

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

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## Please Pray For...

#### All who are sick in the parish, particularly:

Tony Fleming, Chris Neale, Boni Rodrigues, Mark Arundel Cathedral, 3pm. Kinsella, Cheryl Evans and Winifred Wilde.

#### Those on our regular prayer list including:

Florence Davis, Hanorah & Mat Smith, Jean Ryan, Kathleen Davis, Margaret Gilligan and June Kelly.

#### Those who have died recently especially:

Jean Lamb, Eileen McLoughlin, Brian Sheed and Julie Laker.

As well as those whose anniversaries occur this month. A full list of sick parishioners and anniversaries can be found on the parish website.

# Calling All Bakers! 🖨

and we need baked goods! If you would like to make and donate any Biscuits, Brownies, Buns, Cakes, Cookies, Muffins, Pasties, Pies, Sausage rolls, Scones, or anything else yummy for us to sell, please let the office know what you can contribute.

NB. All baked goods must be nut free please.

16<sup>th</sup> June 2024: 11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, YrB Weekdays: Week 11 of Ordinary Time, Year 2

# **Fr Tony Writes**

"The seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know". So Jesus says in one of his parables from this Sunday's Gospel. Of course, science has moved on a bit since then, and we have quite a detailed knowledge of how a plant grows from a seed. Yet for me that knowledge makes it even more amazing. How the 'recipe' in the DNA in the seed leads to the complex structures of a plant-or an insect, or a human being-is made even more astonishing the more we come to understand it.

On this Day for Life this should lead us to a great respect for all life, for the world in which we live and which sustains us, and above all for human life, from conception to its natural end.

Congratulations once again to the children who made their First Holy Communion recently. They are pictured here with the servers at their celebration Mass last weekend. It was a lovely event. Thanks to everyone who helped. Talking of helping, it would be great if some would like to become servers, especially at St Theresa's. See opposite page for information about training to be an Altar Server!



**Upcoming Events** Sunday 30th June: Deanery Confirmations

Sunday 7th July: School and Parish Celebration Mass and Fete St Mary's School, Portslade, starting with Mass at 10:30am. We need: Bottles for the tombola and raffle prizes please! There are boxes for these at both churches. We also need people to help set things up and help with the stalls.

Please fill in the sign-up sheets if you can be a helper.

# **The General Election**

As Catholics, we know that tackling poverty and injustice are among the most important issues politicians should act on. The St Vincent de Paul Society and CAFOD have produced a guide for Catholics for the General Election, with suggested questions The parish will be running the café at the summer fete to ask candidates. Please see cafod.org.uk/encounter or svp.org.uk/encounter for more information.

> The Bishops Conference have also provided us with material for reflection as we decide how to cast our vote. This is based on Catholic Social Teaching: the teachings of the church over the centuries on issues to do with living and promoting the values of God's Kingdom. You can find it at www.cbcew.org.uk/election24/

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





CAFE CHOIR CRAFTS DANCING GAMES PROSECCO RAFFLE TALENT SHOW TOMBOLA



# St Mary's Primary School Church Road, Portslade BN41

SUNDAY 7TH JULY 10.30AM



# St Vincent de Paul Society

The next SVP meeting will be on Thursday 20th June, 6pm, at St Theresa's, in the parish meeting room, via the back door. Anyone who is interested in getting involved is welcome to come to the meeting. For more information, please contact the parish office or email: presidenta0105@svp.org.uk.

## **Minibus Driver Needed**

The SVP need a new minibus driver at Tower House. If this is something you can help with, please get in touch.

SVP

Weekly Timetable			
Sat 15th June	6pm Mass, St Peter's, Hove		
<b>Sunday 16th June</b> 11th Sunday of Ordinary Time	9am Mass, St Theresa's with Children's Liturgy 11am Mass, St George's	Tony Rodrigues RIP	
Tues 18th June	10am Mass, St George's 7pm Mass, St Theresa's (Fr Celestine)		
Wed 19th June	7pm Mass, St Theresa's	Vocations	
<b>Thurs 20th June</b> St Alban	10am Mass, St George's <i>followed by Adoration</i> 7pm Mass, St Theresa's	Gee family & friends RIP	
<b>Fri 21st June</b> St Aloysius Gonzaga	(Fr Celestine) 10am Mass, St Theresa's followed by Adoration 7:30pm Fr David's Induction Mass, St Peter's, Hove	Boni & Sacramen- ta Rodrigues intentions	
Sat 22nd June Sts John Fisher & Thomas More	10-11am Altar Server Training, St Theresa's 6pm Mass, St Peter's, Hove		
<b>Sunday 23rd June</b> 12th Sunday of Ordinary Time	9am Mass, St Theresa's with Children's Liturgy 11am Mass, St George's 12-1pm Altar Server Training, St George's	Malcolm Alwright RIP Cristina Owen RIP	

# Parish Giving — Ways to Give

 By Standing Order using these details: Account name: RCD Arundel and Brighton Our Lady Star of the Sea. Sort Code: 40-05-20. Account number: 41076558.



- By Cheque payable to: RCD Arundel and Brighton Our Lady Star of the Sea.
- Online, by scanning the QR Code.

Remember to add giftaid if you are a UK tax payer.

The average cost of running our parish in 2023 was approx. **£2,000 per week** and these costs are only going up in 2024! If you are able to increase giving by **£4 per week**, that would go a long way to reducing our deficit. Thank you.

## **Special Collections**

Sunday 16th June: Day for Life

## **Altar Servers**

There will be training sessions for new Altar Servers at St Theresa's next Saturday, 22/6 at 10am and Sunday, 23/6 at St George's, 12noon (after Mass). Any child who has made their First Holy Communion is eligible to be an Altar Server.

Note that if you cannot make one of the sessions, you can come to the other, even if it is not at the church you normally attend. The basics are the same for both churches.

NB. Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.