

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY CROWBOROUGH

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CHURCH TIMETABLE 7th to 21st JANUARY 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.

Neighbourhood MASSES

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

Weekday MASSES Note: No weekday MASSES until 23rd January.

New Rotas for Sacristans, Counters and Welcomers from the Sacristy. Please help yourselves.

New Wedding Directive for this Diocese: One year is required to ensure couples share in a Marriage Preparation Programme.

Marriage Preparation Courses in Eastbourne: 25th February, 24th June and 21st October all organised by 'Marriage Core'. Please contact your priest to book a place. Further information tel: 01323 487883 or 07896 312391.

Diocesan Directories for 2017 on sale in the porch alcove - £5.

January Edition of A & B News available from Church porch. Please help yourselves.

CAFOD Yemen Crisis Appeal: CAFOD is providing assistance in the form of food, water, medical care and shelter. To support this appeal, please donate on line or in the wall box under St Theresa's statue.

Arundel and Brighton Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes: 27th July to 4th August 2017 - online applications will be open soon. Please check the Pilgrimage website for details www.ablourdes.org. Pilgrims requiring any level of medical, nursing or carer assistance, or those without access to the internet, should contact the Pilgrimage Office direct for a paper application form on 01403 740110.

'Peace Sunday' 15th January, 2017. Theme: 'Non-violence: a style of politics for peace'.

Note: Fr Kevin will be away from the Parish from 9th to 20th January, 2017.

On the Weekend 14/15th January Father Jim Hurley, from the Visitation Convent in Waldron, will be celebrating the MASSES.

The Crib Offerings are for the Children of Bethlehem.

Churches Together in Crowborough: The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - 16th to 22nd January. Please see poster in Church porch for the daily details. Please note: St Mary's is hosting a Prayer and Reflection service on Tuesday, 17th January at 12 noon. Please support us. For more information, please 'phone Mary Lelliott [our Parish rep] on 662603.

New Year's Resolution:

Make a Difference with CAFOD

Make 2017 the year you meet new friends, inspire others to act for social justice and use your skills to help our sisters and brothers working to overcome poverty around the globe.

Are you a good communicator, who would enjoy speaking in churches or schools? Are you a people-person, who would relish involving and encouraging others in your local Parish? Are you a budding writer, who could contribute to our blog and e-news?

If so, please get in touch with Martin or Jo on 01483 898866 or email arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk

Teenage Retreat for Years 7-9 - INSPIRE @ Worth Abbey - February 10-12th: This February there will be another retreat at Worth Abbey for young people in school years 7-9. INSPIRE is part of the youth retreat programme at The Open Cloister, which has been running successfully for a number of years. The retreats are run by an experienced team, with the support of the monastic community at Worth and the Diocese. They give young people a brilliant chance to meet other young Catholics and to explore their faith in the beautiful atmosphere of Worth Abbey. There are also games, sports, social activities and much more. The weekend costs £84, but bursaries are available. For more information or to book, email toc@worthabbey.net - bookings close February 3rd or when the retreat is full. If you have any questions, you are also free to contact the Diocesan Youth Officer, Jack Regan - Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

Evenings of Reflection with Bishop Richard - 2017: Dates and locations are as follows. Exact timings are TBC, but likely to be around 6.30pm to 9.30pm.

Saturday, 21st January	-	St John's Seminary, Wonersh
Saturday, 28th January	-	St Joseph's Church, Redhill
Saturday, 11th February	-	St Paul's Catholic College, Burgess Hill
Saturday, 18th March	-	St Mary Magdalene's Church, Bexhill-on-Sea

Some things to note:

The evenings are usually accessed by Confirmation groups, but are open to all young people between the ages of 11-18.

We are presuming that young people will be accompanied by parents and/or leaders. Young people who want to come by themselves are invited to get in touch with me.

The evenings are centred on an experience of Lectio Divina, led by Bishop Richard.

Remember, booking is essential.

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