DEACON: Rev. Edward Rider – **TEL**: 835110 **HEADTEACHER**: Mrs Mary Claffey

PARISH WEBSITE <u>www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com</u>
TEL: 321985 (school hours)

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

PRIEST: Fr. Steven Purnell - TEL: 325705

Raymond Insuli RIP CWL 50 th anniv.					
Margaret Pecnik RIP Filippino Mass					
9:00am Adoration					
Sat. 6:15pm Josie & Eamonn Tuke RIP Sun. 10:30am In thanksgiving – Claire Bellinger					

<u>BAPTISMS</u> – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday during Mass or 12.15pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Steven.

<u>MARRIAGE</u> – 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.

<u>NEW PARISHIONERS</u> – 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.

<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."

REFRESHMENTS - 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. Pleas e 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.

 $\underline{\mathbf{2^{ND}}}$ COLLECTION NEXT WEEK $\,$ - $\,$ Education of Future Priests of the Diocese.

BAPTISM - today 12.30 OLSP Sienna & Paige Clark.

WEDNESDAY - No 9.30am Mass. Filippino Mass at 5pm.

1ST HOLY COMMUNIONS - Sat 11am OLSP

Sunday 9am St. Bernard's

FORTHCOMING REQUIEM MASS - Gerald Edwards RIP - Wednesday 24th May 12 noon at OLSP.

<u>FATIMA BIKE RIDE</u> – I will be at OLSP this weekend and St Bernard's next Sunday, with an information table about Fatima. If you would like to sponsor me, I will be on hand then, and on other days leading up to my departure. For more information on Fatima, and the ride, please see www.worldfatimaenglandwales.org.uk/fundraising.html Les Whittaker.

<u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE</u> - would like to thank all who supported our National Coffee Morning and money raised will be added to funds to be distributed to charities at Christmas time.

THANK YOU - for Lourdes Lenten Boxes now returned, £453 has been donated to date in support of pilgrims to the shrine. If you still hold your box, please will you return it soonest to the sacristy or pass it to Father Steven or Deacon Ted.

CONGRATULATIONS - to winners in the Parish 100 Club April draw: 1st, £50, no 84, Mr&Mrs t Sikorski; 2nd, £25, no33, Rev E & Mrs G Rider; 3rd, £15, no 43, Mr C Giblin.

RICH MAN POOR MAN LUNCH - a huge thank you to all parishioners who supported this event last Sunday at St Bernard's or who gave donations, including raffle prizes. The grand sum of £976.83 was raised which will go towards the expenses of the five Year 12 Helpers going to Lourdes this Summer. This was a great event and everyone was very generous with the raffle, cake buying and purchase of tickets.

<u>CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUPS</u> – in East Grinstead we meet each Thursday from 7.30-8.30 pm, in the Parish Centre/Church Hall at Our Lady and St Peter. At Worth Abbey we meet each 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month, from 7.45-8.45 pm, in the Chapel of The Blessed Sacrament, in the Abbey Church. For those who wish to stay, Compline starts at 9.00 pm in the Abbey Church. Visitors and new members are always welcome at both venues. If you would like any more information, please contact Gabrielle Joyce, on 01342 326118.

EAST GRINSTEAD CATENIANS - The East Grinstead Circle of the Catenian Association will meet at the Dorset Arms, High Street, East Grinstead on Monday, 15th May at 8.00 p.m. The Catenian Association 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.egcats.co.uk

SPRING CHARITY FEAST 2017 - A CHARITY FEAST IS TAKING PLACE OVER 2 NIGHTS

Mon 15th May Paglia E Fieno East Grinstead Italian Food 01342 328713 Mon 22nd May Tarana Lingfield Indian and Thai Food 01342 832222

PLEASE BOOK EARLY TO RESERVE YOUR PLACE: ARRIVE 6.30PM FOR 7PM START.

All Meals £16 per head, of which £8.00 will go towards the following 5 Charities:

Crawley Open House, The East Grinstead Food Bank, Crawley Prison Fellowship,

Age Uk East Grinstead & District.

East Grinstead & District Mental Health Association.

WITH SPECIAL THANKS TO:

E.G. Charcoal Grill – Glanfield Food & Wine And Redmond & Associates And also all the businesses and shops that have kindly donated Raffle Prizes

<u>OUR LADY & ST PETER'S LUNCH CLUB</u> - will meet on Wednesday 17th May at 12.15 pm. Please ring Ivy (323240) or Jean (311295) or your driver if you are not able to come.

<u>WORTH ABBEY PARISH</u> - A Vacancy for Parish Secretary – Worth Abbey Parish is wishing to recruit a Parish Secretary. The role is subject to a six-month period of probation, with a view to the position becoming permanent at the end of this period, contingent upon satisfactory performance.

Letters of application enclosing a Curriculum Vitae, marked "Application for Parish Secretary" should be sent by post to: Fr. Paul Fleetwood, OSB Parish Priest, Worth Abbey Parish, Paddockhurst Road, Turners Hill, West Sussex RH10 4SB A job Description can be found on the parish website. www.worthabbeyparish.co.uk telephone 01342 710313 email parish@worth.org.uk Closing date for applications Friday 19th May 2017.

ENCOUNTER (FOR 15-30s) WITH JOHN WITHERS FROM YOUTH 2000, FRIDAY 19TH MAY - The organising team are delighted that so many young Catholics from the area have been coming to the Crawley ENCOUNTER evenings recently. They offer such a great chance for people to deepen their faith and make some new friends! The next ENCOUNTER will be on Friday 19th (7.30pm at St. Wilfrid's School, RH11 8PG) and the guest speaker will be John Withers from Youth 2000, a popular speaker and worship leader. As ever, there will be snacks, live music, adoration, friendly people, and (our new thing) hot chocolate with cream and marshmallows!! New people are always welcome. For more info, search 'ENCOUNTER Crawley' on Facebook.

GOSPEL CHOIR CONCERT - by Emmanue'-EL Apostolic Gospel Academy (EAGA), finalists in Gareth Malone's and BBC's choirs competitions in 2016, at Trinity Methodist Church, Lingfield Road, Saturday 20 May 2017, at 7.30 pm. Tickets £10 (under 16s £5) from Mabel on 07801 853815.

"THE NEXT FAIRTRADE SALE - will be after both masses the weekend 20th/21st May. Any special orders please contact Mike and Tina Causton on 311435 or t.causton@sky.com. Or Margaret and Chris Vasey on 834436 or cjvasey@aol.com" PARISH MAGAZINE: CONTRIBUTIONS NEEDED - by the end of June, in order to have a summer issue. Anything helpful/interesting for parishioners from our parish organizations, societies, clubs, the school, etc., or related to the Church, the Diocese, or our parish, charities, pilgrimages, charity work at home or abroad is all very welcome, along with poems, drawings, crosswords, puzzles.... 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 (times or places of meetings, names, telephone numbers). Submissions can be emailed to me at: klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk (or left at the back of the church, addressed to Klara King).

<u>MUSIC AFTERNOON WITH CREAM TEA</u> - A note for your diary: on Sunday 9th July in St. Bernard's Hall at 3pm there will be an afternoon of music from films and shows, also cream teas – in aid of Friends of the Holy Land.

EG FOODBANK - requiries donations of the following; Longlife fruit juice (1 litre cartons, tinned vegetables (small tins of peas, carrots, potatoes), tinned meat (meatballs, hotdogs), jars of pasta sauce, tinned fruit (peaches etc), tinned rice pudding, coffee – small jars, tissues – small packs, washing powder – small packets, liquid soap – small dispensers, razors for both men and women. Please leave at church or take to Jubilee Community Centre in Charlwood Road.

<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, sponge puddings, 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 - desparately needs medium sized trousers and trainers size 9 & 10.