

PARISH COMMUNITIES OF

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WEEKLY SERVICES

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| Sat | 14th | 6.00pm | St Wilfrid's - Mrs Flora De Sousa RIP |
| Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | | | |
| Sun | 15th | 9.00am | St George's - Parish Communities' Intention |
| | | 10.30am | St Wilfrid's - Our Ladies Intention |
| Mon | 16th | 2.30pm | St George's - 2.30pm Rosary Group, every Monday except Bank Holidays |
| Tue | 17th | 10.00am | St George's - Paddy & Rose Falkner RIP |
| Wed | 18th | 10.00am | St Wilfrid's - Brian Winter RIP (1st Anniversary) |
| Thur | 19th | 10.00am | St George's - Mr John Bonner RIP |
| Fri | 20th | 10.00am | St Wilfrid's - Kenneth & Jean Compton RIP |
| Sat | 21st | 6.00pm | St Wilfrid's - Dr Ismay Crotty RIP |
| Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time | | | |
| Sun | 22nd | 9.00am | St George's - Parish Communities' Intention |
| | | 10.30am | St Wilfrid's - Norman & Angela Wright RIP |

1st Thursday of the month: 9.30am St George's - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Reconciliation

IMPORTANT: Going into hospital? Would like a visit from the Catholic Chaplaincy? Ring 417400, ext. 4145 and leave a message for the Catholic Chaplain. Please also let Fr Rory know. Catholic Mass in the hospital Chapel every Friday at 3pm.

St Thomas a Becket Nursery School: Tel 01323 725977 **St Thomas a Becket Primary School:** Tel 01323 737221
St Richard's Catholic College, Bexhill: Tel 01424 731070

New to the Parish or would like to get back in touch but not sure how? Please complete the welcome form available in the porch and/or make yourself known to Fr. Rory. *It would be great to get to know you and offer any help.*

USEFUL PARISH INFORMATION

St Wilfrid's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 832577

St George's Planned Giving Contact (01323) 870990

St George's & St Wilfrid's Finance Committee Chairperson of the Finance Committee Treasurers Charles Piegrome & Monika Beaver
Peter Dromgoole

ALL CORRESPONDENCE FOR THE ABOVE VIA THE PRIEST'S HOUSE PLEASE

Polegate Hall Hire.....Tel: (01323) 504753

Hailsham Hall Hire Tel: (01323) 841504 - Mon, Wed, Fri Morning or email at above address

Prayer LineJean Barham Tel: (01323) 842824

CROSSLINK CHURCHES TOGETHER, HAILSHAM

Contact: Ann Fielder 01323 843361

POLEGATE CHURCHES TOGETHER

Contact: Margaret Piegrome 01323 870990

Contact Care: 07900 823138

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS those who are unwell: Lily May, Edna Andrews, Julliette Lusted, Jennifer Piskac, Margaret Gearing, Joshua Hardy, Peter & Teresa Zurenkas, Anne & Harry Holt, Margaret, Tom and Elizabeth Woodrow-Spencer, Dorothy Hanlon, Margaret Westcar, Jenny Price, Ann Winter, Sebastian Martin and Bill O'Rourke.

PLEASE ALSO REMEMBER THOSE NAMED IN THE BOOKS IN OUR CHURCHES

Newsletter items: Please send to Jackie at ssgeorge.wilfrid@btinternet.com, tel.841504 or by hand marked **NEWSLETTER**, to Fr. Rory's House by **9am Wednesday**.

Fr Rory Writes:

Pope Francis: The Joy of the Gospel

At the Deanery Meeting of the priests and deacons, the dean began the meeting asking us to take time to reflect upon this following statement from Pope Francis:

The parish is not an outdated institution; precisely because it possesses great flexibility, it can assume quite different contours depending on the openness and missionary creativity of the pastor and the community. While certainly not the only institution which evangelizes, if the parish proves capable of self-renewal and constant adaptivity, it continues to be the Church living in the midst of the homes of her sons and daughters. This presumes that it really is in contact with the homes and the lives of its people, and does not become a useless structure out of touch with people or a self-absorbed group made up of a chosen few. The parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, and environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelizers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a centre of constant missionary outreach. We must admit, though, that the call to review and renew our parishes has not yet sufficed to bring them nearer to people, to make them environments of living communion and participation, and to make them completely mission-oriented.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES OF EVENTS TAKING PLACE IN THE DIOCESE, IN IRELAND AND LIVERPOOL. BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL IN MANY CASES. There is a folder in the sacristy in St George's church giving details. Please do not remove the master copy, but take details of addresses etc.

Pilgrimage of Reparation and Consecration, Saturday 21st July, West Grinstead

Annual Day of Reflection for Parish Bereavement Befrienders. Crawley

Adoremus - the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress, Liverpool Sept 7th to 9th 2018. Booking essential. Saturday Registration Fee £40, Coach Travel £55, Accommodation £48

ALL DETAILS OF THE ABOVE ARE IN THE SACRISTY IN ST GEORGE'S CHURCH

Please remember in your prayers a young St George's parishioner, Sebastian Martin. At just 22 months old he will undergo his second open heart surgery operation at Evelina Children's Hospital in London on Monday 23rd July. Sebastian was diagnosed with holes in his heart, Atrial Septal Defect (ASD) and Ventricular Septal Defect (VSD), in January 2017, at just 4 months old. The diagnosis was significant and Sebastian had his first open heart surgery a month later. He will now undergo a second, due to narrowing caused by growth of scar tissue from the VSD patch reaching a significant level. Please pray for Sebastian, his parents, family and friends and all the medical team during this most important operation. We marvel at the wonders of medical science and thank God for all that can be done to help all people in our NHS hospitals during this the NHS's 70th Birthday year.

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!*

Next Film Club Showings:

15th July (1944) musical comedy-drama about a new young priest taking over a parish from an established old veteran. 29th July (2008) A nine year old girl solves a crime in 1920s America. 12th August (1965) Real life story of the Von Trapp Family singers. All showings commence at 3pm.

Lourdes Pilgrimage Skydive: Bishop Richard and Lucy Barnes will skydive from an aeroplane on Friday 14th September 2018. Please give generously in one of the following ways:

- By purple Gift Aid parish envelope, marked '+R skydive'
- By Lourdes pilgrimage envelope, available in your parish
- By going to the [BT MyDonate website](#).

All funds go to the A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage. All cheques made payable to A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass: with Bishop Richard for those couples celebrating a landmark anniversary in 2018. On Saturday 6th October, at 11.30am, St Joseph's Church, 122 Ladbroke Road, Redhill, RH1 1LF

COLLECTIONS: (7th/8th July)

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| St George's | £207.25 |
| Apostleship of the Sea | £147.40 |
| Weekly aver./Monthly D/D | £146.33 |
| St Wilfrid's | £241.51 |
| Apostleship of the Sea | £155.13 |
| Weekly aver. of DD | £204.60 |
| Attendances: St W's 154 St G's 81 | |
| Thank you for your continued generosity | |
| If you pay tax please use gift aid envelopes. | |

Bonus Ball:

Sat 7th July

No: 1

Fr Rory

Wed 4th July

No: 7

Cecilia Hyland

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun 15th July comedy-drama about young priest, St G's Hall, 3pm
Sun 29th July 9 year old girl solves a crime in 1920's, St G's Hall, 3pm
Sun 12th Aug Von Trapp Family Singers, St George's Hall, 3pm
Sun 30th Sept Parish Walk & Picnic, Jevington - picnic at Alfriston