

WEEK BEGINNING 25th November 2018

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Adur Valley

ST PETER, SHOREHAM (SP); CHRIST THE KING, STEYNING (CTK); THE TOWERS, UPPER BEEDING (TT)

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Sunday 25 th November: Christ the King				<u>Rosary:</u> <i>Tues: 9.30am CTK</i> <i>Thurs: 10am SP</i> <i>Sat 12noon SP</i>	
Sat	5.30pm	TT	Mass	For all the sick	
Sun	8.30am	SP	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		
	9am	SP	Mass	Mary Jempson RIP	
	11am	CTK	Mass	For all Parishioners	
	5.30pm	SP	<i>Benediction</i>		
	6pm	SP	Mass	Shirley Sinclair RIP	
Mon 26 th	9am	SP	<i>Adoration</i>		
	9.30am	SP	Mass	Intentions of Ann Duggan	
Tues 27 th	9.30am	CTK	<i>Rosary</i>		
	10am	CTK	Mass	Margaret Allen RIP	
	...then	CTK	<i>Confessions and Adoration until 11am</i>		
	5.30pm	TT	Mass		
Wed 28 th	9.30am	SP	<i>Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion</i>		
	4.15pm	CTK	<i>Lectio Divina</i>		
Thur 29 th	9am	SP	<i>Adoration</i>		
	9.30am	SP	Mass	Mary & Joseph Mackle McCourt & family RIP	
	...then	SP	<i>Rosary & Confessions</i>		
	4.30pm	TT	Mass		
	7.30pm	SP	<i>Adoration, Confessions & Lectio Divina</i>		
8pm	SP	<i>Divine Mercy Chaplet</i>			
Fri 30 th	Feast: St. Andrew			(TT Founder's Day)	
	9am	SP	<i>Adoration</i>		
	9.30am	SP	Mass	For Holy Souls in Purgatory	
then	SP	<i>Confessions</i>		
11.15am	TT	Founder's Day School Mass			
Sat 1 st	8.15am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer		
	10am	SP	First Saturday Mass	Holy Souls	
	12noon	SP	<i>First Saturday Rosary</i>		
Sunday 2 nd December: First Sunday of Advent					
Sat	5.30pm	TT	Mass	For all Parishioners	
Sun	8.30am	SP	<i>Morning Prayer</i>		
	9am	SP	Mass	Nancy Finnegan RIP	
	11am	CTK	Mass	Pope Francis, clergy & new vocations	
	5.30pm	SP	<i>Benediction</i>		
	6pm	SP	Mass	Barbara Sullivan RIP	

<u>Confessions</u> (as below or by appointment)	
Sat: 5pm TT	Thurs: 10am & 7.30pm SP
Tues: 10.30am CTK	Fri: 10am SP

<u>This Week:</u>	
<i>Mon: Secret Singers 10am Sp</i>	
<i>Tues: Toddler Group 9.30am SP</i>	
<i>Sat: First Saturday Mass & Rosary</i>	
<i>Sun 2nd: 9am Children's Mass; Traidcraft & Book Stalls; Enquirers Group 7pm</i>	

“I am a King” Jesus doesn't deny it. But, as we are more and more aware, His kingdom is “not a kingdom of this world”. If it were of this world, His throne would be ornate and splendid, and His crown made of gold and encrusted with jewels. But His throne is a wooden cross, hurriedly made and His crown a twisted barb of thorns decorated with his blood. When I celebrate Mass, I gaze upon this throne in front of me, the crucifix. How important it is we stop to look at Him and pay Him homage. We are not just subjects, we are friends who will “reign with Him” by virtue of our baptism, so His throne is ours too. But we share this throne already in our daily crosses. There we join Him and reign. But next week we begin a new liturgical year in Advent and announce that Jesus will return with power and great glory. He will reveal the glory of His cruciform throne as He shows it, with no shame, to the world, the means of our

... salvation. Jesus reigns. He is our King. With my prayer for you each day. God bless you. Fr Graham

Today is the Feast of Christ the King and the Patronal Feast of our Community in Steyning. Please remember them all in your prayers on this special day.

Advent begins next weekend and there are booklets available in the porch to help you with daily readings and Psalms. A A children's version is also available with activities and the Christmas Story. If you'd like to make a donation, it can go in the "newspapers" slot.

Children at Mass: There are Mass books in the porch and leaflets on the small table as you come in to the church at SP to help children participate in the Mass.

The Word Who is Life – deanery open meeting
Bishop Richard put before us OUR pastoral plan for the formation and outreach of our diocese and deanery. Lots of information, all available on the diocesan website, concerning the vision leading up to 2030. I have often said that the Church is not a consumer service. We are all asked to take up our baptismal right and duty to participate in the life and mission of the church, because Jesus has commanded us to. We are not passive recipients but active disciples, each with gifts and things to offer. This will be a time of change but also renewal for each catholic and parish. I am sure we shall be hearing much more in the months to come. Next year each parish will be reviewing their Mass times.

Please pray for Josie Cook RIP who died recently. Her requiem is on Monday 3rd December at 11am at the Towers Convent Chapel. May she rest in peace.

Does God heal today? Sunday 9th December 7pm in SP Hall: A Q&A Forum on healing and a chance to reflect upon the Healing Service celebrated by Fr Claudio in October. Please come with a reflection on the fruits of the healing service and any answers to prayer you may have received as well as questions for Fr Graham to answer about the healing ministry. All welcome.

On Friday 7th December, the Vigil of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, please pray and fast for the end of abortion and euthanasia in this Country. Your prayer and fasting is urgently needed, and it really does save lives. www.GoodCounselNetwork.com For information on the days of Prayer and Fasting see: <http://www.goodcounselnet.co.uk/Prayer-and-Fasting-Days.html>

We are thinking of doing a Christmas Lunch in the week after Christmas, for those who we know who are on their own. If you, or anyone you know would like to attend, please call George on 07714640297 and we will decide if there is enough demand.

Eucharistic Adoration in Advent: There will be the opportunity for Adoration each Thursday during Advent between 10am and 8pm, but we need at least four people to be in the church at any one time. Please sign the list in the porch if you can commit to an hour or more.

SP School Fair is on Friday 7th Dec from 3 – 5pm. All welcome (Sullington Way).

Enquirers group: The next meeting is on Sunday 2nd December, 7pm in SP.

CTK Offertory Counters: We need some volunteers to go on the rota to count the offertory after mass on a Sunday. Some of our long-term counters have asked to come off the rota and replacements are needed. It is about 4 times a year. Please call the office if you can help.

Thank you to all who helped in any way with our Christmas Fair this weekend. There will be the opportunity to join in the fun again on Sunday morning after 9am Mass.

SP Church Cleaners: After many years on the rota, some of our cleaners would like to retire! We therefore need some new volunteers to clean the church 3 times a year at a time to suit you – all materials are provided. Please call the office on 01273 452654 to offer your services. Thank you.

Covenant with the Poor: Saudi Arabia is by far the largest buyer of UK arms. Since 2015 Saudi Arabia has used UK made fighter jets and bombs in its ongoing bombardment of Yemen where thousands have been killed and many civilians are on the brink of starvation.

Adventssingen/German/English Carol Service. Join us for this year's German/English Carol Service on 1st December, 4pm at Shoreham Methodist Church. We will be singing German Carols and reflecting on the season of Advent as we prepare for Christmas. Light (German) refreshments will be served after the service.

UPDATED.....Shoreham Foodbank have asked for the following items please (there is a box in the porch at SP): long life fruit juice, squash, shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste/brushes, toilet rolls, cereal, instant mash, jelly, long life dessert pots etc.

Children from year 2 up are invited to join the children's mass rota. Children can help with welcoming, collections, offertory, reading and singing in the choir. This is a wonderful opportunity for children to be fully involved in the mass. We give the children their own copy of the reading or psalm and plenty of time to practice. Either Olive or George will be available to run through readings with the children and show them what to do for collections and offertory. If your child would like to find out more please contact the office or George and Olive directly: georgina_carter@sky.com

Deanery Meeting and Lunch Tuesday 11 Dec 11am – we are hosting the Deanery Clergy Christmas Lunch and need cooks and helpers. There is a sign-up list in the porch.

Worthing Churches Homeless Project have changed their name to Turning Tides. They are still a community led homelessness organisation that puts clients and local people at the heart of their mission to end homelessness. See www.turning-tides.ork.uk for more details.

33 Day Consecration – Monday is Day 22 (Week 4 – St Pope John Paul II)

“Our Lady’s role is to bring you face to face....with the love in the Heart of Jesus crucified” – St Mother Teresa of Calcutta

We have had the following kind offer from Patsy: "Lifts to Church (SP, CTK, TT). It is a wonderful thing to be able to be able to come to mass, therefore if you could give a fellow parishioner a lift to mass at the weekend, or if you need a lift to mass, please contact Patsy Daniels on patsydaniels@gmail.com or 01273 973803 or 0790 567 3555. Thank you."

If you would like a Mass celebrated for a certain intention, please complete a form to be found in the porch and pop it in an envelope with the stipend (originally meant to keep the priest for a day but the average is £10 – sometimes more, sometimes less) and get it to the office. Please give as much notice as possible as Sunday Masses get booked up quickly.

Handmade cards, including First Holy Communion and Confirmation are available in SP porch. 50% of sales will go to The Friends of Worthing Hospital.

Prayer for our Diocese:

Lord, the Word who is life. May all the people in our diocese grow in openness to the power of the Holy Spirit, so that through a growth in understanding and courage, and truly open to your call, we may bear powerful witness to all around us, for you are Lord for ever and ever, Amen.

We will be sending another parish order to the CTS soon. There is a pre-Advent half price sale on some books. CTS have a 10-Minute Diary for 2019; it is designed not only to support your daily management of tasks, appointments and events, but also to help you to take 10-minutes out of your busy day to meditate on God's Word. There is also a CTS calendar. If you are looking for gifts please visit <http://www.ctsbooks.org/> to view the catalogue and add your order to the parish order to avoid post and packaging costs. Please speak to John or email edmonop3@hotmail.com.