

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for weekend 5/6 May 2018		BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday during Mass or 12.15pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Steven.
East Grinstead Mass Centre - Our Lady & St. Peter		
Sat 6:15pm	Marianne Wade RIP Carmel Warren RIP	
Sun 10:30am	John Francis Greenacre RIP	
Mon. 9:30am	John Francis Greenacre RIP (anniv)	
Tues. 9:30am	Matthew Payne RIP	
Wed. 8:00pm	Alice Newman RIP (anniv)	
Thurs 9:30am	Our Parish	
Fri. 9:00am	Adoration	
Sat. 11:00am	1 st Holy Communion	
Masses next week 12/13 May 2018		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.
Sat. 6:15pm	Sheila Dallow RIP (anniv)	
Sun. 10:30am	Jim Fitzpatrick RIP	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.
Lingfield Mass Centre – St. Bernard's		
Sun. 9:00am		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.
Reconciliation (Confession)		
East Grinstead:		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.
Saturdays	- 10am - 10.30am 5:30pm - 6pm	
Lingfield:		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.
Sunday	- 8:15am - 8:45am	
		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 09:00-12:00pm. 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 - 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.

TODAY - A First Sunday. 1st Holy Communion receive their medals.

BAPTISM TODAY - 12.30 OLSP. Sophia Flora Figueira.

ASCENSION DAY - has been moved by the bishops back to its original Thursday. Masses:
Vigil Wednesday 8pm, Thursday 9.30am at OLSP Holy Day of Obligation.

ST PETER'S SCHOOL GOVERNORS - meet 7pm Thursday.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION - next Saturday 11am OLSP.

2ND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK - Catholic Communications Network. Can be gift-aided using their envelopes.

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.

PARISH MAGAZINE - 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: klara.m.king@comcrafts.co.uk

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 –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.

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. In addition to his many operatic roles, Jonathan regularly broadcasts on BBC radio and television and has recorded numerous CDs and television programmes in many genres including light entertainment and religious broadcasting. His support of Prison Fellowship enables restorative justice courses to be run in prisons, including HMP Lewes; these enable prisoners to face up to their crimes and understand the effect on their victims.

SPRING CHARITY FEAST 2018 - A CHARITY FEAST IS TAKING PLACE OVER 1 NIGHT

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.

EAST GRINSTEAD BUSINESS & COMMUNITY EVENT - Helping to raise money for local charities

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CRAWLEY PRISON FELLOWSHIP

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Friday 4th May 2018-04-20

10am – 4pm

at

Crowne Plaza Felbridge

FREE ENTRY

Wide variety of stands from

Business to Business, Local to Charity

SPEAKERS THROUGHOUT THE DAY -

TOMBOLA

SILENT AUCTION (Over 50 items to bid on)

WINE & LOCAL LIQUEUR TASTING

ROLL THE DICE &

Win a different kind of journey on offer. Not a car but a mystery holiday worth £2-3,000.

(See front page of East Grinstead Gazette this week.)

Spaces are limited so please pre book your space for the

Ghurkha Restaurant talks by calling

01342 325325

INSPIRE 2018 - YOUTH MINISTRY LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, MAY 12TH

Tickets are still available for the Diocesan youth ministry leadership day being held on May 12th at Redhill. It's open to anyone who is interested in youth and young adult ministry, including parents and Confirmation leaders, and tickets are just £10. It's happening at St Joseph's Church, Redhill, from 10am to 3.30pm, and there is a very impressive line-up of speakers: We've got Will Desmond, founder of the ASCENT, Dominican Friar Father Nick Crowe, Lizzie Wakeling (talking about young people and mental health), Bishop Richard, and others. We'll also be bringing you up to date on the current discussions at the Vatican around 'Young people, faith, and vocational discernment.' To book:

Email YMBookings@dabnet.org.

SUNDAY, 13TH MAY- PARISH SPRING LUNCH - at St. Bernard's Church Hall, gathering from 12.30pm for lunch at 1.00pm. All arrangements will be as for the previous 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.

“CHRISTIAN AID WEEK CHARITY COLLECTION SUN 13TH TO SAT 19TH MAY - Volunteers needed please, to deliver envelopes to houses in the Garden Wood Rd area of East Grinstead and to collect peoples' donations in them later in that week. (We had too few volunteers last year, so new ones needed as well as repeat volunteers please). Lots of the roads have under 20 houses to call at. Please let Mike Hope know if you can help, 01342 322560.”

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: fcarbone@wellspringbrighton.org.uk

ROSARY BIKE RIDE TO WALSINGHAM & BACK - I am undertaking a sponsored bike ride again this year, a round trip to Walsingham, starting at the memorial to unborn children at Mt Noddy Cemetery on 1st June. It's to raise money in support of the work of the charity, Good Counsel Network, who reach out to help expectant Mothers and new Mothers in difficult circumstances, through a helpline, a free advisory service, practical help, friendship and moral support.

I will also mark the 50th anniversary of the implementation of the 1967 Abortion Act by praying 50 rosaries on the way to Walsingham, 50 whilst there and 50 on the return journey. If you would like to support this cause please see flyer on notice board. Donations (gift aidable) can be made via web page: [justgiving.com/fundraising/rosarybikeride](https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/rosarybikeride) or direct to me via sponsor sheet. As ever, deeply grateful for every donation made. Les Whittaker

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.