

### Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea Serving Southwick, Portslade, Hangleton and West Blatchington

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## Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book

Our Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage marks its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year with the launch of a special commemorative book. Over the book's c.130 pages, tales of faith, hope, love in action, journey and vocation are told with hundreds of photos to illustrate them, evoking memories from every decade of the pilgrimage. **Copies cost £20 plus postage and can be pre-ordered here:** forms.office.com/e/fRQkZmDp9D

11<sup>th</sup> August 2024: 19<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year B. Weekdays: 19<sup>th</sup> Week of Year II

#### Fr Tony writes:

This Thursday, 15th August, we celebrate the **Solemnity of the Assumption** of the Blessed Virgin Mary into heaven, which is a Holyday of Obligation. The Wednesday evening Mass will be a vigil Mass of the Assumption. On Thursday and there will be a 10am Mass at St George's and also a 7pm Mass at St Theresa's.

The 15th of August was also the day that I was born in 1964, so Thursday is also my 60th birthday (which I find quite hard to believe!). I am fortunate that I was not named Assumpta. However, according to some sources, it is also the birthday of St Anthony. The Royal family will be celebrating, but mainly because it is also the birthday of Princess Anne.

The Assumption celebrates the truth that, at the end of her life, Mary was taken, body and soul, into heaven. Although it was only formally declared a doctrine of the Church in 1950, it has been celebrated since very early times. In the east it is referred to as the Dormition. It reminds us that there is one of us, Mary, who has fully completed the Christian journey. Where she has gone, we hope to follow.

**Please pray for my Father, Michael Milner.** On Monday he suffered a severe stroke. He survived and is conscious and alert, but is unable to speak and has lost movement on his right side. Please also pray for me and my family at this time. We were due to be going on holiday together this coming week! That has been cancelled, but I will be taking the time to be with Dad and the family, so you will be looked after by Fr Celestine in the coming week.



Dad and me on the roof terrace at the English College, Rome, 1988, where I was at seminary. Dad was 49, so 11 years younger than I am now. I clearly didn't inherit his hair! Dad sent me this picture as a card on my anniversary of ordination on 16th July.

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Office hours will be slightly different over the summer. Generally, Juliette (& Luna ()) will be in the office on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, from 10am to 3pm. She may be in at other times also.

We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine. More info: <u>cbcew.org.uk/category/cbcew/international/countries/ukraine/</u>

Please Pray For All who are sick in the parish, particularly: Michael Milner, Cheryl Evans, Chris Neale, Boni Rodrigues, Lucy and Winifred Wilde. Those on our regular prayer list including: Helen, Maria Parente, Marion Shannon, Paddy Dixon, Sandra Yelbeck, Terry Phipps and Tom Hulse. Those who have died recently especially: Mary Gibbons, Deborah Kerr and Margaret Billet. As well as those whose anniversaries occur this month. A full list of sick parishioners and anniversaries can be found on the parish website.	Weekly Timetable		
	Sat 10th August St Lawrence	6pm Mass, St Peter's, Hove	
	Sunday 11th Aug 19th Sunday of	9am Mass, St Theresa's	Marie Berry RIP
	Ordinary Time	11am Mass, St George's	All Parishioners
	Tues 13th August	10am Mass, St George's (Fr Tony Lovegrove) followed by Tea & Chat	
First Holy Communion 2024/2025 Application forms are now available in our churches, please return them to the parish office. We will be co-ordinating our FHC Programme with our neighbouring parishes. Candidates will be able to choose their preferred church from, Sacred Heart (Hove); St George's; St Mary Magdalen's (Brighton); St Peter's (Hove) and St Theresa's. <b>This week the foodbank needs:</b> Biscuits; Deodorant; Hot Chocolate; Jam; Long Life Juice; Shower Gel; Tinned Custard; Tinned Meat; Tinned Sardines in Oil. We have so much pasta, tea and tins of baked beans at the moment, so please do not buy us any more!		7pm Mass, St Theresa's (Fr Celestine)	
	St Maximilian Kolbe	7pm Vigil Mass of the Assumption, St Theresa's (Fr Celestine)	
	Thurs 15th Aug Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	10am Mass of the Assumption, St George's (Fr Celestine)	
		7pm Mass, St Theresa's (Fr Celestine)	Vanessa Pires RIP
	<b>Fri 16th August</b> St Stephen of Hungary	7pm Mass, St Theresa's (Fr Celestine)	
	Sat 17th August	6pm Mass, St Peter's, Hove	
Donations may be dropped into the boxes at the back of either of our churches. <i>Thank you for your support.</i>	20th Sunday of	9am Mass, St Theresa's	Marie Berry RIP
	Ordinary Time	11am Mass, St George's	All Parishioners

#### Bishop Richard Moth calls for a renewed openness to peace as UK protests continue

Addressing people of all faiths, and none, he highlighted the importance of 'reconciliation, understanding and a renewed openness to peace.' Violent anti-immigration protests have erupted across the UK, with demonstrations taking place in a number of towns and cities including Bristol, Leicester, London, Liverpool, Birmingham, Plymouth and Belfast.

The Catholic Church teaches that we are one human family, that every person is made in the image and likeness of God, and that all human life is sacred. Speaking on Tuesday, Bishop Richard said:

"The violent demonstrations we are witnessing at this time are a cause of immense distress and concern to us all. A violent approach will increase tension, fear and resentment for all in our communities, at a time when we should seek reconciliation and understanding. It is vitally important that we recognise the innate dignity and value of every human person. I call on all those within our Catholic family and beyond to pray for a rapid end to the present difficulties and a renewed openness and commitment to peace."

