

**ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
CROWBOROUGH**

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CHURCH TIMETABLE 18th to 25th NOVEMBER 2017

Sunday

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.

Weekday MASS

MASS each day, except Tuesday and Saturday mornings, at 9.00am.
Morning Prayer 8.45am.

Reconciliation

Saturday 5.00pm to 5.30pm and on request.

[Confession]

Baptism

Sundays at 12 noon, unless during the MASS. By appointment with Fr Kevin.

Marriage

By appointment with Fr Kevin. In this Diocese one year's notice is required in normal circumstances. A Marriage Preparation Course is also required.

Please see notice board for neighbourhood MASS times.

Today: Diocesan Collection for the Cathedral Maintenance Fund. Please use Diocesan envelopes for Gift Aid [purple].

Tuesday: 7.30pm Confirmation parents and sponsors' meeting in the Parish Room.

Next Sunday:

- Festival of Christ the King. The closing celebration of the Church's year.
- Christmas Flower Appeal at both MASSES.

Weekend 2/3rd December: Confirmation candidates weekend away.

Hospice in the Weald - Christmas Sale 2nd December, 2.00pm to 5.00pm at St John's Church Hall near the Horder Centre. Do come along and support us.

A Notice from our Indian Community: 2 lay Indian Missionaries will be visiting Crowborough on 25th November. Anyone who would like a visit, please hand in your name, address and a convenient time in writing to the Priest's Cottage or after MASS today to any member of the Indian Community.

Pa-Rum-Pa-Pa-Pum: A Christmas Sing-a-long - Saturday, 9th December 2017: We are now only 3 short weeks away from our Christmas sing-a-long, so we are looking for support and donations from the Parish to make the event a success. It promises to be an uplifting celebration for the community to come together and to raise money for the Church. The stalls and refreshments will open following the early 3.00pm Vigil MASS. The sing-a-long will begin at 4.30pm, lasting approx an hour and ending with the Grand Draw. All are then welcome to continue enjoying the refreshments, buying gifts from the Parish run stalls and having a go on the tombolas. If you have any gifts, treats or experiences that you would be happy to donate as Grand Draw prizes, or have any contacts to whom we may be able to direct a request, please contact Tracy Shields on tracybshields@hotmail.com. Raffle tickets will be distributed from this weekend.

We are also relying on donations from the Parish for the tombolas and refreshments, so if you are able to donate any of the following, please bring them to the Church porch:-

- Mulled wine
- Mince pies or stollen slices
- Bottles for the bottle tombola
- Chocolate for the chocolate tombola

If you would like to perform a solo or in a small group, or lead a group musical activity, please let Lucy know so that you can be added to the programme.

Please add your name to the list at the back of the Church or contact Lucy if you are able to help support the event in the lead up or on the day of the event.

If you have any questions or suggestions, please contact Lucy Tipp on - email: lucytipp@gmail.com mob: 07771746975.

Thank You!

Parish Christmas Cards - Can you Help? We are looking for more help to deliver a few Christmas cards [no more than 5] in these areas: Walshes Road, Fermor Road, Hurtis Hill, Eridge Gardens, Eridge Road [Crowborough], Jarvis Brook [Forest Rise, Forest Dene]. Please let Tilly [tel 668416] or Maggie [655226] know if you can help or see us at Church. It is important that we send the good news of Christmas to all our Parishioners and let them know about the MASS times; however we can't send 500 cards through the post. If you don't feel you can be a permanent neighbourhood contact we would still appreciate short term help.

Neighbourhood Contacts: If you still have your brown envelope from Easter, would you be kind enough to return it to the Sacristy as soon as possible. Please note we hope to have the Christmas cards ready for collection on the weekend of 2/3rd December. Thank you in anticipation of your help. Tilly and Maggie.

Advent Wreaths: A limited number of candle sets for Advent wreaths and kits for making fresh Advent wreaths [oasis ring, 5 candles and candle holders] will be for sale in the Parish Room after the Masses on 18/19th November.

- Candle Sets - £3.50
- Whole Kit - £7.50

Crowborough and Rotherfield Churches Together - 'Beyond Redemption' - If you might be interested in auditioning for this play, which is going to be staged in Churches in Crowborough and Rotherfield during Lent 2018, auditions will be taking place on Wednesday, 22nd November at All Saints' Church. Just turn up at the Church at 7.30pm. The play, written by a local author/playwright, is set during the final days and the crucifixion of Christ and focuses on the impact the events have on a family at the time. The director, Jo Evans, is keen to recruit more than one cast in order to create more opportunities.

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