

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

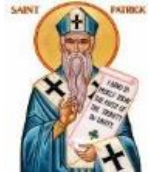


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The Parish is part of the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Trust Registered Charity No. 252878

Please continue to observe the rules/regulations/advice from Government and Bishops' Conference

Live Streaming of Masses continues from Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc4VXBr3EOa43nCxxzB-Edw>

Service & Intentions

THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

Sunday 23 January Sunday of the Word of God	6.30pm (Sat) OLOL 9.00am St. Patrick's 10.30am OLOL	**Vigil Mass **Mass **Mass 3 rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Special Intention-Pat Turner People of the Parish Intentions of Angela Paris
Monday 24 January	9.30am	Mass at St. Martha's Convent <i>St. Francis de Sales</i>	Special Intention – Sisters of St. Martha
Tuesday 25 January	8.30-9.25am 9.30am 10.00am-10.30am	<i>Adoration</i> Mass <i>Conversion of St. Paul</i> Time of Adoration/Private Prayer	Special Intention - Eve Tanner
Wednesday 26 January	-----	-----	-----
Thursday 27 January	8.30-9.25am 9.30am	<i>Adoration</i> Mass <i>St. Angela Merici</i>	Welfare of the Sisters of Providence
Friday 28 January	12 noon	FUNERAL MASS	Eileen Noakes R.I.P.
Sunday 30 January 2022	6.30pm (Sat) OLOL 9.00am St. Patrick's 10.30am OLOL CONFESIONS --	**Vigil Mass **Mass **Mass 4 th Sunday in Ordinary Time **** SAT - 5.45-6.15pm	Deceased Members of Casey & McCauley Families R.I.P. People of the Parish Peter Mouat R.I.P. and Welfare of his Family

PLEASE PRAY for the repose of the soul of Eileen Noakes whose Funeral Mass will take place at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Rottingdean, on Friday 28th January and also for Michael Lee whose Funeral Mass will take place at St. Patrick's, Woodingdean, at 11.00am on Thursday 3rd February. Pray also for all those recently deceased members of our parish and others known to us.

May they rest in peace. Please remember their families in prayer at this time.

Visits to the Sick/Hospital/Housebound: If you know of anybody who is sick please contact the Parish Office

CRIB COLLECTION All offerings this year are given in aid of the Catholic Children's Society Crisis Fund to provide one-off emergency grants to support children & their families. Thank you for donations received.

"THIS TEXT IS BEING FULFILLED TODAY EVEN AS YOU LISTEN"

Today's passage from St. Luke's Gospel shows Jesus proclaiming the word of God. In the synagogue at Nazareth, he makes his own this passage from Isaiah, and uses it to announce a programme for his ministry. He is sent, not to the wealthy or the powerful, but to the poor and the lowly, the oppressed and the suffering. Here we see Luke's concern for the poor and the afflicted. These are ALL the dispossessed of this world, and those who are waiting for liberation. The Good News must not be limited to spiritual blessings only. But the poor are also those who live on bread alone and who never hear the Word of God. Jesus didn't merely announce the good News and leave it at that. He began to make it a reality. At the root of innumerable wrongs in our world is the discrepancy between word and deed. It is a weakness of Churches, Parties and individuals. This was the main fault Jesus found with the Pharisees: *'They do not practice what they preach.'* *'My life is my message'* said Gandhi.

So it was with Jesus AND should be with us, his followers, also.

Flor McCarthy SDB



PLEASE PRAY for all our sick parishioners who are in nursing homes or housebound - especially for Alison Stainthorpe, Sami Ghazal, Sophie Reilly, Ann Chapman, John Heal, Sandra Waugh, Eileen Cross, Veronica Westbury, Colin Allen, Cherie Pay, Anne Gisele Cesar, Maureen Garson, Jane Purdham, Geraldine Lewis, Peter Hogan, Dorothy Benson, Teresa Ford, Peggy Cruickshank, Arthur Silver, Sr. Angela, Rosemary Gill, Asahi Religa, Jean Thomas, Huguette Vincent, Elizabeth and David Difford, Louis Gaskin and Keith Francis.

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



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CHILDREN'S SESSIONS The next session entitled 'Learning about Rules' takes place today, **Sunday 23rd January at 9.30am** followed by another session on **Tuesday 25th January at 3.30pm.**
Parents' Meeting - Tuesday 1st February.



THE BREAKFAST CLUB has returned, and is now in full swing every Thursday after 9.30am Mass. Freshly made to order, bacon rolls and lots more. Everyone is welcome to enjoy their treats. Each week you are helping to raise much needed funds for our church. Thank you for your support.

THE SYNOD MEETINGS will continue with discussions on the last final questions. The next meetings will take place in the Parish Hall on **Monday 24th & Thursday 27th January at 7.30pm** and **Tuesday 25th January at 10.30am**

Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage: 29 July– 4 August 2022 Online Application Forms for all those who do not require any assistance in Lourdes or on the journey can be found on our website: lourdes.abdiocese.org.uk or you can [click here](#) Assisted Pilgrims, please contact the Pilgrimage Office, 01403 740110 for a printed Application Form.

CAFOD Emergency Afghanistan Crisis Appeal CAFOD has joined forces with the Disasters Emergency Committee and launched the Afghanistan Crisis Appeal. **Please see our website: Afghanistan Crisis Appeal CAFOD, if you wish to donate on line. Alternatively, there are CAFOD Gift Aid Envelopes in the church porch for your donations. Please take one if you are a tax payer.**

Donate now - DETAILS ON-LINE - Afghansistan Crisis Appeal CAFOD

Evening Prayer at St. John the Evangelist, 3 Springfield Road, Horsham RH12 2PJ All those in our parish communities who may be divorced, remarried or simply separated, are invited to come together with Bishop Richard for conversation, Evening Prayer and afternoon tea. To book your place, please go to the Diocesan website: www.abdiocese.org.uk or contact our Marriage and Family Life Adviser E: katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk

SVP Help Line The SVP is on hand to help anyone who needs their support or advice. **Contact Ann Knox 01273 301252.**



Sometimes, looking at our lives, we see only the things we lack and forget the talents we possess. Yet God gave them to us because He trusts us and asks us to make the most of the present moment, not yearning for the past, but waiting industriously for His return. Pope Francis@pontifex

Quiet Friday at Worth Abbey - 11th February: *Come away to some lonely place and rest for a while' (Mark 6:31)* If you can't manage a residential retreat, we are also pleased to be able to offer the opportunity to join us for the day. Arrivals are from 10:15 am for a 10:45 am start. Quiet Friday provides an atmosphere of prayerful silence where you can unwind, reflect and become more aware of God's presence in your life. For information please click on the link: [Quiet Fridays](#) To book a place call 01342 710318 or email: retreats@worth.org.uk

PLEASE BE AWARE Due to the to the current situation with the Omicron variant, it is important to ensure the points below are followed in our churches:

1. It is hoped that those attending Church will continue, for the time being, to use Face Masks.
2. This will help to make everyone feel that they are in a safe place when entering our places of worship.
3. People displaying any symptoms of Covid-19 should stay at home and not travel to church or participate in person.
4. Please continue to use Hand sanitiser when entering the church.
5. At Holy Communion – please wait for the steward to guide you.

It is very important that **those who are medically exempt** from wearing masks feel welcome in our community celebrations. Thank you for your understanding.