



Patronal Feast Day

Our Lady of the Rosary

Sunday 6th October at 10am at
Our Lady of the Rosary
(other Sunday Masses of
27th Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Sacrament of Baptism

Congratulations to:

Sofia & Lucia Di Mascio

who will be baptised at
Our Lady of the Rosary Church
this weekend.

Adoration

St Mary Magdalene's Church

Friday 10:30am - 12:30pm
&
5:00pm - 8:00pm

*On Friday 16th August,
Adoration will need to **finish at 7pm**
due to holiday absence.
It will commence at 5pm as normal.*

Happy Holidays

Welcome to all visitors
and holiday makers, we hope you
have a pleasant stay!

Do introduce yourselves to others and
we hope that you find a warm
welcome in our parish community.

We pray too for those who are away
from our community at this time and
pray that you will return refreshed
and relaxed.

***O Lord, you have been our refuge
from one generation to the next.***

The Transfiguration of the Lord 6th August

Tuesday is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. It is worth spending a few moments reflecting on this Feast as it is an icon of our future destiny. At his Transfiguration, Jesus reveals to Peter, James and John a glimpse of his divine glory. God is teaching us that we are not being prepared for earthly happiness, but the blessedness of heaven. We have already experienced one transfiguration in our lives, the day of our baptism when the old creation died, and we were raised to new life with Christ. The Transfiguration speaks also of our second regeneration that will come at the Resurrection of the body from the dead, when he will change our mortal body to be like his glorious body. In the meantime, we are reassured that Jesus is the Messiah, the Christ, the Son of the living God: *'this is My Son the Beloved, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him'*. We are also reminded that Jesus' permanent glorification comes after his suffering and death, and so we too understand that we too must pick up our cross and follow Our Lord so that we too may experience our own transfiguration and share his glory. Until then we should allow Christ to continually transfigure us in the sacraments, especially those of Reconciliation and the Eucharist.

Next week, **Thursday 15th August, is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven.** Please take note that it is a Holy Day of Obligation which means all Catholics are required to hear Mass on this day, assisting the celebration of the sacred mysteries with our prayers. Holy Mass will be celebrated in this parish:

- 9am at St Martha's
- 10am at St Mary Magdalene
- 7pm at Our Lady of the Rosary

If you are enjoying a day out sight-seeing in London, you will certainly find Holy Mass at Westminster Cathedral:
<http://www.westminstercathedral.org.uk/masses.php>

With my prayers and best wishes, Fr Simon

Parish Office

The parish office will be closed on: **Tuesday 6th August.**

We pray for those who have died: Roland Girling RIP.

We pray for the sick especially: Steve Allingham, Patrick Atwell, Stephanie Bacon, Diane Batkin, Tony Batkin, Angela Burden, Winifrede Connellan, Andrew Cruikshank, Maria Cronin, Brendan Dillistone, Christopher Gardiner, Yvonne Gibbs, Michael Halse, Jackie Hearn, Leanne Hearn, Carly Hearn, Lawrence Hearn, Margaret Keep, Joe Kingsman, George Thomas Lowry, Roy Mitchell, Karl Pearson, Paddy Pearson, 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, Margaret Tuberet, Kathleen Tunny, Jordan Whyborne and Anne Wilkinson.

Plate Collections
28th July
£882.22
Gift Aid: £642.20

2nd Collection:
£98.46
Gift Aid: £140.50

Parish Charity Fund

4th August Retired Priests Fund
(Parish scheme blue envelopes)

11th August Church Flowers
(Parish scheme blue envelopes)

18th August Overseas Missions
(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 List

This week: St Peter's (David Reynish, Olivia Werrett)

Next week: St Mary's, Ninfield (Paul Frostick)

First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion 2019/20

Applications are now invited from **Baptised Catholic Children in School Years 3 or 4** who have now discerned that they are ready to encounter the Lord in the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. *Applications for the sacraments of older children (school years 5-9) will open later in the year.*

Application forms are available in each of our churches or from the Parish Office or online. Applications should be returned no later than 31st August.

If your child has not been baptised or was baptised in another Christian denomination please make an appointment to see Fr Simon before submitting an application to discuss your child's individual needs.

Young Catholic Adult Weekend at Douai Abbey
25th - 27th October

Are you 18-40, do you want to deepen your knowledge of the Catholic faith, learn its devotions and meet like minded people? Young Catholic Adults are organizing a weekend at Douai Abbey in Berkshire). You'll be able to hear catechetical talks, learn how to sing Gregorian Chant, say the Rosary, socialize and have fun. Prices start from £25. To book go to:- <https://bookwhen.com/youngcatholicadults-douai2019>.

Lourdes Deanery Reunion

For those who have been or are considering going to Lourdes with the Annual Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage, a Re-Union/Tea Party is being held at the Church Hall, **Holy Redeemer**, St Leonards On Sea, TN37 7AS, on **Saturday 21st September 2019 between 14.30 and 16.30**. This is an opportunity to meet up with fellow Pilgrims or to find out more about the Pilgrimage that takes place at the beginning of the School Summer Holidays each year. All are welcome and we look forward to seeing you all in September."

Anniversaries Mass 2019
Saturday 12th October,
Arundel Cathedral,
with Bishop Richard

For couples celebrating a landmark or significant anniversary. Booking essential - For an invitation please contact Rosie Read at rosie.read@abdiocese.org.uk or 01293 651161.

Worth Abbey
Individual self-led retreat:
22nd - 24th October

Individuals are invited to book a stay for self-led retreats. Minimum 2 night stay, arriving from 4pm on the first day until after lunch on the final day. We are not able to offer spiritual direction but you are welcome to enjoy the extensive grounds for walking, a visit the Quiet Garden and participate in the daily rhythm of prayer and liturgy as a framework for your retreat; the cost is £126 and your stay is fully inclusive. You will stay in St Bruno's where we offer a warm welcome, good food and comfortable accommodation. For further information or to book your place, contact the Bookings Secretary on 01342 710318 or email: toc@worth.org.uk

Parish Diary

Catholic Women's League
Monday 5th August
7:30pm, St Martha's Hall
 Antiques Roadshow
 - a talk on Victoriana Ladies - please bring your heirlooms!
 Contact: Anne Campbell
 221803

Gift Aid Envelopes And Standing Orders
 For more information about Gift Aiding your donations please contact the parish office.
The 2018/19 End of Year Statements.
 If you would like a Statement please contact Lisa Young at the Parish Office on Monday or Tuesday.

St Martha's Feast Day
 A big thank you, to all those who contributed in any way, to make the celebration special. A total of £91 was raised - all proceeds to Bexhill Foodbank.

A Garden full of cultural Delights
Hastings & District Interfaith Forum
 St Leonard's Gardens (behind the Royal Victoria Hotel) on
Sunday 11th August
1pm – 5pm
 Performances; Variety of food; Family activities; Stalls and Raffle.

WARNING - PLEASE BE VIGILANT
 Unfortunately, we have found drug misuse debris (needles, etc) in the grounds of St Mary Magdalene's Church. Please take care when walking in the premises of any of the three churches. Children should be supervised at all times. Our contractors are aware, but we would ask that you please take extra care and report anything suspicious to the parish office. Thank you.

Parish Pilgrimage 2020
 We have organised two parish pilgrimages in recent times – to the Holy Land and Italy - and the Pastoral Care group are now considering one for 2020. The proposal is to fly to Lourdes and stay for two nights followed by a night in Burgos on the north Spanish coast, three nights in Santiago de Compostela and three nights in Fatima. We would then fly back from Lisbon airport. For more details contact Ron: 844177 or ronbrazier26@gmail.com

Sacred Heart RC Primary School Governor Vacancies
 Sacred Heart Primary School is a successful, over-subscribed primary school in the heart of Hastings and has 2 vacancies on their Governing Body. We are seeking volunteers who can bring their business experience into the world of education and continue to work with the school to ensure every pupil reaches their full potential. We would particularly welcome volunteers with a finance background to express an interest. For further details please contact the Chair: chair@sacred-heart.e-sussex.sch.uk.

All Are Invited to the Catholic Women's League Strawberry Fair

Sunday, 11th August
2:30pm, St Martha's Hall
 Entrance: £3 includes tea/coffee/juice, scone and strawberry cake
All proceeds to our Bexhill SVP Society
 Boxes will be in the back of St Martha's and Our Lady of the Rosary Churches for any kind donations of bottles, home produce and raffle prizes. Donations for St Mary Magdalene's; please deliver to the Parish Office (Monday to Friday 9am to 1pm).

Jolly Parish Lunch

12 noon, Tuesday, 13th August
 The West Station Restaurant, Bexhill.
 Contact Angela: 220752

Would you be interested in becoming a CAFOD School Volunteer?
 School Volunteers are invited by Catholic primary or secondary schools to deliver lively and motivating presentations about CAFOD's work and mission in assemblies and classrooms. CAFOD will provide training, support and the materials needed to deliver the presentations. Teaching experience is not a prerequisite, simply the ability to communicate effectively with children and young people. As a School Volunteer you will be part of a team and a friendly network of people with shared values and commitments. You will have the opportunity to gain experience of working in the voluntary sector and expand your skills set. Contact Jenny Finlayson for more info, CAFOD Arundel & Brighton Community Participation Coordinator
 Email: arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk
 Tel No: 01483 898866

Parish Information

The Presbytery
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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

Fr Stephen Ortiger OSB

(Priest in Residence)

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Parish Office

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Lisa Young

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Conquest Hastings

01424 757088

Bexhill - Irvine Unit

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St Vincent de Paul Society
(SVP)

Contact: Mary Williams
via Parish Office - 01424 210263

Parish Schools

St Richard's
Catholic College

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St Mary Magdalene's
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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

Saturday 3rd August

St Mary Magdalene	9.30am	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Ian Irvine Slater RIP
St Mary Magdalene	2:00pm	Kerala Community Mass
St Mary Magdalene	9pm-11pm	Kerala Community Night Vigil

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ecclesiastes 1:2; 2:21-23, Colossians 3:1-5. 9-11, Luke 12:13-21

St Mary Magdalene	5:30pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	Brian Thomas Keaveny RIP
Sunday 4th August		
St Martha	9:00am	People of the Parish
Our Lady of the Rosary	10:00am	Priests Intentions
Our Lady of the Rosary	After Mass	Baptism of Sofia & Lucia Di Mascio
St Mary Magdalene	11:00am	Irena Hulewicz RIP
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	Ouseph Joseph RIP

Retired Priests Fund

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Monday 5th August

St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Joseph Thomas RIP
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Tuesday 6th August

St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Feast The Transfiguration of the Lord
Memorial Garden	After Mass	Robert Stevens RIP
		Burial of Ashes of Molly Craig RIP

Wednesday 7th August

St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Mrs May Norman RIP
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Thursday 8th August

St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Memoria St Dominic
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Friday 9th August

St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Feast St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross (Edith Stein)
St Mary Magdalene	10:45am - 12:30pm	Maria & Stephen Hanks GE
		Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction
St Mary Magdalene	5pm - 8pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday 10th August

St Mary Magdalene	9.30am	Feast St Lawrence
St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Confessions
Memorial Garden	After Mass	Bill Low RIP
St Mary Magdalene	1:00pm	Burial of Ashes of Abraham Jacob RIP
		Baptism of Elsie May Burford

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 18:6-9, Hebrews 11:1-2. 8-19, Luke 12:32-48

St Mary Magdalene	5:30pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	Special Intentions of Durrant Family
Sunday 11th August		
St Martha	9:00am	Judith Darlington GE
Our Lady of the Rosary	10:00am	Ivy Dolan RIP
St Mary Magdalene	11:00am	People of the Parish
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	Priests Intentions

Church flowers

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