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## **PARISH CHURCH MASSES**

Masses for weekend 7/8 April 2018 East Grinstead Mass Centre - Our Lady & St. Peter	BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday during Mass or
Sat 6:15pm Margaret Connolly RIP	12.15pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Steven.
Sun 10:30am Liz & Max Siwichi – good estate  Mon. 9:30am Rosemary Cantwell RIP	MARRIAGE – Marriage arrangements should be made with Fr. Steven at least 12 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To
Tues. 9:30am Victims of Smolensk Air Crash(2011) & Katyn Massacre WW2 RIP (fm)	arrange for marriage preparation please contact Fr. Steven.  MASS INTENTIONS – Have a Mass said for a departed loved one, or someone
Wed. 9:30am Graham Lister RIP Thurs 9:30am Our 1st Holy Communion Children	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.
Fri. 9:00am Adoration Sat. 9:30am Our Confirmandi  Masses next weekend 14/15 April 2018 Sat. 6:15pm Our Sick	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.
Sun. 10:30am Our Catechists  Lingfield Mass Centre – St. Bernard's	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.
Sun. 9:00am  Reconciliation (Confession)	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.
East Grinstead: Saturdays - 10am - 10.30am 5:30pm - 6pm  Lingfield: Sunday - 8:15am - 8:45am	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> - 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.

ST. BERNARD'S - today Golden Wedding anniversary - Norman & Alison Corbelt (1968).

**LOURDES YELLOW BOXES** - please return these as soon as possible and thank you for your contributions towards the parish Lourdes fund to help fund Helpers and Assisted Pilgrims on the this year's Diocesan pilgrimage.

FROM FIGURES JUST PUBLISHED, THANK YOU - to Missio red box holders and other direct contributors to Missio for the generous £3,629 that the Parish donated to the APF in 2017.

<u>OL&SP S.V.P.</u> - wish to say 'Thank You' for the old and new foreign currency received last year this amounted to £108.92 from Cash4Coins for our funds.

<u>PARISH 100 CLUB</u> - Congratulations to winners in the March draw: 1st, £50, no 37, Miss Hamerton; 2nd, £25, no 104, Mr Colombini; 3rd, £15, no 111, Mrs O'Neill. We currently have four memberships available, just speak to Chris Pond (327002).

<u>CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE</u> - will meet on Wednesday 11th April in the parish centre. 5:45 for 6pm. This will be a business meeting.

<u>PARISH MAGAZINE</u> - We hope to have an issue of the Parish Magazine by early summer, provided we have enough material. Please think whether you have something to share with parishioners: updates and news from our parish organizations, societies, clubs, the school, etc., or anything related to the Church, the Diocese, or our parish, charities, pilgrimages, charity work at home or abroad, as well as poetry and historical articles, etc., are all very welcome. Submissions can be left at the back of the church, addressed to Klara King, or, ideally, emailed to me at: <a href="mailto:klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk">klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk</a>

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR PAINTING AND DECORATING - Crawley Refugee Welcome Group (of which EG is a part), needs help with a house that has become available for a Syrian Refugee Family being settled in Crawley under the UN Resettlement programme. Anyone who has some spare time for this please contact Sue Joy. EG 835190. Thank you. LOURDES LIVE - DEEP WITHIN - an evening with singers and musicians from Arundel and Brighton Lourdes Pilgrimage. Sunday 8 April 7pm for 7.30pm at Worth Abbey. Tickets: £10 from salnicholls@hotmail.co.uk

<u>OL&SP LUNCH CLUB</u> - will meet on Wednesday 18th April. Fr Steven will say a Healing Mass at 11.30 am followed with Lunch at 12.30 pm. Please ring Ivy (323240) Jean(311295) or your Driver if you are unable to attend.

## ENCOUNTER EVENING (FOR 15-30S), FRIDAY APRIL 20TH, 7.30PM

ENCOUNTER evenings are a chance for young Catholics (15-30) to get together, make some friends, have some fun, and get some great teaching. The next on in Crawley is Friday April 20th at 7.30pm at St Wilfrid's School (RH118PG). Father Simon from Crawley is the guest speaker this time round! For more information, search 'ENCOUNTER Crawley' on Facebook. If you haven't been before, don't worry! Our welcome team will look out for you and make you feel at home.

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUPS - In East Grinstead, from Thursday 26th April we will be meeting each Thursday from 7.30-8.30 pm in the Parish hall at Our Lady and Saint Peter's.

We will be running a 6 week 'Introduction To Christian Meditation' course from Thursday 3rd May to 7th June 7.30-8.30pm in the Parish hall. ALL WELCOME! Please see poster and leaflet at the back of the church. At Worth Abbey, meetings will be held in the Chapel of The Blessed Sacrament in the Abbey Church,

between 7.45-8.45 pm on the following dates - 11th and 25th April, 16th and 30th May, 13th and 27th June and 11th and 25th July.

If you would like any more information about Christian Meditation at either venue, please contact Gabrielle Joyce on 326118.

ARE YOU A GRADUATE - with a strong desire to inspire young people and transform lives through exploring some of life's biggest questions? Have you considered becoming a Secondary RE teacher?

The University of Sussex offers full and part time PGCE and School Direct Courses in Religious Education resulting in qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and a PGCE of up to 90 Masters Level Credits For more information including eligibility and entry criteria visit http://www.sussex.ac.uk/education/ite/pgceandschooldirectsecondary/religiouseducation To discuss further contact either Sally Dudley, Initial Teacher Education Recruitment, Selection and Admissions Lead at Sussex University s.e.dudley@sussex.ac.uk or Claire Rooney, RE Curriculum Tutor c.rooney@sussex.ac.uk.

## SPRING CHARITY FEAST 2018 - A CHARITY FEAST IS TAKING PLACE OVER 5 NIGHTS

Mon 9th April - La Farola - East Grinstead

Spanish Food - 01342 322399

Mon 16th April - Ghurkha@the Woodcock Inn - Felbridge

A taste of the Himalayas - 01342 325325

Mon 23<sup>rd</sup> April - Paglia e Fieno - East Grinstead (is now FULL) Italian Food - 01342 328713

Wed 25th April - New Evergreen - East Grinstead (is now FULL)

Chinese Food - 01342 322078 Mon 30th April - Tarana - Lingfield

Indian & Thai Food - 01342 832222

Please Book Early to Reserve Your Place

Please arrive 6.30pm for 7pm start for all restaurants

3 COURSE MEAL FOR £20 PER HEAD, OF WHICH £10.00 WILL GO TOWARDS THE FOLLOWING 5 CHARITIES CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE/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/GLANFIELD FOOD & WINE/HDL LINGFIELD MARVOLIO'S NOSTRUMS (free tastings of local liqueur at some of the above meals) And also all the businesses and shops that have kindly donated raffle prizes.

SONGS OF FREEDOM - an evening of music and laughter with Jonathan Veira in support of Prison Fellowship England and Wales. Sat 5 May at Jubilee Community Church at 7.3pm Tickets £10 from Val Maynard 07846 201277. **DATE FOR YOUR DIARY** - The Parish Spring Lunch will be held in St Bernard's Church Hall on Sunday 13th May,

DAY FOR YOUTH LEADERS AND CATECHISTS - INSPIRE 2018 - On Saturday May 12th, there will be a day for youth leaders, Confirmation catechists and young adult ministers, as well as anybody who is interested. The day will be delivered 'TED Style' with six great speakers each giving a short 20-minute talk. We're delighted to have Will Desmond from Sion/ the ASCENT, Father Nick Crowe from the Dominicans, Lizzie Wakeling, Toby Harman, and others. A fantastic line-up! Bishop Richard will also be with us for the first part of the day. It's all happening at St Joseph's Church, Redhill on Saturday May 12th from 10am to 3.30pm. Tickets are £10 with parish group discounts available. To book, or for more information, Email YMBookings@dabnet.org.

THE GREAT ADVENTURE IS RUNNING AT WORTH ABBEY - from the 18-20th May for all those in year 7-9. Over the weekend we are going to be exploring the idea that the journey of discipleship is a great adventure that we are each called to through workshops, input, prayer, worship and a whole lot of fun! The price is £84 but bursaries are available. For more information please email: <a href="mailto:fcarbone@wellspringbrighton.org.uk">fcarbone@wellspringbrighton.org.uk</a>

EG FOODBANK - items required re washing up liquid, washing powder, fruit juice 1 litre long-life, tinned rice pudding, toilet paper (small packs) and tinned sweetcorn.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE - welcomes sleeping bags, blankets, and flasks to give to homeless people who turn up at the Door when the Centre is full. In addition tinned and packet food is welcome as well as coffee, tea and sugar. Please leave donated items at the back of church at OLSP and St. Bernard's. Larger items, including duvets and clothes also be donated at both churches, or taken directly to COH at Three Bridges. Tel: 01293 447702. Alternatively, if you prefer, please leave a cash donation in the basket and the SVP will purchase items on your behalf.

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

