

# 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 Sunday 7 June, 2015

		<u>Mass proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat	6		[Vigil Mass]	7.00pm <i>All those who are sick or housebound</i>
Sun	7	<b><u>THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST 'Corpus Christi' (B)</u></b>		10.00 a.m. <i>Christianne Depauw, R.I.P.</i>
		Gospel: Mark 14:12-16,22-26	Mass Book p 85	12 noon <i>Pro Populo – for the people of the parish</i>
Mon	8		[REQUIEM MASS]	1.30p.m.. <i>Isabelle McHardy, R.I.P</i>
Tue	9		[No Mass at St Mary's House]	-
Wed	10	<i>Week 10 Ordinary Time</i>		10.00 a.m. <i>In Thanksgiving (L.Davies)</i>
Thurs	11	<i>St Barnabus</i>		10.00 a.m. <i>Private Intention</i>
Fri	12	<b><i>The Most Sacred Heart of JESUS</i></b>		10.00 a.m. <i>Private Intention</i>
Sat	13	<i>Sat. Morning Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>		10.00 a.m. <i>Frances Southern, R.I.P.</i>
	14			7.00p.m. <i>Jeff Thomson, R.I.P</i>
Sun	15	<b><u>11<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)</u></b>		10.00 a.m. <i>Pro Populo</i>
	16	Gospel: Mark 4:26-34	Mass Book p 95	12 noon <i>Isabelle McHardy,R.I.P</i>

**Confessions 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. before weekday Mass**

**Tea & Coffee after our Sunday 10 a.m. Mass. All are welcome to join us down in the hall for this**

### CORPUS CHRISTI THIS SUNDAY

The Eucharist is a mystery of our faith. We did not invent it. Jesus gave it to us. It was He who at the Last Supper did something different. He took unleavened bread and said 'This is my body' and took a cup of ordinary wine and said 'This is the cup of my blood.' The Church has since then taken Him at His word. After the consecration by the priest at Mass the bread is no longer ordinary bread but the body of Christ. The wine is no longer wine but the blood of Christ. In Holy Communion we therefore do not receive a symbol or mere memorial, but really the true body, blood, soul and divinity of the Risen Lord. This is a reality and truth the Church has received and held from her first days. One thing that the Church asks of us, her children, is that before we come and receive Holy Communion we make sure that we are in a state of grace – that is that if we have a grave sin on our conscience we have been to confession first. May all of us pray to

Last Sunday's Collection: £520.31 2<sup>nd</sup> Coll. £83.88

### WEDDING CONGRATULATIONS

Please pray for Xxxx Xxxxxxxx & Asher Vance who are getting married her on Saturday. We wish them every blessing and happiness for their future life together.

### A DAY WITH MARY –Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June 2015

A Day with Mary at Arundel Cathedral, Arundel, Sussex - 10am-5pm – see poster in porch for full details.

**The Life of Christ – Tuesday 23 – Sunday 28 June – at the Wintershall Estate, Guildford, Surrey, GU5 0LR**

This year The Life of Christ is a 5 hour extravaganza around the estate featuring : Jesus preaching from a boat on the lake

Feeding the 5,000 (bread for all) - A charge on horseback in the massacre of the innocent. Be transported to the life & times of Jesus with a cast of more than 100, complete with biblical costumes & rousing music. Price £18 adults; £9 children. To book go to wintershall-estate.com.

love the Mystery of the Mass more and more.  
God bless you, Fr Bruno.

**PICK ME UP!** - S.V.P. collection boxes available in the porch. Please write your name/contact number/box number on the sheet provided. Thank You!

**'By habitually thinking of the presence of God. We succeed in praying 24 hours a day'** St Paul of the Cross

PARISH DIARY				
Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Tuesdays	3-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Bible Study & Prayer Group	Luke Fernandes, 556927
Mon 08 June	8 pm	Cassidy Centre	Parents 1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Comm. Meeting	Janet Silva 01273 552900
Sun 14 June	9.30am	Cassidy Centre	Children's 1 <sup>st</sup> Holy Communion class	Janet Silva 01273 552900

### FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish, or family members, who need our prayers at this time: Sarah Baxter, Lorna Briggs, Anne Chandler, Linda Cullen, Paul Green, Claire Hill, Tracy Larratt, Monica McLauchlan & Janine Monti.

### NOVENA FOR CORPUS CHRISTI

O Lord Jesus Christ, You who have given us Your precious Body and Blood to be our meat and drink, grant that through frequent reception of You in the Holy Eucharist, I may be strengthened in mind and body to do Your holy will. Amen

### ISABELLE McHARDY , R.I.P.

Isabelle McHardy died on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> May, aged almost 102 years. For many years she and Cyril Cassidy ran the Senior Citizens club on Thursdays. Fr Oliver will come to say her **Requiem Mass** which will be on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 1.30pm, here at St. Mary's**, followed by committal at Bear Road Cemetery. There will be refreshments in the Cassidy Centre afterwards. May She Rest In Peace

### Travelling Friends Fashion Show 6.30-7pm

16th June - St Nicholas Church, Saltdean,

Tickets £5 in advance, only, from

karen.carden@bsuh.nhs.uk.

Please come along for great clothes and great bargains.

Also raffle and refreshments with big prizes.

All funds raised go to our Nursing Sister Uma in the Ear, Nose and Throat Department at the Royal Sussex County Hospital, to help her community devastated by the recent earthquake in Nepal. Many thanks & everyone welcome. Mike O'Connell, parishioner, ENT surgeon.

www.travellingtrends.com

### Connect the Poor to the Powerful by speaking up on Climate Change

On **Wednesday 17 June**, CAFOD and the Climate Coalition invite you to an event drawing thousands of people to Parliament to ask MPs to tackle climate change. As people of faith, we can't stay silent while millions of people are pushed deeper into poverty because of a changing climate – not least because they've done little to cause the damage. We'll meet our MPs and ask them to take climate change seriously for

### TAIZE PRAYER EVENING – June 12<sup>th</sup>

Cardinal Newman is hosting a Taize Evening of Prayer on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June. The Service will involve prayer & singing Taize chants as part of a beautiful candlelit service. 6-8.30pm (11-25yrs) 7-8.30pm (25+)

### DIOCESAN FINANCIAL SECRETARY

The Financial Secretary is retiring In December and the Bishop and Diocesan trustees are seeking a replacement. The Financial Secretary implements the Diocesan policy and strategy for all aspects of financial management and legal administration of the Diocese and its assets. S/he is responsible for - preparation of the Diocesan statutory accounts; monitoring budgetary controls; property and other insurances; property transactions; procurement of buildings, land and services; banking and investments; payroll and employment matters; legal compliance, etc. The Financial Secretary also advises and supports parishes and schools in these areas. S/he should be educated to degree level and hold relevant professional qualifications. S/he must be a practising Catholic. A competitive salary will be offered for a 35 hour working week based in Hove. Please contact Mgr John Hull: telephone: 01273 859701 or email: [vg@dabnet.org](mailto:vg@dabnet.org) for an application form and job description. Closing date: 10 July.

### Poem

Father, do not let me find consolation in sensible devotion to the person of Jesus Christ....while Christ passes me by unrecognised, unknown, unsought, uncomforted on the way of the cross we travel together.

Do not let my heart be moved by pity for the painted Christ on the wall while it remains a stone, hard and insensitive.....to Christ suffering alone in the ugliness of shame and disgrace of the outcast, the shunned, the forgotten, in mental sufferers hidden away in hospitals, in prisoners serving life sentences, in people wrestling with bitterness and despair behind the iron curtain; in those fighting a losing fight with human degradation .....in the unhelped, the uncomforted, the unloved. Do not give me tears to shed at the feet of the crucifix while they blind me to Christ crucified, unwept for in the souls of sinners and my own sinful soul.

the love of God's creation and our global neighbours.  
There'll be an ecumenical service and a rally with music  
and guest speakers, it promises to be an unforgettable  
day. Come and join us and put your faith into action.  
**Important Date for Your Diary**  
**DIOCESAN JUBILEE CELEBRATION:**  
**AMEX STADIUM – 5<sup>th</sup> JULY 2015**  
**12pm Service, 1-4pm Meet your MP, 4.30 Rally**  
**Starts 10.00 am - Mass celebrated at 3 pm**  
Tell us you're coming: 01463 698000 – email  
[arundelandsouth@cafof.org.uk](mailto:arundelandsouth@cafof.org.uk) or sign up yourself  
on [cafof.org.uk/SpeakUp](http://cafof.org.uk/SpeakUp)  
the Church Porch – 57 seats available, 22 taken so  
far.

By Caryll Houselander

**'I'm sending you a smile not because you made my day but because I'm hoping it will make yours a little bit better'**