

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for weekend 6/7 October 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	Sean Dowling RIP Jonathan Henderson's good estate	
Sun 10:30am	Celia Whelan RIP	
Mon. 9:30am	May Fannon RIP	
Tues. 9:30am	Blount Family RIP (fm)	
Wed. 9:30am	Thanksgiving – The Sacred Heart	
Thurs. 9:30am	Mary Bye RIP	
Fri. 9:00am	Adoration	
Sat.	No Mass	
Masses next week 13/14 October 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 preparations please contact Fr. Steven.
Sat. 6:15pm	Philomena Tass RIP Roland van Haeften jr. RIP	
Sun. 10:30am	Margaret Rose Hughes RIP (anniv.fm)	
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	
		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 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.
		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 09:00-12:00pm. 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.

CAFOD - HARVEST 2ND COLLECTION TODAY - can be gift-aided using their envelopes. Thank you.

HARVEST FOOD DONATIONS - Tinned and packet food are also welcome for Crawley Open House and EG Foodbank. Please bring your contributions along this weekend of 6/7 October so we can give both charities a bumper amount.

THANK YOU - to all those who attended the recent charity dinner in aid of The local MS Society at The Gurkha restaurant. A fantastic total of £2490 was raised to help people in our area with MS.

CONFIRMATION 2019 – Monday 8th October 8pm OLSP Hall Meeting for **both the young people and their parents** who are enrolling on the Confirmation preparation programme this year. Completed application forms should be returned to Fr Steven as soon as possible. Young people wishing to be confirmed should be in Year 10 or above.

MINI RETREAT - for our Catechists. Saturday 9.30am – 12.30pm. Compass House, Worth Abbey. Early lunch provided.

1ST HOLY COMMUNION ENROLMENT - next Sunday.

ABORTION BILL - The Society for the Protection of Unborn Children has produced postcards so that you can send a message to your MP urging him/her to vote against a **dangerous abortion bill** which is coming up in the House of Commons on **Tuesday 23 October 2018**.

The bill seeks to decriminalise abortion which would remove any effective legal protection for unborn babies and their mothers in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

Postcards are available at back of church.

PARISH 100 CLUB - Congratulations to winners in the September draw: 1st, £50, no 35, Miss Wade; 2nd, £25, no 60, Mr Mangan; 3rd, £15, no 5, Mr Pentney. We currently have three memberships available...better odds than Lotto! Just speak to Chris (327002).

SUNDAY REFRESHMENTS - Whichever Sunday Mass you attend, why not pop into the hall for a few minutes afterwards for a sociable cup of tea, coffee or a soft drink (nice snacks, too!). Everybody will be welcomed by our hosts/hostesses of the day.

OL&StP CHURCH/PC KEYS - We are keen to draw-in unused keys (eg, possibly generated by changes in Ministries or the closure of the cleaning rota). They will be welcomed if just returned to the sacristy. Thank you.

SHOPPING AT WAITROSE - Please can all parishioners shopping at Waitrose put their green tokens in the box for the "East Grinstead team cooking lunches for the Homeless at the Friary in Crawley". We are on a rota and funds are getting low. Many thanks for your support.

LOVE IN A BOX - this will be happening in October and November so please save shoeboxes (with removable lids) **now** as these will be needed. If anyone can knit, or donate, hats, scarves and gloves this would be very useful as we are always short of these items. Further details from Sue Joy. 01342 835190.

BISHOP RICHARD MEETS WITH CONFIRMATION CATECHISTS -

If you have - or recently have been - a catechist, volunteer, or other adult involved in Confirmation preparation in your parish, then Bishop Richard would like to meet with you and to hear from you this October. During these evenings, Bishop Richard will give some input and teaching, and will also want to hear from you about your needs and ideas. There will be three meetings around the diocese (just attend one of them!). If you want to attend, please Email Jack.Regan@dabnet.org so we can keep track of the numbers:

HORSHAM (St John's Church) - Monday October 8th, 7pm to 9pm

EASTBOURNE (Our Lady of Ransom Church Hall) - Wednesday October 10th, 7pm to 9pm

WORTH ABBEY: THE OPEN CLOISTER – Coming up this October:

9th – 11th October - An introduction to St. Benedict – a retreat. £177 per person.

26th – 28th October - Teenagers' Retreat in collaboration with the Wellspring Community, Brighton £84 per person.

12th October - Quiet Friday - Day Retreat.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE - will meet on Wednesday 10th October 11:45 for 12 noon in the parish centre. Following business Fr. Steven will give a talk on St. Luke and his life. Please bring a packed lunch.

THE NEXT FAIRTRADE SALE - will be after both masses the weekend of 13/14th October. Any special orders please contact Mike and Tina Causton on 311435 email t.causton@sky.com or Chris and Margaret Vasey on 834436 email cjvasey@aol.com.

PEACE VIGIL FOR PEACE - Sunday 14 October at Moat church at 3pm - please support. **Ecumenical Peace**

Service at Chichester Cathedral at 3.30pm on Remembrance Sunday 11 November. Coach leaving EG at 1pm. Contact Cost £10. Sue Joy for further details. Tel: 835190. Email: SusanJoy471@hotmail.com

CHARITY MEAL AT THE TARANA IN LINGFIELD - in aid of riding for the disabled on Monday 15th October £20 per person.

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OUR LADY & ST PETERS LUNCH CLUB - will meet on Wednesday 17th October. Fr Steven will say a Healing Mass at 11.30am followed with Lunch at 12.30pm. Please ring Ivy (323240) Jean (311295) or your Driver if you are unable to attend.

LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN - Thanks! Thanks! to those who came to the meeting on Saturday. From 4th November there will be Liturgy of the Word for children every week at OLSP – except for the 2nd Sundays of the month. This will be for children of primary school age who will gather in the church to be led out into the Hall. Many thanks, again, to those who have helped resurrect this ministry to children.

HELP NEEDED - The Hope Church, are working with the Dept of Work and Pensions, EG Foodbank and others to start a much needed Job Club for residents in East Grinstead and the surrounding villages, but help is needed. If you feel that you could work alongside someone, fundamentally seeking work, but also needing some compassion and encouragement, or can help with basic computer skills, writing CVs, applying for jobs, preparing for interviews then please come along to a meeting at **10.30 am on Saturday 27 October at the Jubilee Community Centre**. Training will be given. Or are you more geared towards administration and could help us network with local businesses, get policies and procedures in place? Please RSVP to Julia Harris at Julia@rceg.church

AGE UK EAST GRINSTEAD & DISTRICT - Charity Quiz Night at Gurkha @The Woodcock Inn Felbridge. Monday 19th November 2018. 6.30pm for a 7pm start. Quiz and 2 course Nepalese meal & free raffle ticket to win a bottle of champagne. Tables of 8/ £22 per head. £12 goes to the charity. To book your places please contact one of the following numbers:

1. Lana from Age UK EG & District on 01342 327046 or email on community@ageukeastgrinstead.org.uk or
2. telephone Gurkha @ at The Woodcock Inn, Felbridge on 01342 325325.

THE BIG ENCOUNTER 2018 - FESTIVAL FOR 16-35S, NOV 10TH -

Our annual festival for 16-35 year olds is happening at Worth Abbey (Performing Arts Centre) on Saturday November 10th at 6.30pm. It's open to anybody in that age group, and we've got an amazing line-up. The Youth 2000 Worship Band will be leading the music, and Bryony Wells will be our keynote speaker. Bishop Richard will also be with us. This is the second annual BIG ENCOUNTER, and we're expecting a few hundred people, so spread the word. Entry is free, and you don't need to book. For more info: Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

EG FOODBANK – require the following items which can be brought to church or left at the Jubilee Centre in Charlwoods Road: items to pasta sauce, tinned soup, tinned fruit, rice pudding, tinned custard, tinned ham, hot dogs, dried pasta 550g, meatballs, tinned fish (tuna), chopped tomatoes, jam, tinned pasta e.g. spaghetti hoops), coffee small jars, shower gel.

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.