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PARISH CHURCH MASSES

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Masses for weekend 5/6 January 2019									
East Grinstead Mass Centre - Our Lady & St. Peter									
Sat 6:15pm	Fr. Gordon Simmons RIP (fm)								
Sun 10:30am	Patrick Barrett RIP (anniv)								
Mon.	No Mass								
Tues. 9:30am	Deceased members of the Bellinger,								
	Wiles, Higgins, Murphy &								
	Lowry Families RIP								
Wed. 11:00am	Requiem Mass: Hugh Hickland RIP								
Thurs. 9:30am	Eric & Hermia Frantz RIP								
Fri. 9:00am	Adoration								
12:00noon	Holy Rosary								
Sat.	No Mass								
Masses next week 12/13 January 2019									
Sat. 6:15pm	Susan Murphy RIP (anniv)								
	Josie Tuke RIP (anniv)								
Sun. 10:30am	Favor & Pascua Family thanksgiving								
	Jean Elizabeth Taylor RIP (3rd anniv)								
Lingfield Mass Centre - St. Bernard's									
Sun. 9:00am									
Reconciliation (Confession)									
East Grinstead:									
Saturdays -	10am - 1	0.30am							
	5:30pm - 6	Spm							
Lingfield:	•								
Sunday -	8:15am - 8	3:45am							

<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 preparations 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 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 09:00-12:00pm. 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.

ENTRY REFRAIN FOR ADVENT

MAKE READY THE WAY OF THE LORD, A PATH THROUGH THE DESERT FOR GOD. AWAKE FROM YOUR SLEEP, REJOICE NOW TO GREET THE ONE WHO COMES.

BAPTISM - 12.30 OLSP today – Theo George Durham.

2ND COLLECTION - next week:

The Society for The Protection of the Unborn Children (SPUC) will be holding its annual White Flower Appeal. SPUC is currently campaigning to stop the decriminalisation of abortion, which means taking abortion outside of the law. This is the most dangerous threat to unborn children and their mothers in decades.

Please be as generous as you can to help us defeat this latest attack on unborn babies and their mothers, and to stop abortion getting even worse in this country by decriminalisation.

REQUIEM MASS - Wednesday 11am OLSP: Hugh Hickland RIP.

<u>ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT</u> This will recommence next Friday, 4th January, at OL&StP. Just pop in anytime between 09:00-12:00 and the Holy Rosary follows at midday.

THANK YOU - for your generosity in recent Parish special collections: MISSIO (APF) £544; RETIRED PRIESTS FUND £1,205; ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL FUND £544; FLOWERS AT CHRISTMAS £635 (here, special appreciation from the flower ladies at both churches)

<u>CHRISTMAS SOCIAL</u> -Thank you for your support after 10:30 Mass last Sunday which enabled us to donate £66 to St Catherine's Hospice. Special thanks for the generous Christmas cake donation which was raffled (winner, Mrs Joy).

<u>LITURGY OF THE WORD FOR CHILDREN</u> - The next Liturgy of the Word for Children will start again in the Spring Term on 20th Jan. 2019 - Sunday 2C – "The Wedding."

"CLEANERS' JOB OPPORTUNITY - Reliable and friendly cleaners needed for Lingfield, East Grinstead and Oxted areas. Daytime, early mornings and overnight working hours available; good rates of pay. Please call 07714 245699 or apply online at www.theworkplacecleaningcompany.co.uk".

<u>CAFOD WORLD GIFTS – THE TRUE SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS GIVING</u> - Give a gift that will change a life . There are gifts for every budget from Happy Queen Bee at £4 to help a Refugee child at £46. Each CAFOD World gift has been chosen for the real and lasting difference it makes to families living in developing countries. Catalogues are available at both churches or you can buy online at cafod.org.uk/worldgifts.

<u>CHRISTIANS AGAINST POVERTY (CAP) DEBT ADVICE</u> - a local support group offering a listening ear, advice and information to those facing debt problems is available in EG, operating from Trinity Church (the service is free). If you need help with debt issues don't delay and worry, get it sorted NOW. Phone 01274 760720 to get registered, or go online to www.capuk.org

EG FOODBANK – require the following items: tinned carrots, tinned peas, tinned potatoes, pasta sauce (jars), tinned meant (meatballs), tinned pasta (hoops), surface cleaner, longlife milk (green I litre), tissues (small boxes), longlife fruit juice (1 litre), toilet paper (twos), toothbrushes and washing powder or liquid - small. Thank you very much for all the lovely Christmas donations. The Foodbank was able to prepare 180 bags of Christmas goodies for people in need. Further information from eastgrinstead.foodbank.org.uk

<u>CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE</u> — 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. Thank you for all your generous donations throughout the year.

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

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