

# 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 2 weeks commencing Sunday 22 June, 2014

	<u>Mass proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat 21		[Vigil Mass]	7.00 p.m. <i>Private Intention (C. Needham)</i>
Sun 22	<b><u>CORPUS CHRISTI (A)</u></b> <i>Gospel: John 6:51-58</i>	Parish Mass Book p.83	10.00 a.m. <i>For the People of the Parish</i> 12 noon <i>Lily Eta Donnelly, R.I.P.</i>
Mon 23	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Tue 24	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Wed 25	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Thur 26	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Fri 27	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE – <i>Sacred Heart</i>		8.15 a.m. -
Sat 28	<i>The Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		10.00 a.m. <i>Holy Souls</i>
		[Vigil Mass]	7.00 p.m. <i>Margaret McGlew, R.I.P.</i>
Sun 29	<b><u>SAINT PETER AND SAINT PAUL</u></b> <i>Gospel: Matthew 16:13-19</i>	Parish Mass Book p.170	10.00 a.m. <i>Steve Foley, R.I.P.</i> 12 noon <i>For the People of the Parish</i>
Mon 30	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Tue 01	<b>Requiem Mass (to be said by Fr Kieron O'Brien)</b>		11.45 a.m. <i>John Walsh, R.I.P.</i>
Wed 02	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Thur 03	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Fri 04	MASS AT ST MARY'S HOUSE		8.15 a.m. -
Sat 05	<i>Saturday morning Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		10.00 a.m. <i>Holy Souls</i>
		[Vigil Mass]	7.00 p.m. <i>Joseph &amp; Mary O'Hara, R.I.P.</i>
Sun 06	<b><u>14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</u></b> <i>Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30</i>	Parish Mass Book p.99	10.00 a.m. <i>Private Intention</i> 12 noon <i>For the People of the Parish</i>

**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.**

### CORPUS CHRISTI THIS SUNDAY

The Eucharist is a mystery of our faith. We did not invent it. Jesus gave it to us. It was He who at the Last Supper did something different. He took unleavened bread and said 'This is my body' and took a cup of ordinary wine and said 'This is the cup of my blood.' The Church has since then taken Him at His word. After the consecration by the priest at Mass the bread is no longer ordinary bread but the body of Christ. The wine is no longer wine but the blood of Christ. In Holy Communion we therefore do not receive a symbol or mere memorial, but really the true body, blood, soul and divinity of the Risen Lord. This is a reality and truth the Church has received and held from her first days. One thing that the Church asks of us, her children, is that before we come and receive Holy Communion we make sure that

we are in a state of grace - that is that if we have a grave sin on our conscience we have been to confession first. May all of us pray to love the Mystery of the Mass more and more. God bless you this week, Fr Bruno.

### LAST WEEKS COLLECTION

**£724.44**

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

**£118.15**

[Next week 2<sup>nd</sup> collection - Peter's Pence]

### FR BRUNO AWAY

I shall be away for the next two weeks. I have a study week at the Aquinas Institute in Ireland followed by a holiday and family wedding in Normandy, France. Fr's Terry Martin and David Russell will be saying the weekend Masses for you. Be good to them!

## 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
Sat 28 June	11 am	St Bernadette's	Summer Fair	
Sat 28 June	3 pm	Church	Baptism of Anastassia Babicki	
Mon 30 June			Youth club trip to Thorpe Park	Peter McDermott, 550187
Wed 02 July	7.30-9 pm	Church Hall	Youth Club	'smyclub.co.uk'

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

### 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 Wilfred's School, Crawley, RH11 8PG, there is a diocesan festival. See poster or visit [www.abdiocese.org](http://www.abdiocese.org) for details.

### 100 CLUB – June Draw

Congratulations to our June Winners: 1<sup>st</sup> (£50) Ms A Chandler, 2<sup>nd</sup> (£30) Ms M Cosham, 3<sup>rd</sup> (£20) Ms M Connett.

### 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

### CALLING ALL HOUSEHOLDS

To help our cooks in making their jams, chutneys etc... for the Christmas fair could all households help by donating bags of either sugar, dried fruit, ground almonds or chopped mixed nuts. They can be left in the box in the porch. Many thanks. It all helps.

### CANTERBURY COACH OUTING

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

### 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.

### CHILDREN AT MASS ...

Are always welcome! However could parents ensure all rattles, bangers, trumpets, tambourines and trucks, etc. (i.e. anything that makes a noise when played with or when dropped on the floor) are kept at home and softer toys are, when necessary, brought to Mass instead.

### ACT OF FAITH IN THE DIVINE EUCHARIST

'O my God, I firmly believe that Thou art really and corporally present in the Blessed Sacrament of the altar. I adore Thee here present from the very depths of my heart, and I worship Thy sacred presence with all possible humility. O my soul, what joy to have Jesus Christ always with us, and to be able to speak to Him, heart to heart, with confidence. Grant, O Lord, that I, having adored Thy divine Majesty here on earth in this wonderful Sacrament, may be able to adore It eternally in heaven. Amen.'

Emily Yeeles, the mother of Sr Kathy from St Mary's, died peacefully on Pentecost Sunday. May she rest in peace.

### God's Rosebud

A new minister was walking with an older, more seasoned minister in the garden one day. Feeling a bit insecure about what God had for him to do, he was asking the older preacher for some advice. The older preacher walked up to a rosebush and handed the young preacher a rosebud and told him to open it without tearing off any petals. The young preacher looked in disbelief at the older preacher and was trying to figure out what a rosebud could possibly have to do with his wanting to know the will of God for his life and ministry. But because of his great respect for the older preacher, he proceeded to try to unfold the rose, while keeping every petal intact. It wasn't long before he realized how impossible this was to do. Noticing the younger preacher's inability to unfold the rosebud without tearing it, the older preacher began to recite the following poem...

'It is only a tiny rosebud,  
A flower of God's design;  
But I cannot unfold the petals  
With these clumsy hands of mine.  
The secret of unfolding flowers  
Is not known to such as I.  
God opens this flower so easily,  
But in my hands they die.  
If I cannot unfold a rosebud,  
This flower of God's design,  
Then how can I have the wisdom  
To unfold this life of mine?  
So I'll trust in God for leading  
Each moment of my day.  
I will look to God for guidance  
In each step along the way.  
The path that lies before me  
Only my Lord and Saviour knows.  
I'll trust God to unfold the moments  
Just as He unfolds the rose.'