

**Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
Every Friday
10:30am- 12.30pm
St Mary Magdalene's Church**

**Our Lady of the Rosary
27th January
9am
Sacrament of Baptism**

Please pray for
Tabitha Reina

And her family and friends as she becomes part of the family of the church this weekend.

Also at

10am Mass

Our Congratulations and prayers go to
Kieron Lee,
Saskia Mitchell-Wright
Tabitha Reina

who receive the Lord for the 1st time during this Mass



**Fairtrade Fortnight
25th February to Sunday 10th
March 2019**

Anyone interested in helping to organise events: eg Fair Bake morning, Fairtrade coffee, Fairtrade stalls, etc, please see

www.bexhillfairtrade.com

fairtrade.org.uk

Please note
Parish Office Closed:
Tuesday 29th January and
Monday 4th February

**Your words are spirit, Lord,
and they are life.**

World Youth Day / Flame 3

This Sunday Pope Francis celebrates Mass for World Youth Day in Panama City. There is no formal group from Arundel & Brighton this time, as our previous bishop decided only to attend only when in Europe, out of a concern for the group's safety and our carbon footprint; and this time it takes place during term time! Nonetheless, World Youth Day is perhaps the largest festival in the world, making gatherings such as Glastonbury seem like a village fayre.

In his homily for the opening Mass on Tuesday Monsignor Jose Domingo Ulloa Mendieta, Archbishop of Panama said: *'in these days of WYD, the pilgrims will have the opportunity to be in catechesis with bishops from different countries, to have interesting instruction; to enter the Park of Forgiveness, with places for confession; to reconcile with God; to enter the Youth festival in which the variety of talent from different countries offers possibilities to nourish the spirit; and to enjoy the special encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist, our spiritual food for facing the challenges of life. This meeting of you young people with Jesus Christ should lead you to confrontation with yourselves and with the indoctrination of the anti-values system that prevails in the search for a false happiness, which is so fleeting that it leads you to reach desperately for so many things that damage the mind and spirit and that ultimately fail to fill the existential vacuum. Youth: this call is still real, lasting, intense, and full of a tenderness that only Christ knows how to communicate.'*

While we may have to wait for a European World Youth Day, know that on 2nd March 2019 "**FLAME**", the National Catholic Youth Event returns to Wembley Arena. 10,000 young people (ideal for school years 9/10 upwards) from England and Wales gather for inspirational talks, praise music and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Miss Doyle at St Richard's is co-ordinating the school and parish group. If you would like to go, please see her and obtain a letter. If you would like to go but are not a St Richard's student, please contact the Parish Office and we will coordinate with St Richard's.

With my prayers and best wishes Fr Simon.

We pray for those who have died: Maureen Ennor RIP, Adrienne Lockwood RIP.

We pray for the sick especially: Steve Allingham, Stephanie Bacon, Diane Batkin, Tony Batkin, Christopher Browne, Angela Burden, Winifrede Connellan, Andrew Cruikshank, Brendan Dillistone, John Fitzpatrick, Christopher Gardiner, Sean Gaughan, Yvonne Gibbs, Michael Halse, Jackie Hearn, Leanne Hearn, Carly Hearn, Neil Jenkins, Margaret Keep, George Thomas Lowry, Karl Pearson, Paddy Pearson, Ida Reynolds, Diana Richardson, Rachael Smart, Janet Smith, David Spooner, Carol Standen, Terry Standen, Mary Stewart, Connie Stoddart, Rosanna De Souza, David Standen, Eileen Sullivan, Mary Tenneffe, Martin Tippin, Kathleen Tunny, Anne Wilkinson and Hazel Wood.

Plate Collections

20th January £891.84
Gift Aid £481.65

2nd collection £335.35

Pax Christi
Peace Sunday

27th January
Parish Pastoral
Fund

3rd February
Parish Nursery

10th February
Lourdes Pilgrimage
Fund

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**

Ron Brazier:
844177



CTiB Prayer Cycle

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

Next week: St Mary's, Ninfield (Paul Frostick)

Marriage Anniversaries

**The 10am Mass on Saturday
16th February at
St Mary Magdalene**

will be a votive Mass for those celebrating wedding anniversaries in 2019. All welcome.

CCRS Course coming to the Diocese

In support of Bishop Richard's Pastoral Plan, the Diocese are planning the launch of a CCRS course, starting in September 2019.

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies has been established since 1991 and aims to provide an introduction to Catholic theology and give an understanding of the central truths of our Faith. It will be open to teachers working in Catholic schools, Catechists, people involved in pastoral and liturgical work and other interested adults.

Full details can be found at
<http://www.brs-ccrs.org.uk/index.php>

For more information, contact Jon Harman, Adviser for Formation and Spirituality, at the St Philip Howard Centre: 01293 651157 or email jon.harman@dabnet.org

Funerals

Maureen Ennor RIP

St Mary Magdalene's Requiem Mass, 2pm, Friday 1st February.

Adrienne Lockwood RIP

St Mary Magdalene's Requiem Mass, 10am, Monday 11th February.

Vianney Cenacle Prayer Group

The Cenacle of prayer for priests will be meeting:

**Thursday 31st January
at 6pm**

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

Day of Reflection for Readers

**11.00am-4.00pm, Saturday 9th February
at St Dunstan's Church,
Shaftesbury Road, Woking GU22 7DT**

Led by Bishop Richard, with talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary, the Liturgy of the Word, preparing to read, and practical aspects of the ministry. There will be a time of Lectio Divina, and the day will end with Mass. Registration from 10.30am.

Refreshments provided. Please bring a packed lunch. Booking ESSENTIAL – please email ruth.gerun@dabnet.org or telephone 01293 651164.

Please note that priority will be given to people who have not previously attended a readers' day with Bishop Richard.

Statement from the Bishops' Conference on Settlement Scheme for EU Citizens

If you are an EU citizen, have you seen the Bishop's Conference statement on the Settlement Scheme for EU citizens?

You can read it here:

<http://catholicnews.org.uk/europe-settlement-scheme-121218>

The statement expresses our solidarity with EU citizens many of whom are our Catholic brothers and sisters, and also signposts you to the Government's "Settlement Scheme"

<https://www.gov.uk/settled-status-eu-citizens-families>

which allows for EU citizens to continue living in the UK after 30 June 2021.

Parish Diary - January / February

Monday 28 th Jan	FHC Session	6:30pm St Martha's hall
Thursday 31 st Jan	Pastoral Care Group Meeting	10:45am Presbytery
Saturday 2 nd Feb	FHC Session	11am St MM hall
Wednesday 6 th Feb	Mother's prayer group	7:30pm Prayer room
Sunday 10 th Feb	Confirmation Session	4:00pm Presbytery
Wednesday 13 th Feb	RCIA Session	7:00pm Presbytery
Thursday 14 th Feb	We Journey together Session	6:30pm Presbytery

Gift Aid Envelopes 2018/19

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

**ENCOUNTER
EVENING
(for 16-35s)**
**Saturday 2nd February at
7.30pm, Our Lady of
Ransom, Eastbourne.**

ENCOUNTER evening is for anyone aged 16-35. ENCOUNTER evenings are a great way to make some friends, have some fun, and explore your faith in a relaxed, welcoming environment. There is food, a brilliant talk, and a powerful time of adoration.

**Our guest speaker
this month will be
Luigi Di Paolo.**

New people are especially welcome...

Word Day of Prayer

(formerly known as Women's World Day of Prayer)
**Friday, 1st March
10.30 am**

Little Common Methodist Church

The service has been prepared by the Christian women of Slovenia - "Come - Everything is ready!"

All Welcome!

Our Lady of the Rosary Committee Meeting

**New date:
Monday 28th January,
6pm,
at the presbytery.**

Catholic Women's League

**Monday 4th February
7:30pm St Martha's Hall**
All parish ladies welcome to attend our Circle Dancing evening.
Contact: Jac Young 220685

Flame 2019 Join 10,000 Catholic Young People at Wembley Arena:

Saturday 2nd March 2019
Around five hundred people from A&B went to Wembley Arena last March for Flame 2018.
Tickets are already on sale can be booked online:

cymfed.org.uk/flame2019

Retrouvaille

A lifeline for married couples: Disillusioned or bored in your marriage? Unable to communicate with each other. Do you want to try again? Retrouvaille helps couples nationwide work through challenging times.

For confidential information about Retrouvaille or to register for the next programme - commencing with a residential weekend 8th-10th March 2019 in Welwyn Garden City - call or text 07887 296 983 or 07973 380443 or Email: info@retrouvaille.org.uk

Film Showing

The Parish Pastoral Group will be showing the acclaimed BBC drama series "Broken" in the presbytery on the following dates:

11th February 2pm – 4.15pm
25th February 2pm – 4.15pm
11th March 2pm – 4.15pm

This will be shown in two parts each week with a short break in between and is about the life of a parish priest. Those who have already seen it highly recommend it.

Parish Fairtrade Breakfasts.....

**Our Lady of the Rosary and
St Mary Magdalene in
St Mary Magdalene Hall on
Saturday after Mass at 10:35am
23rd February**

**and at
St Martha's after Mass on
Sunday 10th March.**

Please look around for Fairtrade ingredients eg sugar (Tate and Lyles'), bananas, fruit, vanilla, etc to eat at breakfast and sell for Fairtrade producers....watch this space for more fair and details and other events being planned for Fairtrade Fortnight.

Beginning Experience

A weekend away for a lifetime of change: For those who are struggling with being single again – whether separated, divorced or bereaved.

This weekend programme helps you move from the darkness of your grief into the light of a new beginning.

Please contact Freda 01322 838415 or Sandra 0293 783965 or email John at johnabrotherton@hotmail.co.uk

Parish Information

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Sea Road, Bexhill on Sea,
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St Martha's
Cooden Sea Road, TN39 4SL
Our Lady of the Rosary
Southlands Road, TN39 5HG

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Fr Rajesh Minz

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Parish Office

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01424 757088

Bexhill - Irvine Unit

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marycharltonwilliams@live.co.uk

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Parish Schools

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Catholic College

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St Mary Magdalene's
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Mrs Siobhan Andrews
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St Mary Magdalene Catholic
Independent Nursery

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Parish Mass Diary and Intentions

Saturday 26th January

St Mary Magdalene's
St Mary Magdalene's

Memorial

9:30am
10:00am

Saints Timothy and Titus

Confessions
Luke Walsh RIP

Sunday 27th January

St Martha's
Our Lady of the Rosary

Third Sunday Year C

(Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10, Corinthians 12:12-30, Luke 1:1-4, 4:14-21)

St Mary Magdalene's
St Mary Magdalene's

5:30pm
6:00pm

Confessions

Margaret & Thomas McGowan RIP

Sunday 27th January

St Martha's
Our Lady of the Rosary

9:00am
9:00am
10:00am

Dennis Driscoll RIP
Baptism of Tabitha Reina

Priests Intentions

And FHC Mass

St Mary Magdalene's
St Mary Magdalene's

11:00am
6:00pm

Robert Stevens RIP

People of the Parish

Parish Pastoral Fund (blue envelopes)

Monday 28th January

St Mary Magdalene's
St Mary Magdalene's

Memorial

10:00am
11:30am

St Thomas Aquinas

Fr T. McLean-Wilson GE
Mass: Extraordinary Form

Tuesday 29th January

St Mary Magdalene's
St Mary Magdalene's

8:00am
10:00am

Mass: Extraordinary Form

Deceased Members of Mr Stephen & Mrs Alex family

Wednesday 30th January

St Mary Magdalene's

10:00am

Noreen Twomey RIP

Thursday 31st January

St Mary Magdalene's

Memorial

10:00am

St John Bosco

Harry Paris RIP

Friday 1st February

St Richard's

8:10am

School Intention

St Mary Magdalene's

10:00am

Margaret McNamara GE

St Mary Magdalene's

10:45am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

- 12:30pm

Requiem Mass of Maureen Ennor

St Mary Magdalene's

2:00pm

RIP and after at Hastings

Crematorium

Saturday 2nd February

Feast

St Mary Magdalene's

9:30am

Confessions

St Mary Magdalene's

10:00am

Irene Herring RIP

Fourth Sunday Year C

(Jeremiah 1:4-5, 17-19, Corinthians 12:31 - 13:13, Luke 4:21-30)

St Mary Magdalene's

5:30pm

Confessions

St Mary Magdalene's

6:00pm

Kathleen & Camillus Ewins

Sunday 3rd February

St Martha's

9:00am

Danny McNally RIP

Our Lady of the Rosary

10:00am

Priests Intentions

St Mary Magdalene's

11:00am

Pearl Lucy RIP

St Mary Magdalene's

6:00pm

St RCC attending and leading the liturgy

People of the Parish

Parish Nursey (blue envelopes)

Funeral Planning for parishioners: Help is available for parishioners to ensure that your wishes for your funeral are known by friends, family and the parish using the form provided by the Pastoral Care Project: www.pastoralcareproject.org.uk
Or copies are available from the parish office £1.00 per copy.