

Parish of Our Lady and the Saints of Sussex

21 November CHRIST THE KING



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Dear sisters and brothers in Christ

Looking back over my years of priesthood, one of the greatest gifts has been Jesus Caritas. It is a fraternity or 'support group' for priests who meet once a month for an hour's adoration followed by lunch. We look at the Gospel for the following Sunday and end after each of us has shared his 'review of life'. All members are expected to spend some time daily before the Blessed Sacrament. Last week, we had our annual 24 hours when members of our 5 Diocesan groups come together for an informal retreat and simply to enjoy each other's company. There were 14 of us this time and we stayed in a convent in Rottingdean near Brighton appropriately named St Martha's. It is a warm and very friendly place where we were very well looked after. The atmosphere was particularly up-beat this year, not only because it was the first time we had met in two years but also because of the very recent news that our founder Charles de Foucauld (1858-1916) is to be canonised after Easter next year.

Another reason for its success was because of our excellent speaker Fr Victor Darlington, a Southwark priest, originally from Nigeria and until recently a scripture lecturer at Womersley. He helped us to reflect on 'living post covid' and how this should affect our lives and ministry. He linked it to our preparations for the Synod in 2023 and its strong emphasis on listening. He spoke of Pope Francis as 'one of the greatest gifts to our Church'. His words were both challenging and encouraging. I look forward to sharing them with you in the future.

Fr Victor admitted this had been his first encounter with Jesus Caritas and he was particularly struck by the warmth, sincerity and friendship of our group. We came away, all of us feeling renewed and affirmed.

May God bless you all

Sunday 21 November - Christ the King

First Reading Daniel 7:13-14

I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man

Resp Psalm 92: 1-2, 5

The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed

Second reading Apocalypse 1:5-8

Jesus Christ has made us a line of kings and priests

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 18: 33-37

Yes, I am a king

Bidding prayers for the week

www.strichardschichester.co.uk/intercessions

Please pray for our sick parishioners:

Valerie Davis-White, Peter Thorpe, Mary Eveleigh, Margaret Beazley, Paul Carney, Nicola Coutts, Susan Line, Ellie Butler, Jan Thorpe, Frank O'Donnell, Dennis Chiles, Kay Howlett, Rene Coutts, Michael O'Neil, Patrick Hill, Rita Rooke, Jenny Edwards, Walter Hoppe, Peter Habgood, Agnes Martin, Majella Taylor, David White, Nicola and Anthony Nageon De Lestang, Gerald McGregor, Jill Serna, Robin Bowker, Helena Denis, Tony Whiting,

Please let the office know of any changes

Advent Reconciliation Service

Our parish Advent reconciliation service will be held at 7pm on Tuesday 21st December when many priests of our deanery will be joining us for the sacrament of forgiveness.

Chichester - Blessing of the Graves The annual blessing of the graves at Chichester will take place at Chichester Cemetery at 2pm next Wednesday 24th November.

Parish Community Fund Christmas Appeal

Many families within our extended Parish Community are experiencing real financial hardship. Thanks to your generosity over the past couple of years, we have been able to offer some support to many of the most needy families. Up until now the requests for help have come from our Catholic schools.

Budgets are being squeezed for us all and Christmas will be a difficult time for many. We aim to reach out with help in the form of food vouchers. These will go to families who find themselves unable to fulfil their most basic needs.

Families who have received help from the Community fund have been so grateful and moved by the generosity and support of parishioners.

If you are able to support this appeal please donate via bank transfer or cheque.

Via Bank Transfer: Name: **RCD A&B St Richard of Chichester** Sort Code: **40-05-20**, Account No: **41076582**
Reference: **Parish Com Fund**

Please add your name if your donation is eligible for Gift Aid. Please make cheques payable to 'St Richards Chichester'

Coffee and Chat - Bosham

Our Lady of the Assumption

This will re start on Wednesday 24th November at Our Lady of the Assumption 10am to 11.30. All are welcome for a cup of tea/coffee and friendly conversation. For further details contact Sally Morley 01243 572855

The Event

Thursday 2nd December

12.15 Mass at Our Lady of the Assumption
The Visiting Group is holding a pre-Christmas Event following 12.15 Mass at Bosham on Thursday 2nd December. Mass will be concelebrated by Fr Tom and Fr Peter with a sandwich style lunch to follow and quiz/game and raffle. Owing to limited seating availability you must book your place in advance via Caroline Hutchings either by email at bullenc47@gmail.com or leave a message on 01243 788158. Transport is available by contacting Tony Hodgekiss 01243 781040.

Crowns to colour and decorate

Come and collect your special children's worksheets for children's liturgy this weekend at St Richards. Crowns to decorate for Christ the King.

First Holy Communion Programme

Congratulations to those who have recently received their First Holy Communion. We look forward to welcoming you for your 'Going Forth' Mass next weekend where you will receive your certificates and enjoy a party afterwards. If you have not let us know which Mass you will be coming to, please contact the office.

Planning for the new programme is well underway and we invite families who would like to put their child forward to contact the office to register. You will be contacted once the list of dates are finalised so that you will be able to put them in your diary. The programme begins mid-January with a parents' / carers' meeting. We look forward to welcoming you, but please introduce yourself to the clergy next time you are at Mass so that we can put a face to the name. It is a vital part of your child's preparation to experience the beauty of the Mass with you supporting them.

Second Collection this weekend: Maintenance of the Cathedral

Your donation can be gift aided using your normal mass envelopes and numbers.

Our Parish Offertory

We are very grateful to all who are able to donate through standing orders, bank transfers and to support the offertory.

Restrictions still remain at masses on handing round the offertory baskets and for parishioners who normally donate this way, there are a number of options to continue regular giving:

1. Set up a standing order online
2. Make a single payment by online banking or by cheque
3. Make a donation through the Diocese JustGiving page

Donations via cheque

Made payable to: St Richard's Chichester
Made payable to: St Peter's RC Church

Donations via bank transfer:

Reference: surname and offertory

Name: RCD A&B St Richard of Chichester
Sort Code: 40-05-20
Account No: 41076582

Name: RCD A&B St Peter's Wittering
Sort Code: 40-05-20
Account No: 71077716

Donations via Credit / debit card

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ChichesterwiththeWitterings>

Next Saturday **

Advent Day of Recollection

Our Advent Day of Recollection will be held on Saturday 27th November, led by Mgr Roderick Strange, Professor of Theology at St Mary's University, Twickenham and former Rector of the Beda College in Rome.

Everyone is very welcome to attend the day. Which will be an excellent way to prepare for the coming season.

10am:	Mass in St Richard's Church
10.45am	Tea/ coffee in St Richard's School
11am	First conference
	Quiet Time
	Midday: lunch (Remember to bring your own sandwiches and drink—tea and coffee will be available)
1pm	Second conference
2pm	Guided Holy Hour
3pm	Depart

Still open

Parish Pastoral Council nominations

If you have an interest in ...

- the life of our parish,
- our recovery from the effects of the pandemic,
- the development of a truly united new parish community that can share resources and skills across our four churches,
- how we reach beyond our communities to share the Good News, and would like to help to create a vibrant future for our new parish, then consider putting yourself forward for the new Parish Pastoral Council.

We are particularly keen to receive further nominations from people in the communities at Our Lady's and St Richard's. Visit strichardschichester.co.uk/ppc or contact the Parish Office for more details.

Pope Francis' Synod

As part of Pope Francis' Synod, the Cathedral is hosting the Zoom group meetings for the deanery. All the meetings will run in the evening from 7:30 - 9:00 on the following dates:

- Sunday, 5 December
- Thursday, 9 December
- Monday, 13 December

We are using a tool called MailChimp to manage the sign up process - please [click here for the form](#). Alternatively, you can email edward.hopkins@abdiocese.org.uk.

Five Bible Studies on the Advent

Sunday Gospels

Mauro Iannicelli will break open the Advent Sunday Gospels with in-depth teaching and stimulating questions. As a result, you will experience Sunday Mass in a new way! Five Wednesdays: 24 Nov | 1 Dec | 8 Dec | 15 Dec | 22 Dec (7-8pm UK Time). Free of Charge | LIVE sessions on YouTube. Info & Registration: <https://comeandsee.org/advent>

Deanery Station Mass Tuesday 23rd

November 6.30pm ** Please note amended date due from error in last week's newsletter

Throughout November Bishop Richard is offering a mass in each deanery for all the deceased, particularly of the last year. It will be a concelebrated mass with the priests of the deanery joining him.

We have a reader for the Mass but any servers who could assist at the Mass would be most welcome.

If you would like the names of your departed loved ones included please inform our parish office by Sunday 21st November. Let us hope that our newly expanded parish will be well represented..

'Let all who are thirsty come ...'

a moment for peace,
reflection and prayer

with music from
Taizé

Please join us

at Our Lady of the
Assumption RC church,
Fairfield Road,
Bosham

**Sunday 21
November**
at 4pm

Prayer Service with Music – Refreshments

Date	Time	Church	online	Mass Intention
Saturday 20 November	8am	St Richard's		Health and wellbeing of Kealan Kelly
	6pm	St Richard's	✓	Wilfred Loftus RIP
Sunday 21 November Christ the King	8.30am	St Richard's		Bridie and Patrick McGreal RIP (Family members)
	9am	St Peter's		Michael Donovan RIP (Donovan Family)
	10am	St Richard's	✓	Pauline White RIP (Marion and Will)
	11am	Our Lady		Michael Collins RIP (M Potter)
Monday 22 November St Cecilia	8am	St Richard's	✓	Holy Souls in Purgatory
	12noon	St Richard's		Rosa Bushell RIP (Sandra and Tony)
Tuesday 23 November	8am	St Richard's	✓	Deceased friends and family of P&E Robson
	9.25-10	Our Lady		<i>Adoration and confessions</i>
	10am	Our Lady		Maureen Jenner RIP
	6.30pm	Arundel		Deanery Station Mass at Arundel Cathedral
Wednesday 24 November St Andrew Dung- Lac and companions	8am	St Richard's	✓	Deceased friends and relatives of the Siebert and Lawrenson families
	8-11	St Richard's		<i>Adoration</i>
	10-11	St Richard's		<i>Confession</i>
	9-12	St Peter		<i>Adoration</i>
	6-6.45	St Richard's		<i>Adoration and Confessions</i>
	7pm	St Richard's		Emmy Roblin RIP
Thursday 25 November	8am	St Richard's	✓	Philip Pratley RIP
	12noon	St Richard's		Patrick Goodison RIP
Friday 26 November	8am	St Richard's	✓	Gwyn French RIP
	9.30-10	St Peter's		<i>Confession</i>
	10am	St Peter's		Mona & Jack Culliton RIP (Monica Tourlamain)
Saturday 27 November	10am	St Richard's		(In Thanksgiving) followed by Day of Recollection
	6pm	St Richard's	✓ Going forth Mass (Holy Com)	Deceased members of the Tower and McEwan Families
Sunday First Sunday of Advent	8.30am	St Richard's		Departed souls of the Pinto and Fernandes family
	9am	St Peter's		Mona & Jack Culliton RIP (Monica Tourlamain)
	10am	St Richard's	✓ Going forth Mass (Holy Com)	Wellbeing of Theresa Masterson (Maura Doocey)
	11am	Our Lady		Billy Walker RIP (Clare Walls)

Men's breakfast 27th November

We welcome Mark McDermott, formerly a firearms officer in the Hampshire constabulary. We look forward to his inspiring talk. We meet at the Brick Kiln Garden Centre which opens for us at 8am. Breakfast needs to be pre-ordered Cost £9 <https://immanuel.churchsuite.com/events/hpzeau8s> or call Peter on 07813 024585 As always, we welcome all men irrespective of faith or none. It's an excellent opportunity to bring along non-Christian friends and neighbours to join us for breakfast, fellowship and to hear a stimulating and maybe life changing talk.

The Discussion Group

meeting in Bognor parish will be on Wednesday November 24th, starting at 7.30pm and can be accessed by using the link, www.bognorcatholicparish.co.uk/discussion-group. The Church before Constantine will be introduced by Nora Courtney and will consider surviving documents and archaeological discoveries which shed light on a forgotten period.

In debt? Want to improve your money management? struggling with money?

CAP Money Course (3 sessions) 2, 9 and 16 December 2021. Each session 11.00am-1.00pm. Venue: The Shore Community Church, 7 3 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis PO21 2TD. The CAP Money Course is a FREE 3 session course open to anyone, irrespective of income, financial circumstances or knowledge. The course aims: 1. To equip you to improve your money management 2. Encourage you to look at your finances and make changes that are tailored specifically to your needs. 3. To enable you to successfully budget, save and keep out of debt. Each session lasts 2 hours including refreshments. It's informal, fun and totally confidential. Want to come on a course? know someone who would benefit? Contact: Peter Sutton T: 07813 024585; E: petersutton@capmoneycourse.org