

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



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PLEASE NOTE that due to COVID-19, the celebration of Mass in our church will take place without the public in attendance. For the time being masses, including those requested for your intentions, will continue to be celebrated in private. **Re: Live Streaming from OLOL. Please check Newsletter for LINK**
OPENING TIMES OF CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER MONDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY MORNINGS AND *TUESDAY AFTERNOON**
Due to CHURCH OPENING PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF MASS TIME THIS WEEK- **9.30am**
PLEASE CHECK THE PARISH WEBSITE REGULARLY FOR ANY UPDATES

Services and Intentions

THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

	6.30pm (Sat.) 10.30am	Vigil Mass Ss PETER AND PAUL	David Stainthorpe R.I.P. (R) People of the Parish
Monday 29 June	8.30-9.25am **9.30am 10.15am-11.15am	Adoration Mass Church Open for private prayer	Rosemary Higgins R.I.P.
Tuesday 30 June	8.30-9.25am **9.30am 10.15am-11.15pm **5.30pm-6.30pm	Adoration Mass <i>First Martyrs of the See of Rome</i> **Eucharistic Adoration ** <i>(At Home)</i> Church Open for private prayer	Brian O'Kane R.I.P. **Live Streaming from Church
Wednesday 1 July	-----	-----	-----
Thursday 2 July	8.30-9.25am **9.30am 10.15am-11.15am	Adoration Mass <i>St. Oliver Plunkett</i> Church Open for private prayer	Brian Daly R.I.P.
Friday 3 July	8.30-9.25am **9.30am 10.15am-11.15am 11.30m – 12.15pm	Adoration Mass <i>St. Thomas, Apostle</i> Church Open for private prayer Divine Mercy Prayers (At home)***	Veronica Wishart R.I.P. (R) ***OLOL Church Sanctuary will be visible via Live Streaming.
Sunday 5 July	6.30pm (Sat) 10.30am	Vigil Mass 14 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Tessa Carrington, Deceased Relatives & Friends R.I.P. People of the Parish

Please remember in your prayers recently deceased members of our parish. May they rest in peace.

Reopening of Places of Worship-----

--Statement from the Metropolitan Archbishops of the Catholic Church in England

“On Tuesday we heard the announcement that, from the 4th of July, places of worship will be able to reopen for prayer and services. We welcome this news with great joy.....With the easing of restrictions on worship with congregations, we tread carefully along the path that lies ahead. Our lives have been changed by the experience of the pandemic and it is clear that we cannot simply return to how things were before lockdown. We remain centred on the Lord Jesus and His command at the Last Supper to 'do this in memory of me'. We must now rebuild what it means to be Eucharistic Communities, holding fast to all that we hold dear, while at the same time exploring creative ways to meet changed circumstances.”

*******SEE FULL TEXT OF STATEMENT ON OUR WEBSITE*******

At time of going to press for this Newsletter, discussions are ongoing in our Parish to arrange the Timetable and ways to manage safely a return to having a congregation present for the celebration of Mass. - **DETAILS** will be published on our Parish Website and announced on the Parish Office Phone.

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



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

Please let Fr. Benny know if you would like a name added.

Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Patrick's – MASSES - LIVE STREAMING

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

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SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM marks the beginning of the Christian's life of Faith. At present we cannot plan celebrations until we are allowed to re-open our Churches for services but we can begin preparation now. Ring the parish office or e-mail to begin the process.

Planning your MARRIAGE – It is probably impossible at present to make definite plans, please remember that our diocesan guidance is that couples should give at least 12 months' notice of intention to marry in order to allow time for discernment, prayer and reflection. If you are engaged and wish to discuss preparation Courses etc. please contact Fr. Benny or Deacon Neil.

CAFOD Coronavirus emergency appeal: The effects of Covid-19 in developing countries are devastating. The most marginalized communities will be pushed further into poverty. Working with local partners, CAFOD is already responding on the ground to ensure food supplies, healthcare and hygiene. Your payers and gifts are needed more than ever to help the most disadvantaged. Donate at cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal. Please Gift Aid if you are a UK tax-payer, increasing the value of your donation by 25% at no further cost.

Young Family seeking three bedroom house to RENT. Any Information please to Fr. Benny

Mass for the Sick and their Families

NHS Front-Line workers and those working in Social Care

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales recognise that this time of the COVID-19 pandemic is affecting every person in our countries. Those who are sick, and their families, are suffering many hardships of isolation from contact with those they love. Our front-line workers in hospitals and in care homes all over our lands are giving exceptional service to those who are vulnerable at this time.

In order to show a spiritual solidarity with all those who are involved in the work described above, every Thursday a Catholic Bishop will celebrate Mass in the Cathedral which will be live-streamed for people to join.

This will take place every Thursday at 7.00pm



The next Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson

At Southwark Cathedral

On Thursday 2nd July at 7.00pm

By visiting the Cathedral webpage, or the Bishops' Conference Webpage (cbcew.org.uk) links for the live-streaming of these Masses can be found.

SVP 100K STEP CHALLENGE: St. Vincent's Tower House wish to raise much needed funds, so why not do something as a community, **GET FIT**, and help keep our food parcels going!
WALK 10,000 STEPS A DAY – FOR 10 DAYS IN JUNE
DONATE £10 TO TAKE PART
NOMINATE 10 OTHER PEOPLE



All donations to Tower House JustGiving page The link is:
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/st-Vincent-de-paul>
Every £10 donation pays for 2 meals for vulnerable people.

THANK YOU ALL for taking part. By popular demand the Step Challenge has been extended to the 12th July. Come on Friends of Tower House, get walking!!

MASS ON THE PHONE - If you are unable to access Live Streamed Mass you can listen to the celebration each **SUNDAY at 12 Noon** by ringing **St. Mary's Cathedral, Middlesborough** on **01642 130120**

Many Thanks to Ian Watson who has made it possible for us to have mass on line at Our Lady of Lourdes. The link for live-streaming is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc4VXBr3EOa43nCxxzB-Edw>

LOL School Whitehawk Food Bank Project Donations of food, tinned items, drinks and toiletries, can be left on the porch steps of the School. For collection contact: SVP Ann (301252) or Eve (303126) and for collection from Woodingdean area: zoegarbarz@lourdes.brighton.hove.sch.uk Thank you.

MAGNIFICAT – UNIVERSE & CATHOLIC TIMES (Now Amalgamated)– **TABLET -BIBLE ALIVE** – **MY DAY by DAY** - **MASS LEAFLETS** with Readings etc which we usually have in our Churches on Sundays. If you regularly purchase any of the above in the Church Porch and would like to continue to receive the latest editions – **YOU CAN EITHER:- Pick them up from the steps by the Presbytery/Parish Office Door.** Alternately, **if you are unable to collect please leave a message on the Parish Office Phone (01273 302903)** with your Name/Tel No and Address- **OR** send an e-mail to: ololandstp@outlook.com with these details and Newspaper, Booklet or Mass Sheet you request will be sent to you via Royal Mail.

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The website, www.ChurchPaper.co.uk, contains the latest editions of the newspapers: **A&B News, UCM s (Union of Catholic Mothers) Reach - Catholic Schools Paper.**

SVP Help Line During this period many people need our support and help. If you know of anyone who needs help, the SVP are on hand to look after the needs of our neighbours, be it shopping or giving support and advice when necessary. Contact Ann Knox on 01273 301252, john273knox@gmail.com

MEAL DELIVERY SERVICE St. Margaret's and Our Lady of Lourdes have been involved in organising a distribution service of hot lunches (£6 per head) on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. If anyone is interested, please ring Ann (301252) or Eve (303126). The meals will be delivered to your door by a volunteer group.

Act of Contrition

*Lord, I am sorry for the times I have sinned against you.
I am sorry because I've offended your infinite goodness
because I've turned my back on you.
I ask your forgiveness now. Embrace me in your mercy.
Out of your love that I may pick up again in full joy,
the call of discipleship to follow your son, Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns forever and ever. Amen.*

Knowing that the Mass is being celebrated; joining in spiritually in that celebration; watching the live-streaming of the Mass; following its prayers at home; making an act of spiritual communion: this is how we share in the Sacrifice of Christ in these days. These are the ways in which we will sanctify Sunday, and indeed every day.

An Act of Spiritual Communion is the best way for union with Christ.

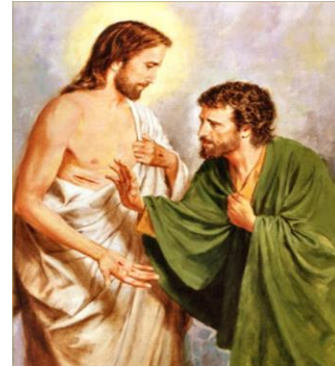
*My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament
I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul
Since I cannot at this moment receive you sacramentally
Come at least spiritually into my heart
I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly
to you. Never permit me to be separated from you. Amen.
St. Alphonsus Liguori*

*Mary, Our Mother,
Sustain us in moments of
darkness, difficulty and
apparent defeat.*

Pope Francis



St. Thomas Perhaps the best-known event in his life is the one from which the phrase “doubting Thomas” developed. In John 20:19–29 he was not among those disciples to whom the risen Christ first appeared, and, when they told the incredulous Thomas, he requested physical proof of the Resurrection, fulfilled when Christ reappeared and specifically asked Thomas to touch his wounds. His sudden realisation of truth (“My Lord and my God”) made Thomas the first person to explicitly acknowledge Jesus’ divinity. After Jesus ascended into heaven, Thomas shared the Gospel message with people in Syria, ancient Persia, and India. Thomas is still known today as the apostle of India for the many churches that he formed and helped build there.



Coronavirus indulgences evoke Francis' 'ridiculously-pardoning' church

This article appears in the [Coronavirus](#) feature series. [View the full series.](#)

ROME — Announcement of the Vatican's offering of new plenary indulgences to those around the world affected by the coronavirus may have left some Catholics asking, "We still do that?"

The answer is yes. And theologians say the move, made [in a March 20 decree](#) from the apostolic penitentiary, shows a seemingly unprecedented level of pastoral care for those who suffer from the virus — especially those who may die in isolation without being able to receive final rites.

Jesuit Fr. James Corkery, an Irish theologian at the Pontifical Gregorian University, said the decree fits with Pope Francis' vision for a "merciful, welcoming, 'ridiculously-pardoning' church.

Special Indulgence for the COVID-19 Pandemic

During these extraordinary days, we know that the ways in which we normally experience the working of grace through the Church have largely been suspended.

We cannot be physically present at Mass; the Sacrament of Reconciliation is almost impossible because of closed churches and social distancing and even the anointing of the sick and dying may be severely curtailed. However, through all of this Christ never abandons his people and all the baptised continue to make up the Body of Christ. To assure people of the certainty of grace and mercy, even without the normal recourse to the Sacraments the Holy Father has granted the gift of a *Plenary Indulgence* to all those affected by the Corona Virus in various ways. This extends to those suffering from the virus, their families, Healthcare workers and the general Faithful who are concerned at this time.

This moment of grace is an opportunity for us to be more completely free from the effects of sin. It can encourage us on our pilgrim path through these difficult times as we are assured of the Lord's healing, forgiveness and the promise of Eternal Life. The requirements for the Indulgence, which are set out in the Decree are gentle and achievable and form a wonderful opportunity for us simply to pray for each other at this time. Now across the world, when people are *staying apart to draw together*, we can all draw together across the Universal Church in this powerful act of Faith and Hope.