

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CROWBOROUGH

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CHURCH TIMETABLE 24th SEPTEMBER to 1st OCTOBER 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>	<u>Please Note:</u> No weekday MASSES until 17th October.

Today: The Annual St Vincent de Paul Special Collection [please use their envelopes for Gift Aid] and Coffee Morning.

Next Sunday: The Annual Missionary Appeal and Collection.

"The Missionaries of Africa" a.k.a. [The White Fathers], are an international team of priests, brothers and lay associates from Africa, Britain and many countries around the world. Any ministry which has a real relationship with Africa, no matter in what part of the world it may be, is considered by the Missionaries of Africa to be within the scope of the apostolate. Through Parish work, building up small Christian communities, working with the media, involvement in justice and peace, agriculture, seminary training, education and social welfare, the Missionaries of Africa aim to work in partnership with the Church in Africa and above all else to help build up the leadership of the Churches."

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Weekend 8th/9th October: Fr Jim Hurley will celebrate the weekend MASSES.

Please Note: For emergency calls for a Priest or queries about pastoral matters, please 'phone Anthony Moffatt 653956 mobile: 07836559110.

For property matters and access to Church or Parish, please 'phone Peter Hamerton 655932.

Traidcraft: Please note: There will be no Traidcraft stall in the Parish Room on the weekend 1st/2nd October. The stall will be open again on 5th/6th November after the vigil and morning MASSES. Thank you to all who support this stall.

Churches Together - Crowborough and Rotherfield: The AGM is on Monday, 3rd October at 7.30pm in the United Church, Croft Road. All are very welcome to attend.

St Gregory's School Open Events: 29th September 6.30pm to 8.30pm, including Head Teacher's talk. Also 28th/29th September and 19th/20th October at 9.00am to 10.20am with school tours.

Fr Kevin is away from the Parish until 15th October.

CAFOD Sunday is being transferred [here in St Mary's] to 15/16th October and a collection will be taken on 22/23rd October - World Mission Sunday [an International MASS].

New Rotas for MASS Readers, Holy Communion Ministers and Sacristan can be collected from the 2nd Sacristy.

St Mary's First Communion Preparation Programme will not begin until the week beginning 17th October. There will be an Information Meeting for Parents on 18th October at 3.45pm in the Parish Room. The date for First Communions for 2017 - the Feast of Corpus Christi - 18th June.

Confirmation Programme 2017: There will be no Confirmation Programme here at St Mary's in 2017.

Red Box Collection has arrived again. Please hand in your boxes for counting. Last day for collection will be Sunday, 9th October.

Most of our Universities and Higher Education Institutions have a dedicated Catholic Chaplain based in the university or the local Parish. The Catholic Chaplaincy is a place for you to explore your faith as a young adult, to meet other young people with similar interests from a great range of backgrounds and to get involved in activities and social outreach. If you already have a strong faith, this is a chance to deepen it. If you are full of questions and doubts, this is a chance to share them and search for some honest answers about life and faith. Everyone is welcome.

To find your local Chaplaincy and for contact details of all the University Chaplains and Catholic Student Societies, visit the "CathChaps" website at www.cathchaps.co.uk

A Big Thank You to all who helped to make the visit of Bishop Richard such a happy occasion and a boost to our Parish morale.

The Parish Office will be closed from 2nd October to 17th October.

Mike Good would like to thank Fr Kevin and the Parish for the Papal Blessing from Pope Francis, which was presented to him by Bishop Richard during his Parish visit. These events do not just happen and I would like to thank all involved. I very much appreciate it.

The Shoebox Appeal will commence on the weekend 1/2nd October and will run until the weekend 29/30th October. Leaflets and some boxes will be available in the Church porch. Please adhere to the required customs regulations. Thank you for your generosity and support of this worthwhile cause, which brings such joy to so many who live in dire poverty.

Brenda Sharman 665421 and Monique Ronan 662688.

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