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(Arundel and Brighton Diocesan Trust – Registered Charity 252878)
Society of the Catholic Apostolate (Pallottines)

Parish Priest: Fr Eamonn Monson, SCA

Parish Deacon: Rev. Duncan Brown

Normal Mass Times

Sundays: 6.00pm (Sat), 10.00am, 11.30am. Tuesday to Saturday: 10.00am

Adoration: Saturdays: 10.30am to 11am.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 10.30am and after the 6.00pm Mass.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 30th September 2018 YEAR B

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RCIA

We invite adults who are interested in becoming Catholics and who wish to follow the RCIA programme to contact Fr. Eamonn or Deacon Duncan

CONFIRMATION

We also invite young people who wish to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation to contact Fr. Eamonn or Deacon Duncan.

PARISH FINANCES

The offertory collection last weekend came to £728.38 including cheques and standing orders. Many thanks to all concerned.

PARISH COMMUNITY CLUB In the Crypt. Entrance via blue door in The Bourne. Mondays 10.30am to 12 noon. Annual subscription £3. Coffee/tea & biscuit, 50p.

1 October: Talk on Little Gate Farm.

Talks free to members, 50p to guests.

PARISH/SCHOOL HARVEST MASS

We will be welcoming pupils and staff of the Sacred Heart School to our 10am Sunday Mass on October 14th.

The pupils' donations of non-perishable food at this Harvest Mass will be donated to the Food Bank.

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the repose of the soul of
JOHN BUMSTEAD
Funeral Mass: Friday October 19th at 10 am
May he rest in peace

Parking.

We kindly request parishioners not to block other cars in the church car park.

DIVINE MERCY GROUP

Do join us in the presbytery at 2.30pm on
Mondays: 8.10.18, 22.10.18 and 5.11.18

A BLESSING AT COMMUNION TIME

Non-Catholics and those who have not received First Communion are invited to seek a blessing by crossing their arms over their chest.

Anyone intending to get married in the diocese of Arundel & Brighton is required to give notice of one year.

Next week Tuesday October 2nd to Friday 5th a Liturgy of the Word will replace Mass. Fr Eamonn will be attending the annual Pallottine community retreat in London.

A date for your diary!

The Knights of St. Columba Autumn Charity Quiz, Saturday 13 October at 7.45 promptly, Holy Redeemer Church Hall, Upper Church Road, St. Leonard's. Includes light refreshments. Tickets £5.00 Family £12.00 On sale after Mass from mid - September or phone 754721 now.

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD BORN BETWEEN 1 SEPTEMBER 2014 AND 31 AUGUST 2015?

If so, they are due to start school for the first time in September 2019. Apply by 15 January 2019 at www.eastsussex.gov.uk/admissions You will also need to complete the Sacred Heart School's Supplementary Information Form available from the school office or download from website www.sacredhearthatings.co.uk

GRANDPARENTS/ PARISHIONERS COME TO TEA

The Sacred Heart School welcomes all grandparents and parishioners on Wednesday 3rd October at 2pm for a tour of the school with Year 6 pupils, followed by refreshments in the school hall. Donations of cakes for this event can be handed in to the school office on the day and would be very much appreciated. Thank you.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 29th September, 6pm: Helen Connor RIP (1st anniversary)

Sun. 30th September, 10am: Vicente D'Souza

11.30am: Imelda Knight RIP

Sat. 6th October, 10.00am, Our Lady on Saturday: June Page RIP

STATEMENT FROM THE CATHOLIC BISHOPS OF ENGLAND AND WALES

24 SEPTEMBER 2018 (Extract)

As we gather in Rome for our visit 'ad Limina Apostolorum', we have spent time together reflecting again on the impact of the recent reports containing stark revelations of child sexual abuse within the Catholic Church, including in England and Wales, and of evident failures of local leadership.

These recent reports, shocking as they are, have caused us to reflect again on our own leadership and on the responsibilities we hold in England and Wales for ensuring that safeguarding is embedded in every aspect of the life of the Church. Today we have decided to ask the National Catholic Safeguarding Commission to commission an entirely independent and comprehensive review of the safeguarding structures that currently operate within the Catholic Church in England and Wales. Importantly, we will seek to ensure that the voices of the victims and survivors of abuse, through the Survivors Advisory Panel established by the NCSC, fully inform the review and its recommendations. In calling for this review, we are taking an important step towards meeting the Holy Father's recent injunction in his 'Letter to the People of God' in respect of sexual abuse: "no effort must be spared to create a culture able to prevent such situations from happening" (20 August 2018). Each bishop has decided that he will take steps to set aside time for the purpose of meeting with victims and survivors of clerical abuse who live in his diocese. This will be done in cooperation with the Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator, to assist the bishop in responding in the best possible way to those who speak to him, in his pastoral role as their bishop, of their pain, hurt and anger. May God guide us during this week and in this work, that the voice of Christ, crying out in those who have suffered, may be heard with compassion and discernment.

The full statement is available on the Safeguarding Notice board and online at <https://www.dabnet.org/News/View/251>

STREET PASTORS

Further to Street Pastors co-ordinator Martin West's visit to our Masses last weekend, here is some information for anyone who would like to go along for a taster duty:

We meet at Wellington Square Church (via one of the 2 lower doors opposite the Snooker Hall) at 9.25pm and go out at 10pm. We usually come in for a break around 12.30am. A taster duty can be for part or all the night. Please phone Martin on 07964 167870 so he can let the team know who is coming. Remember there is opportunity to either Street or Prayer Pastor (or both!) and that the commitment for potential volunteers is once a month:

Thursdays October 4th, 18th November 1st, 15th, 29th December 13th

Fridays October 12th, 26th November 9th, 23rd December 7th, 21st

Saturdays October 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th. November 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th. December 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 31st (2 teams out on the busy New Year Eve which ends nearer 4am than 3am)

DIOCESAN GRANDPARENTS' FORMATION DAY

Thursday 4th October at St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham RH12 2PJ.

Starts with Mass at 10am. Ends 3.30pm. Take packed lunch.

To book, and also to find out more about Grandparents' Week, 29th September to 7th October, please contact katherine.bergin@dabnet.org or on 01293 651152.

British Sign Language (BSL) Courses in Crawley Interested in learning British Sign Language and Liturgical Signs with a view to being able to communicate more effectively with people who are deaf or hard of hearing? Here is your opportunity! Eventually you may be able to help by using BSL in liturgies, at parish even, and even supporting someone who is deaf, with preparation for a sacrament. We are offering **FREE Taster Sessions on Tuesday 2nd October:**

Level 1 (Beginners) at St Mary's Hall, Guildford GU2 8BP : 11.00 – 13.00

Level 1 (Beginners) at St Edward's Church Hall, Pound Hill, Crawley RH10 7EQ : 18.30 – 20.30

Level 2 at St Edward's Church Hall, Pound Hill, Crawley RH10 7EQ : 15.30 – 18.00

MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARIES MASS

Saturday 6th October, at St Joseph's Church, Redhill, 11.30am, celebrated by Bishop Richard, for those couples celebrating a special anniversary in 2018. Booking essential – contact rosie.read@dabnet.org for a booking form.