

PARISH NEWS

15th July 2018

Fifteenth Sunday Yr B

St Mary Magdalene's, St Martha's, Our Lady of the Rosary

The Catholic Parish serving Bexhill-on-Sea, Little Common, Sidley and the surrounding areas

St Mary Magdalene's School

We welcome St Mary Magdalene's primary school to the
10am Mass on Wednesday 18th July,
to thank God for a successful year and to pray for the leavers.

We also pray for Head teacher Véronique Vanderschelden; may she enjoy a peaceful retirement.

Sacrament of Baptism

Please pray for:

**Ruby Forward,
Freddie Forward,
Zachary Sharp,**

and their family and friends as they become part of the family of the Church through the sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

First Holy Communion

Children aged 7-12

If your child is between the ages of 7-12 and you would like to apply for the next sacramental course, application forms are now available at the back of all churches and from our website. Please complete and return to the parish office.

The first meeting for parents and children will be on:

**Tuesday, 18th September
at 7pm,**

St Mary Magdalene's church.

Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us your saving help.



Last week we reflected on the arduous role of the prophets. We also considered the possibility that we might be called to bear a burden similar to theirs. Today's readings leave no doubt in our minds. We are all indeed called in some way to "prophesy to my people." We might be startled by this. Our first response might be: Who? Me?—Yes, you!

Paul is high-spirited as he describes the loftiness of our call in Christ. We are blessed, chosen, destined for adoption. We have heard the word of truth, and we have believed. It is now our responsibility to proclaim that truth to others. With the Apostles, we too have been given authority over unclean spirits. We have been commissioned to preach repentance, to drive out demons and to cure the sick. Such details could even startle us more, and we might respond anew: Who? Me? Yes, you and me and every other baptized Christian.

All Christians are called to live their lives with the knowledge that Jesus Christ died for them and was raised. Jesus beckons us to put an end to the thinking that says "What can I do about the dreadful things that are happening in this world? I'm not clever enough, brave enough, I can't speak very well." Every prophet in the history of salvation said the same thing. Today's Gospel calls us to shake off the dust of guilt and resentment; to set out on the new road of conversion, trusting in the love and care of Christ. God put each of us into this world for a purpose: we have to use what we have been given.

If we trust in the Lord and set out on the path that calls us, then the world will not end in doom, but become a glorious reflection of the love of God and the power of the Spirit of the Risen Christ.

God bless, Fr. Rajesh.

Happy Holidays ☺

Happy holidays to all who break up from school this week. Good wishes and prayers to those who move on to new schools, colleges, universities or the world of work.

We pray for those who have died:

We pray for the sick especially: Steve Allingham, Diane Batkin, Christopher Browne, Angela Burden, Mary Burke, Andrew Cruikshank, June Cruikshank, Brendan Dillistone, Christopher Gardiner, Sean Gaughan, Yvonne Gibbs, Anne Griffiths, Jackie Hearn, Leanne Hearn, Carly Hearn, Neil Jenkins, Margaret Keep, George Thomas Lowry, Phyliss McGlade, Paddy Pearson, Rachael Smart, Janet Smith, Terry Standen, Rosanna De Souza, Eileen Sullivan, Anne Wilkinson, Mary Stewart, David Spooner, Carol Standen, Danny McNally and Tony Batkin.

Plate Collections8th July

£693.54

Gift Aid: £559.70

2nd collection
£370.59
SVP

15th July
Christians Against
Poverty
(not in our scheme)

22nd July
The Little Way
Association
(not in our scheme)

**Conquest
Hospital
Chaplaincy**

For a visit from one of the Catholic Chaplaincy Team for Anointing, Holy Communion, or a general visit. Volunteers needed for visiting patients please contact: The Conquest Chaplain:

Cecilia Weathers
01424 757088

**Holy
Communion
for
Housebound
Parishioners**

St Mary Magdalene's
Sr Collette: 214818

Our Lady
of the Rosary
Mary Carroll:
220334

St Martha's
Clare Brazier:
844177

**CTiB Prayer Cycle**

This week: Bexhill United Reformed Church (Vacancy).

Next week: St Peter's (David Reynish, Olivia Werrett).

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament**

**Every Friday
10:30am- 12.30pm**

St Mary Magdalene's Church

**Vianney Cenacle
Prayer Group**

The Cenacle of prayer for priests will be meeting:

6pm, Tuesday, 31st July

(not 24th as Ghislaine will be away)

**St Mary Magdalene's church.
All welcome.**

Three Churches in Little Common

Our next meeting is at St Mark's at 11.30 am, Wednesday 18th July. Pat Mack will speak about Abraham Isaac and Jacob – followed as usual by a chat over tea/coffee. (There will be no meeting in August)

RCIA Programme

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or finding out more about the Catholic faith, now is the time to enrol on our next programme which will be starting in the Autumn.

Diocesan Mass for Altar Servers

Bishop Richard will preside at a Holy Mass for all Diocesan Altar Servers on Saturday 15th September at 5pm, in Arundel Cathedral.

All who have served, are serving, or would like to serve are welcome to attend.

Please bring cassock/cotta or an alb if possible. Mass will be followed by light refreshments in the Cathedral hall. (You may bring a packed supper if you wish).

**St Leonard's on Sea Deanery
Initial Safeguarding
Awareness Training**

**St Mary Magdalene's
Church Hall
Tuesday 21st August,
7pm-9pm.**

An evening of initial safeguarding training for all parish volunteers, safeguarding reps and clergy. All welcome.

This course is for new volunteers and to be undertaken and refreshed every three years. A refresher course will follow early next year.

Please call the parish office if you wish to enrol by 15th August.

For more information on Training contact: Rosemary Terry, Assistant Safeguarding Coordinator: Tel. 01273 859715 Email: rosemary.terry@dabnet.org

It is also possible for individuals to book online for this session via the Diocesan website in the safeguarding Section under Course and events:

www.dabnet.org/Courses/

Family Mass

All families are welcome at ALL Masses; however we do have specific Children's Liturgies on Sundays:

**9am at St Martha's and
10am at Our Lady of the Rosary**

Parish Diary

Tuesday 2nd August SVP Meeting

6:00pm

St Martha's church
Open forum meeting
Monday 16th July,
7pm
 Views, suggestions and ideas all welcome for discussion.

Bishop Richard is currently holding a consultation on how we prepare people for confirmation.

If you've recently been confirmed then we'd like to hear from you.
 The diocese has created a short survey which you can access on line:
<http://bit.ly/surveyconf>.

We would also ask parents to pass this on to their children who have recently been confirmed.

Mass for Altar Servers
 The annual Mass for Altar Servers takes place on:
Saturday 15th September at 5pm
in Arundel Cathedral.

All who have served, all who are serving and anybody who would like to serve are welcome to attend. Please bring a cassock/ cotta or an alb if possible. Mass will be followed by light refreshments in the Cathedral Hall. (You may bring a packed supper if you wish).

Gift Aid Envelopes 2018/19

For more information about Gift Aiding your donations please contact the Parish Office.

Needed: School Governor St Mary Magdalene Primary School

Previous experience in education or being a parent at the school is not necessary – but being a practicing catholic is a requirement. For an informal chat and further information contact the chairman of governors nfeast@stmarymagsbex.e-sussex.sch.uk

Help make a difference - Support Catholic Education.

Live Simply Bio-degradable balloons are now available.

For events in our halls please try to source bio-degradable balloons, they are easily available online and are quite in-expensive. They come in various sizes and colours and can also hold helium.

Jolly Parish Lunch

There will **not** be lunch arranged throughout August, the next date is:

Tuesday, 11th September, 12 noon,

The West Station Restaurant,
 Bexhill
 Road car park)
 Contact Angela: 220752

Parish Newsletter

Please note that the parish newsletter is also available online from our website:

www.stmmbexhill.co.uk

If you are able to access it in this way, please do so. This will help us to reduce our paper usage whilst caring for the environment.

Share the Journey with CAFOD



Please join us for our parish Cafod Walking event, taking place on:

Saturday 21st July at 3pm

Meeting point : De la Warr Pavilion Colonnade

Distance : You decide how far

This year, the Holy Father urges us to reach out to our brothers and sisters who are forced to flee their homes. This new campaign is called *Share the Journey*. You can *Share the Journey* by joining us on a walk.

Schools, parishes, and local communities across England and Wales, including our own, will be walking to show solidarity with people on the move. Together, we are aiming for 24,900 miles: the distance around the whole world.

CAFOD will use this shared journey to deliver a powerful message to world leaders, who meet in September 2018 to agree two global agreements on refugees and migration.

GDPR

Diocesan Data Protection Policy & Privacy Statement

<https://www.dabnet.org/ContentDocuments/842.pdf>

<https://www.dabnet.org/ContentDocuments/843.pdf>

Parish Information

The Presbytery

St Mary Magdalene's

Sea Road, Bexhill on Sea,
TN40 1RH. Tel: 01424 210263

St Martha's

Cooden Sea Road, TN39 4SL

Our Lady of the Rosary

Southlands Road, TN39 5HG

Clergy:

Fr Rajesh Minz

Deacon Simon Kirkdale

**Sisters of Providence
(Rosminian)**

01424 214818

**Parish Office
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01424 757088

Bexhill - Irvine Unit

Contact: Mary Williams

marycharltonwilliams@live.co.uk

**St Vincent de Paul Society
(SVP) Mary Williams**

marycharltonwilliams@live.co.uk

Parish Schools

St Richard's

Catholic College

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01424 731070

admin@strichardscc.com

www.strichardscc.com

St Mary Magdalene's

Primary School

Headteacher:

Miss V. Vanderschelden

01424 735810

office@stmarymagsbex.e-sussex.sch.uk

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**St Mary Magdalene Catholic
Independent Nursery**

Supervisor: Gemma Oliver-Taylor

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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

Saturday 14th July

St Mary Magdalene's 9:30am Confessions
St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Clare Keegan RIP

Fifteenth Sunday Year B

(Amos 7:12-15, Ephesians 1:3-14, Mark 6:7-13)

St Mary Magdalene's 5:30pm Confessions

St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Charles Forder RIP

Sunday 15th July

St Martha's 9:00am Mrs Florence Raey RIP

Our Lady of the Rosary 10:00am Robin Burden RIP

St Mary Magdalene's 11:00am Priests Intentions

St Mary Magdalene's 12:30pm Baptism of Ruby & Freddie Forward

St Mary Magdalene's 2:30pm Baptism of Zachary Sharp

St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm People of the Parish

Christians Against Poverty

(not in our scheme)

Monday 16th July

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Ann Ford GE

Tuesday 17th July

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Merlyn Coward RIP

Wednesday 18th July

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Véronique Vanderschelden GE

In thanksgiving and

St Mary Magdalene's Leavers Mass

Thursday 19th July

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Fr David Parmiter (Anniversary of

Ordination)

Friday 20th July

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Maureen Quirke GE

St Mary Magdalene's 10:45am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

- 12:30pm

Saturday 21st July

St Mary Magdalene's 9:30am Confessions

St Mary Magdalene's 10:00am Paula Wallis GE

Sixteenth Sunday Year B

(Jeremiah 23:1-6, Ephesians 2:13-18, Mark 6:30-34)

St Mary Magdalene's 5:30pm Confessions

St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Denis, Mary, Joan O'Sullivan RIP

Sunday 22nd July

St Martha's 9:00am Len & Helen Niven (Golden Wedding

Anniversary)

Our Lady of the Rosary 10:00am People of the Parish

St Mary Magdalene's 11:00am Sr Imelda GE for services to the parish

St Mary Magdalene's 6:00pm Priests Intentions

The Little Way Association

(not in our scheme)

East Sussex Joint Community Rehabilitation

Aftercare from a stay in hospital is available; for anyone in need please call
the Bexhill Hospital branch contact:
Joanna Hart - 01424 726750 for further details.