

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



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Services and Intentions

THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

Sunday 9 February 2020	6.30pm Church (Sat) 9.00am St. Patrick's 10.30am Church	Vigil Mass 5th Sunday of the Year	Intentions of Maureen Ryan People of the Parish Mary McCarthy R.I.P. (A)
Monday 10	10.00am Convent	Mass <i>St Scholastica</i>	Peter O'Flinn R.I.P. (A)
Tuesday 11	8.40-9.40am 10.00am Church	<i>Adoration</i> Mass (Sacrament of the Sick will be administered) Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes	For the Sick and Housebound
	10.30-12.30pm	<i>World day for the sick</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>	
Wednesday 12	9.40am (Convent) 10.00am Convent	<i>Morning Prayer</i> Mass	Celebrant's Intention
Thursday 13	9.00-9.55am 10.00am Church	<i>Adoration</i> Mass	Mary and Thomas Mulkerins R.I.P.
Friday 14	9.00-9.55am 10.00am Church	<i>Adoration</i> Mass <i>Ss Cyril, Monk & Methodius</i> <i>Divine Mercy Chaplet</i>	Intentions of Jacinta McCahill
Sunday 16 February 2020	6.30pm Church 9.00am St. Patrick's 10.30am Church	Vigil Mass 6th Sunday of the Year	People of the Parish Peter Moore R.I.P. Ian and James McMonagle R.I.P.

OFFERTORIES: Thank you for last week's cash & envelope collections: OLOL £411.45 and St. Patrick's £145.73

This Weekend: 2nd Collection for Catholic Association for Racial Justice.

Next weekend: 2nd collection for Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund.

Confessions: Saturday confessions from 5.50-6.20pm.



PLEASE PRAY for all our sick parishioners 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, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Tony Evans, Eileen Cross and Carole Goudy. Please let Fr. Benny or the Parish Office know if you would like a name added.

Prayer List at Our Lady's Altar On the kneeler in front of Our Lady's Altar there is a list of those suffering long-term illnesses who are in need of your prayers. If you can, please spend a moment or two, praying for their recovery and well-being.

*****The Sister of St. Martha will be on Retreat** from Friday 14 until Saturday 22 February. **Mass will take place in Church on Monday 17 February at 10am.** There will be no mass at the Convent on 17 and 19 February.

This weekend the Catholic Church in England and Wales will celebrate RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY – the Theme is: “You are at the Heart of the Church”. It will celebrate the contribution which Travelling Communities make to the Church in England and Wales. It is an opportunity for all Catholics to pray for, reflect on and respond to Racial Justice matters within the Church and wider society. Racial Justice Sunday should encourage proactive discussions on overt and covert forms of racism experienced by fellow Catholics from the Travelling communities. To support the Church in its work with Travellers, a Second Collection will be taken at all masses next weekend. Your contributions, however great or small will help to make a difference.

Visits to the Sick/Hospital/Housebound: 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



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.



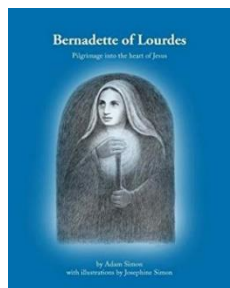
*****The Breakfast Club** will be open for coffee only during Lent. During this period breakfast will not be served. Last Breakfast is on 27 February. Normal service will resume after Easter on 16 April.

*****During Lent:** Each Thursday during Lent, starting from Thursday 5 March until Thursday 2 April, there will be **Stations of the Cross at 12 noon at the Convent followed by a Frugal Lunch** in aid of the St. Anne's Day Centre. All are welcome.



First Holy Communion Children's Sessions . The next sessions will be discussing 'Readings and Homily' and will take place on Sunday, 9 February at 9.25am and on Tuesday 11 February 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.

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



FEAST OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES Tuesday 11 February Talk at 7.30pm in OLOL Hall "St. Bernadette and the meaning of Lourdes" We look forward to welcoming Adam Simon (former parishioner from 1979 to 1987), who recently wrote a book entitled "Bernadette of Lourdes: pilgrimage into the heart of Jesus." Adam was President of the Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes for 15 years. **The talk about St Bernadette and the meaning of Lourdes will take place from 7.30-8.30pm in the Parish Hall.** Copies of Adam's book will be available for purchase on the night. All are welcome and especially young people who will receive a blessed rosary on the night.

Evening Prayer for Divorced, Remarried & Separated: Sun 23 February at 3 pm: All those in our parish communities who may be divorced, remarried or simply separated, are warmly invited to come together with Bishop Richard at St. John the Evangelist Church in Horsham for afternoon tea, conversation and the celebration of Evening Prayer, which will conclude the afternoon. For catering purposes, please let us know approximate numbers and names of people. Contact Katherine.Bergin@abdiocese.org.uk Thank you.

Local family in the parish with children attending Our Lady of Lourdes School is looking for a 4/5 bedroom house to rent in the vicinity of Rottingdean. If able to help, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

St. Anne's Day Centre urgently require cereal bowls. Your donations would be much appreciated. Thank you.

*** **Lost Property** Please claim your items this week from the Box in the Church Hall, otherwise they will be forwarded to Charity. Thank you.

SVP Memory Café/ Lunches at Tower House, London Road, BN1 6WT: The Local Brighton SVP provides sociable lunches and more for older people. On Tuesdays they host a memory café providing support, snacks and activities for people with dementia and their carers. On Wednesday, Thursday & Friday they host lunches, a pop up shop and art and activities. More details at towerhouse@svp.org.uk or 01273 549 604.

Poems Out Loud Next Meeting 17 February 11.00am-12.30pm at St. Patrick's. Everyone is welcome. £2.50. Contact Patrick Bond on 07425-011341 or email patrickgpbond@yahoo.co.uk.

Would you be interested in becoming a CAFOD Parish Volunteer in our church? The main activity would be promoting the two CAFOD Fast Days collections (Lent and Harvest), emergency appeals and World Gifts. Contact Jenny Finlayson: Tel No: 01483-898866 Email: arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk

HEAD TEACHER VACANCY : St. Bernadette's Catholic Primary School, Brighton, Closing date for applicants: 12 noon, 4 March. Interview Date: 18 March 2020 (whole day) and 19 March (final interview). Tel: 01273 553813, Email: mail@stberns.brighton-hove.sch.uk Website: www.stberns.com

February 11 – Patronal Feast of Rottingdean Parish



A) **10.00am Mass** – during which **the Sacrament of the Sick will be administered**. If you know of any parishioners who would benefit from this Sacrament on this Special Day for the Sick, please let them know about this and also contact the Parish Office. If you can offer a lift to a person who could not otherwise attend – please help them to get to Church on that day.

B) **7.30pm - A Talk for our Patronal Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes.....**

Bernadette of Lourdes - how a 14 year old girl changed the course of church history

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ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS EVENT

Extract from the MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE XXVIII

WORLD DAY OF THE SICK

“Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest” (Mt 11:28)
Dear brothers and sisters,

Jesus’ words, “Come to me, all you who labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest” (*Mt 11:28*) point to the mysterious path of grace that is revealed to the simple and gives new strength to those who are weary and tired. My brothers and sisters who are ill, your sickness makes you in a particular way one of those “who labour and are burdened”. In Jesus you will find light to brighten your darkest moments and hope to soothe your distress. He urges you: “Come to me”. In him, you will find strength to face all the worries and questions that assail you during this “dark night” of body and soul. Christ did not give us prescriptions, but through his passion, death and resurrection he frees us from the grip of evil. In your experience of illness, you certainly need a place to find rest. The Church desires to become more and more the “inn” of the Good Samaritan who is Christ (cf. *Lk 10:34*), that is, a home where you can encounter his grace, which finds expression in closeness, acceptance and relief. In this home, you can meet people who, healed in their frailty by God’s mercy, will help you bear your cross and enable your suffering to give you a new perspective. You will be able to look beyond your illness to a greater horizon of new light and fresh strength To the Blessed Virgin Mary, Health of the Sick, I entrust all those who bear the burden of illness, along with their families and all healthcare workers. With the assurance of a remembrance in my prayers, I cordially impart my Apostolic Blessing.

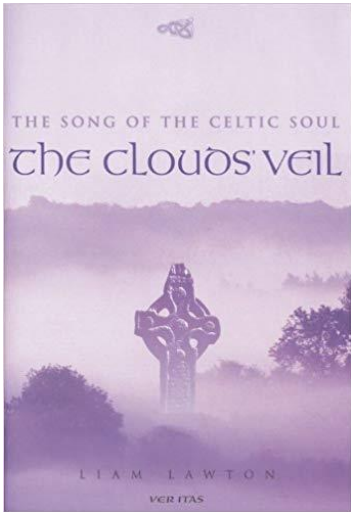
Pope Francis Feb 2020

HOW GREAT TO HAVE FR. LIAM LAWTON COMING TO ROTTINGDEAN



*** In 2006 FR. LIAM LAWTON signed with EMI. This was his first foray into the Recording world and his first Album **Another World** reached platinum status. This was followed by **TIME** and **Christmas Song**, both of which also achieved Platinum Status. Fr. Liam was finding his niche and beginning to receive recognition for his song writing ability. Performances include The National Concert Hall Dublin, Chicago's Symphony Hall, Carnegie Hall in NY, The Anaheim Convention Centre in LA, The Paul VI Auditorium at The Vatican, and many of the world's sacred sites.

He has many TV and Radio performances to his credit and his songs have been translated into Swedish, German, French, Tagalog and Italian. Being a Roman Catholic Priest many of Liam's Liturgical pieces have been translated and used throughout the world in sacred rituals and liturgies.



In 2001 while the world mourned the tragic deaths of thousands at the World Trade Centre, Fr. Liam's song ~ **THE CLOUDS VEIL** ~ became a piece that was used considerably by communities throughout New York and further afield. Followers of all faiths and beliefs seemed to embrace its message as an antidote to the tragedy and loss at the time.

Fr. Liam has become one of the most widely respected and leading writers of Choral and Sacred Music. His personal appearances and contributions to broader spheres have become highly noted and regarded. However, when on a number of separate occasions he was commissioned to write New Orchestral Suites exclusively for premiere in the world-famous Chicago Symphony Hall, with full orchestra, his status as a respected and singular composer was significantly recognised and assured in a wholly wider field.

Fr. Liam however, has always been, and remains, a self-effacing ordinary down to earth man. Although he has had three successful Top 10 albums back home in Ireland, to go alongside his considerable achievements in the USA, his life and his Ministry has never altered and few who didn't know otherwise would ever think this was a man who has graced some of the leading concert stages of the world.

.....**SO.....LET US TAKE ADVANTAGE OF HIS PRESENCE HERE IN ROTTINGDEAN ON MARCH 7.....***Sign up list in porch to attend*



Choral workshop: Interested in singing with us to learn a new Mass setting? Fr Liam Lawton, a world-renowned composer, recording artist and performer is coming to Our Lady of Lourdes on 7 March 2020 to teach us his Mass of St Patrick. As well as learning the parts of the Mass and some other pieces, we will celebrate Mass together and sing what we have learned. The workshop will run from 10am to 1pm. A copy of the music and light refreshments will be provided. A minimum donation of £10 is suggested. Everyone welcome. Contact Victoria Schofield 078947079527 or Declan McChrystal on 07792 609670 or email Declan.mcc@hotmail.co.uk