

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament**  
Every Friday  
10.30am- 12.30pm  
St Mary Magdalene's Church

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### Stations of the Cross

- 3pm on Fridays at St Martha's
- 7pm on Friday's at St Mary Magdalene, led by the Kerala community
- 10.30am on Saturday's (after the 10am Mass) at St Mary Magdalene

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### Rite of Election at Arundel Cathedral 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent

Congratulations to **Ren Harvey, Claire Winton, Amy Getty**, whose names have been recorded in the Book of Elect as they are accepted for Holy Baptism by the Bishop along with **Helen Munden, Hayley Emerson-Wright, Rachel Clancey** who have been accepted as candidates to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church, where they will also be Confirmed and Receive the Eucharist for the first time at the Easter Vigil at St Mary Magdalene during the Holy Night. Congratulations also to **Lauren Fermor** who completes her initiation into the church. From now until Easter is an intense spiritual preparation for them and we ask all in our parish community to continue to sustain them through prayer and example.

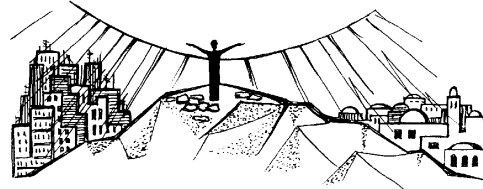
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### Sacrament of Baptism

Please pray for **Edward Beale** and his family and friends as he becomes part of the family of the church through the sacrament of baptism this weekend.

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**Be with me, O Lord, in my distress.**



### CAFOD

#### The Catholic Agency for Overseas Development

This is the official aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales and gives us the opportunity to be actively involved in the mission of Catholic social teaching through our prayers, donations and our actions, especially our support for campaigns that help the poor and oppressed of our world. If you would like to help in any of these areas and put your faith into action, please contact *Christina Lucey 01424 845225*.

Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2019 is the CAFOD Lent Family Fast Day. Please take an envelope this weekend and return it with you next Sunday. This weekend there is a short presentation on the CAFOD Lent appeal.

### Easter Triduum

The Pinnacle of the Church's Year  
The "Cup Final" of our Liturgical Celebrations

#### St Mary Magdalene Church, Bexhill

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

**8pm on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April**

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion

**3pm on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April**

*(with an extra 3pm Service at St Martha's on Good Friday)*

The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

**9pm on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April**

*Inc. baptisms, receptions and confirmations*

**We pray for those who have died: Fr Alexander Fraser RIP, Ida Reynolds RIP, Fr Charles Jeffries RIP**

**We pray for the sick especially:** Steve Allingham, Patrick Atwell, Stephanie Bacon, Diane Batkin, Tony Batkin, Angela Burden, Winifrede Connellan, Andrew Cruikshank, Brendan Dillistone, Christopher Gardiner, Sean Gaughan, Yvonne Gibbs, Michael Halse, Jackie Hearn, Leanne Hearn, Carly Hearn, Neil Jenkins, Margaret Keep, George Thomas Lowry, Elizabeth Monsef, Karl Pearson, Paddy Pearson, Ida Reynolds, Diana Richardson, Rachael Smart, Janet Smith, David Spooner, Carol Standen, Terry Standen, Mary Stewart, Connie Stoddart, Rosanna De Souza, David Standen, Eileen Sullivan, Mary Tenneffe, Martin Tippin, Kathleen Tunny and Anne Wilkinson.

**Plate Collections**

3<sup>rd</sup> March  
£859.92  
Gift Aid £510.80

2<sup>nd</sup> collection  
£1075.14  
Gift Aid n/a  
Society of African Missions (SMA Fathers)

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10<sup>th</sup> March  
Society for the Unborn Child (SPUC)

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17<sup>th</sup> March  
CAFOD  
Lenten Fast Day

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24<sup>th</sup> March  
SVP  
Lenten Fast Day

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**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**

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**Holy Communion for Housebound Parishioners**

**Ron Brazier:**  
**844177**

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**CTiB Prayer Cycle**

**This week: Bexhill Street Pastors**  
**Next week: Servants with Jesus**  
(Menaka Simpkins)

**Morning for Altar Servers**  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**  
**at St Mary Magdalene**  
**Holy Mass – 10am**

**Stations of the Cross – 10.30am**  
Followed by Catechesis and Refreshments

**Easter Triduum Retreat for Young Adults (18-35s)**  
**at Worth Abbey Benedictine Monastery,**

celebrating the Passion and Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ. The monastic community at Worth Abbey and the members of The Wellspring Community invite you to join us for this great Feast! To Book, please contact The Open Cloister at Worth Abbey (TOC@worthabbey.net) for a booking form. If you have any questions, email youngadults@wellspringbrighton.org.uk.

**The Prayer Course - Lent 2019**  
**The course will run every Tuesday during Lent from 7.30pm until 9pm in the presbytery from Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March until Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April.**

There are six sessions are based on the Lord's prayer and each session is there to encourage discussion. The course is open to all ages and to all people.

**Lent Reconciliations**

**Saturday: 9.30am & 5.30pm**  
**at St Mary Magdalene**

**Reconciliation Service with Adoration:**

**St Mary Magdalene**  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm**  
Deanery Priests available.

**Passiontide: Day of Reflection**  
**Starting with Mass at 10am in**  
**St Mary Magdalene**

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 10.30am:**  
Fr Simon & Deacon Simon will reflect on the Stations of the Cross Suitable as a retreat activity for those who minister, but suitable for all. This takes the place of the morning stations of the cross on this Saturday.

**Stations of the Cross Leaflet**

The Hastings & Bexhill Catenians have provided a pamphlet to help you pray the Stations of the Cross this Lent. They are available in all three of our churches.

**Evening of Reflection for Young People with Bishop Richard**  
**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019**  
**7pm St Mary Magdalene Hall**

This is part of the Confirmation programme This event is open to other young people aged 11 – 18, but they must book in advance with Jack Regan on [Jack.Regan@dabnet.org](mailto:Jack.Regan@dabnet.org) – they should say that they will join with the Bexhill Confirmation group.

**Lent Reflection Groups**

<b>Monday Starts: 4<sup>th</sup> March</b>	2.30pm	Anne Wilkinson	215710
<b>Tuesday Starts: 12<sup>th</sup> March</b>	7.30pm-9pm	Ghislaine Cornfield	07491 477773

*Tuesday group will be an Alpha course on prayer at the presbytery at 7.30 pm. More information at the back of the church and above. To take part in any of these meetings, please contact the appropriate group leader.*

**Parish Diary - March**

Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	FHC Session	6:30pm St Martha's hall
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March	RCIA Session	7:00pm Presbytery
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup> March	WJT Session	6:30pm Presbytery
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> March	FHC Session	11am St MM hall
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	SVP Meeting	6:00pm Presbytery
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Mothers Prayer Group	7:00pm Presbytery
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	FHC Session	6:30pm St Martha's hall
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup> March	FHC Session	11am St MM hall

**Gift Aid Envelopes and Standing Orders**  
 For more information about Gift Aiding your donations please contact the Parish Office.

**Get into Teaching Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March 9.30 am to 12.00 pm St Richard's Catholic College TN40 1SE**  
 For further details please see posters at the back of the church  
[getintoteachingeastsussex.ventbrite.co.uk](http://getintoteachingeastsussex.ventbrite.co.uk)

**CAFOD's Family Fast Day this Lent** is an opportunity to support our brothers and sisters around the world. Drought, floods and storms are having a devastating impact on our global family. Like Mahinur from Bangladesh. She makes a living from fishing but a drought last year killed all the fish, and she's struggling to support her disabled husband and son. **On Friday 15 March**, can you eat a simple meal in solidarity and give what you save to help people like Mahinur? Through CAFOD's global Church network - one of the largest aid networks in the world – your support can reach to the ends of the earth. Please collect your Fast Day envelope from church this week and give whatever you can.

**Churches Together in Bexhill Foodbank**  
 In the past four months the Foodbank has been exceptionally busy. **They urgently need donations of: Squash, custard, tinned potatoes, sugar, UHT milk, tinned tomatoes, pasta sauce, rice pudding & tinned fruit.**  
 Thank you for your continued support.

**Jolly Parish Lunch Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March 12 noon,**  
 The West Station Restaurant, Bexhill. Contact Angela: 220752

**CAFOD in St Leonards Deanery invite you to "Guiding Light", a Way of the Cross with St Oscar Romero, on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March, 3 pm, in Holy Redeemer Church, St Leonards. TN37 7AS.**  
 On this day, in 1980, Archbishop Oscar Romero of El Salvador was assassinated whilst celebrating Mass. 24<sup>th</sup> March is the Feast Day of St. Oscar Romero.

**Church Flowers St Mary Magdalene's**  
 The team need at least two more volunteers. If you are willing and able help for a couple of hours each week, please contact Helga on 01424 848504.

**Pastoral Care Group Planned Events: Afternoon Tea and Benediction at Holy Cross Priory Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May from 2pm to 5.30pm £12 (inc door to door lift) £8 (not inc. door to door lift)**  
 Application forms are in all church porches or the Parish Office completed forms to be returned by 15<sup>th</sup> April.  
**Pilgrimage to Walsingham:** This has been cancelled due to very little interest. Details of a visit by a local coach company on April 28th at £7.50- available - Ron Brazier 844177 [ronbrazier26@gmail.com](mailto:ronbrazier26@gmail.com)

**CCRS Course:**  
 In support of Bishop Richard's Pastoral Plan, the Diocese are planning the launch of a CCRS course, starting in September 2019. The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) has been established since 1991 and has been successfully run in the Diocese. Full details can be found at <http://www.brs-ccrs.org.uk/index.php>  
 For more information, contact Jon Harman, : 01293 651157 or email [jon.harman@dabnet.org](mailto:jon.harman@dabnet.org)

Hastings and District Interfaith Forum  
**"Encounters in the Spirit – Muslim/Christian Dialogue"**  
 Canon Dr Andrew Wingate OBE and Suleman Nagdi MBE, DL – two great champions of Muslim/Christian dialogue, will speak and answer questions.  
**Wednesday 13th March 7.00pm – 9.00pm**  
 at **Bexhill Friends Meeting House,** 15a Albert Road, TN40 1DG (almost on the seafront opp the De La Warr Pavilion car park) Entrance is free of charge.

## 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

**Telephone: 01424 210263**

#### Email:

[stmm@btconnect.com](mailto:stmm@btconnect.com)

#### Website:

[www.stmmbexhill.co.uk](http://www.stmmbexhill.co.uk)

#### Office Hours:

**Mon - Fri 9am - 1pm**

#### Finance:

Charles Durrant

#### Email:

[stmm.finance@btconnect.com](mailto:stmm.finance@btconnect.com)

### Hospitals

#### Conquest Hastings

01424 757088

#### Bexhill - Irvine Unit

Contact: Mary Williams  
Please 'phone the Parish Office -  
01424 210263

### St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP)

#### Mary Williams

Care of the Parish Office  
01424 210263

### Parish Schools

#### St Richard's

#### Catholic College

**Principal:** Miss Doreen Cronin  
01424 731070

[admin@strichardscc.com](mailto:admin@strichardscc.com)

[www.strichardscc.com](http://www.strichardscc.com)

### St Mary Magdalene's Primary School

#### Interim Head:

Mrs Siobhan Andrews

01424 735810

[office@stmarymagsbex.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:office@stmarymagsbex.e-sussex.sch.uk)

[www.stmarymags.co.uk](http://www.stmarymags.co.uk)

### St Mary Magdalene Catholic Independent Nursery

**Supervisor:** Gemma Oliver-Taylor  
01424 224499

[info@stmmnursery.co.uk](mailto:info@stmmnursery.co.uk)

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## Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

### Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March

St Mary Magdalene's	9:30am	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Robert Moggridge RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	10:30am	Stations of the Cross
St Mary Magdalene's	12:30pm	Baptism of Edward Beale

### First Sunday of Lent Year C

*(Deuteronomy 26:4-10, Romans 10:8-13, Luke 4:1-13)*

St Mary Magdalene's	5:30pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	June & Patrick Callaghan RIP
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> March</b>		<b>Cafod Talk at all Masses</b>
St Martha's	9:00am	Peter Ernest Lindsay Vail RIP
Our Lady of the Rosary	10:00am	Tanti and Rombi Families RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	11:00am	People of the Parish
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	Priests Intentions

#### Society for the Unborn Child (SPUC)

*(not in our scheme)*

### Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	John da Silva RIP
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### Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Nigel RIP
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### Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Louis Rosenau RIP & David McGurk RIP
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### Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	June & Patrick Callaghan RIP
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### Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March

St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	John Lyne RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	10:45am - 12.30pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
St Martha's	3:00pm	Stations of the Cross
St Mary Magdalene's	7:00pm	Stations of the Cross-Keralan Led

### Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> March

St Mary Magdalene's	9:30am	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	10:00am	Stan & Winn Yeo GE
St Mary Magdalene's	10:30am	Stations of the Cross

### Second 'Transfiguration' Sunday of Lent Year C

*(Genesis 15:5-12. 17-18, Philippians 3:17- 4:1, Luke 9:28-36)*

St Mary Magdalene's	5:30pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	Abraham Jacob RIP & Michael Hennessy RIP

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March

St Martha's	9:00am	Gladys Elma Rowe RIP
Our Lady of the Rosary	10:00am	The Deceased members of the Cruikshank family & Marie RIP
St Mary Magdalene's	11:00am	Priests Intentions
St Mary Magdalene's	6:00pm	People of the Parish

#### CAFOD Lenten Fast Day

*(not in our scheme / special envelopes)*

We thank you for your prayers for Fr Gerard Hatton, parish priest of Knaphill who was seriously ill in hospital but is now at home and convalescing. Please continue to pray for several other parish priests who are in hospital or recovering from illness. Please also pray for the repose of the soul of Fr Charlie Jeffries who died this week and Fr Alex Fraser.