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**Office Hours for Hall Bookings and Baptism Certificates 10am-2pm Mon-Fri**

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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.

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 22nd September 2019 YEAR C

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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.

PARISH COMMUNITY CLUB

In the Crypt. Entrance via blue door in The Bourne.

Mondays 10.30am to 12 noon.

September programme:

23<sup>rd</sup>: Outing – club members only

30<sup>th</sup>: Coffee & Chat

Members free with annual £5 subscription.

Guests welcome: £1 per talk.

Tea or coffee with biscuit 50p.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER MEETINGS

All are welcome to join us at 2.30pm on Mondays: September 30<sup>th</sup>, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>, November 11<sup>th</sup>.

GRANDPARENTS/ PARISHIONERS

'COME TO TEA'

Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 2pm for a tour of the school with Year 6 pupils, followed by refreshments in the school hall. Donations of cakes can be handed into the school office on the day and would be very much appreciated. Thank you!

The Day of Reflection for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on 28<sup>th</sup> Sept is postponed as Bishop Richard has to be away on the day

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 19<sup>th</sup> October, 3.30 pm free admission to Solemn Vespers at Westminster Cathedral in celebration of the canonisation of Cardinal John Henry Newman. Seating starts at 2.45pm

HOPE KITCHEN

[www.hopekitchenhastings.org.uk](http://www.hopekitchenhastings.org.uk) are appealing for volunteers. You can contact Dr Mike Cooper at [tfmcooper@gmail.com](mailto:tfmcooper@gmail.com) or Edward Towner at [edwardtowner@towners.co.uk](mailto:edwardtowner@towners.co.uk)

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the repose of the soul of  
FR MICHAEL CREMIN SAC  
who died recently  
May he rest in peace

DO YOU HAVE A CHILD BORN BETWEEN 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER 2015 AND 31<sup>st</sup> AUGUST 2016?

If so, they are due to start school in September 2020. Apply by 15<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at

[www.eastsussex.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/admissions) Also, you will need to complete our Supplementary Information Form, available from the school office or at [www.sacredhearhastings.co.uk](http://www.sacredhearhastings.co.uk) Please look at parish newsletters, which will confirm when Fr Eamonn will be available to sign forms.

FAIR TRADE & TEA/COFFE  
AFTER 10am MASS ON SUNDAYS

From October 2019 we hope to help our parish to become more involved in Fair Trade as part of our mission to help Third World countries. In order to do this, we will start with the coffee and tea that we use in our social get-together after 10 o'clock Mass on Sundays.

PLEASE HELP us to do this.

1 Come down to the hall for tea, coffee and a chat with other parishioners.

2 Is there anyone who would like to order and sell Fair Trade products in the parish? Please speak to Claire Power in the hall after 10 o'clock Sunday Mass if you would like to know more about this.

3 Would you be available to make the drinks and wash up one Sunday each month? If you can help please speak to whoever is making the tea next Sunday.

And finally, a huge thank you to everyone who has heroically worked in our kitchen at parish events, particularly since the dishwasher stopped working!

### MASS INTENTIONS AND FEASTS

Sat. 21st September, 6pm: Simon Cummins RIP and Paul Murphy RIP

Sun. 22nd September, 10am: Wendy Nanji RIP

11.30am: John Bumstead RIP, anniversary

Tues. 24th September, Our Lady of Walsingham, 10 am: Intentions of Hazel Gordon and Tracey Fisher

Wed. 25th September, 10am: O'Hara Family

Thurs. 26th September, 10am: Helen & Mark Connor RIP

Fri. 27th September, St Vincent de Paul, Priest, 10am: Oliver Family

Sat. 28th September, 10am: Mullen Family

#### Mass intentions:

If you would like a Mass for a special intention or for the repose of the soul of someone who has died, just go into the presbytery after any Mass to book it. The stipend for a Mass is £10.

Please remember in your prayers all who are ill, including: Jenny Rowley, Fr Gerard Hatton, Peter Ashwood, Barry Amar, Win Goldsmith, Martin Kavanagh, Linda Fox, Linda Deeley, Helen Surges, Lynton Wakeham, David McIntosh, James Grant, Sharon, Paul, Yvonne, 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.

#### REFLECTION

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that we cannot serve both God and money.

God, who is Love, has to be our only desire, the only Lord of our life.

Love is the boat that ferries us; Love the sea on which we sail strong-hearted waves; Jesus the sure sailor, Holy Spirit the enfolding wind and God the Father the Island - destiny of all desire.

During my summer holiday this year, I sailed to the Aran islands, and on the island I went to I found this prayer of St. Colmcille at his Holy Well:

"Lord, Thou art my island;

in Thy bosom I rest.

Thou art the calm of the sea;

in that peace I stay.

Thou art the deep waves

of the shining ocean.

With their eternal sound I sing.

Thou art the song of the birds;

in that tune is my joy.

Thou art the smooth white strand of the shore;

in Thee is no gloom.

Thou art the breaking of the waves on the rock;

Thy praise is echoed in the swell.

Thou art the Lord of my life."

It is an island of many monastic saints, including St. Enda (Eanna) whose name I took for my Confirmation. I love to pray at his altar in the small chapel in Killeany cemetery. I made a cross of stones there, holding fast to the faith we have in common and, even though that faith has largely gone into hiding, the truth of it will abide. Jesus will always remain the destiny of all desire. With time, patience and prayer and above all by grace, I have found all my desires - one by one - to be honed, shaped and purified in the furnace of humiliation, in the ever-surprising grace of ministry and in the fire of His Divine Love. The process continues as I am brought low by memory of what I perceive as past failure and turning aside again to Him, to what it is that He has done, is doing and will do in my life.

*Eamonn Monson sac*

#### SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL GOVERNOR VACANCIES

Is a successful, over-subscribed primary school and has 2 vacancies on their Governing Body. We are seeking volunteers who can bring their business experience into the world of education and continue to work with the school to ensure every pupil reaches their full potential. We would particularly volunteers with a finance background to express their interest. For further details, please contact the Chair: [chair@sacred-heart.e-sussex.sch.uk](mailto:chair@sacred-heart.e-sussex.sch.uk)

#### MISSION AT GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH 5<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> October

Led by Fr Stephen Morrison o.praem, with Masses, Confession, Adoration, daily conference.

Full timetable at <file:///D:/8th%20Sept%202019/timetable.pdf> or see timetable on display at Holy Redeemer or St Thomas of Canterbury Church, St Leonards-on-sea. All are welcome.