

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC COMMUNITY
Diocese of Arundel and Brighton
In the Pastoral Care of Bishop Richard Moth

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CHURCH TIMETABLE 24th NOVEMBER to 1st DECEMBER 2018

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 only.

**This Week's
MASS Times**

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00am MASS.

Morning Prayer 8.45am. Adoration 8.30am to 9.00am

No MASS on Tuesday and Saturday mornings.

Indian Prayer Group Wednesday 5.30pm to 7.00pm.

**Reconciliation
[Confession]**

5.00pm to 5.30pm Saturday and other days on request.

Baptisms

By appointment at 12 noon Sundays, unless during MASS.

Weddings

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

Today at 9.30am MASS the First Communion children will be enrolled.

Next Sunday: The season of Advent begins. The MASS Readings for Sundays are from Cycle C and for weekdays Year 1. At the Advent MASSES the Eucharistic Prayer No 2 for Reconciliation will be prayed. The 'Gloria' is not used during Advent, except for Feastdays.

Advent Candles/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 Church after MASSES today. Candle Sets - £3.50. Whole Kit - £7.50. Advent calendars are also for sale.

Piety Stall Cards: There is a wide selection of occasion and religious cards available to purchase from the second Sacristy at any MASS [Bereavement/Sympathy, Get Well, Baptism, Wedding, Anniversaries, MASS Intentions, Birthday]. Also some blank cards. First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards available on request. Please leave the money in the wall box [marked Cards/Piety Stall] in the front porch.

Pa-Rum-Pa-Pa-Pum: A Christmas Sing-a-long

Saturday 1st December 2018:

Next Saturday is our Parish Christmas Sing-a-long! Please note that the Vigil MASS will be at the earlier time of 3.00pm. The stalls and refreshments will open immediately after MASS and the Sing-a-long will begin at 4.30pm, lasting approximately an hour and a half and ending with the Grand Draw.

We urgently need donations for the tombolas [**bottles and chocolate**] and refreshments [**mulled wine and mince pies**]. *Please leave donations in the labelled box in the Church foyer.* Please drop donations off as soon as possible so that the tombolas can be prepared.

The more volunteers we have to help on the day, the smoother the event will run., If you are able to offer your help, please add your name to the sign-up sheet at the back of the Church.

It is looking to be a fabulous event, with many talents being shared from members of our Parish, along with the uplifting Sing-a-long Carols to get us all in the mood for Advent.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Thank You!

Lucy Tipp - email: lucytipp@gmail.com mob: 07771746975

Grand Draw Raffle Tickets are now available. Please give a hand in selling them.

Deacon Jack's Ordination to the Priesthood will take place in Arundel Cathedral on Wednesday, 19th December at 7.00pm. All are welcome to attend. His first MASS will be here in St Mary's on Thursday, 20th December at 10.00am, followed by coffee in the Parish Room. Deacon Jack's first Sunday MASS will be on Sunday, 23rd December at 9.30am, followed by an extended coffee morning with cutting of a celebration cake. All very welcome.

Beyond Redemption: This play, written by Crowborough playwright, Hilary Mackelden, tells the story of Jesus' passion from the point of view of Jacob, the soldier who arrested and tortured him, Miriam, his wife and their teenage daughter, Deborah. The play will be staged in 6 churches, including St Mary's, in Lent 2019. If you would like to be considered for one of the roles, auditions will be held at All Saints' Church on Saturday, 24th November from 10.00am to 12.00 noon and St Denys Church, Rotherfield on Sunday, 25th November from 2.30pm. Rehearsals will commence in January. For further details, please email beyondredemption18@gmail.com

Vacancy for Foundation Governor at St Mary's School: Are you looking for a new challenge or an opportunity to give something back to the Parish community? If you are, then we may be able to help! We currently have a vacancy on the Governing Board of St Mary's School for a Foundation Governor.

Being a Governor is a challenging, but hugely rewarding role. It will give you the chance to make a real difference to young people, give something back to our Parish community and use and develop your skills in a board-level environment.

If you are interested in learning more about the role, please contact our clerk, Angela, by email clerktogovernors@stmarysrc.e-sussex.sch.uk - or speak to our Chair of Governors, Lorna Buckwell.

New Trainee Altar Servers - Induction: Congratulations to Alfie and Emily who will receive their coloured belts at Sunday MASS. We welcome them into our altar serving team and ask for your blessing.

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