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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.

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There is a second collection this weekend  
for the Catholic Communications Network.

Parish Finances

The offertory collection last weekend came to £1004.60 including cheques and standing orders. The collection for the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese came to £128.48.

Many thanks to all concerned.

There will be no Mass on Tuesday June 4th.  
A service of the Word will be held instead.

Best wishes and blessings  
to Fr. Miceal Beatty, Good Shepherd Parish,  
who celebrates 20 years of priesthood.

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
**RONALD MILLENEK**  
who died recently.  
May he rest in peace.

SUMMER FAYRE AT  
SACRED HEART SCHOOL

Is on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July from 3.15pm. Members of the PTFA will be selling tickets after our 10am Masses on 9<sup>th</sup> June (First Holy Communion) and 16<sup>th</sup> June. Tickets 50p each or £2.50 per book.

CAN FAITH AND SCIENCE BE RECONCILED? A presentation by Fr Andrew Pinsent, formally a physicist on the ELPHI Experiment at the CERN laboratory. He is now Research Director of the Ian Ramsay Centre for Science and Religion at Oxford. Q&A and refreshments to follow. At St Martha's Church Hall, Cooden Sea Road, Little Common, Bexhill TN39 4SP on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 7.30 till 9pm. All welcome.

CONFIRMATION

Our candidates are receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation at St Thomas of Canterbury Church today, Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June at 3pm.

We wish them every blessing.

Next Sunday June 9th, Feast of Pentecost,  
we will have First Holy Communion at the 10.00am Mass. Please pray for all our children and their families.

On Sunday June 23rd at 3.00pm  
we will hold a Eucharist Procession for the Feast of Corpus Christi

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER MEETINGS

All are welcome to join us at 2.30pm on Mondays: 3.6.19, 17.6.19, 1.7.19, 15.7.19, 29.7.19. No meeting on 22.4.19

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.

Seaview Homeless Services:

If you wish to donate clothes to the Seaview Project please bring them directly to their centre on Hatherley Road, St. Leonard's on Sea TN37 6LB. They are not in a position to come here to collect the clothes. They also ask that we donate only small or medium size clothes as most people they serve tend to be physically small. The Project expressed their gratitude for the donations they have received to date.

PARISH COMMUNITY CLUB

In the Crypt. Entrance via blue door in The Bourne.  
Mondays 10.30am to 12 noon.

## MASS INTENTIONS

Sat. 1<sup>st</sup> June, 6pm: Dr Ita Fitzgerald RIP

Sun. 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 10am: Dr Ita Fitzgerald RIP

11.30am: Ronald Millenek RIP

Tues. 4<sup>th</sup> June, 10am: Liturgy of the Word

Wed. 5<sup>th</sup> June, St Boniface, Bishop, Martyr: 10am: Colin Rendle RIP, anniversary

Thurs. 6<sup>th</sup> June, 10am: Special Intention

Fri. 7<sup>th</sup> June, 10am: Kathleen Gaynor RIP

Sat. 8<sup>th</sup> June, 10am: Dr Maurice Fitzgerald RIP

### Julia

I got out of bed on at home in Galway on a Monday morning. Pulled back the curtains. Looked out into the silent streets of Mervue and noticed that Evelyn Foy's car wasn't there. It's the kind of thing neighbours notice. Her mother was in hospital so I sent her a text to see if everything was alright. Her brother Sean phoned me to say the family had been called to the hospital at 7.00am because Julia had had a bad night.

I dressed fast and got there shortly after 8.30am, there being no traffic to speak of. The curtain was pulled around my bed, her four children around her, boys on one side, girls on the other. Julia's head rested childlike against the side rail, protected by a folded brown blanket.

When I had seen her the previous day she talked with clarity about my Mother and Maura. How much she wanted to see them. Then something slipped in her mind and clarity left once again, as it does.

We prayed. She participated, blessing herself frequently, continuing to pray alone after the rest of us had finished. "I'm convinced that God and the Blessed Virgin are coming to help me" she said, sounding a lot like my Mother in the lead-up to her death the previous year. She asked us to pray in Irish which we did

Julia lasted until the following Thursday morning. Sometimes agitated, sometimes peaceful. She even sang 'Lady of Knock' with one of her granddaughters.

For us Monsons it was moving to hear how often she spoke of Mam and Maura. She saw Mam standing at the foot of her bed one day and said, "I'm not ready yet Maureen!" I had the privilege of celebrating her funeral Mass on the lovely morning of June 1<sup>st</sup>. Our relationship with Julia, a happy and wholesome relationship, goes back to 1952 when both our families rented one-room flats in Newcastle House in a time of great simplicity when families had little, had to struggle to make ends meet and they shared the little generously with each other. *Eamonn Monson sac*

Calling all Grandparents! Diocesan Grandparents' Pilgrimage 2019. Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, Park Lane, West Grinstead RH13 8LT Wednesday 12 June 10.30 to 15.00. With Bishop Richard. Adoration and Reconciliation, Visit to Secret Chapel\*, Mass with Bishop Richard, Retiring Collection for Upkeep of Shrine. Coffee and tea provided, please bring packed lunch. Limited parking, please car share if possible. Please book: [Rosie.Read@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:Rosie.Read@abdiocese.org.uk) or 01293 651161 \*Masses were held here throughout the Reformation

Please remember in your prayers all who are ill, including:

Zandro, Patricia Burns, Maria Alissa, Jenny Rowley, Fr Gerard Hatton, Hazel Fischer, Martin Kavanagh, Tracey, Peter Ashwood, Linda Fox, Linda Deeley, Helen Surges, Barry Amar, David McIntosh, Paul, James Grant, Win Goldsmith, Yvonne, Peg Metson, Young Tessa-Mae, Beverley Lambeth, Alan Turner, Margaret Aris, Sheila Black, Debbie Wood, Jacob, Lila Brooker, Tracy Coal, Christopher Browne, Michael Ramsay, Spencer Ramsay, Michelle Spencer, Rosa Santos and Tommy Gaynor.

OUR NEXT BAPTISM COURSE is on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June, starting with Mass in the church at 10am. The course ends at 12 noon.

Parents requesting Baptism for babies and toddlers in the 3 months from 15<sup>th</sup> June are required to attend. Please come with a possible date in mind.

Mass intentions: If you would like a Mass to be offered for someone who has died or for a get well or birthday etc intention, just go into the parish office in the presbytery after any Mass. A Mass is a powerful present to give. Mass stipends are £10.