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PARISH CHURCH MASSES

| Masses for weekend 14/15 May 2016 | |
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| East Grinstead Mass Centre-Our Lady & St. Peter | BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday during |
| Sat. 6:15pm Jean Fairs RIP | Mass or 12.15pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Steven. |
| Sun. 10:30am Tom O'Neill RIP | MARRIAGE – Marriage arrangements should be made with Fr. |
| Mon. 11:00am Requiem Mass – Loreta Rotondo RIP | Steven at least 6 months before the marriage date and prior to any |
| Tues. 9:30am Winifred Conway | social planning. To arrange for marriage preparation please |
| Wed. 11:30am Mass of the Anointing of the Sick: | contact Fr. Steven. |
| Ann Wilson RIP, Loreta Rotondo RIP, | MASS INTENTIONS – Have a Mass said for a departed loved one, |
| Mary Stradling RIP | or someone who is sick, or to celebrate a family occasion. Use the |
| Thurs. 9:30am John & Elizabeth Bourke RIP | brown envelopes at the back of the church. Please do it well in |
| Fri. 9:00am Adoration | advance if you want a specific date. |
| Sat. 9:30am Gill Carpenter RIP | R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS – Persons interested in learning of the Catholic faith, and any adult |
| Masses next weekend 21/22 May 2016 | persons who wishes to receive Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation. |
| Sat. 6:15pm Fidelia Fernandes RIP | If you need information regarding this please contact Fr. Steven. |
| Sun. 10:30am Alex Halls RIP | VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY |
| Lingfield Mass Centre - St. Bernard's | Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who |
| Sun. 9:00am | are ill at home or in the hospital. |
| | NEW PARISHIONERS – Our Parish Family invites all its members |
| Reconciliation (Confession) | to share fully in our spiritual and social life. If you change your |
| | address or telephone number please tell Fr. Steven. |
| East Grinstead: | PRAYING FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY Every |
| Saturdays - 10:00am - 10:30am | week we will pray, by name, for our sick parishioners in the Bidding |
| 5:30pm - 6:00pm | Prayers. Please contact Father Steven/Sue Wade at East |
| Lingfield:. Sunday - 8:15am - 8:45am | Grinstead or Deacon Ted Rider at Lingfield to arrange inclusion. |
| Sunday - 8:15am - 8:45am | 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. |
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<u>SICK/HOUSEBOUND VISITS</u> – requests for visits and for Holy Communion in the **Lingfield** area – contact Deacon Ted.

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

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

<u>WILLS & BEQUESTS</u> - 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.

<u>GIFT AID OFFERINGS/DONATIONS</u> - 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.

TODAY - 1st Holy Communion Children receive their medals.

<u>TRAIDCRAFT SALE</u> - will be this weekend of 14th/15th May after both masses. Any special orders to Mike and Tina on <u>t.causton@sky.com</u> or 311435. Or Chris and Margaret Vasey on 834436 or <u>cjvasey@aol.com</u> <u>REQUIEM MASS</u> - Monday 11am – Loreta Rotondo RIP OLSP.

MASS OF THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK - Wednesday 11.30am OLSP.

CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL - 7.30pm Thursday, Worth Abbey.

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"CHRISTIAN AID WEEK CHARITY COLLECTION SUN 15TH TO SAT 21ST MAY - Volunteers needed please, to deliver envelopes to houses in some local East Grinstead roads and to collect peoples' donations in them later in that week. 22 volunteers needed (we had too few last year, so new volunteers needed as well as repeat volunteers please). Lots of the roads have under 20 houses to call at. Please sign up on the list of roads at the back of Church. Location of roads shown on a map. Further details available from Mike Hope 01342 322560."

INDEPENDENT WHEELCHAIR ACCESS TAXI - (7 Seater) available at your door step anytime. Contact - Sunny Joseph. Mob: 07481107832/07908494532.

<u>OUR LADY & ST. PETERS LUNCH CLUB</u> - meet for Lunch on Wednesday 18th May. <u>Fr.</u> Steven will say an Anointing Mass at 11.30 am followed by lunch at 12.30 <u>pm</u>. At 2 <u>pm</u> a group of Hand Bell Ringers are performing in the Church. This concert is open to the Parish - everyone welcome.

EAST GRINSTEAD CATENIANS - The East Grinstead Circle of the Catenian Association will meet on Wednesday, 18th May in OL&SP Church Hall at 8.00 p.m. The Catenian Association is is an international brotherhood of practising Catholic laymen who meet socially, at least once a month. To find out more on the Catenian Association. please call Bill Blackledge on 01342 317599 or visit http://www.eqcats.co.uk PARISH LUNCHES - The Parish Lunches have been taking place over the past 10 years and have numbered approximately 35 with between 70 - 95 parishioners attending each one. They have been very successful and have brought together people from all areas of the parish. However the present team are not getting any younger and although we have some new younger members on the team, we are looking for more new faces who would be willing to take over from the present team in due course. If you feel you would like to help in the preparation and serving of these lunches or would like more information on what is involved, please contact Geraldine Rider (835110/832283). Many thanks.

EAST GRINSTEAD AND WORTH ABBEY CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUPS — would you like to know more about this contemplative form of prayer? Please call us for more information, or come to one of our meetings. In East Grinstead, we meet in the Parish Centre/Church Hall of Our Lady and St Peter's Church, each Monday 7.30 pm — 8.30 pm. At Worth Abbey, meetings are held in the Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament in the Abbey Church on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month, from 8.00pm- 8.45pm, followed by Compline at 9 pm, for those who wish to stay. Further details of dates are at the back of the church. For more information, please contact Gabrielle Joyce for East Grinstead 01342 326118, Caterina Brown for Worth Abbey 01243 554001.

PARISH MAGAZINE - We are planning to have an issue of the Magazine before the school holidays – that is, early July – so we will need contributions by the end of June. News from parish organizations, societies, clubs, etc., articles related in some way to the history of our parish or to the church in general, descriptions of pilgrimages, etc., as well as other contributions, poems, etc. are all very welcome. Also, please be sure to let me know if any of the entries for Parish Organizations on the inside back cover need to be changed (names, telephone numbers, times or places of meetings). If a group has a presence online (webpage, Facebook, twitter...), then you may wish to give a link to that there as well. Submissions can be emailed to me at klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk Alternatively, contributions can be addressed to Klara King and left on the table at the back of the church.

ENCOUNTER EVENING FOR 15-30s - Friday May 20th. If you haven't been to an ENCOUNTER evening before, this is a great one to start with. It's a very welcoming environment and we always look out for new people. ENCOUNTER is a monthly evening event, featuring a guest speaker, live music, food (snacks), adoration and social time. It's completely free, and there's no need to book. It's on Friday May 20th 7- 9pm at St. Wilfrid's School, Crawley (RH11 8PG).

The guest speaker this month will be Fr Aaron Spinelli – back by popular request. Search for 'ENCOUNTER Crawley' on Facebook for more details.

<u>CAKE & PLANTS SALE</u> - The Gospel of Life Group's cake and plant sale takes place at OLSP after mass on the weekend of 21/22 May. All proceeds will go to a supported housing project for young Downs Syndrome people in Brighton. As the Group of Life Group is small in number, donations of plants and cakes are particularly welcome, if we are to raise a reasonable sum of money for this cause. If you would like to donate please contact Les Whittaker on 315484 or at leswhittaker252@outlook.com.

ADVANCE NOTICE - Street collection and annual Sleep Out on Saturday 25 June on aid of Crawley Open House, The Easter Team and Worthing Churches Homeless Project. Anyone wishing to take part/help out please contact Sue Joy.EG 835190. Sponsors will be sought at the end of May onwards. Refugee Crisis Newsletter - copies of this very informative Diocesan publication featuring Bishop Richard are available from both churches from this w/e. Very relevant reading in this Year of Mercy.

<u>CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE</u> – 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.

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

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