

# 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 27 August, 2017

<u>Mass Proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>	
Sat	26	Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Private Intention</i>
Sun	27	<b><u>21<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</u></b> Gospel: Matthew 16:13-20      Mass Book p.120	10 a.m. <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i> 12 noon <i>Private Intention</i>
Mon	28	<i>St Augustine</i>	10 a.m. <i>Joanna Dorothy Eckert, R.I.P.</i>
Tue	29	[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Wed	30	<i>St Margaret Clitherow</i>	10 a.m. <i>Elizabeth Fellbaum, R.I.P.</i>
Thur	31	[Traditional Mass, 1962 Missal]	7 p.m. <i>Fr Leo Taggett, R.I.P.</i>
Fri	01	<i>First Friday Mass of the Sacred Heart</i>	10 a.m. <i>Patrick McGlew, R.I.P.</i>
		<b>Wedding</b>	12.30pm <i>Julian Cook &amp; Emily Davis</i>
Sat	02	<i>The Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	10 a.m. <i>Philippe Hogge, R.I.P.</i>
		<b>Wedding</b>	1 p.m. <i>Mark Dewings &amp; Chiara Morrison</i>
		Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Najib Anthony, R.I.P.</i>
Sun	03	<b><u>22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</u></b> Gospel: Matt. 16:21-27      Mass Book p.122	10 a.m. <i>Sr Anne, R.I.P.</i> 12 noon <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
Mon	04	[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Tue	05	[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Wed	06	[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Thur	07	[Traditional Mass, 1962 Missal]	7 p.m. <i>Fr Patrick McMahon, R.I.P.</i>
Fri	08	<i>The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feast</i>	10 a.m. <i>Sr Anne, R.I.P.</i>
Sat	09	<i>The Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>	10 a.m. <i>Mass for the Prayer Board Intentions</i>
		Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Elizabeth Fellbaum, R.I.P.</i>
Sun	10	<b><u>23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</u></b> Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20      Mass Book p.125	10 a.m. <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i> 12 noon <i>Stanley Harries, R.I.P.</i>

**Confessions every Saturday 10.30 – 11 a.m. & 6.15 – 6.45 p.m. & at call**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament for 1 hour before Friday morning's Mass**

### THE WORD THIS WEEK

We are coming to the end of the summer holidays. I hope that all of you have been able to have some kind of rest and 'recharging' of the batteries. In the next newsletter we will have the application forms for the various sacramental programmes which will be starting in the autumn. To those starting again at school and at work I wish you courage and every blessing in this year ahead. God bless you, Fr Bruno

**CHRISTMAS FAIR?** - Can anyone help keep this parish event going? This event has only happened in the past because of generous volunteers. We are looking for a small group of friends to help in the organising of this event. Help will be given! See Fr Bruno if you are willing to help.

Sanctuary lamp these weeks burning in memory of **Mrs Marion Reed, R.I.P.;** Our Lady's lamp for **Sr Anne, R.I.P.** If you would like for either of these lamps to burn for a special intention contact the parish office.

Our Bishop, Richard Moth, has sent to all parishes the following message: **'Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor is seriously ill in hospital - As we all know, Cardinal Cormac holds this Diocese in great affection and will, I know, value the prayers of us all at this time. 'May the Lord strengthen him in faith and trust and may the prayers of the Church, which he loves so much, comfort and uphold him.'**

## PARISH DIARY

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Contact</b>
Thursdays	2-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Seniors Club	David Alfred 01273 540038
Fri 1 Sept	12.30 pm	Church-Wedding	Julian Cook & Emily Davis	
Fri 1 Sept	7 pm	Cassidy Centre	Baptism Preparation Class	Fr Bruno
Sat 2 Sept	1 pm	Church-Wedding	Mark Dewings & Chiara Morrison	
Sat 9 Sept	12 noon	Church-Baptism	Montgomery Joseph Scholefield	
Sat 9 Sept	1 pm	Church-Baptism	Amaia Zuri Lander	

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish and families who need them at this time: Jerry Alfred, Beryl Cheeseman, Mary Connett, Paddy Cumiskey, Jose Luis Garcia, Paul Green, Amy Grimes, John & Judy Harrison, Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor, Dick & Betty Morris, Glenn Rodrigues, Terry Rodrigues, Callum Stone, Diana Taylor, Tom Walsh, Tracey Weller & Michael Ward.

**Mass for Prayer Board Intentions** - Many intentions get posted on our prayer board in the church. These will be taken down (to free up the board) and a Mass offered for these intentions on **Saturday 09 Sept. 10 a.m.**

### CAFOD Meeting

Please come and join us on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September from 7:30 pm to 9 pm at Sacred Heart Church hall Hove BN3 3BF. This year's Harvest Fast day is focussing on El Salvador and the challenges facing farmers there which is quite fitting as it is 100 years since the birth of Blessed Oscar Romero. Everyone is welcome for more information please call Martin on 01483 898866 or email at [arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk)

### Diocesan Wedding Anniversaries Mass

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October at 12 noon at Arundel Cathedral. For those couples celebrating a landmark or significant anniversary. Booking essential - contact Rosie Read on 01293 651161 or email at [Rosie.read@dabnet.org](mailto:Rosie.read@dabnet.org)

### Outing to Towers Convent - Sun 17<sup>th</sup> Sept.

There will be a free parish outing to the Towers Convent at Upper Beeding on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> September. The Coach leaves St Mary's at 2.30 pm & returns at 6 pm. There is a sign-up sheet in the Porch if you are sure you are able to come. Please put your name & telephone number on the sheet as early as possible as just 45 seats are available.

**Rediscover Your Marriage:** The Retrouvaille programme offers the chance to rediscover yourself, your spouse and a loving relationship in your marriage. Countless couples have successfully saved their marriage by attending the Course and using the tools provided. Retrouvaille is a not spiritual retreat, a sensitivity group, a seminar nor a social gathering. For confidential information or to register for the next programme - commencing with a residential weekend 15<sup>th</sup> / 17<sup>th</sup> September in Welwyn Garden City - email: [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk); call or text 07887 296 983 or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk). See poster in porch.

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### THE MEMORARE *by St Bernard*

'Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother. To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.'

### You're invited - Tower House Open Day! Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September 10am-12pm SVP - Community Centre

Tower House, Towergate, BN1 6WT (across the road & just a little further up from St Bernadette's school). This is a new initiative to support parish communities in reaching older people who may be isolated in Brighton & Hove. The support centre will offer a holistic & creative place for such people, as well as their carers & families, to enhance the health and wellbeing of the whole community.

Our wish is that the Community Centre will be a safe place, for those who feel isolated and in need of befriending, to come together to partake in lunches, teas and join in various activities.

Starting with lunches & a café from the opening next month, we aim to expand to include a wide range of events, including a library, group activities such as quizzes, art & craft sessions, indoor bowls etc.

You are all invited to meet the staff & volunteers and ask questions. Perhaps you will then be inspired to also volunteer in any way you can! (There is a more formal introduction morning on 11<sup>th</sup> September to which you are welcome to attend.) Our Parish contact at St. Mary's is Luke Fernandes 01273 556927

### The Guild of Our Lady of Ransom

**5<sup>th</sup> Annual Lecture - Wed 13<sup>th</sup> Sept 7.15pm**  
"England's Nazareth and England's Conversion" by Fr John Saward at Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Ave, Westminster, London SW1P 1QW. For more info see leaflet on Church notice board.

### 100 CLUB AUGUST WINNERS

1<sup>st</sup> Prize £50, Mrs Y Morrison; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize £30, Mr P Knott;  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize £20, Mrs M Connett.

### FROM THE SAINTS - *Pope St John Paul II*

'We are not the sum of our weaknesses and failures; we are the sum of the Father's love for us and our real capacity to become the image of his Son Jesus'.

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'This is what the Lord asks of you, only this, to act justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with your God' Micah, 6:8