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PARISH CHURCH MASSES

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Masses for weekend 30Sept/1st 2017 East Grinstead Mass Centre-Our Lady & St. Peter	
Sun 10:30am	(2000)
Mon.	No Mass
Tues.	No Mass
Wed.	No Mass
Thurs.	No Mass
Fri. 9:00am	Adoration
Sat. 9:30am	Pilgrims
Masses next weekend 7/8 October 2017	
Sat. 6:15pm	Margaret Wallace RIP
Sun. 10:30am	Julie Boland RIP
Lingfield Mass Centre - St. Bernard's	
Sun. 9:00am	
Reconciliation (Confession)	
East Grinstead	-
Saturdays -	10am - 10.30am
	5:30pm - 6pm
Lingfield:	
Sunday -	8:15am - 8:45am
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<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.

<u>MASS INTENTIONS</u> – 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 person 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

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 09:00-12:00pm. 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. 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.

EAST GRINSTEAD CATENIANS - This Saturday's 6.15 mass is being offered for vocations by the East Grinstead Circle of the Catenian Association. Many of its members and their families will then enjoy a meal at Thai Siam. The Catenian Association is an international brotherhood of practising Catholic laymen who meet socially, at least once a month. To find out more please call Bill Blackledge on 01342 317599 or visit http://www.egcats.co.uk

1ST SUNDAY TODAY - Children remain in Church. No Children's Liturgy.

<u>CARDINAL CORMAC MURPHY – O'CONNOR RIP</u> - to celebrate his life, to remember him and to pray for him there will be a Diocesan Mass at 3pm, this Sunday 1st of October at Arundel Cathedral. All are welcome to attend.

CREAM TEA - In aid of MacMillan Cancer Care. This Sunday 1st October 2.30 – 5pm – at 2 Garth Court, 20 Mount Pleasant Rd, Lingfield.

<u>"SVP</u> - As we close our SVP Awareness Month, please take the opportunity to read the article about the Special Works of the SVP in Arundel & Brighton, in the October edition of the A&B Newspaper".

2ND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY - CAFOD Harvest Fast Day. Gift-aid using the charity's envelopes. **QUITE INFORMALLY** - come and spend a little, or more, time any Friday morning at OL&StP church between 9:00am and midday when we have Exposition, that is Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament; there is no commitment, just some quiet time as suits you...Come Let Us Adore Him.

PARISH 100 CLUB - Congratulations to winners in the September draw: 1st, £50, no 8, Mr Townsend; 2nd, £25, no 109, Miss Wells; 3rd, £15, no 99, Mr & Mrs Marshall. We currently have a small number of memberships available, just speak to Chris Pond (327002).

<u>CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY</u> - This year we are standing with Edelmira, a farmer in El Salvador, as she works to sustain her family with good crops and harvests. With your help, CAFOD is giving her fruit trees, training, and strong seeds. Please pick up a Family Fast Day envelope, fast on Friday 6th and give what you can. Thank you. <u>HARVEST W/E</u> - will also be 7/8 October so please bring extra tins or packets of food, toiletries along and place on the altar and these will be given to Crawley Open House. Their stocks need to be built up for the winter months for the homeless and disadvantaged. Thank you.

ENVIRONMENT DAY - Saturday 7 October 11am-12.30 at St Mary's Church. Coffee Morning and Seed Swop with displays by Town Action group and EG in Bloom. Coffee, home made cake and Fairtrade stall with Advent calendars.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND RECONCILIATION 2018 - If you have a child in Year 4 primary school year or older and would like to enrol them in our next programme, please take an Application Form at the back of your church and complete.

Please hand your form to Fr Steven Purnell, East, Grinstead Deacon Ted Rider, Lingfield or the school office at St. Peter's Catholic Primary School, East Grinstead. The first parents' meeting without the children will be held on Wednesday 20th September at 8pm in the church hall East Grinstead.

<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 every 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.

LOVE IN A BOX - both churches and St Peter's School will be participating in this annual scheme which aims to help children in Eastern Europe. Leaflets will be available in October but in the meantime please save any shoeboxes with detachable lids for the scheme. Thank you.

<u>AUTUMN CHARITY FEAST 2017 - A CHARITY FEAST IS TAKING PLACE OVER 4 NIGHTS</u>

Mon 2nd October - La Farola - East Grinstead Spanish Food - 01342 322399 Mon 9th October - Ghurkha@ the Woodcock Inn – Felbridge A taste of the Himalayas - 01342 325325 Mon 16th October - Paglia e Fieno - East Grinstead Italian Food - 01324 328713 Mon 23rd October - Tarana - Lingfield Indian & Thai Food - 01342 832222

Please Book Early to Reserve Your Place
Please arrive at La Farola 7pm for 7.30pm start
Please arrive 6.30pm for 7pm start for other restaurants
ALL MEALS £16 PER HEAD, OF WHICH £8.00
WILL GO TOWARDS THE FOLLOWING 5 CHARITIES

Crawley Open House I The East Grinstead Foodbank
Crawley Prison Fellowship
Age UK East Grinstead & District
East Grinstead & District Mental Health Association
With special thanks to

EG. Charcoal Grill I Glanfield Food & Wine Redmond & Associates I HDL Lingfield

And also all the businesses and shops that have kindly donated raffle prizes

HOPE 2017 - FESTIVAL DAY FOR 11-14S, WITH RISE THEATRE -

On Sunday November 19th (2pm to 5.30pm) the diocese is running a festival day for young people aged 11-14 at Arundel Cathedral. The day coincides with the first World Day for the Poor, and will challenge us to think about how we are living Christ's call to serve those in need. The day will include Mass with Bishop Richard, as well as drama from RISE Theatre, and input from CAFOD and others. Spaces are limited, so booking is essential. Contact Jack.Regan@dabnet.org for more information, or to book. We are expecting those attending to be part of organised groups. Young people wanting to attend without accompanying adults must contact Jack Regan for a consent form.

EG FOODBANK – requires tinned ham, tinned custard, tubs of sweets, tinned rice pudding, tinned vegetables, packets of biscuits, small cereal packs, tinned meatballs, tinned tuna, tinned tomatoes, small jars of coffee and sponge puddings. Bring to church or take straight to Jubilee Community Centre, or Sainsbury's, Waitrose or Barclays Bank. Thank you.

GATWICK DETAINEES WELFARE GROUP - desperately needs medium sized trousers and trainers size 9 & 10.