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ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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**PARISH CHURCH MASSES**

<b>Masses for weekend 28/29 November 2015</b>	
<b>East Grinstead Mass Centre-Our Lady &amp; St. Peter</b>	
Sat. 6.15pm	Eric & Hermaia Frantz RIP
Sun. 10:30am	Grace Ewing RIP
Mon. 9:30am	Pauline Hughes RIP
Tues. 9:30am	Founders & Benefactors (fm)
Wed. 9:30am	Deceased friends & relatives of the Smyth & Hughes Families RIP
Thurs. 9:30am	D.F.R. of the Causton, Lovett, Mears & Heather Families RIP
Fri. 9:00am	Adoration
Sat. 9:30am	Rayray, Boniog, Alonso, Augustin RIP
<b>Masses next weekend 5/6 December 2015</b>	
Sat. 6:15pm	Peter Butler RIP
Sun. 10:30am	Stanislaw & Anna Jac zniakowska RIP Michael & Rosanne McGirr RIP
<b>Lingfield Mass Centre – St. Bernard's</b>	
Sun. 9:00am	
Reconciliation (Confession)	
<b>East Grinstead:</b>	
Saturdays	- 10:00am - 10:30am 5:30pm - 6:00pm
<b>Lingfield:</b>	
Sunday	- 8:15am - 8:45am
<b>BAPTISMS</b> – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday during Mass or 12.15pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Steven.	
<b>MARRIAGE</b> – Marriage arrangements should be made with Fr. Steven at least 6 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To arrange for marriage preparation please contact Fr. Steven.	
<b>MASS INTENTIONS</b> – Have a Mass said for a departed loved one, or someone who is sick, or to celebrate a family occasion. Use the brown envelopes at the back of the church. Please do it well in advance if you want a specific date.	
<b>R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS</b> – Persons interested in learning of the Catholic faith, and any adult persons who wishes to receive Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation. If you need information regarding this please contact Fr. Steven.	
<b>VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY</b> Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital.	
<b>NEW PARISHIONERS</b> – Our Parish Family invites all its members to share fully in our spiritual and social life. If you change your address or telephone number please tell Fr. Steven.	
<b>PRAYING FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY</b> Every week we will pray, by name, for our sick parishioners in the BiddinG Prayers. Please contact Father Steven/Sue Wade at East Grinstead or Deacon Ted Rider at Lingfield to arrange inclusion. Names will be included for two weeks and can be continued provided that you renew the request each fortnight. Time will always be included in the Prayers to remember long-term sick parishioners (and other loved ones) whose names are not included for reading and are not printed in the newsletter.	

**SICK/HOUSEBOUND VISITS** – requests for visits and for Holy Communion in the **Lingfield** area – contact Deacon Ted.

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT** – "Exposition takes place every Friday morning at Our Lady & St Peter's between 09:00-1:00pm. Come let us adore Him."

**REFRESHMENTS** - Everybody is cordially invited for refreshments after Sunday Mass at both St Bernard's and Our Lady & St Peter's churches.

**WILLS & BEQUESTS** - The Parish has benefited greatly in the past from the thoughtfulness of parishioners who have nominated the parish to receive funds from their estate. Please consider it.

**GIFT AID OFFERINGS/DONATIONS** - can be taken out at anytime throughout the year. It is a valuable source of additional income for the parish with no extra cost to the parishioners.

**REFRAIN**

MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD,  
A PATH THROUGH THE DESERT FOR GOD.  
ARISE FROM YOUR SLEEP,  
REJOICE NOW TO GREET  
THE ONE WHO COMES.

**2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION TODAY** - for the Cathedral. Can be gift-aided. Thank you.

**CORE GROUP MEETS** - 7pm, Wednesday, The Presbytery.

**ST. PETER'S SCHOOL GOVERNORS MEETING** - 7pm, Thursday, School.

**NEXT SUNDAY** - 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Children receive their books.

**CONFIRMATION 2016** - Completed application forms for the Confirmation preparation programme should be handed to Fr Steven by 22nd November.

**CHRISTIAN MEDIATION GROUP** - meets each Thursday from 4.30-5.30 pm in the Parish Centre. For more information and if you would like to join us, please contact Gabrielle Joyce 326118.

**“St. Peter’s is a GOOD school where the behaviour of pupils is  
OUTSTANDING “**

**Ofsted, June 2015**

**If your child was born between  
1<sup>st</sup> September 2011 and 31<sup>st</sup> August 2012  
you are now in the process of making a big decision about their primary school.**

**The school shall be hosting information meetings for parents to hear about the school and to tour  
the site. You are warmly invited to attend a meeting on either:**

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2015, 9:30am – 10:30am.**

**or**

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2015, 9:30am – 10:30am.**

**or**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2016, 1:30pm – 2:30pm.**

**Please contact the school office to book a place. 01342 321985**

**ANGEL TREE** - One of the Justice and Peace Group's members, Valerie Maynard, recently received an MBE for her work in Lewes Prison Chaplaincy particularly for introducing, and being a beacon for, *Sycamore*, a very successful Restorative Justice scheme, which Prison Governors value highly as it reduces re-offending rates for those who take part. As usual Val is organising **Angel Tree**, a Prison Fellowship programme providing those in prison with an opportunity to send a Christmas gift to their children and maintain a connection with their families. If you would like to help please contact Valerie on 01342 326896 asap. Thank you.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME APPLICATION FORMS** - Our parish programme for First Forgiveness and First Holy Communion will be starting in early November. We invite all children in Year 4 primary school and older to apply. Forms will be available at the back of St. Bernard and Our Lady and St Peter churches. Please fill in and return to Fr Steven Purnell or Deacon Ted Rider.

**2016 CALENDARS** - Complimentary copies of the Missio 2016 calendar are available from the church table at OL&StP for all Missio members and any parishioner who would like to have one.

**MISSIO RED BOXES** - Will OL&StP box holders please bring-in their red boxes during the next few weeks for counting before year end. Deliver your box into the sacristy, please don't leave it elsewhere in church. If your box is normally counted at home, this will happen as usual. Thank you.

**PARISH MAGAZINE** - It is still our hope to have the **Magazine out before Christmas**, but the deadline has now been moved to the **end of November**, so there is still time for everyone - and in particular those speaking for groups and clubs and societies - to send in your submissions. These can, as usual, be emailed to me at [klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk](mailto:klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk) - or left at the back of the church, addressed to Klara King. I acknowledge all emails received, so if you don't hear within a few days of sending one, I'm afraid I haven't received it.

**CHARITY MEAL** - in aid of St Catherine's Hospice on Monday 30 November, 6.30pm for 7pm at Tarana, Lingfield. £16 per head. Bookings to EG 832222. Thank you to all those who supported the recent events to raise £715.90 each for Crawley Open House, Crawley Prison Fellowship, EG Street Pastors and Age UK. Thanks also to Barclays Bank for match funding of £1000 and to those who donated raffle prizes.

**"THE NEXT TRADCRAFT SALE** - will be the weekend of 5th/6th December after both masses. Any other special orders to Mike and Tina Causton on [t.causton@sky.com](mailto:t.causton@sky.com) or 311435. or Chris and Margaret Vase on 834436 or [cjvasey@aol.com](mailto:cjvasey@aol.com). "

**PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH – (SUNDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER)** - in St. Bernard's hall – gathering from 12.30 pm for lunch at 1.00 pm. The meal will be a traditional Christmas Lunch. The arrangements will be as at the previous parish lunches: soft drinks will be provided but please bring your own alcoholic drinks; pre-booking is not required – just come along if you wish; there is no charge but there will be a voluntary donations basket. Everyone is welcome – from all corners of the parish.

**OUR LADY & ST PETERS LUNCH CLUB** - will meet for our Christmas Lunch on Wednesday 9th December. Please arrive promptly at 11.45 for Lunch to be served at 12 o'clock. Please ring Ivy (323240) Jean (311295) or your Driver if you are not able to come.

**CHRISTMAS GREETINGS NEWSLETTER** - We shall be producing the Christmas Greetings newsletter again this year, to be published 19th/20th December. If you would like to make use of this please let Simon Parr (E.G. 323493 / [simon.sparr@sky.com](mailto:simon.sparr@sky.com) or Muriel Cheesman (E.G. 327512/ [murielcheesman@hotmail.com](mailto:murielcheesman@hotmail.com)) have your copy by Monday, 14th December. Our charity will be Crawley Open House.

**EG FOODBANK** - the following items are required lease 500g bags of granulated sugar, Feminine hygiene products, Toilet rolls, Washing-up liquid and Men's deodorant. Thank you.

**CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE** – is desperately short of blankets, sleeping bags and flasks to give to homeless people who turn up at the door when it is full. Toilet rolls, UHT milk, sugar and tinned meat are particularly required at present but any tinned and packet food is welcome plus tea and coffee. Please leave donated items at the back of the church at Our Lady and St Peter's and at St Bernard's. Larger items, including duvets and clothes to be taken to OLSP, or taken directly to COH near Three Bridges in Crawley. Tel: 01293 447702. Alternatively, if you prefer, please leave a cash contribution in the basket and the SVP will purchase items on your behalf. Thank you.

**GATWICK DETAINEES WELFARE GROUP** – needs men's shoes, trainers, jeans and sweatshirts jogging trousers (medium and large sizes please) as well as toiletries.