

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

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CHURCH TIMETABLE 28th APRIL to 5th MAY 2018

<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 <u>during term time</u> .
<u>Weekday Masses</u>	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 9.00am MASS with adoration from 8.15am to 9.00am. Morning Prayer 8.45am. No MASS Tuesday and Saturday mornings.
<u>Reconciliation</u> <u>[Confession]</u>	5.00pm to 5.30pm Saturday and other days on request.
<u>Baptisms</u>	12 noon Sundays, unless during MASS by appointment.
<u>Weddings</u>	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: The First Communion children receive the 'Our Father' during 9.30am MASS.

Wednesday: The Parish Finance and Admin Committee meet at 7.30pm at the Priest's Cottage.

New Gift Aid Envelopes - **Named** - are in the alcove of the Church porch. Please help yourselves.

April copy of the A & B News is available in the Church porch. Please collect a copy.

Easter to Pentecost Prayer: Wednesdays 11th April until 16th May in the Parish Room between 7.30pm and 8.30pm. Through reflecting on the Gospel of the day, personal prayer and music we will pray for the Parish and the Diocese. Everyone is welcome. If you would like more information, please tel: 07780 431668.

St Mary's School 2018 Colour Run - Sunday, 29th April beginning at 1.30pm. All ages welcome. £5 per entry.

First Communion Programme: Sunday, 29th April 'the giving of the Our Father' during 9.30am MASS.

First Communion MASS on 3rd June - Festival of Corpus Christi. MASS at 1.30pm. 14 children are being prepared for Communion.

Christian Aid Week 2018: This year Christian Aid week will be from 13th to 19th May. Last year nearly £5,000 was raised by Churches in Crowborough. Thank you to everyone that helped or donated. If you would like to do a house to house collection in your street, this would be much appreciated. It doesn't take long and the weather should be sunny in May. It's a great way to meet your neighbours. If you would like to participate then please email Mark Donaghy at docfames@gmail.com or leave him a message on 655114.

The Faith Companion is a new Catholic Parishioner Magazine launching in the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton 29th April, 2018. This magazine is aimed at making accessible our Tradition in the hope to open the riches of our faith to all. By sharing faith experiences, devotional practices and graces received we hope to help people translate their faith into daily life and make it more relevant in today's world. To find out more, please see our website www.thefaithcompanion.co.uk

'Catch the Wind' - Crowborough and Rotherfield Churches Together: It was really encouraging to see our numbers back up to 17 at the recent Prayer Meetings and to have enjoyed praying with members of several churches, including St Mary's, St Denys', the United Church, All Saints and the Community Church. Please do consider coming along to pray for our local community on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 9.00am to 9.40am in the Oasis building, opposite the sorting office in Beacon Road.

St John's Seminary - Wonersh - Can you help? The Seminary, near Guildford, Surrey [which has been involved in the formation of priests for over 125 years] is looking for some help with the cost of re-decoration and refurbishment of 30 of its bedrooms, which have received little or no upgrading for 40+ years. Many rooms have threadbare or no carpets, and curtains which are close to disintegration. Some of the beds and other furniture started their life in the Junior Seminary at Mark Cross, Sussex - which closed in 1970. The Seminary operates on a very tight budget and there are no funds available for this much-needed work, which would cost in the region of £2,000 per room. If you can help in any way, please send a cheque made payable to 'St John's Seminary' to - Mgr Gerry Ewing [Vice-Rector], St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX. Thank you so much!

Healing MASS - Sunday, 13th May at 2.30pm followed by tea provided by the SVP in the Parish Room. Anyone requiring a lift, please contact the Ronans on 01892 662688.

Crowborough Women's Breakfast invite you to Barnsgate Manor on Saturday, 19th May at 8.00am to listen to Dr Ryan Watkins talk about the Royal Alexandra Children's Hospital which looks after the sick children of Sussex and to hear about the Rockinghorse appeal which you may have seen advertised on the side of the Brighton bus! Tickets £9.50 [by 13th May] from Maggie Brain tel: 01892 655226.

First Holy Communion: The Church Piety Stall will be open in the Parish Room on Sunday, 29th April for the sale of religious cards, rosaries, crucifixes, crosses, bibles and children's books [to order] which may be of interest to families preparing for First Holy Communion. Please see Tilly, Rosemary or Helene for any enquiries.

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