

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CROWBOROUGH

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CHURCH TIMETABLE 26th NOVEMBER to 3rd DECEMBER 2016

<u>Sunday</u>	Saturday Vigil MASS 6.00pm Sunday Morning MASS at 9.30am with Children's Liturgy for those able to sit and participate during term time.
<u>Neighbourhood MASSES</u>	Saturday - Holy Cross Chapel at 4.30pm Sunday - St Peter's, Rotherfield at 8.45am Sunday - St Thomas', Mayfield at 10.00am Sunday - Heron's Ghyll at 11.30am Sunday - Wadhurst at 10.30am Sunday - St Augustine's, Tunbridge Wells at 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.15am and 5.45pm
<u>Weekday MASSES</u>	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday MASS 9.00am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 8.15am to 9.00am before 9.00am MASS.
<u>Sacrament of Reconciliation Confession</u>	Saturday 5.00pm to 5.30pm and other days on request.
<u>Baptisms and Marriages</u>	<u>By appointment.</u> Preparation programme required for both sacraments. Diocesan Regulation for Marriage - <u>at least 6 months' notice required.</u>

Today begins the Church's New Year of Worship with the beginning of the Season of Advent.

Cardinal Cormac's Jubilee: Cardinal Cormac will celebrate MASS in Arundel Cathedral Today - 27th November at 4.00pm. 60 years as a priest. All are welcome.

Urgently Needed:

- Volunteers willing to be trained as MASS Readers. Please 'phone Paul Gamba, our Readers Co-ordinator, if you wish to be trained. Tel: 01892 652963.
- Also Holy Communion Ministers. Anyone willing to train, please contact Fr Kevin 654608 or speak to him after MASS please.

Mayfield 'Live Crib' - Tuesday 6th/Wednesday 7th/Thursday 8th December 6.30pm. All are welcome.

Advent Group will meet on Wednesday morning after MASS until 10.30am. All welcome.

Wednesday, 30th November: Fr Kevin attends the Priests' Support Group.

Wednesday, 30th November - St Vincent de Paul Society group meets.

Thursday: First Communion Meeting in the Parish Room at 3.30pm.

Friday: In School - Advent Reconciliation Assembly at 10.00am, followed by personal confessions.

<u>Saturday Vigil MASS</u> this week at 3.00pm . Please note.

Parish Christmas Cards: The cards will be ready for neighbourhood contacts to collect on the weekend of 3rd/4th December. We would appreciate some more help to deliver in these areas: Western Rd, Walshes Rd, Luxford Rd/Lane, Crowborough Hill [nr Jarvis Brook]. Please contact Tilly [668416] or Maggie [655226] if you can help in any way. It doesn't necessarily need to be a permanent commitment. Thank You.

Sacred Heart School Christmas Fair: For those wishing to immerse themselves in the festive spirit, please join us for our traditional Christmas Fair from 12.30pm on Saturday, 3rd December, retiring to St Mary's for the Vigil MASS at 3.00pm, followed by the Christmas sing-along.

Parish Advent Celebration of Reconciliation with personal confession on Monday, 12th December at 7.30pm.

First Communion Enrolment at 9.30am MASS on Sunday, 18th December.

St Mary's School Advent Fayre in school, Friday, 2nd December 3.15pm to 5.00pm. All welcome.

The Travelling Crib: Please sign up for the crib to visit your home for a day - beginning 27th November, First Sunday of Advent. Please collect from the family before your choice.

Exposition - 12th December: On the Feast Day of Our Lady of Guadalupe, Monday, 12th December, there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and an hour of silent prayer for refugees in front of the tabernacle at St Mary's from 8.00pm to 9.00pm. Please feel free to pop in for a few minutes to have some peaceful Advent contemplation or stay for the hour.

Crowborough & Rotherfield Churches Together: The AGM of CRCT took place on 3rd October. A variety of issues were discussed, including Christian Aid Week, Street Pastors, the food bank, rough sleepers and the week for Christian Unity, which is 16th to 22nd January, 2017, during which there will be the usual joint service. The 'Journey to Christmas' for schools at the United Church is to be repeated, following the feedback from schools after last year's programme. It will take place on 1st and 2nd December and we are looking for helpers to set up in the United Church on the evenings of 28th [to move pews] and 29th and 30th November for anyone with artistic talent. Please see me or 'phone 07944 790049 if you can help us.

Christian Aid Week is 14th to 22nd May 2017 and we would welcome support during that week. Further details closer to the date.

Rough Sleepers - This is not an issue in Crowborough but we are assembling 'care bags' for each of the member churches in case of a sudden need.

The Food Bank is open every Friday at the CAB, although supplies are available daily in cases of emergency.

Gerry Mapp.

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