

Every Friday
throughout Lent

Lectio Divina

6.30pm -

The Prayer Room
in the Presbytery

(please go to the parish office -
Anne will meet you)



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross represent events from Jesus' passion and death. At each station we pause to reflect prayerfully upon Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection.

St Mary Magdalene's Church

7pm

and

St Martha's Church

on Fridays afternoon during
Lent at 3pm,

starting Friday 2nd March

Sacrament of Baptism

Please pray for **Chloe Bachellier** and
Magni River McCarthy Smith and
their family and friends as they
become part of the family of the
church through the sacrament of
Baptism this weekend.

Parish Reconciliation Service

2pm,

Sunday 18th March,
St Mary Magdalene's

Many priests will be available.

&

St Thomas of Canterbury
St Leonards

7:30pm, Wednesday 21st March

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.



It is good to see so many people here on the weekdays at daily Mass during Lent despite the cold and sometimes challenging weather. Every one of us is called to take Lent seriously. The strict rules that governed our lives as Catholics during Lent in the past have gone, but the obligation to keep Lent as a special time remains. The Church leaves it to us to decide how best to do this but certain key elements should be part of Lent for all of us. These are prayer, self-denial, and reaching out with love to those in need.

Lent is an excellent time to think of people we may have neglected and who would welcome a visit. It is sometimes harder to give up time than money. I hope that this Lent will remind us of the need to put God and our neighbours at the centre of our lives as followers of Jesus.

Lent is the perfect time to rediscover some of the "old" ways of growing closer to Christ. We have Stations of the Cross at St Mary Magdalene's on Fridays at 7pm, why not come along, or if that is not convenient then St Martha Church on Fridays afternoon at 3pm, starting Friday 2nd March. Of course you can always pray the Stations of the Cross privately at home or anywhere, however it would be good idea to come and pray together as a community.

With every blessing, Fr Rajesh.

Day of Prayer and Reflection for Eucharistic Ministers and Readers

A special day for our Eucharistic Ministers and Readers will take place at
St Mary Magdalene's hall on:

Saturday 24th March

Time table as follows:

- 10:00 am – Mass Followed by tea/coffee,
- 11:00 am talk by Rev Eamonn Monson, SCA ,
- After a short break, Deacon Simon will address.

Refreshments will be served
and you are most welcome to bring your packed lunch.

Please do inform the parish office if you would like to attend.

We pray for those who have died: Hazel Oakley, Mary Keeling and Kate Ognovsky and Fr Eric Nimmo RIP.

We pray for the sick especially: Steve Allingham, Diane Batkin, Angela Burden, Larry Fisher, Yvonne Gibbs, Anne Griffiths, Jackie Hearn, Leanne Hearn, Carly Hearn, Neil Jenkins, Margaret Keep, George Thomas Lowry, Frances McNaughton, Paddy Pearson, Angela Simon, Terry Standen, Rosanna De Souza, Anne Wilkinson, Mary Stewart, David Spooner, James Burden, Carol Standen and Tony Batkin.

Plate Collections

18th Feb

£892.87

Gift Aid: £654.75

2nd Collection

£101.29

Gift Aid: £115.50

Parish Pastoral Fund

25th Feb

Cafod Lenten Fast Day
(Cafod envelopes)

4th March

Parish Lourdes Fund
(blue envelopes)

11th March

Easter Flowers
(blue envelopes)

Conquest Hospital Chaplaincy

For a visit from one of the Catholic Chaplaincy Team for Anointing, Holy Communion, or a general visit.

Volunteers needed for visiting patients please contact:

The Conquest Chaplain:

Cecilia Weathers
01424 757088

Holy Communion for Housebound Parishioners

St Mary Magdalene's
Sr Collette: 214818

Our Lady of the Rosary
Mary Carroll:
220334

St Martha's
Clare Brazier: 844177



CTIB Prayer Cycle

This week **Our Lady of the Rosary**
(Rajesh Minz, Clement Anaedevha,
Simon Kirkdale)

Next week: **Little Common Methodist** (Tricia Williams)

**Women's World Day of Prayer
St Martha's Church**

Friday, 2nd March, 10:30am

Service prepared by the Christian women of Suriname.

"All God's creation is very good!"
Refreshments in the hall after the service. All welcome.

**Rite of Election & Enrolment of Names -
The Call to Continuing Conversion at
Cathedral of Our lady & St Philip
Howard, Arundel**

Last week our candidate attended Arundel Cathedral with her sponsor, family and friends for the Service of Enrolment.

From now until Easter is a period of intense spiritual preparation for her and we ask all in our parish community to continue to sustain her through prayer and example.

Please pray for: Natalie Sadlier.

World Meeting of Families Pilgrimage

21st August-26th August 2018

Bishop Richard is leading a pilgrimage to Dublin to participate in the World meeting of families.

For more Please see flyers or go to:

www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/

Please contact Katherine Bergin on 01293 651152 katherine.bergin@dabnet.org

St John Vianney Cenacle

The next meeting will be:

St Mary Magdalene's church.
Tuesday, 27th February at 6pm
All welcome.

Evenings of Reflection with Bishop Richard

In 2016 and 2017, Bishop Richard invited Confirmation candidates to join him at Evenings of Reflection held around the Diocese.

More than 350 people attended in 2017, and had the chance to meet with Bishop Richard and to be led in the practice of Lectio Divina. Bishop Richard will be doing the same thing in 2018.

Saturday 10th March

**St Mary Magdalene's hall,
7pm to 9pm.**

Booking is essential.

Contact Jack.Regan@dabnet.org



Calling all **CAFOD** supporters and buyers of Fairtrade goods.

Can you get on-line and support the Traidcraft Exchange action on Fair Trading after Brexit?
www.traidcraft.org.uk/brexit

Thank you from CAFOD.

Marriage Preparation Course

Christ the King Catholic Church, 3 Princes Road, Eastbourne, BN23 6HT. On **3rd March**.

Marriage Care on 0800 3893801 or 01159 934255. appointments@marriagecare.org.uk

John and Christine Mowbray

Lent Inspiration

The following links offer a free subscription to a daily email to inspire a good Lent:

www.loyolapress.com/our-catholic-faith/liturgical-year/lent/living-lent-daily and

www.dnamiccatholic.com/bestlentever.

Adoremus - National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress Liverpool 2018

(7-9 September 2018).

The Diocesan Contact for the Congress is Canon Tom Treherne via Liz Fitch:

01424 420815 or

office.admin@parishofgoodshepherd.co.uk

Parish Diary - February/March

Sunday 25th Feb
 Monday 26th Feb
 Wednesday 28th Feb
 Wednesday 28th Feb
 Tuesday 6th March
 Wednesday 7th March
 Thursday 8th March

Confirmation session
 FHC Mon group session
 WJT Session
 RCIA Session
 FHC Parents Meeting
 RCIA session
 SVP Meeting

4pm Presbytery
 6:30pm St Martha's hall
 6:30pm Presbytery
 7:30pm Presbytery
 7:00pm St MM church & hall
 7:30pm Presbytery
 6:00pm Presbytery

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St Mary Magdalene's Catholic Independent Nursery

There are currently places available for 2-5 yr olds at our Parish Nursery. For more information please contact the Nursery Supervisor - Gemma: 01424 224499 or 07821 530044 or info@stmnnursery.co.uk

St Patrick's Celebration



St Mary Magdalene's Church Hall
Saturday 17th March
from 7pm-10pm

The Ballyregan Boys will be playing Irish music, and Irish Coddle will be served!

Tickets will be on sale at the presbytery and after OLR Mass:

£8 Adult, £4 Child, £20 Family.

Please bring your own drink to celebrate.

Catholic Women's League

Monday 5th March,
7:30pm

St Martha's Hall
 Beetle Drive by Mary Foskett

Contact: Jac Young
 220685

ESCC -

Friends Against Scams

There will be a **free** awareness session to find out more about scams and how you can protect yourself and others from becoming a victim.

Wednesday 14th March
10:30 am - 12 noon

St Mary Magdalene's Hall

See posters in all churches. To book a place or for more information contact the parish office. Open to all parishioners, friends and family.

Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Lourdes pilgrimage

27 July - 2 August (by Air)
26 July - 3 August (by Coach)

For more information go to:

<http://www.ablourdes.org>

Attention: Parish Parking

Whilst attending Mass at all the three churches, please be thoughtful regarding the parking of your cars.

Please do not block driveways, bus-stops or public transport routes, and please be respectful of surrounding neighbours.

Thank you for your cooperation on this matter.

Fairtrade Fortnight



26th Feb - 11th March

Friday 2nd March,
2pm to 3:15pm

St Mary Magdalene's Hall
 Fairtrade Presentation by Sumatran /Indonesian coffee producer, Mayhana.

Fairtrade Breakfasts on Sunday, 4th March:

St Martha's hall
after 9am Mass

&

Our Lady of the Rosary hall
after 10am Mass

Fairtrade Coffee Morning
Saturday 10th March,
St Mary Magdalene's hall
from 10am to 12noon

to include stalls, bric a brac and children's games.

For more information:
 Websites: fairtrade.org and bexhillfairtrade.org.uk

Churches together in Bexhill:

Marshalls needed for the good Friday walk of witness.

Training / advice given.

For more info: Bridget 218487.

Lent Reflections 2018

in partnership with House on Rock publications

Living Jesus contains six group sessions on discipleship and the call to holiness for small group faith-sharing. The booklet also contains prayers and artwork as well as pages dedicated to helping parents share the themes with their children.

Please note if you would like to form a new group, please contact the parish office for information and recourses.

Friday	10.45 am	Anne Barry/Lisa Young	846031
Monday	2.30 pm	Anne Wilkinson	215710
Tuesday	7.30 pm to 9 pm	Cathy Bate	224031

To take part in any of these meetings, please contact the appropriate group leader. Or to purchase a book for personal reflection (£2.00) contact the Parish Office.

Parish Information

The Presbytery
St Mary Magdalene's
Sea Road, Bexhill on Sea,
TN40 1RH. Tel: 01424 210263
St Martha's
Cooden Sea Road, TN39 4SL
Our Lady of the Rosary
Southlands Road, TN39 5HG

Clergy:

Fr Rajesh Minz
Fr Clement Anaedevha
Deacon Simon Kirkdale

Sisters of Providence
(Rosminian)
01424 214818

Parish Office
Administrators:
Bonita Osmond-Maher
Lisa Young
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stmm@btconnect.com

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Office Hours:

Mon - Fri 9am - 1pm

Finance:

Charles Durrant

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stmm.finance@btconnect.com

Hospitals

Conquest Hastings
01424 757088

Bexhill - Irvine Unit

Contact: Mary Williams
marycharltonwilliams@live.co.uk

St Vincent de Paul Society
(SVP) Mary Williams

marycharltonwilliams@live.co.uk

Parish Schools

St Richard's
Catholic College

Principal: Miss Doreen Cronin
01424 731070
admin@strichardscc.com
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St Mary Magdalene's
Primary School

Headteacher:
Miss V. Vanderschelden
01424 735810
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St Mary Magdalene Catholic
Independent Nursery
Supervisor: Gemma Oliver-Taylor
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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

Sat 24th February

St Mary Magdalene's	9:00am	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Sr Maximilianne Kolbe (Diana Young) RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	11:00am	Baptism of Chloe Bachellier

Second 'Transfiguration' Sunday of Lent Yr B

(Genesis 22:1-2. 9-13. 15-18, Romans 8:31-34, Mark 9:2-10)

St Mary Magdalene's	5:00pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	Winnie Moore RIP

Sun 25th February

St Martha's	9:00am	David Rowe RIP
Our Lady of the Rosary	10:00am	William & Winifride Storrow RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	11:00am	People of the Parish
St Mary Magdalene's	12:30pm	Baptism of Magni River McCarthy Smith
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	Priests Intentions

CAFOD Lenten Fast Day
(Cafod envelopes)

Mon 26th February

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Richard Dowling RIP
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Tues 27th February

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Sr Maximilianne Kolbe RIP
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Wed 28th February

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Jean Durrant RIP
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Thurs 1st March

St Mary Magdalene's	Feast 10:00am	St David Sr Maximilianne Kolbe RIP
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Fri 2nd March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Teresa Fisher RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	10:30am to 12:30 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat 3rd March

St Mary Magdalene's	9:00am	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Sr Maximilianne Kolbe (Diana Young) RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	11:00am	Baptism of Erin Rosa Doidge

Third Sunday of Lent Yr B

(Exodus 20:1-17, Corinthians 1:22-25, John 2:13-25)

St Mary Magdalene's	5:00pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	Valerie Luck RIP

Sun 4th March

St Martha's	9:00am	Mary & Joseph Callaghan RIP
Our Lady of the Rosary	10:00am	Frances Winder (Brignall) RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	11:00am	People of the Parish
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	Priests Intentions

Parish Lourdes Fund
(blue envelopes)

Lent 2018:

During Lent there will be additional time/opportunity for the
Sacrament of Reconciliation as follows:

Saturday: 9:00am - 9:45am and Saturday: 5:00pm - 5:45pm