

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

St Mary Magdalene's Primary School

Fr Simon will be available to sign **Supplementary Information Forms** for Catholic children applying to St Mary Magdalene's on the following dates:

Monday 19th November: 7pm to 8pm
Friday 23rd November: 3.30pm to 5pm
Sat: 24th November: 11am to 12noon
Monday 26th November: 3.30pm to 5pm

Please call the parish office to book an appointment.

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

St Mary Magdalene's Parish Reconciliation Services

- **St Martha's**
3pm, Saturday
8th December
- **St Mary Magdalene's**
3pm, Sunday
9th December

Individual Confession / Reconciliation with the Priests.
Priests from the Deanery will be available.

Diocesan Pastoral Plan: "The Word who is Life"

Bishop Richard comes to:

St Martha's Hall on
13th December at 7pm

to present to us the pastoral vision for our Diocese as we move towards 2030.

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.

In the footsteps of Christ

Thank you to everyone who came to the Mass of Induction on Friday 9th November and for the prayers and best wishes I have received. Many thanks to those who worked out front and behind the scenes to make the celebration a wonderful Parish event. I'd like to also go on record and thank Fr Rajesh for everything he has done and continues to do for the parish. Fr Rajesh would love to go to the Holy Land. I have had that privilege and know just how spiritually uplifting that experience can be. Fr Rajesh has an opportunity to join the pilgrimage to the Holy Land which Fr Stephen Hardaker and Fr Terry Martin are leading in April 2019. Sadly, these opportunities are rarely cheap and the cost to send Fr Rajesh would be £2,600! We are looking at several ways to fund this trip (*and the Diocesan Finance Committee has found part of the cost*); but I am writing to see if anyone in the parish could contribute something towards the cost. We are not expecting anyone to simply write a cheque for the whole amount, but small donations from people can soon mount up and make a real difference. If we were fortunate enough to collect more than the cost of this pilgrimage, we would ring fence the money to support other pilgrimages (local or abroad) organised by the parish or diocese. If you can help, please put a cheque made payable to "St Mary Magdalene" or place some cash in an envelope marked "**Holy Land Contribution**" and return it to the parish office. Thank you in advance for any help you can give.

Fr Simon.

Morning of Reflection to Prepare for Advent

Saturday 24th November
St Mary Magdalene's church & hall

"The Word became flesh and dwelt among us"

Advent & the Word (Deacon Simon)

Advent was Made Flesh (Fr Rajesh)

Advent Dwelt Among us (Fr Simon)

Holy Mass at 10am followed by
Morning of Reflection until 12:30

Open to all, but especially suited to those who minister in any way in the parish.

We pray for those who have died: Anne McEwan RIP, Mary Sharp RIP, Patricia Murray RIP and Eileen Pillinger RIP.

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

Plate Collections

11th November
 £975.69
Gift Aid: £453.30
 2nd collection
 £432.48
Gift Aid: 111.40
 Holy Souls

18th November
 Arundel Cathedral
 Maintenance
 (blue envelopes)

25th November
 Maintenance of
 Memorial Garden
 (blue envelopes)

2nd December
 Christmas 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

Ron Brazier:
 844177



CTiB Prayer Cycle

This week: Christchurch Methodist
 (Tricia Williams)

Next week: St Martha's (Fr Simon Dray, Fr Rajesh Minz, Deacon Simon Kirkdale)

**November -
 Month of the Holy Souls**



We invite you to take a lilac prayer form to list the names of your loved ones who have died, so that we can as a community hold them in prayer during this month of November. Please place the completed forms in the basket provided.

The book of Remembrance has been updated with the names of parishioners who have died this last year.

Money collected in the Holy Souls boxes will be allocated to special Masses throughout the year.

Vianney Cenacle Prayer Group

The Cenacle of prayer for priests will be meeting:

6pm, Tuesday, 20th November
St Mary Magdalene's church.
All welcome.

Three Churches in Little

Common: The next meeting the last of 2018, will be at **St Mark's Church Hall** at **11.30am, Wednesday 18th November**. Pat Mack, of St Mark's, will lead on the theme 'Repent and Believe'.

**2018 Parish Annual
 Extended Mass Count:**
17/18, 24/25 November.

Our Lady of the Rosary

"Christ the King": 25th November

The children will be singing and helping to lead the music at this mass.

Light of Love Service

**by St Michaels Hospice
 at St Mary Magdalene's Church
 Sunday 2nd December, 3pm**

We will welcome St Michael's Hospice, together with those from our local community who wish to come and remember a loved one at this time. Please come and support this event possible, details of which are shown below. The service starts at 3pm with tree lighting ceremony following at 4:00pm. Dedicate a star and remember a loved one, a few are available from the parish office.

For more information contact:

lightsoflove@stmichaelshospice.com
 or 01424 456377.

Parish Advent and Christingle Service



**Sunday 16th December
 at 2.30 pm**

St Martha's Church

Please join us for the Service and after in the hall for refreshments.

Please contact Ron Brazier if you require a lift to the service. Tel: 844177

**Churches Together in Bexhill
 FOODBANK**

Advent 2018 Foodbox

An alternative way of preparing for Christmas. Please see posters and information leaflets at the back of the church. Your foodbox can be delivered directly to the foodbank on a Tuesday (1pm to 3pm) or a Thursday (10 am to 12 noon) Thank you!

Parish Diary - November / December

Tues 20 th November	SVP Meeting	6pm Presbytery
Sun 25 th November	Confirmation Session 3	4pm Presbytery
Mon 26 th November	FHC Session	6:30pm St Martha's hall
Wed 28 th November	RCIA Session	7pm Presbytery
Sat 1 st December	FHC Session	11am St MM hall
Wed 5 th December	RCIA Session	7:00pm Presbytery
Thurs 6 th December	WJT Session	6:30pm Presbytery
Mon 10 th December	FHC Session	6:30pm St Martha's hall
Sat 15 th December	FHC Session	11am St MM hall

OLR - Race Night



St Mary Magdalene's Church Hall
Sat, 24th November, from 7pm

This is a family event so do come and enjoy a night of fun. A great way to meet other parishioners.

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

Raffle - if you have any raffle prizes that you could donate, please bring to the parish office before Saturday 18th Nov, unless you go to OLR where Ghislaine will be happy to collect them.

All Welcome!

Lifts for Parishioners

The Parish Pastoral Care Group offer to give lifts to parishioners for special events including:

- **Diocesan Pastoral Plan** meeting with Bishop Richard

St Martha's, 13th December, 7.00pm,

- **Parish Advent Service**

St Martha's, 2.30pm, 16th December.

Please contact the parish office at least two weeks before the event

If any parishioners are willing to join the team of parish registered drivers, please contact the Parish Office.

Parish Christmas Day Lunch



St Martha's Hall, 12:30pm for 1pm

All parishioners and their friends welcome (*singles, pairs and families*) for a traditional turkey and pudding feast (with a vegetarian option). Wine and other drinks will accompany the meal. Although there is no charge, donations will be gratefully received on the day.

If you would like to join us, contact the Parish Office: 210263 or Julia Dance: 213078.

Justice & Peace Assembly

'Slavery On Our Doorstep', **DABCEC, Saturday 26th January, 10am** (coffee from 9.30). Learn about the slave trade hidden under your nose and how you can help those affected. Speakers from the Santa Marta Group and Sussex Police. To book contact rosie.read@dabnet.org Or 01293 65116

Fairtrade Chocolate Advent Calendars

These are now available, to order please call Jack: 01424214605

Christmas Card Competition 2018

If you are in years 4, 5 or 6 of Primary School you are invited to enter our 'Parish Christmas Card Competition'

Entries should be A5, and should have child's name, date of birth, school, telephone number and name of church they currently attend.

No words other than "Happy Christmas" on the picture please. Entries to be put in an envelope and marked "Christmas Card Competition".

Please send to the Parish Office or hand to the Priests.

The Winning entries will be used to advertise our Christmas Mass times and the winner will also receive a £20 voucher ☺.

Final date for entries: Wed 5th December.

CAP:

(Christians Against Poverty)

We have received a request from CAP asking for Christmas Hampers to be donated to the charity and they will pass on to those in need.

Contact: Hazel Munn 07521 690754 or hazelmunn@capuk.org by 7th Dec please.

Flame 2019

Join 10,000 Catholic Young People at Wembley Arena: Saturday 2nd March 2019

Around five hundred people from A&B went to Wembley Arena last March for Flame 2018.

Tickets are already on sale can be booked online:

cymfed.org.uk/flame2019

Gift Aid

Envelopes 2018/19

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

SVP

The SVP group are appealing for donations of good quality sleeping bags. These will be distributed to the homeless during the cold weather. Please bring them to the parish office. Thank you.

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 Simon Dray

Fr Rajesh Minz

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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Mon - Fri 9am - 1pm

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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

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01424 731070

admin@strichardscc.com

www.strichardscc.com

St Mary Magdalene's Primary School

Interim Head:

Mrs Siobhan Andrews
01424 735810

office@stmarymagsbex.e-sussex.sch.uk

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**St Mary Magdalene Catholic
Independent Nursery**

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01424 224499

info@stmmnursery.co.uk

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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

Saturday 17th November

St Mary Magdalene's 9:30am Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Nichola Catling GE

Thirty-Third Sunday Year B

(Daniel 12:1-13, Hebrews 10:11-14, 18, Mark 13:24-32)

St Mary Magdalene's 5:30pm Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Denis, Mary and Joan O'Sullivan RIP

Sunday 18th November

St Martha's 9:00am Priest's Intentions
Our Lady of the Rosary 10:00am Deceased Members of Clifford & Pillinger Family & Baby Calvin
St Mary Magdalene's 11:00am The Yeo, Luck & McEniry Families RIP
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm People of the Parish

Arundel Cathedral Maintenance Fund
(blue envelopes)

Monday 19th November

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Franceso Russo RIP

Tuesday 20th November

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Requiem Mass of Anne McEwan RIP and after at Eastbourne Crematorium

Wednesday 21st November

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am **Memorial** Doreen & Padraig O'Donovan RIP

Thursday 22nd November

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am **Memorial** St Cecilia Benefactors

Friday 23rd November

St Richard's College 8:10am School Intention
St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Alice & Albert Whatling RIP
St Mary Magdalene's 10:45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- 12.30pm

Saturday 24th November

St Mary Magdalene's 9:30am **Memorial** St Andrew Dûng-Lạc and Companions Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Patrick White RIP

Christ the King Year B

(Daniel 7:13-14, Apocalypse 1:5-8, John 18:33-37)

St Mary Magdalene's 5:30pm Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm 49th Wedding Anniversary (Mr & Mrs Thomas)

Sunday 25th November

St Martha's 9:00am People of the Parish
Our Lady of the Rosary 10:00am Irene RIP/David Herring RIP (Wedding Anniversary)
St Mary Magdalene's 11:00am Priests Intentions
St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Luigi & Emily Deceased & Di Paolo Family GE
Inc Confirmation Enrolment Mass

Maintenance of Memorial Garden
(blue envelopes)