

St Mary's Catholic Church

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All visitors to St Mary's are most welcome to the church and to our parish

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Parish Newsletter for w/c Sunday 5 October, 2014 - *Month of the Rosary*

<u>Mass proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat	04 [Vigil Mass]	7.00 p.m. <i>Maureen and Gerry Fleet, in Thanksgiving</i>
Sun	05 27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43 Parish Mass Book p. 137	10.00 a.m. <i>Elizabeth Gilligan, R.I.P.</i> 12 noon <i>Pro Populo - for the people of the parish</i>
Mon	06 <i>St Bruno, Priest</i> [Mass at St Thomas More's, Patcham]	10.00 a.m. <i>Wellbeing of John Cullen</i> 11.00 a.m. REQUIEM MASS for Nathan Zahorchak
Tue	07 <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	10.00 a.m. <i>Lety Alfred, R.I.P.</i>
Wed	08 <i>Feria</i> [Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Thur	09 <i>Bl. John Henry Newman, Priest</i> [Low Mass, 1962 Missal]	10.00 a.m. <i>Private Intention</i> 7.00 p.m. <i>Private Intention</i>
Fri	10 <i>Feria</i>	10.00 a.m. <i>In Thanksgiving (C.Needham)</i>
Sat	11 <i>St John XXIII, Pope</i> [Vigil Mass]	10.00 a.m. <i>For the Victims of Abortion</i> 7.00 p.m. <i>Cynthia Ashing, R.I.P.</i>
Sun	12 28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A) Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14 Parish Mass Book p.140	10.00 a.m. <i>Mr John Ward, R.I.P.</i> 12 noon <i>Pro Populo - for the people of the parish</i>

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8.50 - 9.50 a.m. before weekday morning Mass.
Mass at 8.15 a.m. Mon-Sat at St Mary's House, 38 Preston Park Avenue.
Confessions every Saturday 10.30-11 a.m., 6.15-6.45 p.m. & at call.
Tea and Coffee after our Sunday 10 am Mass. All are welcome to join us down in the hall after Mass.

THE GOSPEL THIS WEEK

History is littered with stories of good tenants and wicked landlords. In the Gospel we have a story of wicked tenants and a good landlord. In the parable God is the landowner and has with great care given us everything we need but we, the tenants, have wanted to keep the gift he has given for ourselves and reject the giver. May we not be like this but give God the glory in all that we do. God bless you, Fr Bruno

NEW PARISHIONER'S FORMS

If you are fairly new to the parish you are invited to take and fill in one of the 'New Parishioner's Forms' in the church porch. There is useful information for you and helps us to keep our parish records up to date. Thank you.

SERMON IN A SENTENCE

'The greatest thing is to give thanks for everything. He who has learned this knows what it means to live. ... He has penetrated the whole mystery of life: giving thanks for everything' [Albert Schweitzer, *Reverence for life*].

Last week's collections - 1st: £519.19, 2nd: £66.97

CAFOD FAST DAY - Friday 3rd October

Please do not forget to return your envelopes for the CAFOD Harvest fast day in the collection plate today.

ALTAR SERVERS PRACTICE

Those wishing to learn how to serve at Mass are invited to a first practice Sunday 12th October after our 10am Mass.

NATHAN ZAHORCHAK, R.I.P.

Nathan's Funeral Mass is this Monday at 11am at St Thomas More's Church, Patcham. Please keep him, his wife Katie, their four children, their extended family and our whole community in your prayers at this time.

MESSAGE REGARDING BISHOP KIERAN

There is a message from Archbishop Peter Smith of Southwark and Cardinal Cormac about Bishop Kieran's resignation for you to pick up at the back of the Church.

PARISH DIARY

Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Tuesdays	7.30 pm	17 Valley Drive	Prayer of the Rosary	Ethil Rogers, 506845
Tuesdays	8-9 pm	Cassidy Centre	Bible study & prayer group	Luke Fernandes, 556927
Thursdays	2-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Seniors Club	David Alfred, 540038
Wed 08 Oct	7.30-9 pm	Church Hall	Youth Club, Yrs 7-11	'smyclub.co.uk'
Mon 20 Oct	8 pm	Cassidy Centre	Baptism preparation eve. for parents	Fr Bruno

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish, or family members, who need our prayers at this time: Mary Azzopardi, Nikki Braterman, Lorna Briggs, Ann Chandler, John Cullen, Gladys Dillon, Mary Connett & Trudy Wood. Please also pray for their families and carers.

JUBILEE CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Gerry and Maureen Fleet on their Golden Wedding Jubilee. A papal blessing has arrived for them and will be presented at our 7pm Mass this Saturday.

100 CLUB GRAND DRAW DEADLINE

BEST TIME TO JOIN £30. in: £200 to win. Join by 17th October to be entered (£200.1st prize/ £150.2nd/ £50.3rd). And of course £50/£30/£20 for the other 11 months. Contact Mary Cornelius 01273558812

SMILE QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 31st October 7.30 pm Cassidy Centre. £4 ticket includes glass of wine or juice + light refreshments. Bring your own bottle if you wish. Proceeds to St Anne's Day Centre. Tickets on sale after 10 am Sunday Masses from 5th October (or call Liz Woodhead 01273 556899 or Claire Shelton-Jones 01273 505642)

SVP MASS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

Saturday 01 November, at 2.30 pm, we will be having a Mass, with the anointing of the sick, for the housebound of the parish. The parish SVP group will arrange transport. Please let Fr Bruno or Luke Fernandes (Chair of parish SVP) know if you or anyone you know would like a lift. There will also be refreshments afterwards.

TRIP TO PORTSMOUTH, 11 November

A coach will leave St Mary's at 10.30 on Armistice Day (11 Nov). Drop off at Gun Wharf Quay. Free time of 4-5 hrs to enjoy the many sights this historic city has to offer. Return St Mary's 1830. Seat confirmed with early payment of £23 to Fr Bruno or David Alfred (01273 540038).

CHRISTMAS FAIR – Sat 29 Nov., 11-3pm

It is only 10 weeks until our parish Christmas fair. Please can you start sorting out suitable items – no junk or jumble please. The poster for stall holders and helpers will be coming soon. If you would like to run a stall, or have an idea for a new stall but are unsure as to what is involved please contact Eve on 01273 979204. We still need a keen mum with contacts at St Bernadette's to help us on the committee. Again please contact Eve if you can help. Many hands make light work!

A PRAYER TO YOUR GUARDIAN ANGEL

'Angel of God, my Guardian dear, to whom God's love entrusts me here, ever this day (or night) be at my side, to light and guard, to rule and guide. Amen.'

LIVING FAITH COURSE – on this week

This course, taking place down at St Joseph's, Elm Grove, continues for the 4 Tuesdays of October (7.30pm) with good speakers. See poster in porch for details.

CALLED TO CONVERSION- A CONVERSATION WITH THE WELLSRING COMMUNITY

Saturday 18th October, 9.30am-12pm at the One Church, Gloucester Place, Brighton. A morning seminar exploring a vision for radical community living with members of the Wellspring Community; a Catholic community seeking to live the Gospel of Christ, with the Rule of St Benedict as a guide. No booking necessary; refreshments provided; donation only. For more information, contact: admin@wellspringbrighton.org.uk

CATHOLAITY FAIR – Sat 08 Nov.

This year's Catholaity Fair is at Hove Town Hall Sat. 8th November, 10.30 am - 3.30 pm. St Mary's Social Concerns Group will once again be running their stall for "Uganda Hands for Hope." If you are free why not come along to this annual Brighton Deanery social event, there will be all the usual stalls and refreshments will be available during the day. Catholaity Grand Draw tickets will be available over the next couple of weeks and usually around 90% of all the tickets we sell will go to "Uganda Hands for Hope." Many thanks for your support, Chris Rodrigues

DEEP WATERS – For young Adults

Deep Waters is a group which aims to provide a community in which young adults (18-35) can explore their faith. The group runs on Thursdays during term time at 1 Elm Grove and includes supper, a talk, a time of Lectio Divina and worship. For more information and contact details please see the poster in the church porch.

DISCOVERING PRIESTHOOD DAY

The annual diocesan Discovering Priesthood Day will take place at St John's seminary, Womersh, Saturday 1st Nov. The day is open to all men, aged 15 - 45, who are willing to consider a possible call to the priesthood and will involve time for prayer, a tour of the seminary, a chance to chat with others on the discernment journey, and Holy Mass for All Saints' Day. There is no cost and lunch is provided. Please let Fr Terry know on 07545 57627 or vocations@dabnet.org if you're interested.

'Fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure ...' [St Paul].