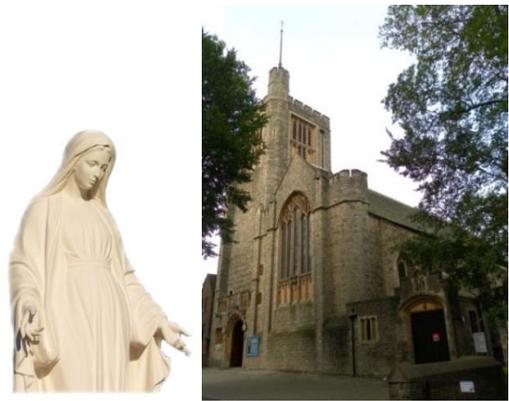


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All visitors to St Mary's are most welcome to the church and to our parish

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		<u>Mass Proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat	29		Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Welfare of Christians in the Holy Land</i>
Sun	30	<u>17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</u>		10 a.m. <i>Pro populo – for the people of the parish</i>
		Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52	Mass Book p.108	12 noon <i>Joseph Brett & Lorna Briggs, R.I.P</i>
Mon	31	<i>St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest</i>		10 a.m. <i>Catherine Myatt, R.I.P.</i>
Tue	01		[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Wed	02	<i>Feria</i>		10 a.m. <i>Private Intention</i>
Thur	03		[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Fri	04	<i>St John Mary Vianney, Priest</i>		10 a.m. <i>Fr Charles Jeffries</i>
Sat	05	<i>The Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major</i>		10 a.m. <i>For the Victims of Abortion</i>
			Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Private Intention</i>
Sun	06	<u>THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD</u>		10 a.m. <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
		Gospel: Matthew. 17:1-9	Mass Book p.173	12 noon <i>Private Intention</i>
Mon	07		[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Tue	08		[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Wed	09		[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Thur	10		[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Fri	11		[Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m. -
Sat	12	<i>The Blessed Virgin Mary on Saturday</i>		10.a.m. <i>Private Intention</i>
			Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Holy Souls</i>
Sun	13	<u>19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (A)</u>		10 a.m. <i>Pro Populo</i>
		Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33	Mass Book p.114	12 noon <i>Private Intention</i>

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

A Summer Thought

They always say not much happens in August, but at the height of summer, more things are going on than we think.

While children enjoy their school holidays, the harvest is ripening in the fields. Both things remind us that the richness of everything entrusted to us requires us to be ready to roll up our sleeves and "bring it in" for God. While we may spend more time outdoors than in Church, nothing prevents us from taking the Bible or a prayer book out into the sunshine and glorying a little in the sustenance that the Word of God provides for us. Think of it as a moveable feast!

(Taken & adapted from the Magnificat - The Magnificat is published monthly. For more information go to www.magnificat.com)

Sanctuary lamp these weeks burning for **The Sick of the Parish ; 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.
 Recommended donation £5.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Tuesday 15th August. A reminder that this is a Holy day of obligation and Masses will be at 10am & 7.30pm. (There will be no mass on Monday 14th August)

Sister Anne, R.I.P

Sr Anne died peacefully last Saturday (22nd July). Her Requiem Mass will be here at St Mary's - The date has not yet been arranged by her order. Further details will be in the newsletter as soon as possible.

'Religion that is pure and undefiled before God and the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world' James 1:27

PARISH DIARY

Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Thursdays	2-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Seniors Club	David Alfred 01273 540038
Sun 30 July		Church	Baptism of Henry & Arabella Kydd	
Sat 12 Aug.	12noon	Church-Wedding	Elizabeth Hickey & Anthony Wilson	

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish and families who need them at this time: Jerry Alfred, Mary Connett, Paddy Cummiskey, Jose Luis Garcia, Paul Green, Amy Grimes, Judy Harrison, Dick & Betty Morris, Glenn Rodrigues, Terry Rodrigues, Claire Shelton-Jones, Callum Stone, Diana Taylor, Tom Walsh, Tracey Weller & Michael Ward.

BAPTISM CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Henry James Kydd and Arabella Lucja Kydd who will become Christians and children of God this Sunday (30th July).

RETREAT FOR YOUNG ADULTS

At Minster Abbey, 21-24 Sept, 2017. The Benedictine nuns at Minster Abbey near Ramsgate are running a retreat to enable young adults to explore the Gospel vision of St Benedict through Lectio, Liturgy, Prayer, manual work, hospitality and community life. Cost is by donation and for more information please email raelrederwin@gmail.com or Tel. 01843 821254

FOODBANK UPDATE - Thank you to all those who have contributed to this initiative this last year. We have again this week been able to donate a significant amount of food and other helpful items to our local foodbank and they are very grateful. The box in which you can drop things off is in the church porch. They have now twinned up with another foodbank to share items that they have too many of or request items they are lacking - so any donation you give will be most welcomed. Thank you.

They also need **VOLUNTEERS** on **WEDNESDAY's 10.30-2.15pm**. The foodbank is open every Wednesday between 12-2pm at St George's Church Hall, Court Farm Road, Hove, BN3 7QR.

Uganda Hands for Hope Appeal – 6th August

Everyone can make a difference - Joe Cummiskey, a former parishioner, is making an appeal for the charity he founded, "Uganda Hands for Hope". The charity's mission is "To alleviate extreme poverty & facilitate lasting change in the lives of the most vulnerable children and families living in urban slums in Uganda." The charity identifies exceptionally poor & vulnerable children in urban slums providing essential support & education. Joe is looking for people interested in volunteering in different ways, in the UK /Uganda, or people who may be able to make a donation to support his work. For more info go to www.onlinehope.org, or email joseph@onlinehope.org Thank you in advance.

Cleaner needed at St Mary's House Residential Home, Preston Park Ave. The Sister's require a cleaner to work 3 hours per day 9.30-12.30. Lovely working conditions and you would be joining a great team. Please contact Sr Paula Anthirias on 01273 556035.

ANIMA CHRISTI (*Soul of Christ*)

Soul of Christ, sanctify me;
 Body of Christ, save me;
 Blood of Christ, inebriate me;
 Water from the side of Christ, wash me.
 Passion of Christ, strengthen me;
 O good Jesus, hear me;
 Within thy wounds, hide me;
 Suffer me not to be separated from Thee.

From the malignant enemy, defend me;
 In the hour of my death, call me,
 and bid me come to Thee, that, with Thy saints,
 I may praise Thee forever and ever. Amen.

The Gift of Marriage (a message from the dean of Brighton and Hove, Fr Kevin Dring). 'Many of you have chosen this vocation and any of you who have, know that it is an interesting road, full of twists and turns, joys and difficulties. Young engaged couples need people to support them as they begin this wonderful journey and you may be just the person to do that! We are looking for couples from our parishes who may be willing to commit to 6 evening sessions a year to help prepare couples for marriage in the Brighton area. You don't have to have the 'perfect' marriage, just one in which you still recognise the face of the person to whom you said "I do". To further support these couples we are looking for people to act as sponsors, who may walk alongside them in the process and support in a more casual way. **If you are interested please speak to your Parish Priest by end of August. Many thanks.'**

Diocesan Wedding Anniversaries Mass

Saturday 7th October at 12noon at Arundel Cathedral. For those couples celebrating a landmark or significant anniversary. Booking essential - contact Rosie Read on 01293 651161. Rosie.read@dabnet.org

Going on Holiday and can't find or get to the local Church? Or housebound & missing Mass?

If you have access to the internet you may be able to watch a live streaming of Masses at the Sacred Heart, Hove via: churchservices.tv or the Church of St Mary of the Angels, Worthing, via: mcnmedia.tv. Both are free to view, as are other churches on the website and also EWTN.

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July Winners
 1st Prize Mr & Mrs Rodrigues
 2nd Prize Mr & Mrs Spells
 3rd Prize Mr Peter Ferns



'Apart from the cross there is no other ladder by which we may get to heaven' St. Rose of Lima