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**CHURCH TIMETABLE 16th to 23rd JANUARY 2016**

<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	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.
<b><u>Neighbourhood MASSES</u></b>	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
<b><u>Weekday MASSES</u></b>	MASS each day at 9.00am <u>except Thursday</u> . Morning Prayer 8.45am. Adoration 8.30am to 9.00am.
<b><u>Baptisms and Marriages</u></b>	By appointment with Fr Kevin.

**Today** is Peace Sunday in all the Catholic Parishes of England and Wales.

The Bishops of England and Wales invite us to make today a day of prayer for peace and to reflect on the theme Pope Francis has chosen for the annual World Day of Peace, with the title: **Overcome indifference and win peace.**

Let's ponder the suggestion implicit in that title - that it is our **lack** of concern which is the biggest obstacle to peace in our world; that we have got used to accepting the ubiquity of distrust, discord and naked aggression; got used to the notion that violence is an acceptable way to solve problems; accepted that 'might is right' and that the rights of the vulnerable may be trampled on because it is more convenient for the powerful. And let us ask the Lord to change our hearts, so that all may share in the Wedding Feast of God's Kingdom.

**Thursday:** 11.00am Funeral MASS for Maurice Suckling RIP.

**Marriage Preparation Course** for the Parishes of the Deanery by Deacon Ken Fowler and his wife. Tel: 07710210962 or email: deaconKenFowler@btinternet.com 6 months' notice required by our Diocese.

**The Sacrament of Forgiveness** [Confession] Saturday 5.00pm to 5.30pm. Other days by appointment.

**The Year of Mercy** - Bishop Richard  
**PILGRIMAGE**

The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage and the human being is a 'viator', a pilgrim travelling along the road, making his way to the desired destination. Similarly, to reach the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the world, everyone, each according to his or her ability, will have to make a pilgrimage. This will be a sign that mercy is also a goal to reach and requires dedication and sacrifice. May pilgrimage be an impetus to conversion: by crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, we will find the strength to embrace God's mercy and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the Father has been with us.

"I encourage all in the Diocese to make pilgrimages to the places where Holy Doors are situated.

During the course of the Jubilee Year, a number of specific events will enable the family of the Diocese to come together for pilgrimage - wonderful opportunities for us to join together in prayer, to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Holy Eucharist. Such events will bring us together as a family, growing in mercy for each other and for the world we are called to evangelise through our action and our presence."

In addition to the Opening of the Holy Doors, the following Pilgrimages will be taking place:-

### **Arundel Cathedral**

The Good Shepherd Pilgrimage for Schools will, in the Jubilee Year, be held at the Cathedral on 22nd June, 2016.

### **The Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation, West Grinstead**

The Bishop is calling on the Diocese to gather at the Shrine on the afternoon of 17th July, 2016.

### **Mayfield Convent Chapel**

The Bishop is calling on the Diocese to gather at the Chapel on the afternoon of 15th October, 2016.

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