

Week beginning 16th June 2019

Our Lady Queen of Peace, Adur Valley

St Peter, Shoreham (SP); Christ the King, Steyning (CTK); The Towers Convent, Upper Beeding (TT)

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Sunday 16 th June: The Most Holy Trinity				Int
Sat	5.30pm	TT	Mass	For all Parishioners
Sun	8.30am	SP	Morning Prayer	
	9am	SP	Mass	Colette Gumbrell RIP
	11am	CTK	Mass	Bridget Argent RIP
	1pm	SP	Holy Baptism: Gabriella O'Donoghue	
	5.30pm	SP	Benediction	
	6pm	SP	Mass	Michael Wells RIP
Mon 17 th	7.15am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer	
	9am	SP	Adoration	
	9.30am	SP	Mass	For Dianne Breakwell
Tues 18 th	9.30am	CTK	Rosary	
	10am	CTK	Mass	Intentions of Daisy Cunningham
then	CTK	Adoration & Confessions until 11am	
	11.45am	TT	Adoration until 1.45pm	
	5.30pm	TT	Mass	
Wed 19 th	7.15am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer	
	9.30am	SP	Liturgy of the Word & Holy Communion	
	4.15pm	CTK	Lectio Divina	
Thur 20 th	9am	SP	Adoration	
	9.15am	TT	School Mass for Corpus Christi	
	9.30am	SP	Mass	Vivian Sebastian DeSouza RIP
then	SP	Rosary & Confessions	
	7.30pm	SP	Lectio Divina, Adoration & Confessions	
	...then	SP	Divine Mercy Chaplet	
Fri 21 st	Mem: St. Aloysius Gonzaga			
	7.15am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer	
	9am	SP	Adoration	
	9.30am	SP	Mass	Ints of Linda (success of Pilgrimage)
then	SP	Divine Mercy Chaplet & Confessions	
Sat 22 nd	Feast: Sts John Fisher & Thomas More			
	8.15am	TT	Mass with Morning Prayer	
Sunday 23 rd June: The Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ				
Sat	5.30pm	TT	Mass	Fr. Finbar Kelleher RIP
Sun	8.30am	SP	Morning Prayer	
	9am	SP	Mass	Intentions of Helen Clarke
	11am	CTK	Mass	John O'Sullivan RIP
	5.30pm	SP	Benediction	
	6pm	SP	Mass	For all Parishioners

This Week:

Today: Second Collection Day for Life; Confirmation Certificates after Mass (no Group session)
Mon: Secret Singers 10am SP
Tues: Toddler Group 9.30am SP
Weds: Small Prayer Group 10am
Next Sun: 9am Cake Sale for MS

Confessions: (as below or by appointment)

Sat 5pm TT; Tues 10.30am CTK; Thur 10am & 7.30pm SP; Fri 10am SP

Rosary:

Tues 9.30am CTK; Thur 10am SP

Divine Mercy

Thurs 8pm SP; Fri 10am SP

Somehow celebrating the Holy Trinity on ONE Sunday seems inadequate. The Divine communion of Love, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, One God; in whom we live and move and have our being limited to one Sunday? As I understand it, Trinity Sunday is not celebrated as a specific Sunday in the Orthodox (Eastern) Church because everything is celebrated within the mystery of the Trinity. We like to compartmentalise and reduce mysteries to our understanding. Yet, there is a simplicity in the mystery. "The love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit". God is not just to be understood but experienced. Jesus is the Word made flesh. God does not want us to watch from a distance but to be wrapped, enfolded and absorbed by Him, by His Love. To know God is to experience real Life. How appropriate that this is a Day for Life! Some of our

parishioners have just received Holy Communion and Confirmation and have been given new life. Our faith is not to be sectioned off or separated from our everyday life but diffused into every particle, moment and breath of our existence. Why would we want to limit the Holy Trinity to one hour a week?

May God bless you all. Fr Graham

Congratulations (twice!)

To our First Holy Communion children who received the body and blood of Jesus for the first time last weekend. It was beautiful. Thank you to their parents and catechists. The children and parents have really benefited from sharing in the sessions together. I was please to speak to some prayer sponsors and Godparents too, who have taken their role very seriously. Thank you.

Also, congratulations to our Confirmation candidates who will receive their certificates (signed by Bishop Richard) after the 6pm today. May they continue to grow in Jesus.

The Catechists would like to thank all who helped to make the First Holy Communion Mass so memorable: Fr Graham for the lovely mass, servers, choir, organist and musicians, flower arrangers, welcomers, Claire for printing the Mass booklets, and last year's parents who provided refreshments. A very special thanks to the children who behaved so reverently and to their parents who have been very supportive throughout the year and our thanks for their very generous gifts to the Catechists.

Altar Servers: I was pleased to note that some of our new first holy communion children have volunteered to serve at the altar. Wonderful! If you would like to find out more please speak to Cuthbert (SP 9am and 6pm), Mike (CTK 11am) or one of the Sisters (TT Saturday 5.30pm).

Welcome: To Gabriella O'Donoghue who is to be baptised this Sunday. Please pray for her family and Godparents.

Day for Life is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. The Church teaches that life is to be nurtured from conception to natural death. There will be a second collection.

The Shoreham Society meets monthly in SP Hall and the next meeting, on Friday 21st June, 7.30pm, will be "Plastic Free Shoreham" with a talk by Claire Potter. Admission for non-members is £3. Please come along if you can.

"Following the success of our recent retreat of 33 days to Merciful Love, Fr Graham has now found another (retreat) to follow for those of you who would like to continue meeting up and those of you who would like to join us following "Day to Day with Saint Faustina; 365 Reflections" by Susan Tassone. If you are interested, please can you put your name down on the sign-up sheet (**by 23rd June**) in the porches or contact me, Martine by email martinehenley@me.com to enable us to know how many books to order".

Enquirers Group: If you, or any other adult you know, are considering baptism or becoming a catholic, then please let either Fr Graham or Nikki Pearce know or have a conversation with them. We hope to start the enquirers group again before the summer.

Novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus:

This novena was a favourite of St. Padre Pio. It starts on Wednesday 19th leading to the Solemnity on Friday 28 June. For this novena, we will reflect on Jesus' love for all of us. We will pray for our hearts to be conformed to His Sacred Heart.

<https://www.praymorenovenas.com/novena-to-the-sacred-heart-of-jesus>

St Peter's Church – Your views on improving the premises

It is now 35 years since this church was built. In those years the premises have been well maintained and improved to meet new needs and requirements. It is now time to look again at whether the premises meet all our current and future needs, therefore allowing us all to grow in our faith; providing for our liturgical needs; encouraging new members and involvement and supporting our wider mission as an active Catholic community. The Finance Committee considers that there are two areas to focus on at this time.

1. The hall, to improve the kitchen and bar area to provide a modern combined space.
 2. The chapel, to provide a flexible and multi-use space for smaller groups as well as for worship.
- We are therefore asking for your views on improving these areas in particular, with a focus on increasing our use of the whole building for Church purposes and broadening and increasing the activities and events that we organise. There is a short leaflet available in the church porch outlining broadly what is proposed and asking for your comments and ideas. There is a pink folder for your responses by 30th June.

Small Prayer Group:
Wednesdays at
10am. Ring Sally on
01273 491412 for
details.

Arundel Cathedral
Festival of Corpus
Christi and the
Carpet of Flowers:
Weds 19th & Thurs
20th June. See
poster for details.

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Consecration, Saturday 20th July at the Church of Our Lady of Consolation & St. Francis, West Grinstead beginning with Mass at 12noon. Bishop Richard will be joining the Pilgrimage in the afternoon.

Covenant with the Poor: This being Refugee Week we remember the Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS), an international Catholic organisation present in 50 countries, with a mission to accompany, serve and advocate on behalf of refugees and those forcibly displaced. In the UK JRS works with individuals held indefinitely at Immigration Removal Centres at Heathrow airport and men and women who have been made destitute by the asylum process.

Annual Ecumenical Walking Pilgrimage: 'Saint Hilda's Pilgrimage': 10th – 25th August. Lincoln to Whitby. Full details and booking form now at the www.pilgrims.org.uk

National Grandparents' Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Sunday 21st July, from 11 am. Mass with Bishop Peter Doyle (Northampton Diocese) at 12 noon. www.catholicgrandparentsassociation.org

Fully escorted Pilgrimage to Knock Shrine, Ireland, 26th August 2019. £649.00 per person sharing. Price includes flight with 10kg hand luggage, all transfers, 4 nights' in Knock House Hotel with Full Board. All entertainment and excursions 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 knockpilgrimages@gmail.com.

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

New Kneelers at SP: As you will have noticed we have lovely new kneelers which we'd like to try and keep in good condition. Please use them only for kneeling and try to avoid walking, standing or resting your feet on them. Dirt, grit etc on shoes will scrape the fabric and shorten their life – it will also transfer dirt to clothing when people kneel. Thank you for your co-operation.

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 and please be aware that booked mass dates can be subject to change.

Mary's Meals: "Can I please say a huge thank you to some very generous parishioners for their donations to Mary's meals. Your support is much appreciated. We have a few bags left to complete before we call the couriers: We need toothpaste x19; towels x10; metal spoons x22, notebook x8, crayons x5, girls skirts/boys shorts age 6 to 7. If anyone has any of the above, please leave in the porch marked for me. Thanks." Nikki Pearce.

Catholic People's Weeks have been offering faith-filled, fun and reflective holidays for Catholics and their families for nearly 75 years. The UK-based holidays range from 2 – 7 nights and are fully inclusive. See the notice board, look at catholicpeoplesweeks.org or speak to Joan Cater at SP or James Welch at CTK.

Your choir needs you! We would like to invite you to join SP choir - singers and instrumentalists of all ages welcome. If you are interested in taking a more active part in the liturgy please speak to any choir member after 9am mass or, if you give your details to Claire in the Office, Paul or Helena will contact you and give you further details about the choir. We are particularly looking for younger musicians. An ability to read music is not essential - enthusiasm is!! We look forward to hearing from you.

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.

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