

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. 04 October, 2015 - Month of the Rosary

<u>Mass proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>	
Sat	3 Vigil Mass	7.00 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
Sun	4 <u>27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</u>	10.00 a.m.	<i>Cyril Cassidy, R.I.P</i>
	Gospel: Mark 10: 2-16 Mass Book p140	12 noon	<i>Ann Elizabeth Gilligan, R.I.P</i>
Mon	5 <i>Feria</i>	10.00 a.m.	<i>Priest's Intention</i>
Tue	6 [Mass at St Mary's House]	8.15 a.m.	-
Wed	7 <i>Our Lady of the Rosary</i>	10.00 a.m.	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Thurs	8 <i>Feria</i>	10.00 a.m.	<i>Fr Brian O'Sullivan, R.I.P</i>
	Traditional Mass, 1962 Missal	7.00 p.m.	<i>In Thanksgiving (Michael Petek)</i>
Fri	9 <i>Blessed John Henry Newman, Priest</i>	10.00 a.m.	<i>Priest's Intention</i>
Sat	10 <i>Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary 'on Saturday'</i>	10.00 a.m.	<i>Holy Souls</i>
	Vigil Mass	7.00 p.m.	<i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
Sun	11 <u>28th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</u>	10.00 a.m.	<i>Tony Taylor, R.I.P.</i>
	Gospel: Mark 10: 17-30 Mass Book p.143	12 noon	<i>Mario Monteiro, R.I.P</i>

The Church is open (generally) for private prayer from 8am every day
Confessions Saturday 10.30 – 11 a.m., 6.15 – 6.45 p.m. & at call
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8.50 - 9.50am before Weekday Mass this week (not Monday)
Tea & Coffee after our Sunday 10 a.m. Mass. All our welcome to join us down in the hall for this.

MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The 7th of October is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary from which, I suppose, we call this month of October 'the Month of the Rosary'. The Rosary is a prayer that any of us can say at any time. It is a prayer I was not unfamiliar with as I grew up but it was only in my early twenties that for various reasons I resolved to say it every day. I knew that at Lourdes (1858) Our Lady had asked us to pray the Rosary and then at Fatima (1917) she told us to pray the Rosary 'every day!' I have often wondered about this request. Maybe she foreknew the upcoming audio and visual media bombardment which was coming and wanted to give us a way of not drowning in it and remaining grounded in the truth of the Gospel. That way was the Rosary. All I know is that the Rosary (which I have to say I generally say when out walking, cycling or driving) has been and is an untold blessing. I pray that each of you may come to love our Lady, the Rosary and also come to say it every day. God bless you this week, Fr Bruno.

Last Sundays Collection : £566.47

2nd Collection: £144.60 for Parish SVP work

This week's 2nd collection is 'CAFOD Harvest Fast Day'
 Next week's 2nd coll. is World Mission Sunday (Missio)

MARY'S MEALS FUNDRAISER - Curry, Talk & Film

Saturday 10th October, Cassidy Centre, 8-10.30pm

Tickets £8 which includes a homemade curry, a short talk by Fr Alexander, a Benedictine Monk from Worth Abbey on "Silence in the City" followed by a screening of the latest film from Mary's Meals. Your entrance fee of £8 will provide a daily meal for a hungry child in a place of education for 8 months in a developing country such as Malawi. 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.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES, 2015/16

First Holy Communion (closing date Oct 11th), Confirmation & RCIA. Application forms in porch. Drop your completed forms into the parish office.

"The good God is as prompt to grant us pardon when we ask it of Him, as a mother is to snatch her children out of the fire" [St Jean Marie Baptiste Vianney].

PARISH DIARY

Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Tuesdays	3-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Bible Study & Prayer Group	Luke Fernandes 01273 556927
Wed 07 Oct	7.30-9pm	Church Hall	Years 7-11 Youth Club	'smyclub.co.uk'
Sat 10 Oct	8 pm	Cassidy Centre	Mary's Meals Fundraiser	Henry Morrison 01273 979204

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish, or family members, who need them at this time: Lorna Briggs, Anne Chandler, Mary Connett, Harry Cross, Paul Green, Claire Hill, Tracy Larratt, Resi Michel & Terry Rodrigues.

100 CLUB GRAND DRAW DEADLINE

BEST TIME TO JOIN £30 in: £200 to win. Join by 17th 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 01273 558812.

CATHOLAITY FAIR Sat. 14th Nov. 10.30- 3.30

This year's Fair is in the Grandstand Hall at Brighton Racecourse and St Mary's Social Concerns Group will once again be running their stall for the "Uganda Hands for Hope" charity. If you are free why not come along to this annual Brighton Deanery event. Catholaity Grand Draw tickets are available now & usually around 90% of the tickets we sell go to "Uganda Hands for Hope." Thank you for your support. Chris Rodrigues.

DON'T PANIC BUT THE CHRISTMAS FAIR

Is less than 8 weeks now! - Sat 28 November

The stall holder's board is up! Several stalls are already spoken for so to avoid disappointment sign up today!

Please keep the dried fruit coming in as we want to make Xmas Puds & lots of mincemeat & mince pies.

This year part of the money raised will be going to a Charity (tbc). So the more we raise the more we can give & share Thank you, Eve and Tess.

CHRISTMAS FAIR TOMBOLA'S

Supermarkets have lots of enticing offers for Wine, Spirits & boxes of Beer! We'd really appreciate any you could donate ... Plus we need to fill our CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA stall - with the emphasis on CHOCOLATE rather than sweets.

GRAND DRAW TICKETS ARRIVING SOON

CALLED BY NAME - 23rd to 25th October 2015

Young Adults Retreat (18-35) @ Worth Abbey offering an opportunity for you to discover a deeper meaning and direction in your life, to hear Christ's call & to be formed as disciples. Talks from excellent speakers. Prayer, Reflection, The Divine Office, Mass, Spiritual Direction. Cost: £60 for students/the unwaged, & £100 for the waged (subsidies available). More info at TOC@worthabbey.net or call 01342 710318

SMILE QUIZ NIGHT! - Fri 30 Oct., 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 St Anne's Day Centre. Tickets on sale after Masses from 4 Oct. (or call Claire Shelton-Jones on 01273 505642 or Liz Woodhead on 01273 556899).

'O God, grant me the SERENITY to accept the things I cannot change, COURAGE to change the things I can and the WISDOM to know the difference'

Prayer: To Our Lady of the Rosary

O Virgin Mary, grant that the recitation of thy Rosary may be for me each day, in the midst of my manifold duties, a bond of unity in my actions, a tribute of filial piety, a sweet refreshment, an encouragement to walk joyfully along the path of duty. Grant, above all, O Virgin Mary, that the study of thy mysteries may form in my soul, little by little, a luminous atmosphere, pure, strengthening, and fragrant, which may penetrate my understanding, my will, my heart, my memory, my imagination, my whole being. So shall I acquire the habit of praying while I work, without the aid of formal prayers, by interior acts of adoration and of supplication, or by aspirations of love. I ask this of thee, O Queen of the Holy Rosary, through Saint Dominic, thy son of predilection, the renowned preacher of thy mysteries, and the faithful imitator of thy virtues. Amen.

A CONCERT FOR MARY (HAYHURST)

Saturday 10 October, 7.15pm, Hounsom Memorial Church, Nevill Ave, Hove, BN3 7NG. An evening of light entertainment with refreshments. Traditional, show & classical songs, poetry, piano & some audience participation! Entry Free - retiring collection in aid of the Martlets Hospice, Hove.

OPEN EVENING AT CARDINAL NEWMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL - OCTOBER 7TH 2015 -

This is an opportunity for students and their families who are interested in applying for a place at CNCS to come and visit the school. The evening is open to all prospective parents and children. Although primarily aimed at those in Year 6, families of Year 5 students are also very welcome. Parking is available on-site. Once parked please feel free to explore the school. You will be given a map of the school and a directory of events as you enter the building. There will be plenty of student helpers around the building if you need any assistance. The Headteacher's presentation will be at 4.30pm, 5.30pm and 6.30pm in the Chapel where you will also be able to collect our Prospectus and supplementary information application form. **Please see our website at www.cncs.co.uk for further details.** We will also have some organised school tours between 9th and 21st October 2015.

Please contact the school for information of dates and times, after the Open Evening has been held.

And finally ... King James I once became annoyed with the irrelevant ramblings of his court preacher and shouted up to the pulpit: "Either make sense or come down out of that pulpit!" The preacher replied, "I will do neither."