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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I have been asked recently 'what has become of David?'. You will remember last year our parish was very generous in raising money to help him prepare for life after prison. The prospects were not good: he has no family, no friends, no possessions and poor health.

I am glad to tell you I have now met him twice. He is in a hostel in Bognor and remains very grateful for our financial help. David's main problem is now his very poor health. He is a big man of sixty and he is very overweight. He also suffers from bouts of depression. With no future, friends or family, he has very little to live for. I was disappointed when against my advice he chose not to join the other residents for dinner on Christmas Day, preferring to spend it on his own. I plan to contact the SVP Conference in Bognor to see if they can arrange visits on a weekly or fortnightly basis. I'm hoping he will agree! Meanwhile I intend to try to see him about once a month. We have after all our correspondence become good mates! And so the best way we can help David is through our prayers. Although not a Catholic his Christian faith has been growing helped greatly by your kindness and generosity.

We know the ultimate situation to his problems is to find Christ. He along will fill that gap in David's life and provide a purpose for his living. Let us keep him in our prayers that he will find the joy and peace which only Christ can give.

May God bless you all

Fr Tom

Sunday 16th January 2022

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading Isaiah 62:1-5

The bridegroom rejoices in his bride

Resp Psalm 95

Proclaim the wonders of the Lord among all peoples

Second reading Corinthians 12:4-11

The spirit distributes gifts to different people just as he chooses

Alleluia, alleluia! Speak, Lord, your servant is listening: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 2:1-11

My hour has not come yet - Do whatever he tells you

Bidding prayers for the week

www.strichardschichester.co.uk/intercessions

SPUC White Flower Appeal Second Collection

THIS WEEKEND

The Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child (SPUC) will be holding its annual appeal this weekend.

SPUC is currently campaigning to protect Pro-Life speech. Pro-life witness is being restricted now more than ever; we must be able to speak freely to protect unborn babies.

Please be as generous as you can to help SPUC defend unborn babies and their mothers from this new attack.

Our Parish Offertory

From 1st January the bank accounts for St Richard of Chichester with Our Lady of the Assumption Bosham and St Wilfrid's Selsey, have been merged into one bank account named RCD Saints of Sussex. St Peter's Wittering will merge with this joint account on 1st January 2023.

Donations via bank transfer:

Reference: surname and offertory

Name: RCD Saints of Sussex

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account No: 41076582

St Peter's Wittering is unchanged as:

Reference: surname and offertory

Name: RCD A&B St Peter's Wittering

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account No: 41076590

Donations via cheque

Made payable to: RCD Saints of Sussex; or St Peter's RC Church

Electronic Payments

Can be made in person via the terminals in Chichester and Bosham

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

The Event - Thursday 17th February

The Visiting Group is holding the next Event following the 12.15 Mass at Bosham on Thursday 17th February. There will be a light lunch and raffle followed by some entertainment. A small charge will be made to cover the costs.

The Visiting Group would like to welcome and reach out to all parishioners in our new, extended Parish boundary to come along and join us.

We pray for the repose of the soul of longstanding St Richard's parishioner, who Joan Ryder died over the Christmas break. Her funeral will be held at 12.15 on Friday 28th January. Reception of the body into the church the evening before at 4.30pm.

Taize Service at St Peters

In response to Pope Francis' call to Mission there will be an ecumenical Prayer Service with music from Taize in St Peter's church on Sunday 30th January at 3pm. It will be followed by refreshments in the hall afterwards and will be an opportunity to meet with our fellow Christians in the Chichester area.

Selsey Sunday Afternoon Tea

Each church in Selsey hosts afternoon tea within their own church hall from 3-4.30pm every Sunday and is open to all parishioners. On Sunday 6th February 2022 St Wilfrid's Church will be hosting the event and welcome any parishioners in attending. If you would like to attend (numbers are limited due to current restrictions on spacing) please contact Karen Pirks on 07824 376 760 or Ronelle at the Selsey Care Shop on 01243 201616.

Transport will be available via the Selsey Venture Bus and volunteers supporting the events.

Any, offers of help on the day with preparing, serving, and setting up/clearing away will be appreciated. Support with transport will also be gratefully accepted. All activities provided by the Selsey Community Forum (SCF) are fully risk assessed and in line with Diocesan covid19 policy. As a charity the SCF actively encourage people attending events to have received both doses of the vaccination.

St Peter's Recommissioning of Readers

On Sunday 23rd of January there will be a Recommissioning of readers during the 9am Mass. All readers who wish to continue in this ministry will be invited to come forward to renew their commitment.

Men's Breakfast 22nd January

We welcome Jonathan Aitken, formerly a cabinet minister, ex-prisoner and now a chaplain. We look forward to meeting him and listening to his inspiring story. We meet at the Brick Kiln Garden Centre at 8am. Breakfast needs to be pre-ordered with your booking.

Any problems please call Peter on 07813024585.

Cost £9 (payable on the day) which includes your chosen breakfast and unlimited tea or coffee. 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 an interesting and maybe life changing talk.

Discussion Group

The next meeting of the Bognor Parish Discussion Group will be on Wednesday 19th January at 7.30pm. The subject will be **Refugees - Good News or Bad News?** How do we respond in the light of the Gospel? Our Speaker is Karen Goldsmith who taught and worked for the diocese for many years. Now retired, she works as a volunteer supporting refugee aid. This talk can be accessed by using the link,

TexMex food evening - Four Churches Social at St. Peter's Hall Saturday 29th Jan 7pm



**You are all invited to a whole parish social event being held at St Peter's Hall East Wittering.
Each church will have a rep selling tickets Tickets are 170 Mex\$ (Pesos) £5.00 pp.
Drinks are available (donations encouraged.)
Come along for a evening of fun, quiz, & music**

Only Banditos, gringos and señoritas need apply!

Octave of Prayer for Christian Unity

18th January - 25th January (The Conversion of St Paul)
Usually around this time we would hold our united service with the other Christian churches in the area. This year, however, like many other parishes, the local churches have decided to hold our united service later in the year around Pentecost, in the hope that more people will attend. The date of the service will be announced later in the year.

Justice and Peace Webinar 2022, Saturday 15th January 9.30-1.00pm

Annual Justice & Peace Webinar, led by Bishop Richard, raising awareness of those fleeing war-torn countries, situations abroad, plights of those in the UK and how we can respond with *Fratelli Tutti* in mind. A programme and zoom link will be issued in advance.

SPH are Recruiting

St Philip Howard Catholic School is currently recruiting for a Headteacher, Teacher of Business Studies and a Teacher of Psychology / Sociology. If you want to make a difference to the education and life-chances of our young people, and want to join a strong and supportive staff, we'd be interested in hearing from you. All the details of our vacancies can be found on our website (www.sphcs.co.uk).

Oaklands are Recruiting

The Edith Stein Academy Trust are seeking to appoint a committed, practising Catholic to the role of Deputy Head at Oaklands Catholic School and Sixth Form College. An enthusiastic and ambitious leader who will be responsible for leading on curriculum and Teaching & Learning throughout the school. Please visit our website for the Information Pack and application forms.

Closing Date: Friday 4th February 2022
Proposed Interviews: Week Monday 7th February

Answering Challenging Questions

Do you have any difficult or perplexing questions that you would like to ask regarding the Bible, the Catholic Church or questions about God in general?

A new course of meetings is to take place called: Answering Challenging Questions, in which difficult questions will be posed and answered as comprehensively as possible.

The questions will be asked by attendants and it will also be possible to ask a question anonymously, by writing questions down and putting them into the special box in the Church or they can be posted through the letterbox of the presbytery in advance at Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Wilfrid's Church, 12 Church Road, Selsey, PO20 0LS, or via email: plotinus9@gmail.com

The meetings will be run by Fr Max Krat at Selsey and will last for 45 minutes. They will take place on:

- ◆ 23 January, Sunday 11am
- ◆ 3 February, Thursday, 7pm
- ◆ 6 February, Sunday, 11am
- ◆ 17 February, Thursday, 7pm
- ◆ 27 February, Sunday, 11am

All are welcome - from all religious denominations, whether they are practicing or not and from non-believers.

At the first meeting on 23 January, answers to the following questions will be discussed

*If God knows everything, he knows that I will end up in hell, so what's the reason of creating me at all?
When exactly did Jesus know that he would suffer such a cruel death?*

Masses and services				
Date	Church	Time	online	Mass Intention
Sat 15 January	Chichester	8.00am		
	Selsey	5.00pm		
	Chichester	6pm		Wellbeing of Barbara Ruffle (Judy & Gerald McGregor)
Sun 16 January 2nd Sunday in OT	Chichester	8.30am		
	Witterings	9am		Tony Mornement RIP (Monica Tourlemain)
	Chichester	10am	✓	Catherine Brown (Kath and Charlie Hughes)
	Selsey	10am		People of the Parish
	Bosham	11am		Blessings for Brian (Mary Southward)
	Chichester	6.30pm		
Mon 17 January St Anthony	Chichester	8am	✓	
	Selsey	10am		
	Chichester	12.15pm		Pam and Michael Dunne RIP
Tue 18 January	Chichester	8am		
	Selsey	10am		
	Bosham	10am		Joan Ryder RIP (Julia and Ziggy Janiec)
Wed 19 January St Wulstan	Chichester	8am	✓	
	Selsey	10am		
	Chichester	7pm		
Thur 20 January	Chichester	8am	✓	
	Selsey	10am		
	Chichester	12.15pm		
Fri 21st January St Agnes	Chichester	8am	✓	Agnes Heather RIP
	Selsey	10am		
	Witterings	10am		Catherine Patricia Lynch RIP (Pat Lynch)
Sat 22nd January	Chichester	12.15pm		**NOTE THE TIME: NO 8am Mass today
	Selsey	5pm		
	Chichester	6pm	✓	Jean Darby RIP (Margaret & Val McEwan)
Sun 23rd January 3rd Sunday in OT	Chichester	8.30am		Philip Bentall RIP
	Witterings	9am		Geoffrey Bullitt RIP (Gio Grabowski)
	Chichester	10am	✓	Barbara Morris RIP (Kath & Charlie Hughes)
	Selsey	10am		For the people of the parish
	Bosham	11am		Blessings for Adam, Kerry and the girls (M&B Southward)
	Chichester	6.30pm		
Please note that Mass times will change when Fr Maksym moves on from our Parish after Easter 2022.				

	Confessions	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Bosham	Tuesdays 9.25 – 10am	Tuesdays 9.25 – 10am
Chichester	Wednesdays 10-11am; 6-6.45pm & by appointment	Wednesdays 6-6.45pm
Selsey	20 minutes before Mass each day & Wed 10.30-11.30	Wednesdays 10.30-11.30am
Witterings	Fridays 9.25 – 10am	Wednesdays 9-12

Please pray for our sick parishioners:

Adrian Stringer, Agnes Martin, Cyril Wass, David Mortby, David White, Eamonn Hackett, Frank O'Donnell, Gerald McGregor, Gerry Beurgoyne, Helena Denis, Jan Thorpe, Jenny Edwards, Jill Serna, Joanne Donoghue, John Lord, Kay Howlett, Magda Gallanti, Majella Taylor, Margaret Beazley, Mary Eveleigh, Max Foreshew, Nell Collins, Nell Hassett, Nicola and Anthony Nageon De Lestang, Nicola Coutts, Patrick Hill, Paul Carney, Peter Habgood, Peter Thorpe, Rene Coutts, Rita Rooke, Robin Bowker, Samantha Holloway, Susan Line, Tom Lott, Tony Crist, Tony Whiting, Valerie Davis-White, Walter Hoppe, *Please let the office know of any changes*