

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 Sun. 02 October, 2016 – Month of the Rosary

<u>Mass proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat	01 Vigil Mass	7 p.m. Connor Heaney, R.I.P.
Sun	02 <u>27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)</u> Gospel: Luke 17: 5-10 Mass Book p.146	10 a.m. Pro Populo – for the people of the parish 12 noon Pat McBride, R.I.P.
Mon	03 <i>The Blessed Martyrs of Sussex</i>	10 a.m. Sr Carmel (Silver Jubilee)
Tue	04 <i>St Francis of Assisi</i> [Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Wed	05 <i>Feria</i>	10 a.m. Cyril Cassidy, R.I.P.
Thur	06 <i>St Bruno, Carthusian</i> [1962 Missal]	7 p.m. Tony Harris, R.I.P.
Fri	07 <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	10 a.m. Sr Paula (Silver Jubilee)
Sat	08 <i>Saturday votive Mass to Our Lady</i>	10 a.m. Wellbeing of Francisco 7 p.m. Elizabeth Gillighan, R.I.P.
Sun	09 <u>28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)</u> Gospel: Luke 17: 11-19 Parish Mass Book p.149	10 a.m. Pro Populo – for the people of the parish 12 noon Margarita Callaghan, R.I.P.

Confessions every Saturday 10.30-11 a.m., 6.15-6.45 p.m. & at call
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8.50-9.50 a.m. Friday. Rosary 9.30 a.m. Friday
Tea & Coffee after our Sunday 10 a.m. Mass. All our welcome to join us down in the hall for this

THE READINGS THIS WEEK

In the First Reading the prophet Habakkuk complains to the Lord about the apparent triumph of evil over good. The Lord answers the Prophet with a call to patience and hope. We must be patient, remember his promises and place our hope in Him. A special and powerful way to strengthen our faith and hope is by praying the Rosary. Countless graces and conversions have been obtained through this prayer. Sister Lucia, one of the Fatima seers, said "The Most Holy Virgin in these last times in which we live has given a new efficacy to the recitation of the Rosary to such an extent that there is no problem, no matter how difficult it is, whether temporal or above all spiritual, in the personal life of each one of us, of our families...that cannot be solved by the Rosary. There is no problem, I tell you, no matter how difficult it is, that we cannot resolve by the prayer of the Holy Rosary." God bless you in this month of the Rosary, Fr Bruno.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Beatrice Elizabeth Jane Fletcher who became a Christian and a child of of God this Saturday. Our prayers go out to her, her parents and her family.

"If you say the Rosary faithfully unto death, I do assure you that, inspite of the gravity of your sins, you will receive a never-fading crown of glory" St Louis de Montfort

Last Sunday's Collection: £575.96
 2nd coll. for the Shrine at Walsingham £220.50
 Next weeks 2nd coll. is for the CAFOD Harvest Fast Day
 Please pickup a Fast Day envelope ready for next week

Sanctuary lamp this week is burning for the Intentions of David Alfred & Family. Our Lady's Lamp for Zygmunt & Mary. If you would like one of these lamps to burn night and day for a week for a special intention contact the parish office. Recommended donation £5.

WALSINGHAM COLLECTION - Many thanks for your generosity in last weeks 2nd collection. Details and live streaming from the shrine are at www.walsingham.org.uk.

CHURCH CLEANING

At the moment we only have one or two parishioners who kindly clean the church. It would be good to have a few more volunteers. Could you spare an hour or so once a month? The cleaning is usually done Saturday morning. There is a sign up sheet in the porch.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

The sign up sheet for the various stalls for the Christmas Fair is now in the porch for you to sign up. Thank you.

PARISH DIARY

Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Tuesdays	3-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Bible study & prayer group	Luke Fernandes, 01273 556927
Thursdays	2-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Seniors Club	David Alfred, 01273 540038
Sat 8 Oct	7.45 pm	Cassidy Centre	Mary's Meals Fundraiser	See details below

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish, or family members, who need them at this time: Edith Bennett, Lorna Briggs, Mary Connett, Mary Cosham, Paul Green, Anthony Larratt, Dick Morris, Terry Rodrigues, Tom Walsh & Tracey Weller.

Coffee Morning Last Sunday - Many thanks from the Social Concerns Group to everyone who contributed and came to support us last Sunday 25th September. We raised £92 For Uganda Hands For Hope. *Claire Shelton-Jones*

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS

Saturday 8th October at 11am at the Church of Our Lady of Ransom, Grange Road, Eastbourne. Bishop Richard Moth invites all couples celebrating a landmark Marriage Anniversary in 2016 to this Mass of Thanksgiving.

Smile Quiz Night! - Friday 21st October

7.30 pm Cassidy Centre. £5 ticket includes glass of wine or juice + light refreshments. Bring your own bottle if you wish. Proceeds to CAFOD. Tickets on sale after 10 am Sunday Masses from 2nd-16th October (or call Claire Shelton-Jones on 01273 505642, email her on claire.shelton-jones@virgin.net or call Liz Woodhead on 01273 556899).

100 CLUB GRAND DRAW DEADLINE

BEST TIME TO JOIN £30 in: £200 to win. Join by 14th 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 on 01273558812

CATHOLAITY FAIR

Is on Saturday 12th November in the Grandstand Hall at Brighton Racecourse from 10.30 am - 3.30 pm. Please put the date in your diaries and come along to support the parishes and organisations involved in this Deanery social and fund raising event. Grand Draw tickets will be available over the next couple of weeks and this year's Fair has a Christmas theme. Our Social Concerns Group will be running their usual stall for Hands for Hope. Many thanks from Chris Rodrigues

Ponder in Your Heart

'The Rosary, though clearly Marian in character, is at heart a Christocentric prayer. In the sobriety of its elements, it has *all the depth of the Gospel message in its entirety*, of which it can be said to be a compendium. It is an echo of the prayer of Mary, her perennial *Magnificat* for the work of the redemptive incarnation which began in her virginal womb. With the Rosary, the Christian people *sits at the school of Mary* and is led to contemplate the beauty on the face of Christ and to experience the depths of his love. Through the Rosary the faithful receive abundant grace, as though from the very hands of the mother of the Redeemer.'

- *Pope St John Paul II, twentieth century*

"The greatest method of praying is to pray the Rosary" St Francis de Sales

EVENING PRAYER TO OUR LADY

Mary, my dear Mother, I thank you for the special protection you have provided for me throughout this day. Obtain for me the grace of being always faithful to my commitments. Let purity and sacrifice be my daily bread, humility and obedience my comfort, the tabernacle my relaxation, and you, dear Mother, the school where I learn to practice every virtue. I cannot praise Christ while I sleep, so offer him my heartbeats as fervent acts of love. Keep me free from any act or thought that could dishonour his regard for me, and give me your tender motherly blessing.

LOCAL FOODBANK APPEAL

Thank you for your regular and generous donations which are left in the foodbank box in the porch. Remember those in need when you do your shopping. Thank you.

DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO ARUNDEL

On Saturday 15th October there is a Brighton & Hove Deanery Pilgrimage to Arundel Cathedral to celebrate the Year of Mercy. The deanery coach will leave St Mary's at 10.30 a.m. We have been allocated 20 spaces. No charge. Please sign the sheet in the porch if you would like to go.

Auction of Promises

The Hangleton and West Blatchington Food Bank are holding an Auction of Promises on Saturday 15th October at 7pm at St. George's Church hall in Court Farm Road Hove. Tickets £5 to include light refreshments. There will also be a bar and a raffle. All welcome. For tickets or further details please ring 07990 631892 or email: hangletonfoodbank@yahoo.com.

Mary's Meals Fundraiser – Live Chamber Music (Vivaldi, Mozart and Chopin), Curry and Film

Saturday 8th October, Cassidy Centre, 7.45-10.30pm

Tickets £10 which includes a homemade curry, live Chamber music, followed by a screening of the latest short film from Mary's Meals. Your entrance fee of £10 will provide a daily meal for a hungry child in a place of education for 10 months in a developing country such as Malawi. Advance tickets only - which are available after Mass. Please contact Henry and Eve Morrison (01273 979204) or Chris Rooke (01273 551577) to reserve your ticket and/or find out more about Mary's Meals.

Deep Waters - All young adults are invited to share in an evening of food, prayer and fellowship every Thursday at Deep Waters. We especially welcome all newcomers! 7pm, St Joseph's Parish Hall, Milton Road, Brighton.

Open Evenings at Cardinal Newman Catholic School - For parents & students considering applying for a place in Year 7 at C. Newman Catholic School is on **October 4th 2016 from 4pm.**

And finally ... 'Marriage is an exercise in perpetual mortification' - St Francis de Sales