

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS
Weekday Morning Prayer - 9.45am (Week 3)

Sunday 16th July 6.00pm (<i>Vigil</i>) 9.00am 10.30am 12.00 noon 5.30pm	Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time For all Parishioners Gabriel Rogers RIP Kathleen Chandler RIP Mass in Italian Charley Kelly RIP
Monday 17th July 10.00am	Weekday The family and deceased relatives of Philip Jones
Tuesday 18th July 10.00am	Weekday Mr & Mrs Anthony Palatty RIP
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT until 11.00am	
Wednesday 19th July 10.00am	Weekday Mary Uden RIP
Thursday 20th July 10.00am 11.00am	Weekday Ismael Diaz Gonzalez RIP Requiem Mass for Debora Di Carlo RIP
NO EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT	
Friday 21st July 10.00am	Weekday Maria Del Carmen Camancho RIP St Dunstan's School End of Year Mass
Saturday 22nd July 10.00am 8.30pm	St Mary Magdalene Deceased members of the Lelievre Family Mass in Brazilian
Sunday 16th July 6.00pm (<i>Vigil</i>) 9.00am 10.30am 12.00 noon 5.30pm	Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Maura Mangan RIP The Foulkes Family Deceased Members of the SVP family and friends Mass in Italian For all Parishioners

*Readings: Cycle A for Sundays & Solemnities
Year 1 for Weekdays*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 10.45am (for as long as necessary) and after 6.00pm Mass *or by appointment.*

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ST DUNSTAN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

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16th July 2017
Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Would You Like To Become
A Roman Catholic?**

If so, then you are warmly invited to a meeting this **Tuesday 18th July at 7.30pm** in the Liturgy Room.

If - you have not been baptised and would like to consider being baptised Catholic;

or - if you were baptised into another Christian tradition and would like to consider being received into the Catholic Church;

or - if you were baptised Catholic but have not celebrated your First Holy Communion (and Reconciliation) or Confirmation and would like to do so, then you will be able, without any commitment at this stage, to find out more about what is involved in any of these instances and to ask any questions you may have.

No need to tell us you are coming - just turn up.

If it would help to 'bring a friend' please do so.

**FIRST RECONCILIATION AND
HOLY COMMUNION**

If you have a child who will be in Year 3 or above at school in September and you think that they may be ready to celebrate their First Reconciliation and Holy Communion then please come to a meeting (for parents) on Monday 11th September at 7.30pm in the Function Room. At the meeting we will explain how the programme works and what commitment is involved. You will have the opportunity to ask questions and we will distribute Application Forms. No need to get in touch with us before that date. This meeting is essential, but if you really are unable to come then please get in touch with the Parish Office to arrange a separate appointment in September during the week following the meeting.

GRANDPARENTS GROUP

The coffee morning scheduled for 19th July, has been cancelled.
The next meeting will be in mid-September.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE
OF THE SOULS OF:**

Irma Keyes RIP (mother of Eileen Russell)

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord.
May she rest in peace.*

The latest edition of the Parish Magazine is available this weekend. Please take one. They are free.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK especially for Bart Hurley (brother of Anne Daly).

TRAIDCRAFT GOODS ...

... will be on sale after all Masses next weekend, 22nd/23rd July. Last time you bought £365.19 worth of Traidcraft goods. Thank you for your support.

First Holy Communion

Please pray for Anya Lynch who will celebrate her First Holy Communion this Sunday.

TODDLER GROUP

Our last meeting this term will be Thursday, 20th July. New term will start on Thursday, 7th September, 10.00 - 12.00 noon in the Parish Function Room. Details from Jane Potter, 01483 772981.

PARISH DAY VISIT TO ARUNDEL CASTLE & GARDENS AND ARUNDEL MUSEUM

Wednesday 13th September
Leaving at 9.00, returning by 6.30

Set high on a hill in West Sussex, this great Castle commands the landscape with magnificent views across the South Downs and the River Arun. Founded at the end of the 11th Century, it has been the family home of the Dukes of Norfolk and their ancestors for nearly 1000 years. Almost completely rebuilt in the 19th century, the magnificent architecture in Gothic style is considered to be one of the great works of Victorian England. There are stunning walled gardens, a peach house and vinery, cut flower garden and organic kitchen garden. Cost: £32 each. Bookings to the Parish Office please.

FOR YOUR DIARY ...

Diocesan Mass for Altar Servers: September 9th, Arundel Cathedral at 12.00 noon.

Diocesan Annual Grandparents Formation Day: 21st September, Worth Abbey from 9.45am to 3.00pm.

Diocesan Dialogue & Unity Day: September 23rd, DABCEC, Crawley from 10.00am to 4.00pm.

Diocesan Wedding Anniversaries Mass: October 7th, Arundel Cathedral at 12.00 noon.

Please see the notice-board for further details of all these events.

PILGRIMAGE OF REPARATION AND CONSECRATION

Saturday 22nd July 2017 at the Church of Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, Park Lane, West Grinstead, RH13 8LT. Begins with Mass at 12.00 noon. See noticeboard for further details. All welcome!

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

Parishioners will be leaving on the annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes at the end of this month. If you would like a petition to be taken to the Grotto please leave it in a sealed envelope at the Parish Office.

Please pray for Harry Cooper and Colette Lewis who were married last weekend.

UNWANTED RELIGIOUS ITEMS

On a table in the narthex this weekend are some unwanted religious items. Please help yourself if you would like to give a home to anything.

FILM CLUB

Tuesday 18th July at 2.00pm

'Florence Foster Jenkins'

Starring Meryl Streep and Hugh Grant. Described as 'Heart Warming, Uplifting and Hugely Entertaining', this film is the inspirational true story of a woman who followed her dream to be a great singer although she could barely hold a tune!

Day of Reflection for Readers led by Bishop Richard: at The Sacred Heart Church, Cobham, KT11 1AA, on Saturday 16th September. 11.00 am to 4.00 pm (packed lunch needed). Talks on the Scriptures, the Lectionary and its use in the Liturgy, the Liturgy of the Word, preparing to read, using microphones. Lectio Divina. Mass. Booking is essential as places are limited. To book contact ruth.gerun@dabnet.org or 01293 651164.

Thank You for last Sunday's Offertory collection of £3,673.10 (*the cash offertory plus the average of the standing orders*) and £830.65 for the Apostleship of the Sea.

This weekend: The retiring collection is for The Bethesda Life Centre Charity. Four students from SJB are going to Goa to work alongside the Charity who run Children's Homes and aim to provide a safe environment for orphans and children whose parents work in the sex trade and for those who face serious plight as a result of the innate discrimination cultivated by India's caste system.

Next weekend: The retiring collection will be for the Surrey Air Ambulance.

Mass Readings for this Sunday 16th July

Isaiah 55:10-11

This reading comes from the middle part of the book of the prophet Isaiah. The people of Israel have been in exile in Babylon for seventy years and now they are to return to Jerusalem. The reading speaks to the power of God's word, which has the ability to change all who encounter it. The rain falls indiscriminately, but the things that are receptive to it will flourish because of it.

Romans 8:18-23

Reading scripture, we can look at it from the point of view of the first hearers, those who heard it subsequently, and those of us who hear it today. Suffering for the faith was something very real in the lives of those who heard Paul's letter for the first time and for later communities who lived with the reality of suffering for the faith. While today, we may not suffer in the same way or by the same methods, to stand up in this day and age and say that I believe does take courage.

Matthew 13:1-23

We begin a series of Gospel readings on the parables used by Jesus to describe the kingdom of God. I suppose it is easy for us to understand the message behind the parable, hearing it again for the umpteenth time. For those listening to Jesus, it must have been tough to grasp the full extent of the metaphor. However, that's not to say that the parable has nothing more to teach us. Like the image from Isaiah, the Word of God coming down upon us again, might just nourish and give life to some other part of us and open us up to a new way of looking at the parable.

Readings Next Weekend:

Wisdom 12:13, 16-19

Romans 8:26-27

Matthew 13:24-33

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My neighbours are listening to great music. Whether they like it or not!