

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

<p>Masses for week commencing 24/25 September 2022 Mass for this week: (Week 26)</p>			<p>BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday at 3:00 pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Jack.</p>
<p>EAST GRINSTEAD - Our Lady & St. Peter</p>			<p>MARRIAGE – Marriage arrangements should be made with Fr. Jack at least 12 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To arrange for marriage preparations please contact Fr. Jack.</p>
<p>Sat, 24th Sept., 6:15 OLSP Vigil</p>		<p>Fatima O'Neill RIP Phelomena Tas RIP</p>	<p>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 two months in advance if you want a specific date.</p>
<p>Sun, 25th Sept., 9:00 St Bernard's 10:30 OLSP Masses streamed</p>	<p>26th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Michael Delaney RIP</p>	<p>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. Jack.</p>
<p>Mon, 26th Sept.,</p>	<p>Feria</p>	<p>Jim Hughes RIP</p>	<p>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.</p>
<p>Tues, 27th Sept., 9:30 OLSP</p>	<p>St Vincent de Paul</p>	<p>William Clark RIP</p>	<p>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. Jack. Please also consider registering online at: www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com after which you will receive the newsletter by email each Saturday.</p>
<p>Wed, 28th Sept., No Public Mass</p>	<p>Feria</p>		<p>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 Jack/Sue Wade at East Grinstead and Deacon Ted for 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.</p>
<p>Thurs, 29th Sept., No Public Mass</p>	<p>Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels</p>		<p>LIVESTREAMING - We are pleased to have livestreaming of our services. Typically, this will be the 9am Sunday Mass at Lingfield and 10:30am Sunday at East Grinstead. Other masses and special services will be streamed as advertised in this bulletin.</p>
<p>Friday 30th Sept., No Public Mass</p>	<p>St Jerome</p>		<p>Requests for livestreaming of weddings, funerals and baptisms should be made to Fr Jack or Jonathan Jenkins jamienkins64@gmail.com www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com to join us online.</p>
<p>Sat, 1st October 6:15 OLSP Vigil</p>		<p>East Grinstead Catenian Circle - vocations</p>	
<p>Sun, 2nd October 9:00 St Bernard's 10:30 OLSP Masses streamed</p>	<p>27th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p>	<p>Peter Roberts Denis & Una Murphy</p>	
<p>LINGFIELD – St. Bernard's</p>			
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Enquiries concerning Baptisms and Weddings.

I am usually available to take enquiries on Saturday mornings, from 10am to 10:30am at Our Lady and St Peter's. Or call me to arrange a suitable time.

Confession/Reconciliation. This is an essential part of our spiritual lives. As always I am available after mass on weekdays. Also on Saturday Morning from 10:30 to 11:00 and evening from 5:30 to 6:00

You may also phone me for an individual appointment if you wish.

MASS - will continue to be streamed from OLSP and also from St Bernard's.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME - We would like to invite you and your child to our First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion programme for 2022-2023. Your child needs to be in school Year 4 or above to apply this year. Application forms will be available at the back of Our Lady and St Peter's church and St Bernard's church. These should be returned to Father Jack by Monday 10th October 2022 please.

THANK YOU - for your generosity to the emergency special collection for Pakistan two weeks ago. With dedicated CAFOD cheques and Gift Aid declarations included, just under £1,500 was raised for the Charity. This week, we have a special collection in support of HOME MISSION SUNDAY FOR ENGLAND AND WALES. This is in support of the Catholic Bishops Conference in England and Wales reaching out to ourselves and lapsed churchgoers to keep our Faith alive. Please note that this special collection does not qualify for Diocesan Gift Aid use (our purple envelopes).

PARISH FINANCES - AN UPDATE - Our half-year figures, January-June, with income of £77,700 and expenditure of £58,300 produced a surplus of £19,400 (but read on). Including Gift Aid reimbursed, some 74% of the income is generated by your generosity to the offertory and what is much appreciated is that nearly 80% of this is now received by regular standing orders = assured income (and standing order mandates can be obtained from the churches). However, drawing from the surplus of £19,000 are the expenses of maintaining the Parish estate ie, our churches and ancillary properties. At the half-year review point, nearly £38,000 of costs have accrued here and so our surplus transforms into a deficit in the order of (£19,000) instead. A committed investment project as 2022 progresses is the re-roofing of St Bernard's church and the Parish Finance Committee will keep you advised of progress as it manages budgets towards meeting this important development.

HOMEWORK/TALK CLUB - Resume from 4-5pm from Tuesday 6th September in OLSP Church Hall for all children and parents of refugees locally who wish for help with homework and English speaking. Please spread the word and encourage people you might know to come along.

MONTHLY SVP SOUP - Lingfield SVP is resuming the monthly soup lunch. This will take place on the last Saturday of every month 12.30 - 2.00 at St Bernard's Hall, Vicarage Road, Lingfield, RH7 6EZ. Our aim is that **anyone** in our community (parishioner or not) is invited to come for a chat and a light lunch (homemade soup, bread, and soft drinks will be provided). There is no cost, we just want people to feel connected with others in community and be there for one another. If you have no transport and need a lift, contact the SVP; Enrique on 07824 098276 (for Lingfield area) and Peter Wells 07484 330899 for East Grinstead area).

This autumn's first lunch will be on Saturday 24th September at 12.30. See you there.

SLEEP OUT SPONSORSHIP - the final figure for this year's Sleep Out is £2425.70 - thank you to everyone who sponsored the four people who slept out. £808.57 each will be donated to Crawley Open House, The Easter Team and Turning Tides (formerly Worthing Churches Homeless Project) - all of which work with the poor, marginalised and homeless in our area.

"SVP – in winding up an awareness of what we do at OLSP, our bread and butter work is visiting elderly folk in their own homes, and responding to their needs, be it a friendly chat, doing their shopping, providing transport to Mass, or appointments, or maybe a short outing. People we visit may have to go into hospital, or a nursing home, so by having regular meetings and with local information, we know what is going on and respond to needs in a meaningful way. Regularly we support the local Food bank, and have provided specific clothing for Refugees Welcome in Crawley. This year we have been active in providing financial and taxi support for a Parishioner's trip to Lourdes. Peter 07484 330899"

CAFOD FAMILY FAST DAY - _Friday 7 October and envelopes will be available for donations to East Africa which in contrast to Pakistan is suffering drought with 4 million people facing starvation, mostly due to climate change. Masses the weekend of 8/9 October will be have a Creation/Environment/Harvest theme. COP27 is looming - 6-18 November in Egypt - very few countries have fulfilled the commitments made last year so please lobby your MPs and sign petitions put out by the aid agencies, including CAFOD which has lots of information on its website www.cafod.org.uk Please bring along a tin or some packet food to Masses on 8/9 October which will be given to Crawley Open House and EG Foodbank.

LOVE IN A BOX - Mustard Seed Relief Mission" runs the "Love in a Box" scheme through which our churches and St Peter's Primary School has sent shoeboxes to children in Moldova for many years. They cannot reach Moldova safely this year, so they are requesting **financial donations** instead. Moldova has accepted many refugees from Ukraine. Please send cheques payable to Mustard Seed Relief Mission, 213 Kings Drive, Eastbourne. BN21 2UJ, or by bank transfer to Mustard Seed Relief Mission. Sort code 52-41-00, Account No 40106802, or place your cheque in the collection throughout September and the first two weeks in October, and it will be passed on. If you have already started collecting items, another charity "Link to Hope" sends shoeboxes to other countries in Eastern Europe. Their boxes go either to families OR to elderly people. Please follow the advice on their leaflet provided at the back of our churches. Completed boxes should be done by 23rd October to pass on to the charity - please bring to OLSP and St Bernard's. Thank you. Sue Joy (07821379064) and Enrique Valles (07824098276).

EG FOODBANK - New items required for EG Foodbank are jam, shaving foam, tinned ham 325g/340g, tinned custard, tinned fruit, tinned rice pudding and toothbrushes. If you wish to keep updated about current needs please download the App Bank the Food on your mobile phone. Boxes for donations are available at both churches, or take to the Jubilee Community Centre in Charlwoods Road, or donate at Waitrose or Sainsburys. Thank you.

URGENTLY NEEDED FOR REFUGEES WELCOME CRAWLEY - winter waterproof warm jackets - medium, trainers (size 41,42 and 43), medium and small jogging bottoms, T shirts, sweatshirts and jeans, All in good condition please. Leave in bags at the back of churches with the contents clearly labelled on the outside. Also, mobile phones and bicycles in good condition required. Thank you. Further information from Sue Joy. 07821379064.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE - boxes are available at both churches for donations of packet and tinned food, toiletries, tea, coffee etc. As the new Resource Centre is now open men's summer clothes are welcome (T shirts, trainers and joggers) plus blankets, sleeping bags etc.

CAROL SERVICE AT ST BERNARD'S - save the date. This year we are introducing a new carol service, to be held at St Bernard's church, Lingfield, at 7.30pm on Thursday 22 December. All parishioners are encouraged to attend. After the service SVP Lingfield will be serving hot punch and mince pies in the church hall.
