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ST. PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for weekend 26/27 November 2016	
East Grinstead Mass Centre-Our Lady & St. Peter	
Sat. 6:15pm	Deceased members of the Ruttley & Murphy Families RIP
Sun. 10:30am	Deceased friends & relatives of the Lipolla Family RIP
Mon. 9:30am	Deceased friends & relatives of the Hamerton Family RIP
Tues. 9:30am	Sister Mary Francis RIP
Wed. 9:30am	Deceased friends & relatives of the Perris Family RIP
Thurs. 9:30am	Founders & Benefactors (fm)
Fri. 9:00am	Adoration
Sat.	No Mass
Masses next weekend 3/4 December 2016	
Sat. 6:15pm	Jerry & Nora Moynihan RIP
Sun. 10:30am	Catherine Jones 90 th
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 12 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.

COLLECTION - for Christmas Flowers. (can be gift-aided using envelopes) Thank you.

PARISH FINANCE MEETING - Monday 7.30pm at the Presbytery.

"TRAIDCRAFT SALE - will be after both masses this weekend 26th/27th November. Can you let me know ASAP if you need Advent Calendars as there will not be enough time to order these before Advent. Please contact Mike and Tina Causton on 311435 or t.causton@sky.com. Or Margaret and Chris Vasey on 834436 or cjvasey@aol.com "

SATURDAY MORNING - no Mass. 9.30am Foodbank Service.

NEXT SUNDAY - 1ST Holy Communion children receive their books.

SECOND COLLECTIONS - Thank you for your generosity to recent second collections: Catholic Education Service, £480; SVP, £802.24; Marian Shrine, Walsingham, £647; CAFOD Harvest Fast Day, £1,277; Missio (APF, but not your boxes), £678.

ADVENT TREE - please take a label from the Advent Tree and bring the item along for Crawley Open House for the big Christmas donations push. Thank you.

"SVP - Dear parishioners, there are now several Catholics living at Forest Lodge, Portland Road, East Grinstead, and there is a need to provide lifts to Sunday 10.30am Mass. If anyone is able to give a lift from there on Sunday mornings, my intention is to set up a rota, as we do with other ministries. If you are able to help please ring me, Peter Wells on 01342 811543. Leave a message if necessary."

MISSIO RED BOXES - will East Grinstead red box holders please bring their red boxes to church now for year-end counting. Please leave your box in the sacristy, not anywhere else in the church. If your box is normally counted at home this will happen as normal or if you would like for your box to be collected or you have any other queries, please contact Chris and Margaret on 327002. Thank you.

ADORATION - The weekly hours of Adoration at OLSP will return to normal 9am till 1pm from Friday 25th November. Everyone is welcome.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP – East Grinstead. Our last meeting will be on Thursday 1st December. After that we will be having a break until after Christmas.

CAFOD WORLD GIFTS - are a way to give fun and meaningful Christmas gifts to the people you love, and make a difference to some of the poorest communities around the world at the same time. Each gift comes with a beautiful gift card, and you can choose to send trees, a goat, or even a camel!

WOOLLY HATS - an appeal has come via Gatwick Detainees Welfare group and Crawley Refugee Welcome Group for woolly hats of all sizes for children and adults at risk from severe cold and in very bad conditions in a Refugee camp in Greece. The volunteer will be going out on to the camp in early December so please bring contributions before 2nd December and leave at the back of both churches - mark your bag "Refugees in Greece". Thank you.

ANGEL TREE - a charity providing gifts to the children of prisoners hoping to lessen the devastation experienced as a result of parental absence by not only helping families to connect and build relationships, but by providing children with much needed joy. If you make a donation please contact Valerie Maynard who works with the local Prison Fellowship and Martells to provide gifts at Lewes Prison. Tel: 01342 326896.

ST PETER'S SCHOOL - If your child was born between 1st Sept. 2012 - 31st August 2013, you are now in the process of making a big decision about their primary school. The school will be hosting information meetings for parents to hear about the school and tour around the site. You are warmly invited to attend on either -

Wednesday 30th Nov. 2016 9.30am - 10.30am

Friday 6th January 2017 9.30am - 10.30am

Please contact the School Office (01342 321985) to book a place.

CHARITY JAZZ EVENING - featuring the Phillip Dodd Quartet – **2nd December from 7.30 until 10.30** at The Auditorium, Notre Dame School, Lingfield. Evening is in support of the baby feeding programme in the Sudan and education sponsorships in the Holy Land. **Tickets are £15** each including fish and chip supper with a raffle and licensed bar and are available from: **Sally Martin Tel: 01342 832283 or Angeline Rosner Tel: 01342 832665/078893 323431 or Email: ca.rosner@btinternet.com**

CONFIRMATION 2017 - The first meeting for parents and young people will be on 3rd December 2016 at St Bernard's at 10am. Details of the whole programme will be available at the meeting. Even if you have not already given an application form to Fr Steven but are in Year 10 or above and are interested in being confirmed on 25th June next year, you are welcome to come along to this meeting.

ST. PETER'S SCHOOL CHRISTMAS FAIR 2016 SATURDAY 3RD DECEMBER - is fast approaching! It promises to be its usual festive event and more including: Santa's Grotto, Raffles, Face Painting, Xmas Crafts, lots of games with prizes to win, Teddy Adoption, Outside Traders, Fair trade stall, cakes and lots of yummy refreshments, to name but a few! Donations of Raffle Prizes always welcome too. Please come along and enjoy the fun!

PARISH MAGAZINE - **Final call: the deadline has been extended to 5 December** in the hope of having an issue before Christmas, so there is still a little time. Also those whose groups are listed on the back cover of the Magazine, please be sure to check the list to make sure names, places, telephone numbers are correct. Submissions should be emailed to me at klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk

JUSTICE AND PEACE GROUP - meet at 7.30pm on Tuesday 6 December at Moat United Reformed Church. All welcome

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Sunday 11th 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.

EG FOODBANK - requires the following please: single adult toothbrushes, small boxes of washing powder, male and female deodorant, and male and female razors. Please leave donated items at Jubilee Community Centre in Charlwood Road or bring to Church and leave in the box near the main door.

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 – urgently require medium sized jogging bottoms and Trainers size 9 & 10.