



# The Catholic Parish of Bognor Regis and Slindon

*3rd January 2021 - Second Sunday of Christmas*

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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*

## Catholic Schools

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## Transformed into the Body of Christ

'We must not separate our life from the Eucharist. The moment we do so, something shatters. People ask us: "Where do the sisters get the joy and the strength to do what they do?" The Eucharist contains more than just receiving: it contains also the satisfaction of Christ's hunger. He says: "Come to me." He hungers for souls.'  
*St. Teresa of Calcutta*

Youcat (the Youth Catechism) says: 'we are not Church because we get along well, or because we happen to end up in the same parish community, but rather because, in the Eucharist, we receive the Body of Christ and are increasingly being transformed into the Body of Christ.'  
(YC211)

These are truths that we are exploring at Youth Café and, as we leave behind a year that has seen many unable to receive the Eucharist for periods of time, let us pray that, in 2021, many more of us will be able to gather at the Table of The Lord to receive the "Gift beyond price."

Surely, if we are to grow as a community we must grow in our love of, and our participation in, the Eucharist in order that we may 'increasingly be transformed into the Body of Christ.'

St. John Vianney (Curé of Ars) said: "Not to go to communion is like someone dying of thirst beside a spring."

*Tony Lucas - Youth Café*

<b>Saturday 2nd</b>	<b>St Basil the Great and St Gregory</b>	
OLOS	10am	Therese Findlay RIP
OLOS	5.15pm	Francis Dunne RIP
<b>Sunday 3rd</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Christmas</b>	
OLOS	8am	People of the Parish
St Richard's	9am	<b>No Mass</b>
OLOS	10am	Ian McCabe RIP
St Anthony's	11am	<b>No Mass</b>
OLOS	6pm	Ed McGuigan RIP
<b>Monday 4th</b>		
St Mary's	9.30am	Higgins Family - Thanksgiving
OLOS	10am	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Tuesday 5th</b>		
St Anthony's	9.30am	<b>No Mass</b>
OLOS	10am	Ashworth Family - Thanksgiving
<b>Wednesday 6th</b>	<b>The Epiphany of the Lord</b>	
OLOS	10am	Muriel Anderson RIP
OLOS	7.30pm	People of the Parish
<b>Thursday 7th</b>		
OLOS	10am	<b>No Mass</b>
<b>Friday 8th</b>		
OLOS	10am	Ekaterina Auramenko RIP
<b>Saturday 9th</b>		
OLOS	10am	Wellbeing of Gillian O'Gorman
OLOS	5.15pm	Keith Simpson RIP
<b>Sunday 10th</b>	<b>The Baptism of the Lord</b>	
OLOS	8am	John & Kathleen Eagle RIP
St Richard's	9am	Roy Fernandes RIP
OLOS	10am	Mary Wendy Kelly RIP
St Anthony's	11am	People of the Parish
OLOS	6pm	Ernest Frederick Bloor RIP

### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Every Saturday 10.30am-11.30am,  
and 4.15pm-4.50pm.

Or by appointment by contacting Fr Chris.

### Requiem in Aeternum



Your prayers are asked for all those who have died recently:-  
**Estella Peters RIP, Michael Fuller RIP, Doreen McGoldrick RIP**

We also remember all whose anniversaries occur about this time -

**George Johnson, Magaret Jane Andrews, Kit Grainger, John Urquhart, Catherina Sykes, Brian Ayling, John Hickey, Roy Fernandes, Christina Flood, Paul Deasy Snr, Kathleen Nuthall, Ian McCabe, Canon Denis Barry, Joan De Poortere, Madeleine O'Gorman, Megan Spence, Olive Harrison, Wendy Willcocks, Catherine Thomas, Chris Baker, Linda Given**

### Prayers For The Sick

Your prayers are asked for  
**Jenny Murphy, Paula Brouder, Arthur Wicks, Paul McGuire, Colm Callanan, Moira Deefholts, Susanne Tidmas-Cole, Michael Willcocks, Teresa Sweeney, Paris Stevens, Margaret Grace, Didi Verdiana Diaris**

*Please contact the Parish Office by email for anyone you wish to be included in our Prayers.*

### Crib Collection

This Christmas our Crib Offering will be donated to the Catholic Children's Society's Arundel and Brighton Crisis Fund.

This year with the Coronavirus pandemic the fund has provided emergency food and essentials, as well as mental health services, for over 5,000 children and their parents/carers since March. Everyone penny donated will be given out to support local families in need. Donations can also be made at [www.cathchild.org.uk/crib](http://www.cathchild.org.uk/crib).

### Visits from Priests

In preparation for the resumption of home visits when COVID restrictions allow, if you are housebound and would like a visit from a priest please contact the Parish office. Those receiving Holy Communion at home before lockdown will be contacted separately when this can be resumed.

### **Booking a Place to Attend Mass**

The online booking system is now up and running on the Parish website - please use this to book a place at Mass. Please read the instructions carefully. If you or anyone you know does not have internet access, please call the parish office. If you haven't booked a place, you will only be allowed into Church if there is space available. Thank you for your co-operation and help.

### **Helping Others Join in the Sunday Mass**

Many thanks to those parishioners who have volunteered to help others share in our Sunday Mass by 'phone since Lockdown 1.0 and continue to help those unable to access Mass through the parish website. This is enabling people to share the Mass with each other and with the community.

If you know of any parishioner who could benefit from this or would like to volunteer, please contact Margaret Fraher on 07971 460331. If you prefer to phone in direct to hear the Mass simply ring 0203 901 7895, tap in the Meeting ID: 842 8938 4643, and you'll be able to hear all of Sunday's Mass from 10am (calls charged at the standard rate).

### **Sunday Virtual Coffee**

*Join fellow worshippers for coffee after Sunday Mass*

After 10am Mass on Sundays you are invited for coffee with fellow Mass goers via Zoom. A great opportunity to connect with others in the Parish. What to expect... We begin by gathering in one Zoom room and then divide into smaller breakout rooms for easier conversation. Around 11:30am we gather back together to end. You are welcome to come and go as you wish.

**Just click on the link on the website**

### **Justice & Peace Webinar 2021: How Should this Diocese Respond to the Food Poverty Crisis?**

The number of people experiencing food insecurity has increased dramatically during the COVID-19 crisis, with families in our diocese under increasing pressure. Join our free Justice & Peace Webinar to find out what parishes can do to help on Saturday 16th January 2021: 10 am to 12.30 pm. To book your free place and receive the Zoom link, contact Rosie Read, Social Action Secretary, at [rosie.read@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:rosie.read@abdiocese.org.uk)

### **Helping a neighbour with livestreaming**

We're delighted to be able to livestream Mass from Our Lady of Sorrows, and we have a brilliant team who have set things up for us so a large number of the parish and beyond are sharing in our celebration of Mass on a regular basis. However, not everyone has access to this technology or knows how to use it. To address this, we would like to set up a network of people who have the technology and know-how to share that with others who do not. For instance, one person would visit with a laptop and either use the parishioner's wifi or bring hotspot access to the internet, and set it up so that the person visited can join in with the livestreamed Mass.

If you feel able to help with this or have any questions about this, please contact Margaret Simmons Tel: 07926 507071 or Email: [margaretsimmons3@gmail.com](mailto:margaretsimmons3@gmail.com) Likewise, if you, or someone you know, would benefit from this scheme, and you are happy for a parishioner to come into your home to set things up, please also contact Margaret Simmons.



### **Planning a Baptism?**

Parents wishing to have their children baptised, are required to attend a preparation meeting. The next meeting will be Thursday 21st January at 7.30pm. To register please ring Angela on **07760 224302**