OUR LADY OF LOURDES, ROTTINGDEAN and ST. PATRICK'S, WOODINGDEAN



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Services and Intentions	THE WORD WHO IS LIFE	

Sunday	6.30pm Church (Sat)		Jim Curtis R.I.P. (R)
3 November 2019	9.00am St. Patrick's	31st Sunday of the Year	People of the Parish
	10.30am Church		Christopher Lypaczewski R.I.P
	11.30am	Blessing of Graves at the Garden of	
		Remembrance and St. Margaret's Churchyard	
Monday 4	10.00am Convent	NO MASS	
Tuesday 5	8.55am-9.55am	Adoration	
	10.00am Church	Mass	Mary Sylvia Hervel R.I.P.
	10.30am-12.30pm	Eucharistic Adoration	
Wednesday 6	9.40am (Convent)	Morning Prayer	
	10.00am Convent	Mass	Celebrant's Intention
Thursday 7	8.55am-9.55am	Adoration	
	10.00am Church	Mass St Willibrord, Bishop	Vera Casey R.I.P.
Friday 8	8.55-9.55am	Adoration	
	10.00am Church	Mass	Deceased Members of the Curtis &
		Divine Mercy Chaplet	McDonagh Families R.I.P.
Sunday	6.30pm Church (Sat)	Vigil Mass	Martha Adams R.I.P. (A)
10 November	9.00am St. Patrick's	32 nd Sunday of the Year	People of the Parish
2019	10.30am Church	Remembrance Sunday	Sheila de Rosa R.I.P.
	12 noon	Service on the Green	

OFFERTORIES: Thank you for last week's cash & envelope collections: OLOL £472.85, St. Patrick's £130.11

This Sunday: Second Collection for Retired Priests Fund Confessions: Saturday confessions from 5.50-6.20pm.



<u>PLEASE PRAY for all our sick parishioners</u> who are in nursing homes or housebound, listed in our chapels, but especially for Alison Stainthorpe, Sami Ghazal, Sophie Reilly, Ann Chapman, Fr. Douglas Perkins, Philip Scerri, John Heale, Sandra Waugh and Daphne Parsons.

Please let Fr. Benny or the Parish Office know if you would like a name added.

<u>Visits to the Sick/Hospital/Housebound:</u> If you know of anybody who is sick and needs a visit from a priest, please contact the Parish Office and a visit will be arranged.

NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE

<u>Blessing of graves today. Sunday 3 November</u>: Fr. Benny will bless the graves in the **Garden of Remembrance after the 10.30am Mass** followed by the blessing at **St. Margaret's Churchyard (weather permitting).**

2.30pm: Deacon Neil will be at St. Wulfran's, Ovingdean.

Fr. Oliver will be at the Lawn Memorial Cemetery in Woodingdean.

Fr. Benny will be at Bear Road Cemetery.

Mass for the Bereaved at Our Lady of Lourdes on SATURDAY 16 November at 10.00am.

November -- Praying for the Faithful Departed

The Church has encouraged prayer for the dead from the earliest times as an act of Christian charity. "If we had no care for the dead," Augustine noted, "we would not be in the habit of praying for them." The theological underpinning of this habit is the acknowledgment of human frailty. Since few people achieve perfection in this life but, rather, go to the grave still scarred with traces of sinfulness, some period of purification seems necessary before a soul comes face-to-face with God. Observances of a religious nature include private visits to cemeteries. Prayer for a loved one is, for the believer, a way of erasing any distance, even death. In prayer we stand in God's presence in the company of someone we love, even if that person has gone before us into death.







<u>During the month of November</u> we pray for all the deceased members of our families, our friends, parishioners and benefactors in our <u>Remembrance Book</u> which will be on display in the Sacred Heart Chapel. Please add the names of your departed loved ones should they not already be in the book.

Please come along for breakfast and a chat in the Parish Hall after morning Mass on Thursdays. There is a varied menu, and apart from the bacon rolls, there are several healthy options on offer. All are welcome.

If you wish to have your child baptised or if an adult wishes to be received into the Church, please see Fr. Benny or Deacon Neil after any Mass for a Baptismal Enquiry Form.

<u>First Holy Communion Children's Sessions</u> — Next Session "Learning About Rules" on Sunday 10 November at 9.25am and on Tuesday 12 November at 3.30pm in the Church Hall. A parent representative will be expected to attend the sessions alongside their child. This is a commitment to our Church and your faith, and you are expected to attend mass on a weekly basis. Thank you to those who have applied.

<u>Confirmation</u> – Application forms are at the back of Church for those entering Year 10 or above in secondary school, who wish to enrol in the Confirmation Course. Please complete and return the form to the Parish office by **Friday 8 November.**

<u>The Children's Choir Years 2-6</u> will be singing at the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church and also entertaining at two local Nursing Homes (in school time). Rehearsals will be on Mondays 3.30-4.15pm on Nov. 4, 11, 18, 25, Dec. 2 and 9 at OLOL Church Hall. If interested, please ring Victoria at 07894079527 or telephone the school office.

***Please note there are three asterisks before each new item that has been added to the newsletter.

***Parish End of Year Accounts for 2018 Copies are available for viewing on the table in the porch. Please do not remove.



*** Missio Red Box Can everyone please hand in their Boxes for counting. If anyone would like a Red Box to put their loose change in for charity, please see Peter Johnson (OLOL) or Pat Peers (St. Patrick's). Please write your name on the label underneath the box. Thank you.



***<u>SVP 40th Anniversary Mass</u> – All are invited to the 6.30pm Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes on Saturday 16 November to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of the SVP Rottingdean Conference. There will be cheese and wine in the Hall afterwards.

*** Mass Intentions Thank you for your mass intention requests. Due to the large number of mass intentions received, a backlog has built up. All further requests will be dealt with in due course. As requests for weekend masses cannot always be met, suggesting a weekday option would be very helpful. Thank you.

***<u>St. Anne's Day Centre</u> have made an appeal for coffee/tea mugs. Your donations will be very much appreciated. Please hand them in to the office.

<u>Vacancy for Chaplain at Cardinal Newman Catholic School:</u> Please see https://www.cncs.co.uk/about-us/vacancies/ for details of this exciting opportunity. Only practising Catholics are eligible. You would be part of a supportive team who share a deep commitment to walking with our young people on their journey of faith. **Applications deadline: 5 November.**



*** CATHOLAITY – 9 November This year's Catholaity Fair is at Cardinal Newman 6th Form College, The Upper Drive, Hove, next Saturday 9 November, 10.30am-3.30pm. Please support this important annual Brighton Deanery Event. All welcome. Our Lady of Lourdes Church will be having a mixed items table. Items as good as new for sale, arts and crafts items, cakes, jams, chocolate, savouries or anything you can contribute, will be greatly appreciated. Donations can be handed to José Sharp or into the parish office. Thank you for your donations so far. Please contact the office if you can help on the day.

<u>Individual Retreats @ Worth Abbey: 11-14 November (3 nights)</u> - Cost: £189 per person (fully inclusive) for a self-led retreat. 4pm start until after lunch on the final day. To book please contact: Tel: 01342 710318 or Email: <u>toc@worth.org.uk</u>

Ongoing Formation for Marriage Preparation Catechists: Saturday 16 November - Marriage Catechists are invited to attend a *Day of Reflection with Bishop Moth*, at The St Philip Howard Centre, Crawley, RH10 6RP from 9.45am onwards. Please bring a packed lunch. Contact E: Katherine.Bergin@abdiocese.org.uk T: 01293 651 152 to book.

<u>Wednesdays</u> 7.15-8pm Movement and Stillness Class at St. Patrick's. Suitable for all ages and abilities. Contact Barbara (07733396891).

<u>CAFOD</u> Faith in Action Day, exploring faith and politics – Nov 23 – St. John's Seminary, Wonersh. Free of charge, lift available. Contact Barbara 07733396891.



<u>PARISH VOLUNTEERS CHRISTMAS DRINKS – OUR LADY OF LOURDES</u> <u>PARISH HALL</u>

Please join Fr Benny for drinks and nibbles on Monday 16 December 2019 – 7-10pm ... to say 'THANK YOU' for all your time and the help you have given to our Parish community during 2019. Hope you can pop in!