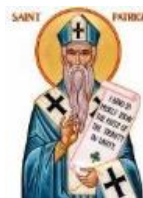


OUR LADY OF LOURDES, ROTTINGDEAN and ST. PATRICK'S, WOODINGDEAN



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Live Streaming of Masses from OLOL –

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**** OPENING TIME OF CHURCH FOR PRIVATE PRAYER THIS WEEK-----**

*******TUESDAY & FRIDAY MORNING AFTER MASS**

PLEASE NOTE MASS TIMES THIS WEEK ***Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 9.30am**

CONFESSIONS – Sacrament of Reconciliation - SATURDAYS - 5.45-6.15pm

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Services and Intentions

THE WORD WHO IS LIFE

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| Sunday 27 September | 6.30pm(Sat) OLOL 9.00am - St. Patrick's 10.30am OLOL | **Weekend Masses with Congregation **Vigil Mass **OUTDOOR MASS -Church Garden ** 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Intentions of Members of SVP John Cremin R.I.P. (A) People of the Parish |
| Monday 28 Sept | 8.55-9.25am **9.30am | <i>Adoration</i> Mass St. Wenceslaus **with Congregation | Mary Ruane R.I.P. |
| Tuesday 29 Sept | 8.30-9.25am **9.30am 10.00am – 11.00am | <i>Adoration</i> Mass The Archangels *****with Congregation Time of Adoration/Private Prayer | Victoria Schofield R.I.P. (R) |
| Wednesday 30 Sept | ----- | ----- | ----- |
| Thursday 1 October | 8.30-9.25am **9.30am | <i>Adoration</i> Mass St. Therese of the Child Jesus *****with Congregation | Welfare of Vanessa Cheong |
| Friday 2 October | 8.30-9.25am **9.30am 10.00am – 10.30am | <i>Adoration</i> Mass The Holy Guardian Angels *****with Congregation Divine Mercy Prayer Time | Anna Gardiner R.I.P. (R) |
| Saturday 3 October | 10.30am | First Holy Communion Mass | For First Holy Communion Children and their families |
| Sunday 4 October | 6.30pm (Sat) OLOL 9.00am - St. Patrick's 10.30am OLOL | **Weekend masses with Congregation **Vigil Mass **OUTDOOR MASS-Church Garden ** 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Diana Coutts R.I.P. (R) People of the Parish Jim Curtis R.I.P. |

OFFERTORIES Thank you for last week's offertory collection: OLOL £262.98 and for 2nd Collection for The Home Missions: £94.97. THANKS also to those who have Standing Orders.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all those recently deceased members of our parish and others known to us. May they rest in peace. Please remember their families also at this time.

SAYING & DOING

We have the freedom to 'Yes' or 'No' to God. But this means we are responsible for our actions. We sometimes abuse our freedom, but God in his goodness calls us to repentance. The parable of the two sons in today's Gospel was addressed to the chief priests and elders of the people. The purpose was to defend Jesus' invitation of sinners and outcasts to the Kingdom. The parable outraged the 'religious' people. The first son represents sinners. Like him they originally chose to go their own way but then repented and took God's way, and so gained entry into the Kingdom. The second son represents the chief priests and elders. Like him they promised to work for God but failed to do so, and so have excluded themselves from the Kingdom.

REPENTANCE is a necessary disposition for entry in the Kingdom. This parable echoes a favourite theme of Matthew: the split in the 'religious' person between **saying** and **doing**. It has relevance for all of us.

Faithfulness is one of the greatest and most necessary things in life BUT faithfulness is costly. It is not an easy road. It demands unselfishness and a spirit of sacrifice which brings the rewards of joy and peace to one's life. There is no happiness for the person who gives their word but fails to honour it. It is said that a person is 'as good as his/her word'. If this is so, then the question I must ask myself is: HOW GOOD IS MY WORD?

Flor McCarthy SDB

THIS WEEKEND - 2nd Collection Education of Future Priests: Baskets at entrance and exit from the church.
2nd Collection Next Weekend - 4th October: Peter's Pence

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



BAPTISM marks the beginning of the Christian's life of Faith and preparation can now begin.
Ring the parish office or e-mail to start the process.



CONGRATULATIONS and prayers for our candidates Zara Graham, Daviana Nsubuga, Henry Jordan and Magdalena Pinczewska, who made their First Holy Communion this weekend at Our Lady of Lourdes.

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, Veronica Westbury, Colin Allen and Tara Vernon.

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

Planning your MARRIAGE – It is probably very difficult 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, preparation, prayer and reflection. If you are engaged and wish to discuss preparation Courses etc. please contact Fr. Benny or Deacon Neil.

Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Patrick's – MASSES - LIVE STREAMING
Link: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc4VXBr3EOa43nCxxzB-Edw>
See Parish Website: www.ololandstp.org FOR AL UPDATES

NEW RESTRICTIONS *Social gatherings of more than six people, indoors or out, will not be allowed by law. The new rule applies to people in private homes, and public outdoor spaces. Please limit your interactions with parishioners after mass and disperse as quickly as possible.*

UPDATE ON COVID 19

Visits to the Sick Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion should take particular care when visiting the sick in their parish (see guidance published by Bishop's Conference on 25th August 2020). They should not visit successive households in one session but should space home visits over a period of time, taking care with all aspects of hygiene between visits.

Some Reminders about Distribution of Holy Communion The very last thing you should do before distributing Holy Communion, is to sanitise your hands. Avoid touching your face covering or face whilst distributing Holy Communion and If you come into contact with a communicant by accident, please sanitise your hands.

Track and Trace In keeping with the track and trace system, please add your name to the sign on list in the porch.

NHS COVID-19 APP Those who can, please utilise the NHS COVID-19 APP which was launched on 24th September. The official NHS QR Code Poster, which will guide you through the process, is displayed on the table in the church porch. Thank you.

Need for more STEWARDS We are very grateful to those who have been giving generously of their time by acting as Stewards in our Churches since July 4th. We do NEED more people to volunteer for this role so that we can continue with the present number of masses and Church opening times. If you can help please fill in a Volunteer Form which is on our Website. Hard copies are also available in the Churches.

Many hands make light work – please share the burden

Monday Monthly Prayer Group - 28th September at 8.00pm On the last Monday of each month there will be a prayer group on Zoom, the first one taking place on 28th September for the 45 minutes that the free Zoom allows. It can include Ignatian Meditation, Lectio Divina, and I hope to explore some of my ideas around a Slow Rosary and something that I am calling Here and Now. If you would like to join us please email me at tracy.stickland@gmail.com

Fund Raising for Our Lady of Lourdes – Details to follow.

CONFESSIONS - Sacrament of Reconciliation – 5.45-6.15pm on Saturdays

40 days for life - to pray for an end to abortion, began on 2 September and will end on 2 November This Vigil is worldwide. There is a Vigil at Wistons Clinic, Brighton. If you can give one hour or more, please contact Sheridan Lynch: brighton40daysforlife@btinternet.com or telephone 07803047402. If you cannot attend, please pray for this Peaceful Vigil. Thank you.

PLEASE BE AWARE

It is essential to be at the church **15 minutes** before mass starts, so that a steward can show you where to sit.

Please enter the church in the normal way and **exit** through the double doors at the rear of the church.

Important: Please **sanitise** your hands on entry into the church. Refrain from touching anything in the porch.

There will be no sign of peace. **Kneelers** in the pews should not be used.

Receiving Communion: Please remain seated until directed by a steward to proceed. **Communion** can only be taken in the hand with your arms outstretched to the full so that there is the required distance between you and the priest.

Important: **At Communion** after the response: 'Lord I am not worthy....' the priest will hold up the Host to the congregation and say "THE BODY OF CHRIST" to which the people respond "AMEN". In the same way the people say "AMEN" after he has elevated the Chalice. This enables the people's Communion to be distributed in silence with no dialogue, as they have already acclaimed the presence of the Lord.

There will be collection baskets for Offertory Collection at the entrance and exit from the church.

FACE MASKS are now compulsory in churches and places of worship and in enclosed spaces at all times.

NEWSLETTER SHEETS If you pick up a copy of the newsletter please take it home with you.

In the interest of health and safety, they should not be left on the pews.

AT COMMUNION TIME, to adhere to social distancing rules, please remain in your pew until directed by a steward to proceed to the Altar to receive Holy Communion. **Thank you**

SVP Help Line During this period many people need our support and help. If you know of anyone who needs help, the SVP members 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

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>

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St Patrick's Open Air Mass outside will continue this weekend and while weather permits.

St. Patrick's bookable masses (Eventbrite) Masses on a free ticket basis – maximum number 31 for masses inside. Parishioners will need to print or show their tickets. For further information follow the link: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/st-patricks-sunday-mass-tickets-120007661145>

Poems Out Loud For Zoom link email Patrick Bond: patrickgpbond@yahoo.co.uk

LOL School will continue to support the Whitehawk Food Bank Project Information about future food collections will be posted on the School Website www.ourladyoflourdesprimaryschool.co.uk

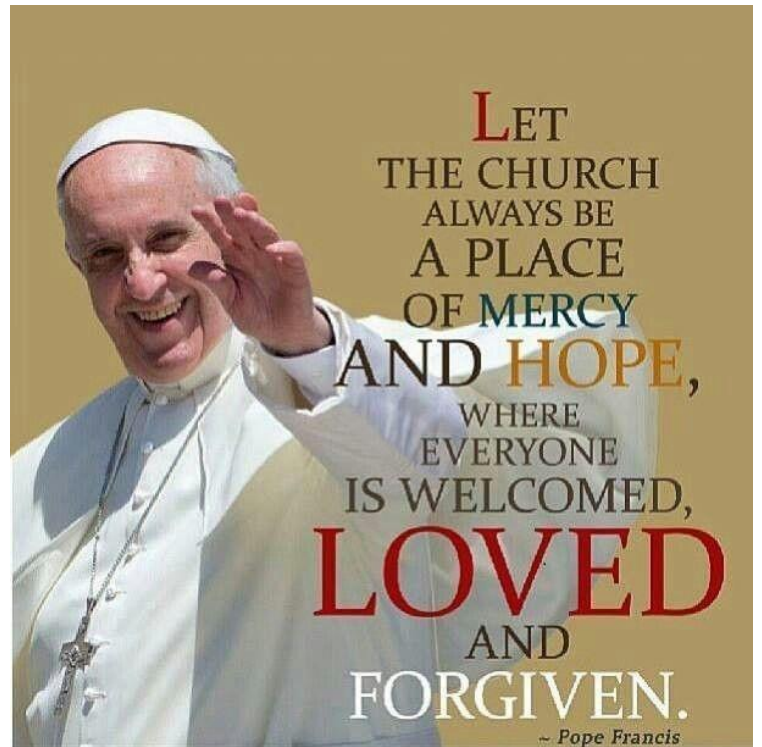
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The Holy Father's Monthly Intention for
October
The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by the virtue of baptism, the laity especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.



ST. MICHAEL ARCHANGEL

MEANS "WHO IS AS GOD?"

He is one of the main angels. His name is a battle cry; both shield and weapon in the struggle against the enemy.



ST. RAPHAEL ARCHANGEL

MEANS "DIVINE HEALER"

He is friend of the walkers and doctor of the sick both physically and spiritually.



ST. GABRIEL ARCHANGEL

MEANS "STRENGTH OF GOD"

He had one of the most important missions: announcing Virgin Mary that she would be the Mother of the Messiah.

Heavenly Father, you have given us archangels to assist us during our pilgrimage on earth.

Saint Michael is our protector, I ask him to come to my aid, fight for all my loved ones, and protect us from danger.

Saint Gabriel is a messenger for the Good News, I ask him to help me clearly, hear your voice and to teach me the truth.

Saint Raphael is the healing angel, I ask him to take my need for healing and that of everyone I know, lift it up to your throne of grace and deliver back to us the gift of recovery.

Help us O Lord to realise more fully the reality of the archangels and their desire to serve us. Holy Angels pray for us. Amen

The liturgy celebrates the feast of these three archangels who are venerated in the tradition of the Church. Michael (Who is like God?) was the archangel who fought against Satan and all his evil angels, defending all the friends of God. He is the protector of all humanity from the snares of the devil. Gabriel (Strength of God) announced to Zachariah the forthcoming birth of John the Baptist, and to Mary, the birth of Jesus. His greeting to the Virgin, "Hail, full of grace," is one of the most familiar and frequent prayers of the Christian people. Raphael (Medicine of God) is the archangel who took care of Tobias on his journey.