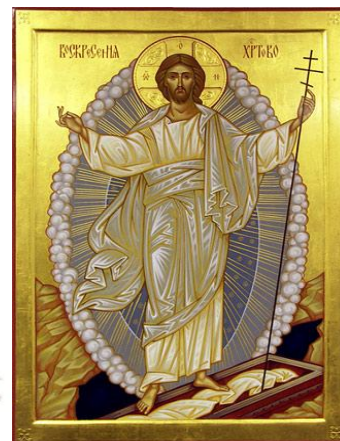


# St Mary's Catholic Church

## Surrenden Road, Preston Park, Brighton

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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 19 April, 2015

<u>Mass proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat	18 [Vigil Mass]	7.00pm <i>Pro Populo- for the people of the parish</i>
Sun	19 <b>3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)</b> Gospel: Luke 24:35-48 Parish Mass Book p 262	10.00 a.m. <i>For the deceased of the D'Souza family</i> 12 noon <i>John Brendon Darcy, R.I.P</i>
Mon	20 <i>Eastertide</i>	10.00 a.m. <i>Noemea &amp; Olavo Felix Vas, R.I.P</i>
Tue	21 [Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Wed	22 <i>Eastertide</i>	10.00 a.m. <i>James Martin, R.I.P</i>
Thur	23 <i>St George, Martyr, Patron of England</i> [Traditional Mass, 1962 Missal]	10.00 a.m. <i>Family &amp; Friends (Rakoczy)</i> 7.00 p.m. <i>Holy Souls</i>
Fri	24 <i>Eastertide</i>	10.00 a.m. <i>Clare Dawson, R.I.P</i>
Sat	25 <i>St Mark, Evangelist and Martyr</i> [Vigil Mass]	10.00 a.m. <i>In Thanksgiving</i> 7.00pm. <i>Pro Populo-for the people of the parish</i>
Sun	26 <b>4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)</b> Gospel: John 10:11-18 Parish Mass Book p 265	10.00 a.m. <i>Edward Bamin, R.I.P</i> 12 noon <i>Tommy Brett, R.I.P</i>

**Confessions Saturday 10.30 – 11 a.m. & 6.15 – 6.45 p.m. & at call**  
**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Monday morning Mass this week**  
**Tea & Coffee after our Sunday 10 a.m. Mass. All are welcome to join us down in the hall for this**

#### THE GOSPEL THIS WEEK

In the Gospel today we find the Apostles gathered behind closed doors, wounded in heart and spirit. But Jesus comes to them, gives them his peace and breathes new life into them. What he did to them on the day of the Resurrection is what he wants to do to us too especially on Sunday, the day of the Resurrection. Mass is the best moment to open ourselves to the gifts the Risen Lord wants to give us: *'Lord Jesus, you banish our doubts with the gift of faith. Thank you. You calm our fears with the gift of peace. Thank you. You heal our wounds with your love, and rekindle our hopes with your victory over death. Thank you.'* God bless you this week, Fr Bruno.

**A welcome to** a friend of mine, Fr Andrew Moss, who will be staying in the Presbytery this week. He will be saying some of our weekday Masses.

#### FROM THE SAINTS

"The deeds you do may be the only sermon some persons will hear today" [ St. Francis of Assisi].

Last Sunday's Collection: £ 481.08, 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. £87.55.  
 Next week's 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. for the Education of Future Priests

#### THIS WEEK – events to come to

This Wednesday (6.30pm in the Cassidy Centre) we have a guest speaker coming to give a talk about St Teresa of Avila and the Christian life. All are welcome.

This Friday (7.30pm in the Cassidy Centre) there is the 'Smile Quiz Night'. Again all are welcome

#### GOD'S WAYS ...

'God leads us by strange ways; we know He wills our happiness, but we neither know what our happiness is, nor the way. We are blind; left to ourselves we should take the wrong way; we must leave it to Him. Let us put ourselves into His hands, and not be startled though He leads us by a strange way, a *mirabilis via*, as the Church speaks. Let us be sure He will lead us right, that He will bring us to that which is, not indeed what we think best, nor what is best for another, but what is best for us' [Bl. John Henry Newman].

## PARISH DIARY

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Tuesdays	3-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Bible study & prayer group	Luke Fernandes, 556927
Thursdays	2-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Seniors Club	David Alfred, 01273 540038
Wed 22 Apr	1-2 pm	Cassidy Centre	SVP meeting	
Wed 22 Apr	6.30pm	Cassidy Centre	Talk on St Teresa of Avila	Rosie 07984880078
Fri 24 Apr	7.30pm	Cassidy Centre	Smile Quiz Night	Claire 01273 505642
Sat 25 Apr	5.30pm	Cassidy Centre	Confirmation Class	John Stone
Mon 27 Apr	8pm	Cassidy Centre	Parents 1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Meeting	Janet 01273 552900

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish, or family members, who need our prayers at this time: Sarah Baxter, Lorna Briggs, Anne Chandler, Linda Cullen, Paul Green, Claire Hill, Monica McLauchlan & Janine Monti.

### A REQUEST

Would anyone be able to drive a lady from the parish to Maidstone Hospital for an appointment & home again? If so ring Margaret 01273 551554 (salary by arrangement)

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to Dick and Betty Morris who this week (20<sup>th</sup>) celebrate 52 years of marriage. God bless you!

### The Social Concerns Group invites you to:

**SMILE QUIZ NIGHT** - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm in the Cassidy Centre - £4 ticket includes glass of wine or juice + light refreshments. Bring your own bottle if you wish. Proceeds to CAFOD. Tickets on sale after 10am Sunday Masses (or call Claire Shelton-Jones 01273 505642 or Liz Woodhead 01273 556899)

### Important Date for Your Diaries ! DIOCESAN JUBILEE CELEBRATION AMEX STADIUM - 5<sup>th</sup> JULY 2015

#### Timetable for the Day

10am New Bishop & Archbishop Open Festival  
10.30am Speakers throughout the morning, workshops, Diocesan Showcase & Marketplace, Fairground rides, Youth stream, School choir contest and much more.  
Lunch to buy on site or bring a picnic!  
2pm Choirs, Servers and others prepare for Mass  
3pm Mass with Bishop Richard, Archbishop Peter & Cardinal Cormac.

Shortly we will be putting a notice in the church porch regarding a **FREE** coach which will be departing from St Mary's to the Amex Stadium & returning after the Mass.

#### Festival Walking Pilgrimage

Join the 2 day walking pilgrimage on July 3<sup>rd</sup> from Arundel Cathedral, across the South Downs Way to the Amex Stadium, arriving on July 5<sup>th</sup> for the Festival. The Parish banners will be blessed & then brought on the pilgrimage for the 50th celebrations.

For more info contact Patrick Reeve on 07720432958 or patrick.reeve61@gmail.com

**Accommodation Appeal:** from time to time we are asked if any parishioners have rooms to rent. Do you? if so please email your info to the Parish Office - stmarysprestonpark@yahoo.co.uk

### Brighton & Hove Third Order of Carmelites

Cordially invite you to a talk about 'Teresa of Avila and Christian Life Today' by Professor Peter Tyler - Professor of Pastoral Theology and Spirituality, St Mary's University, Twickenham, in **The Cassidy Centre, St Mary's Church** this Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2015 at 6.30pm. There is a suggested donation of £5. Brighton & Hove Third Order of Carmelites usually meets every third Saturday of the month in the Cassidy Centre. For further details please phone Rosie on 07984 880073.

**FAITHFUL COMPANIONS OF JESUS (FCJ) VOCATIONS WEEKEND** - Broadstairs, Kent 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> May 2015, for young women considering the vocation to religious life. For more information or to book a place, contact : Sr Lynne fcj : [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com)

### MENS WEEKEND AT WORTH ABBEY

8-10<sup>th</sup> May 2015. As in previous years, there will be a men's weekend of light spiritual refreshment at Worth Abbey from Friday evening 8<sup>th</sup> May to Sunday lunchtime 10<sup>th</sup> May. Cost is approx. £105 per person. Please let Francis Lacy Scott (01273 671190) or Charles Wookey (01273 554954) [c.wookey@btopenworld.com](mailto:c.wookey@btopenworld.com) know if you would like to come.

### Encounter Evening FOR 15-30s

This Friday (April 24<sup>th</sup>) there will be an ENCOUNTER evening in Crawley. These are evenings of Live Music, Adoration, and inspiring talks, which usually happen on the last Friday of the month. This month, the guest speaker will be Jo Gilbert from the Wellspring Community. The evenings will be at St Wilfrid's School (RH11 8PG) and will run from 7-9pm. Feel free to join us in the pub afterwards. It's totally free and there's no need to register. New people are always very welcome. For more info search 'Two:42 Young Adults' on Facebook.

### Part-Time Parish Administrator Required

The Parish of St Joseph's and St Francis is seeking to recruit a Parish Administrator for 16 hours/week. Duties to include basic bookkeeping and accountancy and general secretarial work. This is a permanent part-time post. For full details please apply in writing, enclosing a CV to Canon Kieron O'Brien. Closing date for applications is 16<sup>th</sup> May, 2015.

