

St Mary of the Angels

The Catholic Parish of Worthing

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Times of Holy Mass

| Date | Day | Time | Liturgy | Intention |
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| SUNDAY 13th JANUARY | THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD | 8.30am | Holy Mass | Deceased members of the MacDonald Family <i>(RIP)</i> |
| | | 10.30am | Holy Mass | Deceased members of Burholt & Whibley families <i>(RIP)</i> |
| | | 5.30pm | Holy Mass | People of the Parish |
| | | 7.00pm | Holy Mass | <i>In Italian</i> |
| Monday 14 th January | Week 1 | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Jenny Whibley <i>(RIP)</i> |
| Tuesday 15 th January | Week 1 | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Raimundo Da Costa Guterres & Candida De Carvalho Guterres <i>(RIP)</i> |
| Wednesday 16 th January | Week 1 | 7.30pm | Holy Mass | Jacqueline Cameron <i>(RIP)</i> |
| Thursday 17 th January | St Anthony of Egypt | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Joseph Downes <i>(RIP)</i> |
| Friday 18 th January | Week 1 | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Private Intentions |
| Saturday 19 th January | of Our Lady | 10.00am | Holy Mass | Joshua Vijo <i>(Intentions)</i> |
| SUNDAY 20th JANUARY | SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME | 8.30am | Holy Mass | Maria Carmina Velardo <i>(RIP)</i> |
| | | 10.30am | Holy Mass | John Falcke <i>(RIP)</i> |
| | | 5.30pm | Holy Mass | People of the Parish |
| | | 7.00pm | Holy Mass | <i>In Italian</i> |

WELCOME TO ST MARY OF THE ANGELS!

JESUS IS AMONG US AS ONE OF US!

At the Jordan River, Jesus reveals himself with an extraordinary humility, reminiscent of the poverty and simplicity of the Child laid in the manger, and anticipates the sentiments with which, at the end of his days on earth, he will come to the point of washing the feet of the disciples and suffering the terrible humiliation of the Cross. The Son of God, the One who is without sin, puts himself among sinners, demonstrates God's closeness to the process of the human being's conversion. Jesus takes upon his shoulders the burden of sin of the whole of humanity, he begins his mission by putting himself in our place, in the place of sinners, in the perspective of the Cross.

Pope Benedict XVI, 2010

Sick and Housebound

Please remember in your prayers all the **sick and the housebound** in nursing homes or in hospital, and also those who care for them, especially: Ellen Leahy, Helen Kennedy, Elizabeth Robinson, Alec Turrall, Clare Neal, Sr Carmel, Sr Carolyn, Jim Cooper.

General

SAFEGUARDING Hilary Kepa, our safeguarding representative (what used to be known as Child Protection and Vulnerable Adult Officer), reminds us that any of our parishioners who are working with children (anyone under 18), or coming into contact with children regularly through their parish work, or visiting elderly/vulnerable people at home or in hospital/nursing home, **MUST** have DBS clearance. Please ask, if this applies to you. Additionally, if your previous DBS (or an old CRB) has expired, please ask for a renewed one. This is not optional but an absolute necessity. Hilary does a great job on our behalf and her details are listed at the end of this newsletter. She will offer any help and support that's needed. Thank you.

READERS Thank you to all readers at Masses for their helpful ministry. Some useful reminders:

- i) please make a conscious decision to adjust the microphone to an appropriate height for you;
- ii) please place your mouth as near to the microphone as is physically possible;
- iii) please speak as loudly as you can (most of you are far too quiet and cannot be heard clearly!);
- iv) please slow down (most of you are too fast!);
- v) please remember that you are the only one with a copy of the Bidding Prayers. In order for people to pray them well, they need to hear you proclaim them loudly and slowly. Thanks. ☺

ORDINARY TIME Today's Feast of the Baptism of the Lord concludes the season of Christmas. Tomorrow sees the beginning, once again, of Ordinary Time. Of course, there's nothing ordinary about Ordinary Time – since, during it, we continue to celebrate God's saving acts in Jesus Christ. This is a time for us to open our hearts to the mysteries of our faith, so that their truths can 'bed down' in our lives. Let's pray for each other.

FILM SHOWING A film about St Gemma Galgani will be shown in the Barn, English Martyrs Church, on Wednesday 16th January at 7.30pm on a big screen; refreshments provided. St Gemma was a 25-year-old Italian saint and mystic who saw her guardian angel and spoke with Jesus and Mary.

THE WAY PRAYER GROUP Please do come along to The Way Charismatic Prayer Group, Monday at 7:30pm in the Lady Chapel for Holy Spirit filled worship, praise and prayers (including an opportunity for personal prayers for healing or any other intention). For further information contact Stuart Burman 07557 380009 or email stuartpburman@gmail.com.

THE CHURCH SHOP Many thanks to all our customers the support you gave us over the last year. The profits from the shop go towards the maintenance of your church. The 2019 Diocesan Directory is now available. We also have the January Bible Alive and a few 2019 Catholic Diaries left. Our volunteer band of merry helpers hope to open the shop after Mass.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP meets every Friday, in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, at 7.30pm. All are most welcome!



LOOKING AHEAD A LONG WAY! On Sunday 18th August, a missionary priest from the Society for Missions to Africa will be here to celebrate the three Masses and tell us about the Society's work. It is possible, since they are based in Manchester, that he may need a bed for the night and a chaperone to bring him to Mass etc. (as Fr Terry will be away that Sunday). Can anyone help? Please tell Fr Terry if you can. Many thanks.

Collections last week:
Weekly Plate Offering: **£1146**
Worthing4Refugees (weekly): **£75**
Thank You! ☺

LENT 2019 This year, Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of Lent, falls on February 14th. Now is a good time for us to begin to pray about what it might be that the Lord is asking of us in the holy season: what can we deny ourselves? how can we more readily be of service to others? what work of charity can we consciously embrace? Easter Sunday is on 1st April.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME Please continue to keep the children and their families in your prayers as they prepare for this momentous day. Yesterday, as the group gathered, there was a real sense of excitement and anticipation as we all reminded ourselves that their FHC Celebration would be this year!

CHILDREN'S NEW YEAR PARTY This popular annual event will take place next Saturday, 20th January, at St Mary's School. Please sign one of the lists at the doors of the church to enroll your children on this happy occasion. You will find details of timings on the list. Many thanks to Mary Murphy for organising the party and to Fr Chris Benyon (of happy memory!) for being our Disco King!

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| Thinking of joining us? Know someone needing help? | |  |
|  | The SVP offers friendly help – to whoever needs it. In 2017–18, members of the SVP at St Mary's made nearly 500 visits – but the need is greater than that. | |
| For SVP help, or if you are thinking of joining us, please contact | | |
| Sue: mobile: 07913 873 115 or email: sueelizabethw@hotmail.com | | |
| or Patrick: mobile: 07929 080 025 | | |

Justice & Peace

LIVE SIMPLY Tip of the Week Soothe coughs naturally: For a cheaper and natural alternative to shop-bought cough medicine, soothe sore throats with an infusion of organic honey and lemon in hot water. The honey will relieve irritation and has valuable antimicrobial properties.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED have written to thank parishioners for the generous donation of £480 towards their most important apostolate.

MARRIAGE MATTERS How we each adapt to and accept the many differences in each other is a remarkable insight into the Spirit of God deeply seeded within us. It is this which calls us to say to one another: you are my chosen one in whom my heart delights! Let us celebrate with joy God's love for us and for all marriages. www.twainoneflesh.org.uk

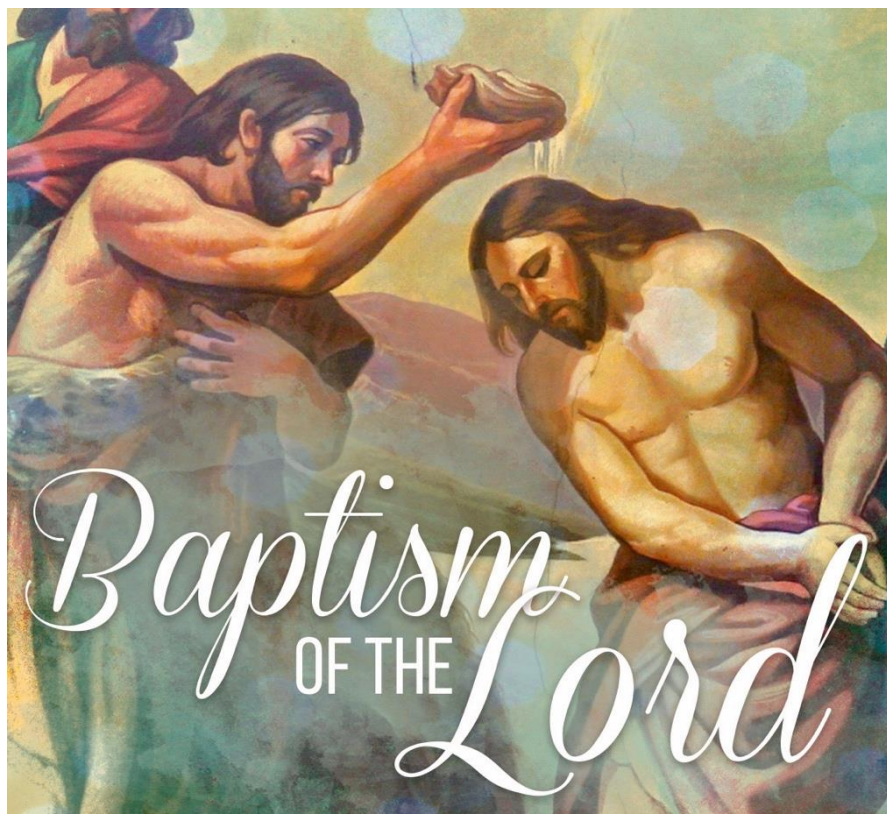
PEACE SUNDAY is next Sunday, 20th January, when there will be a second collection after all Masses for the work of Pax Christi. For more information please visit <http://paxchristi.org.uk/news-and-events/peace-sunday/>

J&P COFFEE MORNING Thanks to all helpers and those who attended; £173.20 was raised.

FOOD AND OTHER DONATIONS are requested urgently, please, for the parish Soup Kitchen/Worthing Winter Night Shelter. See notice boards for items required. Please mark items FAO Heidi Walker. Very many thanks.

Our parish AMAZING prayer

Heavenly Father,
we thank you for gathering us together and for calling us to serve as your disciples.
You have charged us through your Son Jesus
with the great mission of evangelising and of witnessing your love to the world.
Send your Holy Spirit to guide us
as we discern your will for the spiritual renewal of our parish.
Give us strength, courage, and clear vision as we use our gifts to serve you.
We entrust our parish family to the care of St Mary of the Angels, our Mother,
and ask for her intercession
as we strive to bear witness to the Gospel
and build an AMAZING parish.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



Useful information

Confessions: Each weekday after Holy Mass, Saturdays at 10.30am,
First Sundays after all Masses, and Wednesdays at 6.50pm – 7.20pm.

Daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Each day (except Sunday & Wednesday), in the Holy Souls Chapel, from 8.45am.

Baptism Preparation: Diana Thorn (01903 211744)

Hall hire: Clare Collington, clare.collington@hotmail.co.uk

Safeguarding: Hilary Kepa (07846 266852), hilaryholden35@gmail.com

Malayalam Mass: 3.00pm on the Third Sunday of each month.

Prayers for healing (with laying on of hands): after Mass on First Fridays & First Sundays

All Masses and Liturgies are broadcast on the internet (see parish web page)