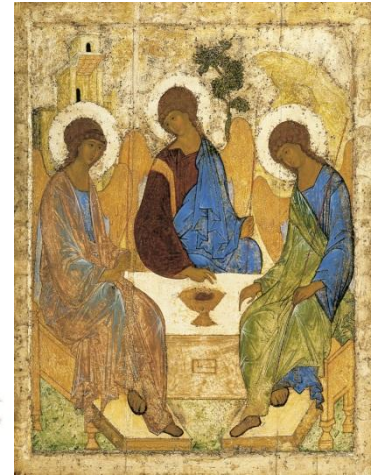


# St Mary's Catholic Church

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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 15 June, 2014

		<u>Mass proper</u>			<u>Intention</u>
Sat	14		[Vigil Mass]	7.00 p.m.	<i>Claire Ashing, R.I.P.</i>
Sun	15	<b><u>TRINITY SUNDAY (A)</u></b> <i>Gospel: John 3:16-18</i>	Parish Mass Book p.81	10.00 a.m. 12 noon	<i>In Thanksgiving (Savio Dias)</i> <b>Mass with First Holy Communions</b>
Mon	16	<i>Week 11, Ordinary Time - Feria</i>		10.00 a.m.	<i>Jim Meehan, R.I.P.</i>
Tue	17	<i>Feria</i>		10.00 a.m.	<i>Joe Docherty, R.I.P.</i>
Wed	18	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m.	-
Thur	19	<i>Feria</i>		10.00 a.m.	<i>Margaret McGoldrick, R.I.P.</i>
Fri	20	<i>Feria</i>		10.00 a.m.	<i>Joseph Camillin, R.I.P.</i>
Sat	21	<i>St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious</i>		10.00 a.m.	<i>In Thanksgiving (MS)</i>
			[Vigil Mass]	7.00 p.m.	<i>Private Intention (C. Needham)</i>
Sun	22	<b><u>CORPUS CHRISTI</u></b> <i>Gospel: John 6:51-58</i>	Parish Mass Book p.83	10.00 a.m. 12 noon	<i>For the People of the Parish</i> <i>Lily Eta Donnelly, R.I.P.</i>

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8.50 – 9.50 am Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday.**  
**Tea & Coffee is served in the hall after our Sunday 10 am Mass. All are welcome.**  
**Confessions every Saturday 10.30-11 a.m., 6.15-6.45 p.m. & at call.**

### LAST WEEKS COLLECTION 2<sup>nd</sup> COLLECTION

**£566.77**  
**£97.25**

[2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. today for the Missionary endeavour of the diocese]

### THE GOSPEL THIS TRINITY SUNDAY

I came across these words in 'Bible Alive' which I found useful: 'For many Christians, the 'mystery' of the Trinity remains just that: a mystery. But the word in this sense is not used to mean a conundrum, puzzle or riddle that is impossible to solve, but a holy and sacred truth which we will only be able to penetrate more deeply if we ask the Holy Spirit to shed his light and truth in our minds and spirits. Instead of saying, 'I can't get my head around the Trinity', we need to say, 'I need God's help to get my head into the Trinity.' In other words, we need to pray, 'Lord, teach me, show me, guide me, lead me into the beauty, glory and majesty of the mystery of your Blessed Trinity.' Try praying the following prayer today: 'O my God, Trinity whom I adore, help me to forget myself entirely so as to establish myself in you, unmovable and peaceful as if my soul were already in eternity' [*Blessed Elizabeth of the Trinity*].'  
 God bless you this week, Fr Bruno.

### PARISH FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

This Sunday, Trinity Sunday, 22 of our children will be making their First Holy Communion at our midday Mass. This is one of the most important days in the year for the parish and one of great joy as we see again the great vocation which God calls each one of us to. All of us, young and old alike, are called to communion with God. Our Lord Jesus loved us and gave himself up for love of us and we are called to respond to this by loving him in return and offering him our lives. Please keep the children in your prayers today: Briony, Freya, Ragnall, Katja, Lola, Aidan, Barnaby, Maya, Ken, Lawrence, Xavier, Erin, Michael, Louie, Jasper, Marie, Sebastian, Orissa, Lucien, Kei, Oscar and Andrew.

### CORPUS CHRISTI - CARPET OF FLOWERS

In honour of the Feast of Corpus Christi Arundel Cathedral are putting on their world famous 'Carpet of Flowers' Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June. Free entry. Solemn Mass and Procession to Castle 5.30pm on Thursday. See poster in porch for details.

## **PARISH DIARY**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Contact</b>
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 18 June	7.30-9 pm	Preston Park	Youth Club, 'Park Games'	'smyclub.co.uk'
Sat 21 June	12 noon	Church	Baptism of Oliver Brace	
Sat 21 June	2 pm	Church	Baptism of Amber Lawrence	
Sat 28 June	11-4 pm	St Bernadette's	PTA Summer Fair	

### **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, Christopher Brown, Verity Cross, John Cullen, Gladys Dillon, Rosalie Marsh, Dick Morris, Tony, Gerard Stone & Trudy Wood. Please also pray for their families and carers.

### **FR MICHAEL BENJAMIN'S FUNERAL MASS**

This will be on Fri. 20 June, 3pm at St John's, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. May he rest in peace.

### **A 'BLOOMING GREAT TEA PARTY'**

In aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care will be held in the Sacred Heart Parish Room, Friday 20th June, 2 pm - 5.30 pm. If you can make a cake, cupcakes or cookies or would like to help in any way, please contact Imelda Eaton on 01273-773361. All welcome.

### **100 CLUB - Are you due or overdue?**

Please check the list in the porch. If your payment is due please make cheques payable to "St Mary's Church"

### **SUMMER COFFEE MORNING - Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June**

Bring and Buy sale in the hall after 10 am Mass: cakes, gifts and raffle. We will be having a summery theme including selling non-alcoholic fruit cup as well as the usual tea and coffee. In aid of CAFOD. Please bring your **cakes** and **gifts etc** to the hall before Mass. Many thanks from The Social Concerns Group.

### **CHRISTMAS FAIR**

We apologise for mentioning the 'C' word this early in the year, but the Homemade stall for the Christmas fair are already thinking about making jams, chutney's and minced meat. This can be very expensive so we are asking for donations of sugar, dried fruit, ground almonds and chopped mixed nuts. A box has been left in the porch for this. Thank you.

### **A DAY WITH MARY - Saturday 12 July**

This day will be at Arundel Cathedral, 10 am - 5.30 pm. A day of instruction, devotion and intercession, based on the message given at Fatima in 1917. See poster in porch for more details.

### **CANTERBURY COACH OUTING**

Tuesday 22 July. Leave St Mary's 10.30 am, returning around 7 pm. Free time to visit historic Cathedral and/or take a punt ride on the River Stour. Seats limited: £23 secures. Contact David on 540038.

### **A PRAYER - By St Thomas More**

'Give me, good Lord, a full faith and a fervent charity, a love of you, good Lord, incomparably above the love of myself; and that I love nothing to your displeasure but everything in an order to you. Take from me, good Lord, this lukewarm fashion, or rather cold manner of meditation and this dullness praying to you. And give me warmth, delight and life in thinking about you. And give me your grace to long for your holy sacraments and specially to rejoice in the presence of your blessed Body, sweet Saviour Christ, in the Holy Sacrament of the Altar, and duly to thank you for your precious coming. Amen.'

### **DIOCESAN GOLDEN JUBILEE**

As a warm up for the Diocesan Golden Jubilee next year, this year on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June, 10-4pm at St Willfred's School, Crawley, RH11 8PG, there is a diocesan festival. See poster or visit [www.abdiocese.org](http://www.abdiocese.org) for details.

### **CARPENTER/JOINER**

We are hoping to extend our repository in the church porch. Is there a carpenter/joiner who would be interested in making us a showcase?

### **ASKING FOR A LIFT TO WEEKDAY MASS**

A new parishioner has asked if anyone may be able to offer her a lift to one weekday Mass during the week. She lives in Westdene Drive. See Fr Bruno if you can help.

'When you do all the talking you only learn what you already know' [Meiji Stewart].

### ***A Gardeners Reflection***

First look at the weeds:

weed out gossip,  
weed out laziness,  
weed out indifference  
and weed out pride.

Plant five rows of peas:

patience, peace, promptness, politeness and prayer.

Then plant five rows of lettuce:

let us be faithful,  
let us be loving,  
let us be useful,  
let us be trustful  
and let us be grateful.

Then we can turn to the reliable turnips:

turn up on time,  
turn up with a smile,  
turn up with a new idea  
and turn up with new determination.