

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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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

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MASS INTENTIONS

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
Monday 12th	10 am	Southwick	NO MASS
Tuesday 13th	10 am	Portslade	NO MASS
Wednesday 14th <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	10 am	St George's	Intentions of Joseph Harvey
	7.30 pm	Southwick	In Thanksgiving
Thursday 15th	7.30 pm	Southwick	Mary Sheridan RIP
Friday 16th	12 noon	Portslade	Intentions of Vincent Campbell and family
Saturday 17th	6 pm	Portslade	People of the Parish
Sunday 18th	9.30 am	Southwick	Lucy Hindley RIP and Isabella Horton RIP
	11 am	St George's	Intentions of the D'almeida family

~ 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

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!

Vision for Mission - an update

Bishop Richard came to our deanery on 31 January to hear feedback from the parishes to his Vision for Mission.

Some of the recurring themes were

- The need for prayer
- All of us need to grow spiritually ourselves
- The word 'mission' means different things to different people
- Lay people will need to be more involved and will need some training
- There will need to be more cooperation and sharing of good practice between parishes

Bishop Richard expressed his thanks to everybody in the parishes who has made comments on this process and asked that we all pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

He will continue by visiting the remaining deaneries (ours was the fourth of thirteen) and will then work with advisors to formulate a plan for the diocese. After this has taken place, the Bishop will report back to the deaneries and parishes.

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.

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 (11 February) - is World Day of the Sick

- There will be a short talk at the end of Mass by the SVP
- 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.
- SVP Games afternoon, 1 pm to 3.30 pm in St George's Hall.

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Tuesday 13 February 2018 - *TEA AND CHAT*, 10 am to 12 noon in St George's Hall. All very welcome.

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. For more information and resources see the CAFOD website. This year the government is again offering matched funding for any monies raised for CAFOD during Lent.

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

Women's World Day of Prayer is celebrated annually on the first Friday of March. 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 and there is a service being held at St Theresa's on Friday 2nd March at 7.30 pm.

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.

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 wmof2018@dabnet.org

Catholic Education - Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. They have acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and promised to abandon it, now we need you to tell them not to U-turn on their promise to Catholics. Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education>.

Planned hospital admissions

Please let Fr Alistair know if you would like to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick before a planned hospital admission.

Mass intentions

If you wish to have a Mass offered for a specific intention, please take one of the envelopes from the back of the church, fill it in and return it to Fr Alistair.

Parking at St George's

Space in our car park is limited but there is suitable street parking not too far from the church. Please ensure that you do not block access for other people—including those in wheelchairs or parents with buggies—or for emergency vehicles.

Volunteers needed at the Hangleton & West Blatchington Foodbank

We need volunteers on Wednesdays from 10.30 am – 2.15 pm, to help in a number of ways from serving light lunches, packing up shopping bags and spending time talking to our clients. Do you have some time to spare and a desire to be more involved in your local community? If you think you can spare some time once a month (or more if you like) please email hangletonfoodbank@yahoo.com.



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 all whose anniversaries occur about this time:

St Theresa's and The Mass Centre:

Alma Gosling, Mary Packer, Ann Claydon, Patrick Walsh, Teresa Harp, Anna Maria 'Nan' Stares, Michael Scott, Alice Smith, Mary Daw, Eileen Mellhuish, James (Jim) J Carroll, Mrs Roughan, Dorothea Doyle, Selina Bird, Rev. Jerome O'Sullivan, Graham Byrne, Albert Wilson, John Formosa, Kathleen Pulbitt, Elizabeth Reed and Helen Card.

St George's:

John Holmes, Ronald G. Barley, Margaret Lynsdale, Robert Coombs, Stella Manning and Chris Lynsdale.