

4th March 2018

Third Sunday of Lent Yr B

PARISH NEWS

St Mary Magdalene's, St Martha's, Our Lady of the Rosary
The Catholic Parish serving Bexhill-on-Sea, Little Common, Sidley and the surrounding areas

Every Friday
throughout Lent
Lectio Divina
6.30pm -
The Prayer Room
in the Presbytery

(Anne will meet you in the parish office)



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,

Sacrament of Baptism

Please pray for **Erin Rosa Doidge** and her family and friends as she becomes part of the family of the church through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

Parish Reconciliation Service
2pm,

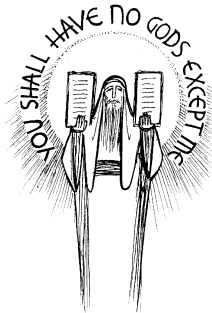
Sunday 18th March,
St Mary Magdalene's
Many priests will be available.
&

St Thomas of Canterbury
St Leonards
7:30pm, Wednesday 21st March

A & B News

Your free copy of the A & B News is available from all three churches.

You, Lord, have the message of eternal life.



Bishop Richard thanks everyone for their thoughts and opinions on his consultation on the Mission of the church. On 26th February representatives from each of the parishes in our St Leonard's on Sea Deanery presented to the Bishop their parish's response to the questions raised. Bishop Richard was very much impressed and encouraged by our responses. He was very grateful for everyone's time and effort. He still has one more Deanery to visit across the Diocese (we were his 12th Deanery visit out of 13) to gauge their views.

He will come back to us, with a view to presenting more in-depth outcomes of this consultation processing over the coming months. We presented the Bishop with your completed questionnaires and he confirms that they will be placed in the relevant Deanery folder and will be looked at with great care and concern. He has instructed a team to help him look through all the questionnaires from all the Deaneries. He also confirmed that along with Sarah Kilmartin, Financial Secretary, and his team will be travelling around the Diocese again. These will be open meetings in which he will present the Pastoral Plan. The Bishop asks for our prayers and indeed one of the intercessions this Sunday will be for the future mission of the Diocese.

On the 3rd Sunday of Lent Gospel (John 2: 13-25), Jesus refers to his own body as the temple. I can assume that, in Christ's image, my body is also a temple for God. We the Church, the Body of Christ, are collectively a temple for God. What is God telling me about how important it is to keep my "inner room" free to encounter God? God deeply desires that space for encounter from you and me.

God bless, 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
- 12 noon - The Angelus Prayer and a short break
- 12:15 pm - Deacon Simon will address
- 12:50 pm - Refreshments will be served and you are most welcome to bring your packed lunch - **Departure**

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

We pray for those who have died: Hazel Oakley, Mary Keeling, Kate Ognovsky, Fances (Prnaciska) McNaughton 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, Paddy Pearson, Angela Simon, Terry Standen, Rosanna De Souza, Anne Wilkinson, Mary Stewart, David Spooner, James Burden, Carol Standen and Tony Batkin.

Plate Collections

25th Feb

£701.23

Gift Aid: £651.10

2nd Collection

£1,551.76

Cafod Lenten Fast Day

4th March

Parish Lourdes Fund (blue envelopes)

11th March

Easter Flowers (blue envelopes)

18th March

Lenten Alms (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 **Little Common Methodist** (Tricia Williams)

Next week: **Bexhill Street Pastors**

Are you a graduate with a strong desire to inspire young people and transform lives through exploring some of life's biggest questions? Have you considered becoming a Secondary RE teacher?

The University of Sussex offers full and part time PGCE and School Direct Courses in Religious Education resulting in qualified Teacher Status (QTS) and a PGCE of up to 90 Masters Level Credits For more information including eligibility and entry criteria visit <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/education/ite/pgceandschooldirectsecondary/religiouseducation>

To discuss further contact either Sally Dudley, Initial Teacher Education Recruitment, Selection and Admissions Lead at Sussex University s.e.dudley@sussex.ac.uk or Claire Rooney, RE Curriculum Tutor c.rooney@sussex.ac.uk

Train to Teach Primary or Secondary?

If you are considering a career in teaching pop along to **St Richard's Catholic College on 20th March 4.00-6.00pm**. At this drop in event you can talk to providers about routes into teaching, funding and training. There are a number of training places in our local schools and through the East Sussex SCITT.

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

Evening of Reflection with Bishop Richard

On Saturday 10th March, Bishop Richard is coming to lead the practice of Lectio Divina in **St Mary Magdalene's hall**.

The event is not only open to Confirmation Candidates but also to all young people aged between 11 to 18.

It is a wonderful opportunity for them to meet Bishop Richard on a more personal level and familiarise themselves with the Word of God.

Booking is essential.

Contact Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

Saturday 10th March

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

Booking is essential.

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Fast Day: Our parish raised £1551.76 to help hunger and poverty around the world. This has been doubled by the UK government, meaning a total of £ 3103.52 has been raised so more of our brothers and sisters can live lives free from hunger. Thank you from Cafod!

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>

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

Catholic Women's League Monday 5th March, 7:30pm St Martha's Hall

Beetle Drive by Mary Foskett
Contact: Jac Young 220685

Parish Diary - March

Tuesday 6th March
 Wednesday 7th March
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 Thursday 8th March
 Monday 12th March
 Saturday 17th March

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

7:00pm St MM church & hall
 6:30pm Presbytery
 7:30pm Presbytery
 6:00pm Presbytery
 6:30pm St Martha's
 11:00am St MM hall

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.

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.

Fairtrade Fortnight



26th Feb - 11th March
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.

Websites: fairtrade.org and bexhillfairtrade.org.uk

Holy Week 2018

Palm Sunday: 25th March

St Mary Magdalene's (TN40 1RH)
 Sat 6pm, Sun 11am* & 6pm

St Martha's (TN39 4SL)
 Sun 9am *

Our Lady of the Rosary (TN39 5HG)
 Sun 10am *

* Please gather in the hall ten minutes before Mass for the Blessing of Palms and procession into the church.

St Mary Magdalene's
Mon 26th March – Wed 28th March

9:30am Reconciliation
 10:00am Weekday Mass

Arundel Cathedral Chrim Mass:
Wed 28th March, 6pm

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday:
Thursday 29th March
Mass of the Lord's Supper

7:00pm St Mary Magdalene's
 With *silent prayer* at the Altar of Repose until 10:30pm

Good Friday: 30th March

9.30am: Walk of Witness - Starting at the De La Warr Pavilion with CTiB

12 noon St Martha's - Children's Stations of the Cross.

12 noon St Mary Magdalene's - Stations of the Cross

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

3:00pm St Mary Magdalene's
 3:00pm St Martha's
 7:00pm St Mary Magdalene's - Stations of the Cross

The Easter Vigil
Saturday 31st March

8:00pm St Mary Magdalene's
Inc.: Easter Fire, Adult Baptisms, Receptions & Confirmations.

Easter Sunday: 1st April

8:00am and 11am St Mary Magdalene's
 9:00am St Martha's
 10:00am Our Lady of the Rosary
 11:00am St Mary Magdalene's

No 6pm Mass Easter Sunday evening.

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.

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

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) 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
Telephone: 01424 210263

Email:

stmm@btconnect.com

Website:

www.stmmbexhill.org.uk

Office Hours:

Mon - Fri 9am - 1pm

Finance:

Charles Durrant

Email:

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
www.strichardscc.com

St Mary Magdalene's
Primary School

Headteacher:
Miss V. Vanderschelden
01424 735810
office@stmarymagsbex.e-sussex.sch.uk
www.stmarymags.co.uk

St Mary Magdalene Catholic
Independent Nursery
Supervisor: Gemma Oliver-Taylor
01424 224499
info@stmmnursery.co.uk

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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

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

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(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
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)

Mon 5th March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	James Benzie RIP
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Tues 6th March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	John de Freitas RIP
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Wed 7th March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Amalia Young GE
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Thurs 8th March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Anne Ford RIP
Hastings Crematorium	12 noon	Funeral of Hazel Oakley RIP and after at Hastings Crematorium

Fri 9th March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Johanna O'Sullivan RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	10:30am to 12:30 pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Sat 10th March

St Mary Magdalene's	9:00am	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Monty Coupland RIP

Fourth Sunday of Lent Yr B

(Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23, Ephesians 2:4,10, John 3:14-21)

St Mary Magdalene's	5:00pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	Italia Capaldi (deceased) RIP

Sun 11th March

St Martha's	9:00am	Mrs Florence Raey
Our Lady of the Rosary	10:00am	Priests Intentions
St Mary Magdalene's	11:00am	Private Intentions
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	People of the Parish

Easter Flowers (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

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.dynamiccatholic.com/bestlentever