

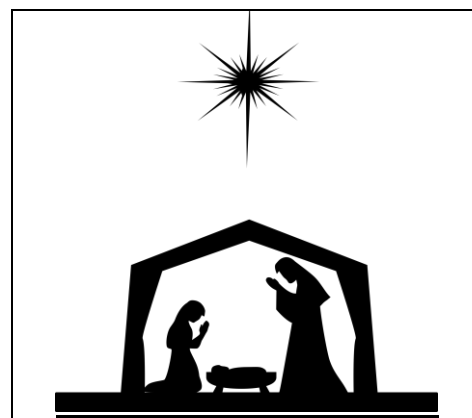
# WEEK BEGINNING 30<sup>th</sup> December 2018

## 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 30 <sup>th</sup> December: Feast: The Holy Family				Int.
Sat	5.30pm	TT	Mass	Intentions of Peggy Barnes
Sun	8.30am	SP	<i>Morning Prayer</i>	
	9am	SP	Mass	Wellbeing of Barbara Wilder
	11am	CTK	Mass	Tony Clarke RIP
	5.30pm	SP	<i>Benediction</i>	
	6pm	SP	Mass	For all Parishioners
Mon	5.30pm	TT	Mass	
Tues 1 <sup>st</sup>	Sol: Mary, Mother of God			
	9.30am	SP	Mass	In Thanksgiving
	10am	TT	Mass	
Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mem: St Basil the Great & St Gregory Nazianzen			
	8am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer	
Thur 3 <sup>rd</sup>	9.30am	SP	Mass	Celebrant's intention
	4.30pm	TT	Mass	
Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>	8am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	SP	Mass	Tony Clarke RIP
Sat	8.15am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer	
Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup> January: Sol: The Epiphany of the Lord				
Sat	5.30pm	TT	Mass	Tony Clarke RIP
Sun	8.30am	SP	<i>Morning Prayer</i>	
	9am	SP	Mass	Intentions of Fr. Graham & family
	11am	CTK	Mass	Alan Fisher RIP
	5.30pm	SP	<i>Benediction</i>	
	6pm	SP	Mass	For all Parishioners



A Happy Christmas and  
 blessed New Year to all our  
 parishioners and visitors.  
 Thank you for your prayers,  
 gifts and generosity to us  
 all.

With the assurance of our  
 prayers for you and your  
 intentions.

Fr Graham, Fr Tony and  
 the Sisters

### From Urbi et Orbi 2018 (for the city and for the world)

Dear Brothers and Sisters, Happy Christmas!

What does that Child, born for us of the Virgin Mary, have to tell us? What is the universal message of Christmas? It is that God is a good Father and we are all brothers and sisters.....

The face of God has been revealed in a human face. It did not appear in an angel, but in one man, born in a specific time and place. By his incarnation, the Son of God tells us that salvation comes through love, acceptance, respect for this poor humanity of ours, which we all share in a great variety of races, languages, and cultures. Yet all of us are brothers and sisters in humanity!.....

May the little Child whom we contemplate today in the manger, in the cold of the night, watch over all the children of the world, and every frail, vulnerable and discarded person. May all of us receive peace and consolation from the birth of the Saviour and, in the knowledge that we are loved by the one heavenly Father, realize anew that we are brothers and sisters and come to live as such!

Pope Francis

25 Dec2018

Crib Offerings 2018: This Christmas our Crib Offering will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society A&B Crisis Fund. This fund provides emergency grants for children and families in our Diocese who are facing a crisis in their lives. Every single penny donated to the Crib will be given out via these grants.

A big and heartfelt thank you to Antonia and The Secret Singers for their great fundraising efforts towards SVP funds at their recent Christmas singalong.

Golden Circle: Congratulations to Mary Cowin, Dee Gavin, Mo Challen and Frank Turner who have won £200, £50, £25 and £100 (Christmas Bonus) respectively in the Christmas Golden Circle Draw. Entry costs £13 per year and there are two draws a year. If you'd like to join, please call the office.

Please take a look at the Greetings card campaign display in the hall porch and stop to write a card of support to people suffering rights abuses at this time. Please leave the card in the box for posting or take some information and post a card yourself. Thank you.



Enquirers Group next meeting Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at 7pm in SP.

Bl. Peter Vigne Associates – Afternoon of Prayer – 2pm – 4.30pm on Saturday 5th January at TT – All are welcome!

Thank you to all who have made Advent special this year. For those who have prayed, adored Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, confessed, consecrated, served Christ in those in need, baked or allowed Christ to be formed in them or others. A special thanks to all who prepared for the spiritual, practical and liturgical celebration of Christmas. May God be glorified in all that we do. A parish takes many people to, not only, carry on but to grow. Thank you. please consider getting involved. You have something to offer!

Thank you to George, the Youth SVP and everyone who helped with the Christmas Lunch on Thursday.

We have recently sent £500 to Turning Tides (WCHP) and to the Shoreham Foodbank to help those less fortunate than ourselves. Please remember them in your prayers.

Applications for the Youth Service Group in the A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage - AKA 'The Redshirts' - will open at New Year and places will be allocated on a first-come-first-served basis, with 60 spaces available. Apply online - [ABLourdes.org](http://ABLourdes.org)

Parish Visitation! Put the dates in your diaries. Bishop Richard will be giving us a formal visitation on the weekend of 2nd and 3rd of February 2019. It is an opportunity for him to see and experience the whole of our parish, to celebrate the Sunday Masses, meet with key groups and visit some parishioners. It is not just an inspection. He is our apostolic shepherd – our Bishop and so we look forward to spending time with him. All are welcome to share in this.

The recent Poetry and Music evening in honour of St Cecilia was a great success. Many thanks to everyone from the parish who supported it! Our next venture will be the annual Burns Night held at The Towers. Tickets are already selling for this so please be quick if you would like one. The event is booked for Saturday 26th January 2019, and profits will go to AMAZE, a dedicated charity who assist families with children with learning disabilities with funding. Please put this event into your diary, and if you would like to reserve a ticket, the contacts are Antonia Hyatt at St Peters, or Liz Reeves at CTK/Towers.

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.

Covenant with the Poor: Pope Francis has stated that "access to safe drinkable water is a basic and universal right, since it is essential to human survival".

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 during the Mass.

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.

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 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](mailto:patsydaniels@gmail.com) or 01273 973803 or 0790 567 3555. Thank you."

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](http://www.turning-tides.ork.uk) for more details.

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

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](mailto:georgina_carter@sky.com)

Fully escorted St Patrick's Weekend Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 16th March 2019. £599.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all taxes, luxury transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with full Irish Breakfast each morning and 4 Course Dinner each evening. All entertainment, excursions and guided tours included. Wheelchair accessible rooms in the hotel. Limited single rooms at supplement of £100. Groups and Individual bookings welcome. Contact Patricia on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email [knockpilgrimages@gmail.com](mailto:knockpilgrimages@gmail.com).