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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.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY.

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, 10th NOVEMBER 2019 YEAR C

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We extend a warm welcome to Amanda, Vicky, and Angela from Sion Community who are giving the School Mission at St. Richard's this week. They will speak at the Masses on Sunday and we pray that the Mission will be a source of great blessing for the students.

Blessing of graves in Fairlight

will take place today, Sunday November 10th at 3pm

BAZAAR

This annual fundraiser takes place on Saturday 30th November in the hall from 10.30am. Please leave donations of books, bric-a-brac and toiletries in the box at the back of the church (which is under the table near the doors leading to the toilets).

HASTINGS FOODBANK

Has written to thank us for our support, including our recent Harvest donation. Since 2016, the foodbank has seen a remarkable increase in referrals, and donations make a difference to some of the most vulnerable people in the town. Please continue to leave donations of in-date, non-perishable foods in the crate at the back of the church.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD AT OUR 10am
MASSES ON SUNDAYS

If you feel called by God to the ministry of children's liturgist or helper and would like to find out more, please email stmarystarofthesea.hastings.uk@gmail.com
Please type CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEAM in the subject line of your email.
Or text 07850 561828

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. November 2019 Programme:
11: Coffee & chat
18: Grey Owl – Shirley Kleinot – Gang Show
25: Coffee & chat & wrapping for Bazaar.
Members free with annual £5 subscription. Guests welcome: £1 per talk. Tea or coffee with biscuit 50p.

NEXT BAPTISM COURSE

is on Saturday 23rd November, starting with 10am Mass. Course ends 12 noon. Babies and children welcome. Please have a possible date for Baptism in mind when you come.

We are looking for someone with a vehicle that can accommodate a parishioner and her wheelchair. The lady would like to be brought to the Parish Bazaar on November 30th.

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for the repose of the souls of

LESLIE PEGG

Funeral Mass: 14th November at 10am

and

ELAINE FELLOWS

Funeral will take place at Hastings Crematorium on Wednesday

May they rest in peace

Bible Study Group

Anyone interested in setting up or joining a Bible Study Group should contact Father Eamonn or Deacon Duncan.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We need a group of people to look after the parish hall. This is such an important ministry.

Please contact Mary at the parish house.

**BONFIRE NIGHT AT SACRED HEART
SCHOOL**

Is on Friday 15th November. Members of the PTFA will be selling tickets after our 10am Masses today, 10th November.

BEREAVEMENT CEREMONY

As part of the 6pm Saturday evening Mass this weekend, there will be a special ceremony for everyone in our parish who has been bereaved, particularly those who have lost a family member in the last year. Tea and coffee will be served in the parish house after the Mass. Do join us.

SECOND COLLECTION FOR ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL
MAINTENANCE FUND NEXT WEEKEND (GIFT AID)

CONFIRMATION

The certificates for those confirmed last year will be presented to the candidates on Sat 23rd November, the Feast of Christ the King, at the 6.00 pm Mass.

MASS INTENTIONS AND FEASTS Please note that if your Mass intention is replaced by a funeral Mass, or if there is a Liturgy of the Word on that day, your Mass will be moved to the next available date.

Sat. 9th November, 6pm: Special Intention

Sun. 10th November, 10am: Dryden Mitchell RIP
11.30am: Daniela Salacka RIP

Tues. 12th November, 1st St Josaphat, Bishop, Martyr, Ruthenian Catholic, 10 am: Dawn McGrath RIP

Wed. 13th November, 10am: Margaret Terrill RIP

Thur, 14th November., 10am: Intentions of Farrell Family living and deceased

Fri. 15th November, 10am: Teresa Healy RIP

Sat. 16th November, Our Lady on Saturday, 10am: Hildegard & Edward Dezateux RIP

Please remember in your prayers all who are ill, including: Jenny Rowley, Peter Ashwood, Barry Amar, Win Goldsmith, James Grant, Martin Kavanagh, Hazel Gordon, Tracey Fischer, Maggie Burnes, Yvonne Flynn, Nelson Brojan, Lawrence French, Sabina Sweeney, John Loftus, Young Tessa-Mae, Stephen Gurden, Maureen McKenna, Christine Jennings, Freda Barrell, 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

A few years back I spent a bleak November day grieving in the rain. Grieving the loss of my parents, sister and others who were close to me in this world; grieving my mistakes, failures and shameful memories. And I emerged from that day into new hope, for I know that when we are faithful to grief, we will always find hope in Christ. The opening ceremony of the Barcelona Olympics comes to mind and I think of myself as the flaming arrow shot forth by the archer to light the Olympic flame. That is the journey, the Camino – lighting the fire, fanning into a flame the gift of God. And to my surprise and pleasure, the clouds parted, the weather cleared, the sun shone and I sang other songs. Thus, we emerge through the clouds of grief into the brightness of a new day and those who have died emerge to live in the brightness of a new and eternal dawn. And I learned that day what I had known all my life but now know at a deeper level, that the tomb is not the end. The graveyard of our sorrows, deaths and failures becomes a place of hope in Christ. It is the location of the resurrection, the transient resurrections of this world and the complete resurrection into eternity. On this Remembrance Sunday, as we pray for our deceased loved ones and all the dead, as Christians we have this assurance that death is not the end. Life is changed, not ended. Our God is the God of the living, "for to him everyone is alive" (Luke 20:38) *Eamonn Monson sac*

PRAYER OF OUR TUESDAY BEREAVEMENT GROUP

Dear Lord, You hold time within your hands and see it all, from beginning to end. Please keep and carry the bereaved families in this parish on their journey through sadness and loss.

Enfold them in your wings of love; give their weary hearts rest and their minds consolation.

Lord, lift their eyes so that they may catch a glimpse of eternity. And be comforted with the promise that we will all meet again and be together for ever with you in heaven.

Give us in our community the love, compassion and wisdom to be true friends and to be sensitive to the individual journey that each is travelling on in their times of need.

We ask all this in the precious name of Jesus. Amen

Mimi and her team would like to thank everyone who helped out and donated to the jumble sale. We raised an incredible £1000, which will be split between the Snowflake Charity and the Church – we now hope to make this an annual fundraising event. We received some very generous donations on the day too, which was wonderful! Finally, a huge thank you to Father Eamonn and Mary, without whose help and support this would not have been possible.

ADVENT CALENDARS

Sadly, so-called Advent calendars are already in the shops, from beauty calendars to Nickelodeon Slime calendars. Real Advent calendars that focus on the Nativity of Jesus can be found at Tesco or Aid to the Church in Need

https://acnuk.org/products/?keywords=Advent&product_type=34&product_category=108&search=1&filter=Search

CHRISTMAS POSTAGE STAMPS with beautiful scenes from the Nativity are now for sale. Do ask for these Nativity-themed stamps when you are in the Post Office.

THINKING OF TEACHING?

Find out more about how to start your teaching career by attending an event at St Richard's Catholic College, 4-6pm on Tues, 26 November.

Local training providers will be there. Find out about bursaries and funding at getintoteaching.education.gov.uk/funding-my-teacher-training

To get more information and register your interest at thinkingofteachingeastsussex.eventbrite.co.uk

St Richard's Catholic College is celebrating its 60th Anniversary on Monday, 18th November 2019. The celebrations will begin at 9.30am with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Richard followed by a blessing of the new Sports Hall and a display. Visitors will then have an opportunity to tour the school and to have some refreshments. The community of St Richard's Catholic College would be delighted to see you.

RSVP to Mrs Butcher at mrsbutcherr@strichardscc.com by Monday, 11th November or telephone: (01424) 731070

For safeguarding reasons, we need to know in advance who will be attending so responses are essential.

Parish Finances The offertory collection last weekend came to £847.35 including cheques and standing orders.

Many thanks to all concerned.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER MEETINGS All welcome to join us at 2.30pm on Mondays:, Nov. 11th, 15th; Dec. 9th, 23rd. Jan. 6th, 20th. Feb. 3rd

REMEMBERING TOGETHER: Remembrance Sunday, today, 10th November 2019 at 3pm at Unitarian Church, South Terrace, Hastings TN34 1SA. With Jewish Songs of Remembrance

Lost bracelet. On Sunday 20th October. I lost a bracelet of sentimental value, either in the church or in the hall underneath. The description is: A tennis linked bracelet in silver with coloured stones. If found, please inform the church or me, Ann-Marie Hassan, on 07729 629915.