



The Catholic Parish of Bognor Regis and Slindon

29th May 2022 - Seventh Sunday of Easter

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Our Churches

Our Lady of Sorrows, Clarence Road, Bognor Regis, PO21 1JX

St Anthony of Viareggio, Gossamer Lane, Bognor Regis, PO21 3DD

St Richard of Chichester, Top Road, Slindon, BN18 0RG

Mass is also celebrated in St Mary the Virgin (C of E), Church Lane, Barnham

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"Father, may the whole world know that you have loved them as much as you love me" In 23:17

In 1960 a group of Catholic women organised the first Family Fast Day in the UK and raised an unprecedented amount of money. This act of faith and love inspired by the thought that 'we are all God's children' led, two years later, to the registering of Cafod as an official charity. Yes, **Cafod** is celebrating its **Diamond Jubilee** this year. Let us praise God and give thanks for that small group of women, led by Jacquie Stuyt, who were open to the grace of the Holy Spirit and for the many who, have since so generously supported Cafod in spreading the message of God's inclusive and all-encompassing love to so many. Millions of marginalised and impoverished people have been given hope and courage to stand up for injustice whether it presents as poverty, discrimination, climate disasters or human rights abuses. For 60 years Cafod has spread the belief that there is nothing more powerful than love and that 'no one is beyond reach'. This is the message of love that is unconditional and personal, and which is offered to every woman, man and child through the gift of Jesus to the whole of humanity and creation.

Our Bognor and Slindon parish can truly rejoice at our involvement in Cafod's work. In the next few months we will be launching Cafod's new campaign, **'Fix the Food System' which will help us understand the injustices of our current global food system and lead to 'designing food systems that protect the Earth and keep the dignity of the human person at the centre...'** Pope Francis.

Watch the Jubilee Mass from Southwark Cathedral on Friday 10th June 12.30pm. Register via Cafod website.

Gabrielle Thorpe - Cafod

Saturday 28th May		
OLOS	10am	Gerard Hickey RIP
St Richard's	5pm	David Davidson RIP
Sunday 29th		Seventh Sunday of Easter
OLOS	9am	People of the Parish
OLOS	11am	Cliff Liu RIP
Monday 30th		
St Mary's	9.30am	Prayer service
OLOS	10am	No Mass
Tuesday 31st		Visitation of the Blessed Virgin
St Anthony's	9.30am	Christopher Kinsella RIP
OLOS	10am	No Mass
Wednesday 1st June		St Justin
OLOS	10am	Bailey Christie RIP
Thursday 2nd		
OLOS	10am	No Mass
Friday 3rd		St Charles Lwanga & Companions
OLOS	10am	Jerry Fernando RIP
Saturday 4th		
OLOS	10am	Tony & Clare Milnes RIP
St Anthony's	5pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 5th		Pentecost
OLOS	9am	Myrtle and Joe Alvarez RIP
OLOS	11am	John Segreue RIP

Requiem in Aeternum



Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently:

We also remember all whose anniversaries occur about this time:
Ronald Brown, Jack Richards, Paddy McGuire, Sr Loretta Kennedy osm, David Bond, John Moor, Patrick Duffy, Adrian Morreale, Marria Finnerall, Mervyn Dove, Peter Thorn, Leo Verling Roman Kostco

Prayers For The Sick

Your prayers are asked for:
Fr Dominic O'Hara, John Cooper, Anthony, Warner, Priscilla McKay, Edward Earl, James, Megan & Baby Bright, Julia Brown, Annette Naughton, Inika McKay, Susan Leenaars, Rachel Moore, Kathleen McGinley, David Newman, Aidan Cooke, Marie A Townsley, Dave Parker, Mo Moore, Steve Goss, Marie Bentley, Baby Millie Bedford, Richard Green, Neil Evans, Baby Cheo & Hannah Menssa, Teresa Willcocks, Sue Brayton, Chris & Sarah Simmons, Harold Pinkney, Kevin Blake, Joe Soriano, Bridget Orfila, Baby Samuel, Vic Wood, Anthony Simpson, Theresa McCaffie, Mary McGuire, Peter Bardin, Tina Miles, Jo Oates, Theresa Mulvaney, Richard Hazelgrove, Jo Cowie, Mary Gabrielle Gregory, Patrick Dwyer, Trish & Don Osborne, John Carr, Arthur Wicks, Moira Deefholts, Teresa Sweeney

At the end of each month, this list of friends and parishioners who are sick will be brought to the altar with the prayer intentions on the Prayer Board at OLS. The new month will begin a new list. Please continue to contact the Parish Office to add names to the list for our continued prayers.

Masses in Polish

Saturdays 6pm Our Lady of Sorrows
Sundays 9am St Anthony's 4pm Our Lady of Sorrows



Adoration and Rosary St Richard's

Wednesdays 11am until 12 noon

Adoration Our Lady of Sorrows

Fridays after 10am Mass until 2pm.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please contact Fr Chris
 Tel 01243 823619

This Weekend's Second Collection

World Communications Sunday

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10.30 - 11am or by appointment.

Bishop Richard - New Mass Schedule

Dear brothers and sisters,

Thank you for your welcome to the parish on the occasion of the meeting at St. Philip Howard School, during which Fr. Chris explained the decisions that have been made regarding future Mass provision.

The move to celebrate the Sunday Masses at Our Lady of Sorrows has been the result of a consultation process and much work on the part of the Parish Leadership Team. Change is never easy, but the fruit of change can bring about an even greater sense of unity across the parish community, served as you are by Fr. Chris. I do ask you to embrace the changes and, centred on the celebration of the Eucharist, strive together in your living of our Christian and Catholic life, in the Mission to which Christ calls us.

With the assurance of my prayers for all that the Lord calls us to do in His service.

With every Blessing,

+Richard

Sunday Mass Schedule It has been wisely suggested that, in order to allow Fr Ramon to celebrate Mass at St Richard's and St Anthony's whilst he is here this summer, and to better facilitate starting new rotas, the new Mass schedule start in September instead of July. This makes good sense, so the new schedule will begin on the weekend of 17th/18th September.

Returning to Mass at Pentecost

After their Spring meeting, the Bishops of England and Wales issued a statement entitled [Returning to Mass at Pentecost](#). Having reflected on the impact the pandemic had on our celebration of Mass, they go on to say: *In the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, the Lord's Supper, the Lord Jesus entrusted to us the precious gift of Himself. With humility, we glory in being a Eucharistic people for whom attendance at Mass is essential. Looking forward to the forthcoming feast of Pentecost, we now invite all Catholics who have not yet done so to return to attending Mass in person. The Bishops' affirm, too, the teaching that, in some circumstances, people are not able to do this: We understand there will still be some members of our congregations who, for reasons of health, do not feel safe enough to return to Mass. It has always been the understanding of the Church that when the freedom of any Catholic to attend Mass in person is impeded for a serious reason, because of situations such as ill health, care for the sick or legitimate fear, this is not a breach of the Sunday Obligation. In conclusion, the Bishops' make this invitation, recognising the gift we give to each other: as the Church needs the witness of the presence of each person, so too each believer needs to journey in faith and worship with their fellow disciples.*

Queens Jubilee Weekend

Saturday 4th

After the 5pm Mass at St Anthony's there will be a celebration party for Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. There will be Wine, Tea, Coffee and soft drinks available, please bring a sharing plate of food. All are welcome.

Sunday 5th 10am St Richard's, bubbly, cakes and more. The village celebration will start outside the church at 12.30pm for procession to Coronation Hall and field where there will be lots going on, ice cream etc.

Our Lady of Sorrows after the 9am and 11am Masses Tea/Coffee, Pimms, soft drinks and ice creams.

From Fr Graham Following the generosity of parishioners at Easter, we have been able to send a donation of £2,419.20 to Aid to the Church in Need Ukraine Appeal in his name. Fr Graham would like to express his grateful thanks to everyone, and assures us of his prayers.

L'Arche, Bognor Regis Has a vacancy for a Community Leader for more information please visit www.larche.org.uk/vacancies. James Cuming, Regional Leader, would be very happy to talk informally with you to answer any questions and give you a feel for the role of Community Leader: Email James.Cumming@larche.org.uk Tel 07913 239573.

Welcome!

A warm welcome to Matthew and Andrew from the L'Arche community who have moved into Priory Cottage. It's great to be able to support these young men, and the L'Arche community, with whom the parish has many, many links. The parish will receive rental income at the market rate, and Fr Chris gets some new neighbours! Welcome news!

Refugee Crisis Coffee Morning with Bishop Richard - Saturday 25th June at 11.30am

Bishop Richard will be hosting an informal coffee morning to discuss our response to the refugee crisis, at St Gabriel's Hall, Billingshurst, RH14 9QH. Everyone is welcome, to reserve your free please please sign up here: <https://abdiocese.churchsuite.com/events/an04uoxn>

The Diocese would like to find out what our Catholic community is doing to support refugees here and abroad. The following short questionnaire will enable Bishop Richard and our Central Office teams to build a picture of the wonderful work being undertaken across our community, as well as highlighting possible areas of need: <https://forms.office.com/r/mEwnrp9bgw>

Ukrainian Refugees - Hosting and Support

The matching of refugees and preparing Visas for the refugees however is left to individuals or charities. A matching group based in Sussex featured on the BBC news on the 24 April . This group has personal contacts both in Ukraine and Poland that are caring for the refugees and helping them to find temporary homes with families or individuals. They are in **desperate need for more hosts in our area**. The lady that featured in the BBC article, Sarah Stuart-Smith heads up the group said ..."the world has changed and if you have an empty room for someone you can help for 6-12 months then please, please come forward" The group's website is <https://sites.google.com/view/ukraine-ukfaq/home?authuser=0>

There are all kinds of support groups already in place to help potential hosts and people that are already hosting and these support groups are developing and expanding daily. One is based at The Shore Community Church, 73 Victoria Drive, Bognor Regis and amongst other things they hold a weekly drop in for Ukrainian guests and/or their host.

Sarah has matched us with a family from the city of Ternopil and are now awaiting the completion of their Visas before they can travel. *Bennie and Frances Pieters*

Bognor Regis Foodbank Appeal

We are desperately low on several items of stock at the moment, particularly UHT milk and long life fruit juice, tinned fruit/custard, tinned tomatoes, tinned soup and tinned meat. These are items that are included in every food parcel that we give out and we are seeing an increase in the need for our services as it continues to be a very difficult time for many.

You can donate at Argyle Hall, Argyle Road, Bognor Regis PO19 1DY on Thursdays 11am - 1pm or at local supermarkets. For more information see our website: bognorregis.foodbank.org.uk or Facebook page.

Lourdes Pilgrimage Prayer Intentions

I am delighted that I am able to take part in this year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. I am going as one of the helpers to those who would like to place their troubles and worries in the arms of Our Lady. I also would like to offer to take prayer intentions from everyone who is not able to come but has got particular intentions that they would like to be prayed for at the Sanctuary. There are collection boxes in Our Lady of Sorrows; intentions can also be placed in the baskets at St Anthony's and St Richard's or sent to the parish office by email. *Grazyna*

A Date for your Diaries! Sunday 28th June, we are planning a Mass for the whole parish celebrated on the school field at St Mary's. This coincides with the World Meeting of Families in Rome and will be a great occasion for the family (families) of the parish to join Rome at Home.

Jane Ireland is Getting Married Jane and her family would be delighted to welcome parishioners and friends to join them at Our Lady of Sorrows on Saturday 4th June at 2pm when she marries Tom.