

PARISH NEWS

7th October 2018
Twenty-Seventh Sunday Yr B

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

**Exposition of the Blessed
Sacrament
Every Friday
10:30am- 12.30pm
St Mary Magdalene's Church**

St Richard's Catholic College

Fr Simon will be available to sign
Supplementary Information Forms for
Catholic children applying to St Richards
on the following dates:

Mon 15 th Oct	3.30pm - 5.30pm
Sat 20 th Oct	11am - 1pm
Mon 22 nd Oct	11am - 12 noon
Tues 23 rd Oct	11am - 12 noon

**Please call the parish office on
Monday or Tuesday to book an
appointment.**

**Please note there will be a charge
of £10 for the re-issue of any
sacramental certificates.**

Fr Simon's Induction Mass

**Friday 9th November,
7:30pm, St Mary Magdalene's**

**There will be a Music Rehearsal on
Sunday 28th October at 2:30pm.**

Bishop Richard will come and
celebrate Mass in which he will induct
Fr Simon our Parish Priest.
After Mass there will be a reception
in the hall. All Welcome.

We need volunteers to set up and to clear
down afterwards. Anyone who is kindly
available to help, please contact the
parish office asap.

If anyone needs a lift to the mass (and
home again) please call the parish office
and we will arrange transport for you.

**Please note:
The Parish Office will be closed:
Wed 10, Thurs 11, Fri 12, Wed 17,
Thurs 18, Fri 19 October.**

**May the Lord bless us
all the days of our life.**



The Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary

Today we join our prayers and best wishes with our community at Our Lady of the Rosary in Sidley on this the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Rosary. This feast is linked with the Battle of Lepanto, when Europe was under threat from the Ottoman Turks. On paper Europe should not have won the battle as they were significantly outnumbered in both ships and men. Had Europe lost the battle it is likely that Christianity would have been eradicated in Europe. The People of Europe hold that their victory was a result of prayer, especially the Rosary which the people prayed in procession on the eve of the battle. Indeed, the Rosary is a procession through the Gospel as we reflect on the mysteries of Our Lord's life on earth, his joys, his sorrows, his glory and his illumination. As we pray the Rosary and say "Hail Mary" we pay Our Lady the perfect compliment as it is the same way that God himself addresses the one he has invited to be the Mother of His Son, our Lord and God. As Theotokos (*Mother of God*), she is the perfect person to intercede for us and we need to do this 'now and at the hour of our death'. The Rosary is the perfect prayer for the family as we can join together in order to offer to God our hopes, joys, sufferings and fears, all supported by the powerful intercession of the Mother of God.

Please continue to pray also for our parish called to mission, for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and the religious life, for the pastoral plan for our diocese as we journey to 2030, and for reparation of our sins, personal and as a Church.
God bless. Fr Simon.

November Remembrance Liturgies at St Mary Magdalene Church

Bereavement Mass: 10:00 on Saturday 3rd November,
followed by blessing of Memorial Garden and Refreshments
Requiem Mass for those fallen in war on the 100th Anniversary
of the Armistice: 11:00 on Sunday 11th November 2018
Requiem Mass for the Deceased Clergy and Religious of the
Diocese: 10:00 on Tuesday 13th November 2018

And at Turkey Road Cemetery:
Blessing of Graves: 14:30 on Sunday 4th November.

2018 Parish Annual Mass Count: For our annual Parish and
Diocesan statistics, we kindly ask our money collectors to count all
parishioners including babies and those who go out for the Children's Liturgy
of the Word. The counts take place over the following weekends: **6/7, 13/14,
20/21, 27/28 October, 3/4, 10/11, 17/18, 24/25 November.**

We pray for those who have died:

We pray for the sick especially: Steve Allingham, Diane Batkin, Christopher Browne, Angela Burden, Andrew Cruikshank, Brendan Dillistone, Christopher Gardiner, Sean Gaughan, Yvonne Gibbs, Michael Halse, Jackie Hearn, Leanne Hearn, Carly Hearn, Abraham Jacob, Neil Jenkins, Margaret Keep, George Thomas Lowry, Anne McKeowan, Karl Pearson, Paddy Pearson, Diana Richardson, Rachael Smart, Janet Smith, Terry Standen, Rosanna De Souza, David Standen, Eileen Sullivan, Martin Tippin, Anne Wilkinson, Mary Stewart, David Spooner, Carol Standen and Tony Batkin.

Plate Collections

30th September
£1077.38
Gift Aid: £506.50

2nd collection
£184.94
Overseas Missions

7th October
CAFOD Harvest Fast
Day Collection
(Cafod envelopes)

14th October
Parish Charity Fund
(blue envelopes)

21st October
World Mission
Sunday
MISSIO
(Not in our scheme)

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

Ron Brazier:
844177



CTiB Prayer Cycle

This week: The Pelham Trust
Next week: St Stephen's (Vacancy)

Diocesan Pastoral Plan:
"The Word who is Life"

Following last year's consultation the Bishop returns to the Deanery to share with us the Pastoral Plan for the Diocese towards 2030.

This is an open meeting on:
13th December at 7pm in St Martha's Hall, Little Common.

This is an important meeting about the future structure of the diocese, so please make it a priority in your diaries.

Bishop Richard meets with confirmation catechists

If you have - or recently have been - a catechist, volunteer, or other adult involved in Confirmation preparation in your parish, then Bishop Richard would like to meet with you and to hear from you this October. During these evenings, Bishop Richard will give some input and teaching, and will also want to hear from you about your needs and ideas. There will be three meetings around the diocese (just attend one of them!). If you want to attend, please Email Jack.Regan@dabnet.org so we can keep track of the numbers:

Our Lady of Ransom Church Hall, Eastbourne- Wednesday 10th October 7pm to 9pm.

St John Vianney Cenacle: Group of Prayer for Priests

As Saint John Paul II wrote in a letter in 2004 - "There can be no Eucharist without the priesthood, just as there can be no priesthood without the Eucharist".

The next **1 hour prayer session will be at St Mary Magdalene church, 23rd October at 6pm.**

We Journey Together
Baptism of children 7yrs-12yrs

The first meeting will be:
Thursday 8th November, 6:30pm at the presbytery
Application forms are available at the back of all churches or from our website: www.stmm.co.uk. Please complete and return to the parish office.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please pray for:
Robert Ford-Paton and Maeve Parry and their family and friends as they become part of the family of the Church through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

Confirmation 2018/19

For those in Years 10 and 11 at School who have been Baptised and made their First Holy Communion and wish to be Confirmed:

Please register by completing the application form to be found at the back of the churches or on the parish website.
Deadline: 12th October

The Parents and Candidates Introduction and First Session will take place on:
Sunday 14th October at 4:00pm
St Mary Magdalene's Parish Hall, followed by Mass at 6pm.

RCIA Programme

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or finding out more about the Catholic faith, now is the time to enrol on our next programme which will be starting in the Autumn.

Application forms are available at the back of all churches and from our website: www.stmmbexhill.co.uk
Please complete the application form and return to the parish office.

Parish Diary October / November

Mon 8 th October	FHC Monday Session	6:30pm St Martha's hall
Wed 10 th October	RCIA Session 1	7:00pm Presbytery
Sat 13 th October	FHC Saturday Session	11:00am St Mary Magdalene's hall
Sun 14 th October	Confirmation Session 1 - Parents/Candidates	4:00pm Presbytery
Tues 16 th October	SVP meeting	6:00pm Presbytery
Wed 31 st October	RCIA Session 2	7:00pm Presbytery
Fri 9 th November	Fr Simon's Induction Mass	7:30pm St MM Church

Thank you...

Sarah Surman would like to thank all parishioners for their prayers and love during her time of illness. She now has the all clear.

Gift Aid Envelopes 2018/19

For more information about Gift Aiding your donations please contact the Parish Office.

Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Bishop Richard invites Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion for a Day of Reflection

10:30 to 16:00 on Saturday, 17th November at Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge, KT13 8JD
Please bring a packed lunch
Booking Essential: 01293 651164
or ruth.gerun@dabnet.org

St Martha's

Mon 15th October, 7pm
Open Forum
Community Meeting
Your views, ideas and suggestions are welcome to enhance the life of the parish.

Grandparents Day St Richard's CC Thursday 11th October

All Grandparents are invited into St Richard's to celebrate Grandparents week in the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

The day will begin at:
9:30am for Mass at 10:00am followed by refreshments and the opportunity to go on a tour of the school accompanied by your grandchildren concluding at 12:30pm.

Parish Morning of Reflection to Prepare for Advent

"The Word became flesh and dwelt amongst us"

Saturday, 24th November
St Mary Magdalene Church & Hall
Mass at 10:00
followed by the reflection until 12.30

Open to all, but especially suitable for all those who minister in the parish in anyway.

Hastings and District Interfaith Forum

joint meeting with the Council of Christians and Jews on **Tuesday 9th October 7pm at the Bexhill Islamic Centre**, Clifford Road, Bexhill. TN40 1QA
The Challenge of Listening to the Other - the importance and pitfalls of Interfaith Dialogue. Guest Speaker: Rabbi Danny Rich.

Vacancy - St Richard's Catholic College Teacher of English (Maternity Cover) Required for

January / February 2019

The Governors are seeking to appoint a well-qualified and enthusiastic English teacher to cover a maternity leave. Further details are available from our website: www.strichardscs.com

St Richard's is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its pupils and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

THE BIG ENCOUNTER 2018 FESTIVAL FOR 16-35s

Saturday 10th November 6.30pm at Worth Abbey

Our annual festival for 16-35 year olds is happening at Worth Abbey (Performing Arts Centre). It is open to anybody in that age group, and we've got an amazing line-up.

The Youth 2000 Worship Band will be leading the music, and Bryony Wells will be our keynote speaker.

Bishop Richard will also be with us. This is the second annual BIG ENCOUNTER, and we're expecting a few hundred people, so spread the word.

Entry is free, and you don't need to book. For more info: Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

Race Night Our Lady of the Rosary Hall

Sat, 24th November, from 7pm

Children and (children at heart) come and be a jockey for the evening! This is a family event so do come along with the children and enjoy a night of fun.

Just bring a plate of food and drinks of your choice and plenty of change. Lots of fun to be had by all.

A & B News

This month's free copy is now available from the back of all three churches.

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

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Fr Rajesh Minz
Deacon Simon Kirkdale

Sisters of Providence
(Rosminian)
01424 214818

Parish Office

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Mon - Fri 9am - 1pm

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Charles Durrant

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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

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admin@strichardscc.com
www.strichardscc.com

St Mary Magdalene's
Primary School

01424 735810
office@stmarymagsbex.e-sussex.sch.uk
www.stmarymags.co.uk

St Mary Magdalene Catholic
Independent Nursery

Supervisor: Gemma Oliver-Taylor
01424 224499
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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

Saturday 6th October

St Mary Magdalene's 9:30am Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Tom Hanks RIP

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(Genesis 2:18-24, Hebrews 2:9-11, Mark 10:2-16)

St Mary Magdalene's 5:30pm Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Maxie Hunnisett RIP
& FHC Enrolment

Sunday 7th October

St Martha's 9:00am **Rosary Sunday**
Nicola Gough RIP
& FHC Enrolment
Our Lady of the Rosary 10:00am People of the Parish
Pastoral Feast & FHC Enrolment
St Mary Magdalene's 11:00am Robert Stevens RIP
& FHC Enrolment
St Mary Magdalene's 3:30pm Baptisms of Robert Ford-Paton
& Maeve Parry
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Priests Intentions
& FHC Enrolment

Cafod Harvest Fast Day

(Cafod envelopes)

Monday 8th October

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Holy Souls

Tuesday 9th October

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Esther Noga (Birthday Intentions)

Wednesday 10th October

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Robin & James Burden RIP

Thursday 11th October

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Marie McNaboe RIP
St Richards Catholic College 10:00am Grandparents Mass

Friday 12th October

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am **Memorial St Wilfrid**
St Mary Magdalene's 10:45am Brian Sayers RIP
- 12.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 13th October

St Mary Magdalene's 9:30am Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Elsie Dadswell RIP

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(Wisdom 7:7-11, Hebrews 4:12-13, Mark 10:17-30)

St Mary Magdalene's 5:30pm Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Omana & Udayan RIP

Sunday 14th October

St Martha's 9:00am People of the Parish
Our Lady of the Rosary 10:00am Roger Bates RIP
St Mary Magdalene's 11:00am Peter Phillips RIP
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Priests Intentions

Parish Charity Fund

(cafod envelopes)

East Sussex Joint Community Rehabilitation

Aftercare from a stay in hospital is available; for anyone in need please call the Bexhill Hospital branch contact: Joanna Hart - 01424 726750 for further details.