

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for week commencing 13/14 April 2024
Mass for this week: THIRD WEEK OF EASTER

Easter Saturday, 13th April
6:15 Vigil Mass, OLSP (*Rayan Fernandes RIP, Brenda McCrory 1st Anniversary*)

Third Sunday of Easter, 14th April
9:00 Mass St Bernard
10:30 Mass OLSP (*Alicja Skrzpczyk RIP*)

Monday, 15th April
9:30 Mass (OLSP)

Tuesday, 16th April
9:30 Mass (OLSP)
7:30 Adoration/Holy Hour - St Bernard

Wednesday, 17th April
9:30 Mass (St Bernard)

Thursday, 18th April
9:30 Mass (OLSP)

Friday, 19th April
No Public Mass
11:00 Adoration and Rosary 12:00 - OLSP

Saturday 20th April
6:15 Vigil Mass (*Carmel Warren RIP*)

Fourth 'Good Shepherd's Sunday of Easter, 21st April
9:00 St Bernard
10:30 Mass, Our Lady & St Peter

Reconciliation (Confession)
East Grinstead: Saturday 10:30 – 11:00 am and 5:30 – 6:00 pm

BAPTISMS - These are usually celebrated on a Sunday at 3:00 pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Jack.
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.
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.
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.
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. Jack. Please also consider registering online at: www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com after which you will receive the newsletter by email each Saturday.
BIDDING PRAYER REQUESTS - We would like to pray by name for anyone in our parish community who is sick, in need or suffering in any way. If you or a loved one would like to be included in the Bidding Prayers at mass, you are warmly invited to contact: Fr Jack, or Sue Faulkner 07462394964 suzy.faulkner@icloud.com at Our Lady & St Peter, or Fr Jack or Nicky Daines 01342 870358 raymondaines@btinternet.com or Mary Watson 01342 836344 mbwatson@hotmail.com at St Bernard's. If you are requesting prayers for a loved one, please ensure that they have given their permission for their name to be included.
REQUEST PRIVATE PRAYER - If you would like to request prayer for your intention, whatever it might be, by members of the new parish prayer network, please contact Sue Faulkner, 07462394964 suzy.faulkner@icloud.com. Members will pray for your intention privately in their homes. Your name will not be mentioned in church, and you can be anonymous if you prefer."
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.
REQUESTS - for livestreaming of weddings, funerals and baptisms should be made to Fr Jack or Jonathan Jenkins jamjenkins64@outlook.com www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com to join us online.

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NEXT WEEK, Collection for the Education of Future Priests

Our Parish takes the safeguarding and care of children and vulnerable adults very seriously.

Our safeguarding Representative is Maribel Favor

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M: 07528 694112

The Diocesan Safeguarding Team can be contacted on

T: 01293 651148

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.

ADORATION/HOLY HOUR - at St Bernard's Lady Chapel. Tuesday 7:30 pm - 8:30 pm. Rosary, Silence and Music. All are welcome. Contact Mary Watson 01342 836344 or Nicky Daines 01342 870358.

PASTORAL PLAN FOR THE DIOCESE - can be found on www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/pastoral-plan with hard copies available to read in each parish.

"AT ST BERNARD'S CHURCH AS PART OF A PARISH TRAIL - a CCTV recording monitor has been installed. Please read the notice on the Notice Board in the Church and in the Hall Lobby for further information."

CAKE SALE SUCCESS - A big thank you to everyone for your generosity and kindness at the cake sale last Sunday. We raised a total of **£208.83** which will go towards gifts for the children in Tanzania such as colouring books, pencils and toys. Thank you very much from Amelia and Sienna.

THANK YOU - DINNER AT THE GURKHA - REFUGEES WELCOME CRAWLEY-

Would like to thank everyone who came along to a most enjoyable fundraising dinner at the Gurkha restaurant. We are also very grateful for the many generous donations from those who supported the event even though they weren't able to come. The sum raised totalled an amazing £1828.30 which will enable us to continue our vital support for local refugees in need. We heard directly from an Eritrean refugee who had been able to rebuild his life with support from Refugees Welcome Crawley and from the kind hosts who gave him a place to stay while he looked for a job and a room to rent. If you would

like to find out more about our work or about refugee hosting, find us at www.refugeeswelcomecrawley.co.uk and hosting charities www.refugeesathome.org and www.roomforrefugees.com

YOUR PARISH NEEDS YOU CAMPAIGN ANNOUNCEMENT (S) FROM FR JACK

MESSAGE FROM FR JACK - Dear Parishioner, you will know that we completed the refurbishment of our church of our Lady & St Peter in East Grinstead in 2021. We now face a similar task at St Bernard's our church in Lingfield. I intend to talk directly to you all on this subject, at each of our Masses on this weekend of 13th/14th April. Please try to attend or watch on line, as my comments will be of concern to every member of the Parish of East Grinstead and Lingfield. Thank you. May God bless you all. **Fr. Jack**

DUE TO DIOCESAN PROMISE OF THE FATHER COURSE AT ARUNDEL..... we will move Holy hour at St Bernard's from Wed to Tues for 6 weeks. New dates 9th, 16th, 23rd April and 1st, 7th 14th of May. Same time 7.30pm."

THE PROMISE OF THE FATHER" - is an exciting new course for Arundel and Brighton Diocese in support of the Word Who is Life Pastoral Plan. The course is free and aims to help us to live our lives empowered by the Holy Spirit. It is held over seven sessions, starts just after Easter, on the 10th April 2024 and will run to the 23rd May. Spaces in the venue and online are limited so early booking is essential, so please book now using the link below to avoid disappointment. You can find more information on the course and book your place here: <https://www.catholicparishofworthingandlancing.co.uk/the-promise-of-the-father/>

PARISH COMMUNICATIONS - On reviewing the various means we use to communicate within our Parish, it has become clear that while they work individually, collectively they have no cohesive plan. To address this, I have decided to appoint a Parish Communications Officer reporting directly to me. I am delighted to announce that Jonathan Jenkins has accepted this new role. His first job is already underway. Working with one or two other techies, he will create an online and paper survey to find out what you think about the way we communicate. This should be out in a couple of weeks. Thank you for supporting this initiative. Any comments or questions should be sent to Jonathan at jamjenkins64@outlook.com God bless you all **Fr Jack**.

GIFT AID - Boxes of Gift Aid envelopes are now available for collection at the back of the church. Any queries, please contact the Parish Gift Aid Co-ordinator Frank Lilley (01342 321 987 or frank@thelilleys.plus.com). In April donors will receive tax letters confirming the amounts of their donations and Gift Aid recovered. If you have not already done so, it would be most appreciated if you would confirm that you are happy to receive such letters by email. This will save the Parish the cost of sending such letters by post.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - Next week, 20th/21st, there will be a special collection in support of VOCATIONS AND THE EDUCATION OF FUTURE PRIESTS. Your gifts to this will be enhanced by 25% if you use your purple Gift Aid Diocesan envelopes. Named boxes of envelopes are now available from the church tables for Gift Aid donors, please collect yours soonest.

CONGRATULATIONS - to winners in the quarterly big draw held last weekend: 1st, £150, no 32, Mrs Fitzpatrick; 2nd, £75, no 20, Mr & Mrs Blackledge; 3rd, £50, no 9, Mr O'Leary. Thank you to two new members enrolling on the day and the next draw will be in July. If you would like to enrol, just speak to Chris, 07812 952784 or e-mail cjp_mrp@hotmail.com

EAST GRINSTEAD CATENIANS - The East Grinstead Circle of the Catenian Association will meet on Monday, 15th April at 8 pm. - on this occasion at La Farola, close to Olr Lady & St Peter. Other parishioners are welcome to join us in the bar at from around 8.45 for a drink and a chat. The Catenian Association is a Catholic social group which supports members and the wider community through fellowship, faith, family, fun and fundraising. Events are open to members' wives, families and friends. To find out more on the Catenian Association, please call John Donohue on 07973 755778 or visit <http://www.egcats.co.uk>

FAIR TRADE STALL - there will be a Fair Trade stall at the back of Our Lady and St Peters on the weekend of 20/21st April.

CHARITY FEASTS SPRING PROGRAMME - leaflets now available at the back of both Churches. Monday 22 April at **Dom Domingo** - 2 sittings, EG 324730. Monday 29 April **Ghurka**, EG 325325. **Val-Nak-Kam** Tuesday 14th May, EG 774753. **Tarana and Thai Lounge** Monday 20 May, EG 837770 and EG 832222. Proceeds to be divided between Being Neighbourly, Crawley Open House, EG Foodbank, EG & District Mental Health Association, Prison Fellowship Crawley and Young Epilepsy. All meals £25 for 3 courses of which £8 will go to the charities. Your support is appreciated.

LOURDES - please return your small Lent saving boxes to both churches asap and give them in at the Sacristy for safety. Thank you for your contributions which will support young Helpers and Redshirts on this 50th year of the Arundel & Brighton Lourdes Pilgrimage.

REFUGEES WELCOME GROUP - if anyone has a medium sized wardrobe in good condition that they would like to donate, RWC has need of one for a local family. Thank you. Sue Joy 07821379064.

CONSOLATION CAFE - Our next Consolation Cafe takes place on Saturday 27th April - 10:30-11:30 - in the Parish Centre at Our Lady & St Peter. If you are feeling lonely or sad following the loss of a loved one or just in need of some friendly company, please join us for a cup of tea/coffee. A warm welcome awaits you. Many thanks and God bless.

'JAZZ IN THE GARDEN WITH THE PHILIP DODD QUARTET - DON'T MISS THIS SPECIAL EVENT - SATURDAY 4TH MAY 2024 - 12.30PM - VENUE: LONDESBOROUGH HOUSE, TILBURSTOW HILL ROAD, RH9 8LB. TICKETS £50 TO INCLUDE MUSIC, BBQ LUNCH, PUDS, WINE, BEER, SOFT DRINKS. RAFFLE WITH 5 COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS. LIMITED TICKETS - TO BOOK RING OR EMAIL MARY: 07767335001 cbeandmme@aol.com. ALL PROCEEDS TO SVP BABY FEEDING PROJECT IN SOUTH SUDAN.'

PARISH AGM - will take place at St Bernards Church, 8th May, after the Ascension at 8.30pm. There will be the vigil mass for refreshments after this event.

EG FOODBANK - New items for the Foodbank are bars of soaps, deodorant for women, disposable razors, kitchen roll, sanitary pads (all sizes), shaving foam and tampons (all sizes) Please take to the Jubilee Centre, to our two churches or donate at Sainsburys or Waitrose. Thank you.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE - blankets, sleeping bags and food items (tins and packets) are urgently required and can be left in the box at the back of church. Thank you for items recently donated.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE - THINKING OF VOLUNTEERING AS A HELPER OR SUPPORT STAFF? - If so then do look at this website and see how you could take advantage of some financial assistance <https://catenianbursary.com/lourdes-awards/> So, if you are a young Catholic (or a member of a faith in full communion with Rome) and are aged between your 16th and 25th birthday (or are in year 11 and become 16 by 31st August in the pilgrimage year) then you could qualify for some financial support. Visit the website or contact Wladek Koch on wjk@hlp4u.co.uk