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



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Services and Intentions THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

Sunday 15 March SunDay	6.30pm Sat. Church 9.00am St. Patrick's 10.30am Church	Vigil Mass 3 rd Sunday of Lent	Antonietta Wilson and Peter Sharp R.I.P. People of the Parish Josephine and William Lloyd and Phyllis and Frank Davis R.I.P.
Monday 16	9.25-9.55am (Convent) 10.00am Convent	Adoration Mass	Celebrant's intention
Tuesday 17	9.00-9.55am 10.00am Church 10.30am-12.30pm	Adoration Mass – St. Patrick Eucharistic Adoration	John Remers R.I.P. (A)
Wednesday 18	9.25-9.55am (Convent) 10.00am Convent	Adoration Morning Prayer	
Thursday 19	9.00-9.55am 10.00am Church 12 noon Convent	Adoration Mass – St. Joseph Stations of the Cross	Nicola Braterman and Sr. Pamela Browne R.I.P. (A)
Friday 20	8.45-9.30am 9.35am 10.00am Church	Adoration Stations of the Cross Mass Divine Mercy Chaplet	Intentions of Liz Hopkin
Sunday 22 March Fourth SUDDAY	6.30pm Sat. Church 9.00am St. Patrick's 10.30am Church	Vigil Mass 4 th 'Lætare' Sunday of Lent	David Heathcote R.I.P. People of the Parish Brendan Caffrey R.I.P. (A)

OFFERTORIES: Thank you for last week's cash & envelope collections: OLOL £543.40 and St. Patrick's £124.50 Collection for CAFOD following the Family Fast Day: OLOL £241.72 and St. Patrick's £94.40

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, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Eileen Cross, Carole Goudy, Victor Hopkin Eileen Noakes, Una McLaughlin, Patricia and Joe Collins and Veronica Westbury.

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

<u>Prayer List at Our Lady's Altar:</u> 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.

RE-DEDICATION of England as the Dowry of Mary -HISTORY

DEDICATION 1381 – The first dedication was made by King Richard 11 in Westminster Abbey as he sought the protection of Our Lady in the face of great political turmoil. At this point England received the title 'Mary's Dowry', meaning that England was 'set aside' as a gift, a Dowry, for Our Lady, under her guidance and protection.

RE-DEDICATION 2020 - On Sunday 29th March, the Re-Dedication will take place throughout our country. As King Richard 11 once gave England as a gift to Our Lady for her guidance, so we, too, seek Mary's protection and prayers, giving ourselves through this act of dedication. We respond to this invitation on the day of the Re-dedication in two ways: - 1) **A Personal Promise** – By praying the Angelus Promise, a prayer in which we say "yes" in union with Our Lady through the words of the Annunciation.

2) **A Communal Entrustment** – As the people, we will, once again, renew the vows of dedication made to Mary by King Richard 11, praying together the Act of Entrustment.

<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.



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> The next sessions will be 'We pray in Thanksgiving' and will take place on **Sunday 22 March at 9.25am and Tuesday 24 March 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.

***<u>DUE TO THE NEED FOR ANTI-VIRUS PRECAUTIONS</u> it has been necessary to cancel The Irish Breakfast on St. Patrick's Day, 17 March and Coffee after Mass will be discontinued until further notice.

<u>Worth Abbey Lent Retreat:</u> 31 March to 2 April. Cost: £177 (fully inclusive). The weekend will offer the chance of encounter with Christ in prayer through the Benedictine monastic tradition, with talks, space for reflection, participation in the rhythm of prayer at Worth (The Divine Office), and Lectio Divina. Comfortable accommodation at St. Bruno's, good food and a warm welcome. For bookings or further information, go to https://worth.co.uk/contact or telephone (01342) 710318.

Beginning Experience: A weekend away for those who find themselves single again following separation, divorce, or the death of a partner. The Beginning Experience will help you to move from the darkness of your grief to face the future with renewed hope. Next weekend is 3-5 April at the Domus Mariae Centre, Chigwell, Essex. Details from Freda 01322 838415 or Maura 01322 551503 or John at johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk



Evening Mass: Wednesdays – 8.00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes.

Please note there will be no Evening Mass on Wednesday 18 March

Stations of the Cross:

Thursdays – 12 noon at the Convent (Frugal Lunch has been cancelled due to anti-virus precautions)

Fridays – 9.35am at Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Usual Adoration Times:

Mondays and Wednesdays: St. Martha's Convent – 9.25-9.55am

Tuesdays and Thursdays: Our Lady of Lourdes – 9.00-9.55am **and Tuesdays after Mass:** 10.30am-12.30pm

Friday 27 March and 3 April: Our Lady of Lourdes – 8.45-9.30am

<u>Special Evening Lent Time of Adoration & Benediction:</u> Wednesday 25 March – 8.30-10.00pm – Our Lady of Lourdes

Lent Day of Retreat: Saturday 28 March – 10am-3pm – Convent (Extraordinary Ministers & Readers)

Lenten Reconciliation Service: Monday 30 March – 7.30pm – Our Lady of Lourdes

<u>LENTEN ALMS</u> are offerings which are given during Lent for the Contemplative Orders of Women in the Diocese. Please be generous and put your contributions in the wall-box in the church porch. Thank you.

LENTEN PRAYER GROUPS:

Mondays 9.45-10.30am at St Patrick's – Different leaders will use the Diocesan Lent text written by Claire Amos (https://ctbi.org.uk/lent) involving meditation, scripture, discussion, and prayers with our own additions. All welcome!



RICARDUS DEI ET APOSTOLIC AE SEDIS GRATIA

EPISCOPUS ARUNDELLIENSIS ET BRICHTELMESTUNENSIS DECREE AUTHORISING THE GRANT OF A PLENARY INDULGENCE ON THE OCCASION OF THE RE-DEDICATION OF ENGLAND

TO THE MOST BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ON 29TH MARCH 2020

In accordance with Canon 995 S 1 of the Code of Canon Law, I grant a Plenary Indulgence to all Catholics within the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton who, beside the exclusion of all attachment to sin, even venial sin, on the Twenty-ninth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord Two-thousand and Twenty use the prescribed prayers for the Re-Dedication of England to the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, and who within a week prior to, or a week following this Act of ReDedication make their sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion, and pray for the Holy Father's intentions, reciting the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory be. (Indulgentiarum Doctrina, Norm 10)

The Act of Re-Dedication should take place publicly, within the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, but in keeping with Canon Law, it may also take place privately; and, for those who reside in places where they cannot go to confession or Eucharistic communion at all, or can do so only with great hardship, they may gain a plenary indulgence without actual confession and communion, provided they have inner contrition and the resolution to go to these sacraments as soon as possible. (hldu/gentiarum Doctrina, Norm 1 1)

Given at Arundel this Eleventh Day of March in the Year of Our Lord Two Thousand and Twenty.

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12th March 2020

Dear Father,

Following the recent guidance issued via the Deans in the response to the Covid-19 virus, in order to reduce possible transmission, every parish must now move from Stage 1 measures to Stage 2 measures. Accordingly, I hereby direct that the following special pastoral measures are to be implemented across the Diocese until further notice.

- 1) The **sign of peace** is to be **suspended** at Mass. In order not to create confusion in the minds of the lay faithful, I request that all priests simply omit any reference to the offering of the sign of peace, prior to the *Agnus Dei*.
- 2) Holy Communion from the chalice shall cease to be offered to the lay faithful. The practice of intinction is not to be introduced as an alternative. Similarly, Holy Communion from the chalice should not to be given to Deacons.
- 3) Those who choose to receive Holy Communion on the tongue should be encouraged to receive on the hand instead. Those who find it especially difficult to not to receive on the tongue should be asked to receive Holy Communion after those who receive on the hand. You may judge it helpful to remind people of the value of a Spiritual Communion, mindful that the Sunday Obligation is to join in the celebration of Mass.
- 3a) Holy water stoups in churches and chapels are to be emptied.
- 4) Churches and chapels that are open daily for private prayer should continue to remain open. **Care should be given** to ensuring that surfaces of high contact (e.g. light switches, door handles and areas around the door) are regularly sanitised throughout the day.
- 5) **Ministers should wash and also sanitise their hands** before and after distributing Holy Communion. Shared towels should not be used in toilet areas or the sacristy.
- 6) **Shared hymnbooks and Mass books should cease to be used**. Single-use Mass sheets may be used; though these should be disposed of immediately after use.
- 8) All catering in parish halls is to cease. This includes such gatherings as refreshments after Mass and any catering for groups that may be hiring parish halls.
 - It will be important to provide frequent reminders about thorough hand washing for all who attend Mass and other events in parishes.

These measures will be reviewed in response to the advice of Public Health England and parishes advised accordingly.

Finally, I would ask you to include an intention in the **Prayers of the Faithful at Mass** for all those who are affected by the virus, either as patients, family members or those involved in healthcare.

With prayers and good wishes,

