

Dear Parishioners and friends of St. George's Church

The Weston family would like to thank all the parishioners and friends for their great support, affection and love shown to Father David over so many years. You were true friends to him.

For ourselves, we were comforted and uplifted by the wonderful attendance at his funeral, and all the kindness and affection you showed on the day. All the hard work so many of you put in made it a most impressive occasion, Father David would have been proud of you all.

With our true gratitude

The Weston Family

Remembering Father David - there are books in the porch at St George's where you can write a little about your memories of Father David.

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 Canon Francis (Frank) Harrington, parish priest of Woking who died recently, and all whose anniversaries occur about this time:

St Theresa's and The Mass Centre:

Elizabeth Smithers, Elizabeth Rolph, Lorraine Podsiadly, Ann Keating, Lilian May Davey, Vincenzo Burgio, Vera Lane, Gladys Morgan, Roy Williams, Olive Goodings, George Shannon, Leonardo Iacono, Eliza Acuna, Flaviana Cruz, Helen Peacock, Gabrielle Morley, Pabing Cruz, Patrick MacCormack, Eric Bedwell, Jessie Stainer, Phyllis Dixon, Norma Wighton and Kitty Sullivan.

St George's:

Celina Otero, Bill Bone, Jonathan Carlos, Bracho-Cooke, Anne Waine, Carl Trigwell and Mollie Kinchin.

St Theresa of Lisieux
Old Shoreham Road, Southwick

Mass Centre
Vale Gardens, Portslade

St George's
Court Farm Road, Hove