

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 07 August, 2016

	<u>Mass Proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat 06		Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Priest's Intention</i>
Sun 07	<u>19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)</u>		10 a.m. <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
	Gospel: Luke 12:32-48	Mass Book p.121	12 noon <i>Gwen Marshall, R.I.P.</i>
Mon 08	<i>St Dominic, Priest</i>		10 a.m. <i>Fr Jacques Hamel, R.I.P.</i>
Tue 09	<i>St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, VM</i>		-
Wed 10	<i>St Lawrence, Deacon & Martyr</i>		-
Thur 11	<i>St Clare, Virgin</i>		-
Fri 12	<i>Feria</i>		-
Sat 13	<i>Saturday Morning Mass to our Lady</i>		10 a.m. <i>Deceased of the Bamin Family</i>
	(Mass Bk p.186 – Gospel: Luke 11:21-28)	Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Sr Mary Lucina</i>
Sun 14	<u>ASSUMPTION OF THE BL. V. MARY (C)</u>		10 a.m. <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
	Gospel: Luke 1:39-56	Mass Book p.188	12 noon <i>Pauline Williams</i>
Mon 15	<i>St Tarcisius, Martyr</i>		10 a.m. <i>Alice Rawcliffe, R.I.P.</i>
Tue 16		(Mass at St Mary's House)	8.15 a.m. -
Wed 17	<i>Feria</i>		10 a.m. <i>Mary & Agnes Jinks, R.I.P.</i>
Thur 18		[Traditional Mass, 1962 Missal]	7 p.m. <i>Priest's Intention</i>
Fri 19	<i>Feria</i>		10 a.m. <i>Fr Stephen Collins, R.I.P.</i>
Sat 20	<i>St Bernard, Abbot & Doctor of the Church</i>		10 a.m. <i>Fr William Janes, R.I.P.</i>
		Vigil Mass	7 p.m. <i>Themen, R.I.P.</i>
Sun 21	<u>21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (C)</u>		10 a.m. <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
	Gospel: Luke 13:22-30	Mass Book p.127	12 noon <i>Francis Ignatius Jukes, R.I.P.</i>

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

On the 15th August, in the heart of the summer, we have the Marian feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Like Jesus, risen from the dead and ascended to the right hand of the Father, so Mary, having finished the course of her earthly existence, was assumed body and soul into Heaven. In Mary, we Christians, pilgrims in history, catch a glimpse of the fulfilment of what it means to be a follower of Christ and our final goal. Caught up in daily activities we risk, in fact, thinking that here, in this world we are only passing through, we are to find our fulfilment and the ultimate goal of human existence. Instead, Paradise, with the communion of saints, is the true goal of our earthly pilgrimage. How different our lives are when we know this. God bless you this August, Fr Bruno.

*What is good has been explained to you, O man; 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*

24 July Collection: £526.20, 2nd coll: £84.81

31 July Collection: £389.7, 2nd coll: £89.85

Sanctuary lamp, these weeks, is burning for:

7th August: Wellbeing of Kieran & Alannah

14th August: Stephen Kenny, R.I.P.

If you would like the Sanctuary lamp to burn night and day for a week before the Blessed Sacrament for a loved one or a special intention contact Fr Bruno or the parish office. Recommended donation £5.

Fr William Janes, R.I.P

Please pray for Fr William Janes, who was resident in St Mary's House, who died on Wednesday morning, 3rd August. His funeral will be at the Sacred Heart, Hove. The date is not yet set. Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord. May he rest in your peace.

PARISH DIARY

Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Thursdays	2-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Seniors Club	David Alfred 01273 540038
Sat 20 th Aug	12noon	Church	Baptism of Elliot Tyrrell	

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, Harry Cross, Paul Green, Dick & Betty Morris, Terry Rodrigues & Tracey Weller.

CHRISTMAS FAIR

It may seem too early for this but not completely because now is jam making season. Can you make an extra jar or 2? There will be a box in the porch. Also if you're driving abroad & bring wine back, could you bring an extra bottle for the fair? Thank you, the Christmas Fair Team.

PARISH NEWS

I am so very grateful to all those who give of their time and help in so many ways through the year - our catechists, sacristans, servers, flower arrangers, cleaners, musicians and singers, readers, ministers of Holy Communion, those who lead the children's liturgy, our Tea and Coffee volunteers and those who work faithfully behind the scenes in the parish office. Thank you! Here is a reminder of some of our programmes during the year:

BAPTISMS - Application forms are in the porch as are the dates for the preparation sessions for the parents. Baptisms usually take place on Saturdays.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (School year 3 and above), **CONFIRMATION** (School year 10) **AND RCIA** (Adult reception into the Church) - Application forms will be in the porch mid August with the various programmes starting around October.

GETTING MARRIED - Contact Fr Bruno for this. Generally we need at least 6 months' notice before getting married for paperwork and preparation.

ALTAR SERVING - Those who have made their First Holy Communion (and older) and who regularly come to Mass are welcome to come and learn. See Fr Bruno or Vito Forte if interested.

CHILDREN'S CHOIR - This choir sings once a month (1st Sunday) at our 10 am Mass. This is open to all children and young adults. Please see Charles Wookey or Liz Dunn if interested.

SUNDAY 10 AM CHOIR - Again new and additional voices would be a valuable help in our celebration of Mass. Just make your way to the area by the organ and you will be made welcome.

SUMMER HOLIDAYS

- During the holidays there will be **No Tea and Coffee after our Sunday 10 am Mass**. Thank you to those who volunteer for this.
- **Tuesday Bible Study** is off for the Summer and will resume in September.
- **SVP meetings** resume on 21st September.
- **Senior's Club** continues through the Summer. Thank you David.

PRAYER OF ST IGNATIUS

'Take, O Lord, and receive all my liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my entire will, all that I have and possess. Thou hast given it all to me; to thee, O Lord, I return it. All is thine; dispose of it according to thy will. Give me thy love and thy grace, for this is enough for me. Amen.'

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 can watch live streaming of Masses at the Sacred Heart, Hove via: churchservices.tv or the Church of St Mary of the Angels, Worthing, via: mcmedia.tv. Both are free.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY (R, Yr 1 & Yr 2)

Thank you to all the parents who regularly '*volunteer*' with a smile to run children's liturgy every week. As a community we do rely on a spirit of reciprocity. If your children attend the liturgy sessions you are expected to help out. There are sheets for you to sign up in the church porch and a helper sheet. If everyone contributes no one will need to do it more than twice a year - once if everyone has a go! If you would like to do it with someone the first time please let us know - we can help! There are liturgy books available with activities for the children which you can use. As my children are no longer in these year sets, I have stepped down from coordinating this, so if anyone is interested in taking this on, please see either me or Fr Bruno. Thanks. Abi Rowe (abi.rowe@yahoo.co.uk).

FAMILY PILGRIMAGE WALSINGHAM

Friday 12 to Sunday 14 August the first national Marriage and Family life pilgrimage will be hosted at Walsingham. It is weekend for the whole family with opportunities to deepen our understanding of marriage and family life in the world today. The shrine will provide a place to camp and a general schedule for activities, workshops and Mass. There is no charge for the weekend and all are welcome. For further details visit their website or email: 'family@walsingham.org.uk'.

INTERCESSION

When a maid in a large house retired for the night she would always pick up the newspaper that the master had finished reading. The master was intrigued by this and wanted to know what she looked at and what interested her in the paper. One day the master asked her. She said, 'I read the births, deaths and marriages.' He asked her why. She said, 'So that I can pray for all the children that are born into this world who need God to protect them. I pray that they will grow up knowing God. I pray for those who are mourning their lost ones and I pray that they will find comfort in the shepherd, and I pray for all those who are being married that they will know something of the sanctity of holy marriage.'

Seven days without prayer makes one weak [WYD, Krakow, 2016]