

Canonisation of John Henry Cardinal Newman Sunday 13th October

At Cofton Park, Birmingham in 2010, Pope Benedict XVI, at the conclusion of his Pastoral Visitation, declared John Henry Newman as 'Blessed'. Today in Rome, following the confirmation of a second miracle attributed to his intercession, Pope Francis declares this English Priest a Saint. The miracle is a medically unexplained healing in 2013 of a pregnant woman, Melissa Villalobos, from a life-threatening condition which enabled her to give birth to a daughter (Gemma). Both will be in Rome today for the Canonisation.

Newman was well educated, later becoming a Fellow of Oriel College, Oxford. He entered Anglican Ministry, continuing to teach at the university, where he soon gained a reputation as a diligent pastor and a fine preacher. As part of the Oxford Movement in the Church of England, Newman and others had sought to rediscover and promote its Catholic roots, attempting to give a more Catholic interpretation to the 39 Articles of the Church of England, a view that caused uproar amongst his opponents. The more Newman read the Fathers of the Church and studied early Church history he began to realise that the fullness of the Church established by Christ was found in the Catholic Church and on 9th October 1845 he was received as a Catholic by Father (now Blessed) Dominic Barberi. He was ordained a Catholic priest on 30th May 1847 and was created a Cardinal in 1879.

Saint John Henry Newman... pray for us.

Monday 14th October, 7.30pm Ordinate Catholic Mass

will be celebrated in honour of John Henry Newman's canonisation which will have taken place the previous day. **Venue: Our Lady of Ransom, Eastbourne.** Light refreshments in the hall afterwards.

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Enrolment of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Children and their Families

I bear it all for the sake of those who have been chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

This weekend we welcome the children and their families preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. Those asking to be initiated into the Church's Sacramental Life, stand before the community, declaring their readiness to say 'yes' to the Lord's call, and to ask for the community to pray for them. Our thanks to the 'Mother's Prayer's Group' who pray especially for this intention.

Our sacramental journey makes little sense to us if the Eucharist is not already the source and summit of our week, doing everything we can to put other priorities into second place. Indeed, it remains the First Precept of the Church that the faithful assist at Mass on all Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. In fact, the preface of the Mass sings, "**it is right and just, our duty and our salvation always and everywhere to give [God] thanks and praise**". To support and deepen our understanding of the importance of the Eucharist, our First Communion program is a detailed look at the Holy Mass.

First Communion parents are reminded of **the special parent's session at 8pm on Friday 18th October in St Mary Magdalene Church**, as we now focus more deeply on the Sacrament of Reconciliation, as the children make their First Reconciliation in December. We teach by example, and so we must all think when the last time was we went to 'Confession'. Remember, it remains the teaching of the Church that we do not receive Holy Communion, *the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity* of Jesus Christ, while conscious of serious sin. Once more, we commit ourselves to announcing the Gospel of Salvation, *'bearing it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it'*. Wishing you all every blessing in Christ, Fr Simon.

We pray for those who have died: Diane Batkin RIP, Noreen Lennard RIP, Cecilia Reidy RIP, Sean O'Donnell RIP, Michael O'Brien RIP, Thomas Searle RIP.

We pray for the sick especially: Steve Allingham, Patrick Atwell, Stephanie Bacon, 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, George Thomas Lowry, Roy Mitchell, Karl Pearson, Paddy Pearson, Celia Reidy, 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
6th October
£1066.75
Gift Aid: £620.10

2nd Collection:
£1187.43
Gift Aid: n/a

Cafod Harvest Fast Day

13th October
PACT
 (not in our scheme)

20th October
MISSIO
World Mission Sunday
 (not in our scheme)

27th October
Church Maintenance
 (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 List

This week: St Mary Magdalene's
 (Fr Simon Dray, Fr Rajesh Minz, Fr Stephen Ortiger, Simon Kirkdale).

Next week: St Michael's (Vacancy)

Adoration

St Mary Magdalene's Church
Friday 10:30am - 12:30pm & 5:00pm - 8:00pm

Confirmation 2019/20

Although the deadline for the submission of applications was Friday 11th October, we will accept applications if they are received this week, as the 1st session is 4pm on Sunday 20th October in St Mary Magdalene Hall.

2019 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 final count takes place on:
12/13 October.

Vianney Cenacle Prayer Group

The Cenacle of prayer for priests will be meeting:
Thursday 24th October, 6pm
St Mary Magdalene's church
All welcome.

Annual Blessing of Graves

Bexhill Cemetery, Turkey Road,
2.30pm on Sunday 3rd November
 Parish Memorial Garden
after 11am Mass on Sun 10th Nov.

CAFOD

Urgent CAFOD Petition for The Prime Minister
 CAFOD is making an urgent call to each of us. It always emphasises the combined triple approach, each of which is necessary ie Prayer, Money and Action. We are limited by what Direct action we can take but we must urge our Government to do so on our behalf. The issue: Pope Francis is our leading voice urging us to support our Planet -our Common Home (Laudato Sii), which is facing catastrophe. We must get to net zero economy living SOON! This transition to net zero starts NOW. Achieving net zero will limit the worst effects of Climate Change on our health, homes and poverty for millions around the world, our home. Please, if you have not done so already, SIGN the CAFOD Petition at church this weekend, urging:

1. All Government departments to bring forward credible firm policies to achieve monitored results faster
2. All Government investments here and abroad be consistent to keeping global temperature rise below 1.5% degrees, and end fossil fuels
3. UK to show leadership by connecting poverty, environmental degradation with Climate Change - - slow progress will be unsuccessful! Please sign. Thank you.

CAFOD: Thank you for supporting CAFOD's Harvest Fast Day with us, our parish raised **£2112.43** which means more poor families around the world will receive life-changing support. Thank you for your generosity.

PACT (Prison Advice & Care Trust):

Our second collection today is for the work of PACT. This is the national Catholic charity that provides support to prisoners, people with conviction, and their families through a range of family, court, helpline and prison and community-based services. Our vision is of a society in which justice is understood as a process of restoration and healing, and where the innate dignity and worth of every human is valued. Please give generously.

Parish Diary - October

Tues 15 th October	SVP Meeting	Presbytery 6:00pm
Wed 16 th October	RCIA Session 1.	Presbytery 7:00pm
Wed 16 th October	Mother's Prayer group	Presbytery 7:30pm
Thurs 17 th October	We Journey Together Session 1.	Presbytery 6:30pm
Sun 20 th October	Confirmation Session 1.	Presbytery 4:00pm

SAVE THE DATE
Saturday 23rd November
11am to 1pm
St Richards Catholic College
“Something to Celebrate”
 Please watch the newsletter for further updates.

Jolly Parish Lunch
Tuesday, 15th Oct. 12 noon, The West Station Restaurant, Bexhill. Contact Angela: 220752

RCIA Programme 2019/2020
 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.

St Richards Catholic College
 Fr Simon will be available to sign **Supplementary Information Forms** for Catholic children applying to St Richards Catholic college at the presbytery:
Thurs 17th Oct: 3.30pm-5pm
Fri 18th Oct: 7pm-8pm
Sat 26th Oct: 11am-12noon
 Please call the parish office to make an appointment.
Please note there will be a charge of £10 for the re-issue of any sacramental certificates.

Forthcoming Holy Day of Obligation
All Saints
Friday 1st November
 Masses will be:
 Vigil Mass
 7pm *‘All Hallows Eve’*
 Thursday 31st October
 St Mary Magdalene
 9am at St Martha's
 10am St Mary Magdalene
 Friday 1st November

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed:
All Souls
Saturday 2nd November
 8am Low Mass
 St Mary Magdalene
 10am Parish Bereavement Mass in St Mary Magdalene

Urgent Appeal
 A large family urgently needs clothes and shoes, for male and female, age 9yrs-18yrs. If any members of your family have outgrown their clothes or footwear; instead of taking them to the charity shop this time; please bring them to the parish office.

Eastbourne and Bexhill Newman Association:
Thurs 17th October,
7.30pm–9pm,
St Martha's hall
 Mark Johnson, Regional Co-ordinator *A Voice For The Voiceless.* At 6.30pm, **AGM of Eastbourne & Bexhill Newman Circle.**
 Entrance free. All welcome.
 Contact Alex Mthobi: 07957 632208 or Edward Echlin 01424 219788

Formation for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Advance Notice
 Practical Training Session: **Sat 16th November 2019 10am Mass at Holy Redeemer, Hollington**
 Followed by training session
 Morning of Recollection to prepare for Advent: **Sat 30th November 2019, 10am Mass at St Mary Magdalene's, Bexhill** Followed by session in the hall until 12.30pm.
 * also suitable for Readers and all parishioners.

We Journey Together: Children of Catechetical Aged, Rites of Christian Initiation
At 6.30pm on Thursday 17th October in the Presbytery we begin preparation for *Christian Initiation of Catechetical Aged Children.* If you have been coming to Mass regularly, and have a child aged between 7 and 12 who has not yet been baptised, then this course is for you. This course is also suitable for children in school years 5-8 who, come to Mass regularly, but have, for whatever reason, not yet made their First Holy Communion. Please complete a form and return it to the office before Thursday's session.

Evening Weekday Mass
 Over forty people indicated that they were interested in an Evening Weekday Mass, and Fr Simon suggested that it would be good if this was at St Martha's, to give an extra dimension to our worship across the parish. With the possibility of a Holy Hour before hand, this might further extend our Lay Apostolate of Adoration. We propose that this begins after Half Term on Thursday 7th November, **so hopefully the forty or so will now commit.** To make this happen, we need as an absolute minimum:
 - An Extraordinary Minister to Expose the Blessed Sacrament at 6pm
 - At least 3 people to sign up for the Holy Hour so that the Blessed Sacrament is never left alone
 - A Sacristan to set up for Mass at approx. 6.40pm

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

Clergy:

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Fr Rajesh Minz

Deacon Simon Kirkdale

Fr Stephen Ortiger OSB

(Priest in Residence)

Sisters of Providence
(Rosminian) 01424 214818

Parish Office

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Lisa Young

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Parish Office

opening hours

Monday, Wednesday,

Friday

9am-1pm

Safeguarding Rep

Sylvia Cousins

Hospitals

Conquest Hastings

01424 757088

Bexhill - Irvine Unit

01424 730077

St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP)

Contact: Mary Williams
via Parish Office - 01424 210263

Parish Schools

St Richard's
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St Mary Magdalene's

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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

Saturday 12th October	Memorial	St Wilfrid, Secondary Patron of A&B
St Mary Magdalene	9.30am	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene	10:00am	Ray Iliffe RIP
St Mary Magdalene	11:00am	Baptism of Nairomi Mayer-Mushonga
St Mary Magdalene	2:45pm	Kerala Community Mass
St Mary Magdalene	9pm-11pm	Kerala Night Vigil

Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Kings 5:14-17, Timothy 2:8-13, Luke 17:11-19

Masses of Enrolment for First Reconciliation & First Communion 2020

St Mary Magdalene	5:30pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	Joseph Thomas RIP
Sunday 13th October		
St Martha	9:00am	Elsie Dadswell RIP
St Mary Magdalene	11:00am	Christina Gramme RIP
St Mary Magdalene	12:30pm	Baptism of George Hosier
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	People of the Parish

PACT Prison Advice and Care Trust
(special envelopes)

Monday 14th October

St Mary Magdalene 10:00am Otto Halligan-Withan RIP

Tuesday 15th October

St Mary Magdalene 10:00am **Memorial St Teresa of Jesus (of Avila)**

Barry Lennard RIP

Wednesday 16th October

St Mary Magdalene 10:00am Joan Benzie RIP

Thursday 17th October

St Mary Magdalene 10:00am **Memorial St Ignatius of Antioch**

John Mackie RIP
Requiem Mass of Noreen Lennard RIP
and after at Eastbourne Crematorium

Friday 18th October

St Mary Magdalene 10:00am **Feast St Luke**
Robert Stevens RIP
St Mary Magdalene 10:45am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
12:30pm And Benediction

St Mary Magdalene 5pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
8pm

Saturday 19th October

St Mary Magdalene 9.30am **Solemnity St Philip Howard**
St Mary Magdalene 10:00am **Patron of the Diocese**
St Mary Magdalene 12:30pm Confessions
Percy & Catherine Bedford RIP
Baptism of Gil Williams

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Exodus 17:8-13, Timothy 3:14-4:2, Luke 18:1-8

St Mary Magdalene	5:30pm	Confessions
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	Anthony N Bedford RIP
Sunday 20th October		World Mission Day
St Martha	9:00am	People of the Parish
St Mary Magdalene	11:00am	Peter Paul Phillips RIP
St Mary Magdalene	6:00pm	P.M. George RIP

World Mission Sunday (MISSIO)
(special envelopes)