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PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for weekend 27/28 February 2016	
East Grinstead Mass Centre-Our Lady & St. Peter	
Sat. 6.15pm	Liam Hough RIP
Sun. 10:30am	Norman Moore RIP Richard Webster RIP
Mon. 9:30am	Deceased friends & relatives of the Subtil & Rogers families RIP
Tues. 9:30am	Founders & Benefactors (fm)
Wed. 9:30am	Francis Brassington & family RIP(fm)
Thurs. 9:30am	Thanksgiving for Health & Safety – Alcanices family
Fri. 8:00am	Mass
8:00am–8:00pm	Adoration (12 hrs)
Sat. 9:30am	Fr. Kevin Gaskin RIP (fm)
Masses next weekend 5/6 March 2016	
Sat. 6:15pm	Peter Butler RIP
Sun. 10:30am	Den Linehan's good estate Ted Bellinger RIP
Lingfield Mass Centre – St. Bernard's	
Sun. 9:00am	
Reconciliation (Confession)	
East Grinstead:	
Saturdays	- 10:00am - 10:30am 5:30pm - 6:00pm
Lingfield:	
Sunday	- 8:15am - 8:45am
BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday during Mass or 12.15pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Steven.	
MARRIAGE – 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.	
MASS INTENTIONS – 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.	
R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS – 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.	
VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital.	
NEW PARISHIONERS – 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.	
PRAYING FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY 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.

THANK YOU - for your contributions to last Sunday's CAFOD Lenten Fast Day collection. £1,183 was raised in the Parish which, doubled by the Government's special concession, increases its value to £2,366 (+ Gift Aid to be claimed by the Charity).

LINGFIELD SVP CAKE SALE - After 9am Mass today (28th February) the SVP will be selling cakes in the hall. The proceeds are for the SVP's Darfur (Sudan) Baby Feeding Project.

BAPTISM - Sunday 12.30 OLSP Niamh Eloise Chery.

FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT - runs from 29 Feb- 13 March and various events have been organised by local schools, churches and community groups. A full list is available on Fairtrade EG's website www.fairtrade-eg.co.uk and Fairtrade Lingfield and Dormansland www.rh7fairtrade.wordpress.com St Peter's School is having a Fairtrade Breakfast and special day on Friday 4 March, there will be Traidcraft after all Masses next w/e, and the Fairtrade Rich Man Poor Lunch on Sunday 13th March. Fairtrade banners will be displayed at churches and schools in the town saying Choose. Buying Fairtrade goods in shops helps farmers and producers in developing countries to give a better life to their families.

TRAIIDCRAFT - " FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT - is from 29th February till 13th March and we plan to hold a coffee morning on Tuesday 8th March to promote Fairtrade. It will be from 10-12 in the morning and again from 2-4 in the afternoon, and will be at our home address of 5,Stream Park, Felbridge, opposite the Felbridge Hotel. If anyone wants to come and does not have transport, please contact us on 311435 and it will be arranged."

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

NEXT SUNDAY - 1st Sunday. 1st Holy Communion Children receive their crucifixes.

LENT BOXES - Parish lent boxes (to encourage your Lenten almsgiving) are at the back of the church. This is to raise money to help those going to Lourdes from our Parish. Please take one and return it after Lent.

CAN YOU HELP? - A male parishioner is seeking a room to rent somewhere in the East Grinstead, Forest Row, Lingfield area. He is at present employed at Gravetye. His name is Javier – Junquera. His email address is: labusqueda11@hotmail.com

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - 'Could you not stay awake with me one hour?' 'You may be sure that of all the moments of your life, the time spent before the divine Sacrament, will be that which will give you more strength during life and more consolation at the hour of your death and during eternity'. St. John Paul II.

'When the Sisters are exhausted, up to their eyes in work; when all seems to go awry, they spend an hour in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. This practice has never failed to bear fruit: They experience peace and strength.'

Mother Teresa of Calcutta.

CARE IN EAST GRINSTEAD AND LINGFIELD

The Catholic Church is one of the 10 churches in the area that support the work of CARE. They have 364 Clients. Most of the work involves transporting folk to medical appointments, but they also help with gardening, shopping and other light tasks. Their services are stretched and they need more volunteers. Currently we Catholics provide 7 active volunteers. Can we provide more? Drivers - they can choose the days they help, choose the distances, they have their expenses met and are asked 3 or 4 days in advance – could this be you? Duty Officers – in their own homes are on duty about 1 day a month (they choose the day) and are available from 9am-5pm. They need competent computer skills, receive training; receive requests by phone and find a driver who can help. Could this be you? There's also a need for gardeners, shoppers too. Our representatives with CARE are Patrick Kiley (OLSP) and Lala Micallef (St.B). Please think about it – speak to the reps. or to Fr. Steven or ring 01342 410086 or visit www.careineastgrinstead.co.uk

CAP MONEY COURSE – learn how to budget, save, spend wisely and prevent debt. This 3 week free course-Tuesdays 1st, 8th and 15 March is run by Churches Together in EG at Trinity Methodist Church. Further details from Phil Holland. EG 311295. www.capmoneycourse.org

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER - RECEIVE CHILDREN, RECEIVE ME – 10.30am (at Jubilee Church) and 8pm (at Trinity Methodist Church) on Friday 4 March. Prepared by the Women of Cuba with the theme - Receive children, receive me. Please make a note of the event in your diary.

THE WORTH CHORAL SOCIETY WITH THE KIDBROOKE PARK SINGERS & ORCHESTRA - will be performing Gounod's Messe Solennelle at Worth Abbey on 6th March at 7.30pm. There will also be music by Mozart & Dragonetti. No tickets just a collection for charity on exit. Thank you.

FAIRTRADE CAKE SALE - after 10.30am Mass on Sunday 6 March outside the Church and also in the Hall. This is in aid of the Redshirts Fundraising effort for this year's Lourdes Pilgrimage.

RICH MAN POOR MAN FAIRTRADE LUNCH - a fundraiser for our young people going to Lourdes as Redshirts this Summer will be held at St Peter's School at 12.30pm on Sunday 13. March. Make a note of the date in your diary and support this lovely Parish event. Tickets available from this weekend - £6 adults, £3 children under 14. If anyone wishes to donate raffle prizes please give to Fr Steven. Thank you.

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND - The AGM will take place in St Bernard's hall on Sunday, 20th March, at 3:00pm. All are welcome, please see the poster on the church notice board.

DATE OF PARISH SPRING LUNCH - The revised date for the Parish Spring Lunch is 10th April.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY: PARISH LUNCHESES – 2016 The dates for this Year's Parish Lunches are:-

Parish Spring Lunch - April 10th; Parish Summer Lunch - July 10th; Parish Christmas Lunch - December 4th

As usual the lunches are at St Bernard's Hall; gather at 12.30pm for 1.00pm. Make a note of the dates now and look out for the notices on the church notice boards.

PARISH ADORATION FOR THIS YEAR OF MERCY – NEXT FRIDAY 4TH MARCH AT OL&STP - If you can spend an hour, or whatever time is available to you, please complete the slip below, we just need it to determine "cover". The day will begin with Holy Mass at 8:00am and will be followed by Exposition until 8:00pm with Benediction and Repose. The hours will just be set aside for private prayer and meditation. A Welcoming (or Retiring) cup of coffee/tea will be available in the parish centre throughout and transport can be arranged if it is a problem (just tel 327002). This is a special "12 Hours For Our Lord...Come, Let Us Adore Him"

PARISH ADORATION – FRIDAY 4th MARCH

Name: (Anonymous if you prefer but please submit the completed slip)

I circle below the hour which I hope to be able spend in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Our Lady & St Peter's on Friday, 4th March.

09:00-10:00 09:30-10:30 10:00-11:00 10:30-11:30 11:00-12:00 noon 11:30-12:30 12:00-1:00 12:30-1:30 1:00-2:00 1:30-2:30 2:00-3:00 2:30-3:30 3:00-4:00 3:30-4:30 4:00-5:00 4:30-5:30 5:00-6:00 5:30-6:30
6:00-7:00 6:30-7:30 7:00-8:00 (or my different choice:.....)

