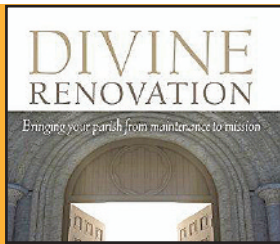




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The Rite of Election 2019



Catechumens gather in front of Bishop Richard in Arundel Cathedral on Saturday 9 March

THE SUN SHONE from a clear blue sky and strong gusts of wind nudged open the west door as Arundel Cathedral filled with

catechumens, candidates and supporters - as well as the occasional tourist - on 9 March, the first Saturday after Ash Wednes-

day.

The occasion was the ceremony of the Rite of Election...

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Rite of Election at the Cathedral on 9 March - Individual Stories

Andy



ANDY CASTLE, a candidate from Woking, attended the service with his Catholic wife Margie and his 97 year old grandma Dorothy Lewis. Andy and Margie were married in a Catholic Church in the Philippines. They now live in Woking and Andy wishes to strengthen their marriage by joining in full communion with the Catholic Church.

Story and picture: A&B NEWS Team

Lee-Anne

LEE-ANNE was born in Cape Town and baptised there. At age 18 she moved to England to join her sister and cousin in London where she studied at college. Five years ago, Lee-Anne moved to Woking and now is a Teaching Assistant at St Dunstan's Catholic Primary School in Woking where the school's Catholic ethos has had a positive effect on her. Her two sons, Noah aged seven (pictured on the left) and Elijah aged six, both attend St Dunstan's School. Noah is now preparing for his First Communion and Lee-Anne wishes to support both her sons more by joining the Catholic church in full communion.

Story and picture: A&B NEWS Team



Arthur and Susan



CATECHUMENS ARTHUR AND SUSAN Noble were married in Kenya and now live in Woking where they attend the Catholic Church. The ethos of St Dunstan's in Woking has led them to believe that, as full members of the Catholic Church, their marriage with their new baby will be more fruitful, so both now both wish to become full members of the Catholic Church. They attended the service with their ten months old daughter Paige. They are all pictured with Bishop Richard.

Story and picture: A&B NEWS Team

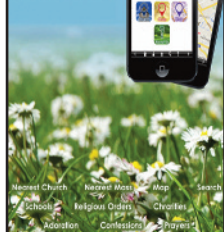
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Rite of Election at the Cathedral on 9 March

Holly Returns to the Rite of Election - with Nina

HOLLY, FROM KNAPHILL PARISH, was at the Rite of Election for the second year running, but in a different capacity. Last year she had been a catechumen; now she came as sponsor to Nina, her brother's partner of 12 years.

Religion had not featured at all in her early life and it was only on meeting future husband Gee that Holly came into contact with the Catholic Church. In recent years, with their three children attending Catholic schools, Holly found herself increasingly drawn to the wider family of the Church and was baptised last Easter.

Now she was sponsoring Nina, who was not unfamiliar with the Catholic Church as her mother was a Catholic, but Nina herself had never been baptised. It had been left for her to decide when older whether she wished to belong to any particular church or religion. Becoming a parent herself 14 months ago was the catalyst to exploring further where she felt she really belonged.

Asked what they would say to someone 'teetering on the edge' of

making enquiries about joining the Church, Holly (pictured below, right, with Nina) said she would encourage them to just go along to Mass occasionally and 'get a taste of it'. Both expressed how welcoming they had found people to be and not at all judgemental.

'Everyone's more than happy to see a new face, so give it a go!' was the message.

Story and picture: A&B News Team



Memories of Catholic Schooling Influence Joanna



BORN IN MALAYSIA, Joanna travelled to England at an early age and was enrolled in a Catholic primary school that was to make a profound impression on her.

Her parents were not Catholic but valued a good education and Joanna soon felt comfortable in school. She appreciated the stress on moral values and discipline - and she found that the prayers before and after classes 'felt natural.'

Beginning work, Joanna gravitated to the hectic business world of the City of London but, after some years, realised that she wanted a career where she could help people - and has now switched careers and become a medical doctor.

When the children came along, it felt natural to think about them formally joining the Catholic faith.

There was even a 'nudge' from an unexpected quarter. When Pope Benedict visited London in 2010, he picked out some children from the crowd and asked them to come up. So it was that Joanna's eldest daughter received a very special papal blessing.

Attending Ewell Parish, Joanna's journey of faith is taking her firmly into the Catholic Church and, as Bishop Richard said in his homily, we celebrate your joining us and thank you for listening to the prompting of the Holy Spirit.

Story and picture: A&B News Team

Veronica & Tinashe decide the RC Church is Home

VERONICA AND SON TINASHE (19), who came to the UK from Zimbabwe six years ago, were present as Candidates. Veronica's grandmother had been a devout Catholic who had married a devout Anglican, consequently the family had been brought up in the Anglican tradition, but as a small child Veronica had always enjoyed attending Mass with her

grandma.

She had also been able to attend a Catholic school for three of her secondary school years. As an adult, she increasingly felt that the RC church was her spiritual home.

'When I am in a Catholic church, I feel as if the Holy Spirit is with me,' she said.

Her 21 year old daughter has decided to stay within the Anglican tradition, so what influenced Tinashe to convert with his mother?

Just behind him the music soared as the dedicated group of musicians from the Diocesan choir sang '...and he will raise you up on eagle's wings...'

'I think it was the music,' he replied, smiling.

Story and picture: A&B News Team



Rite of Election - continued from page 1

The occasion was the ceremony of the Rite of Election, a key stage of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) when the 42 Catechumens, those to be baptised, and the 58 Candidates, those who are already baptised, publicly declare their intention to become full members of the Church, watched by their godparents, sponsors, catechists, priests, deacons and families.

The choir was seated in the North Transept, by the shrine to St Philip Howard (see page 8). Augmented by harp, flute and double bass, it was in fine voice, and, under the energetic direction of Anne Ward, was kept busy with a full programme of hymns, responses and acclamations.


In his homily Bishop Richard referred to the day's Scripture readings, which included the Apostle Paul's testimony that '...because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.' (Romans 10:9)


He thanked the catechumens and candidates, telling them that they were numbered among thousands in England & Wales this month who will also

be participating in the Rite of Election in every cathedral. Thanking them for listening to the prompting of the Holy Spirit and allowing us to journey with them, Bishop Richard reminded them that they would be the Lord's witnesses in today's world and, together, we will strive to center our lives on The Word Who is Life.

The catechumens then formed a semi-circle in front of the Bishop, were affirmed as worthy by their godparents, were individually greeted by the Bishop, and then signed their names in the Book of the Elect. Similarly, the candidates were affirmed by their sponsors and the assembly, before final prayers and intercessions were offered for the elect and the candidates.

Following the Solemn Blessing, dozens of elect and candidates with their godparents and sponsors, their family and relatives, took up Bishop Richard's offer and queued for a photograph with him in front of the altar. The queue stretched from the altar to near the west door, the entire length of the cathedral. Perhaps not surprisingly, people were reluctant to accept that the impressive and moving ceremony had drawn to a close.








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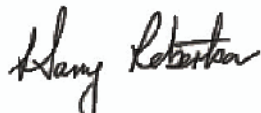
SPRING HAS ARRIVED – snowdrops, daffodils, cherry blossom – while Tesco has been selling chocolate Easter eggs and bunnies for weeks now.

As important, there are signs of green shoots in A&B Diocese.

More than a dozen parishes have embarked on Divine Renovation strategies; the numbers of catechumens and candidates at this year's Rite of Election increased over the previous year; infrastructure is being put in place to support prayer development and spirituality; last night I attended the first 'Pray With the Heart' session in Worthing – 140 people turned up to the surprised delight of the organiser, while our parishes and schools continue to find new avenues for worship and charity.

Sarah Kilmartin put it well during her interview (page 5) when talking about the Pastoral Plan: 'The key message... is the need to be awake and engaged as a lay person and not to feel that the work of the Church belongs to the clergy...the Bishop emphasises the need for us all to develop in prayer and spirituality in order to be effective.'

Very best wishes for a happy and holy Easter.



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Foundation Mass for Peter



BISHOP RICHARD recently visited the Parish of Our Lady Queen of Peace, Adur Valley including St Peter's in Shoreham, Christ the King in Steyning and The Towers Convent in Upper Beeding; he met many of the teams and groups as well as housebound parishioners. The biggest surprise was for Peter Ransom at St Peter's, who at the age of 76 has reluctantly stepped down from his commitment to our parish with regard to maintenance.

Peter has looked after the maintenance of both St Peter's and Christ the King for over 49 years. When he and his wife Christine first came to Shoreham, Fr McHale persuaded him to help as clerk of the works for the new church, even though at that time he was not even a Catholic but came along to support Christine. Peter was trained as a joiner and later became a Director with Wenban Smith, 'retiring' in 2003. He was also a Governor at St Peter's School for some years.

Peter loves his garden and will enjoy having more time with his family. He has never complained about the work or looked for recognition, even when he experienced a period of ill health, so he really was surprised to receive the gift of a Foundation Mass for the next 25 years for his intentions, thanking him for all his dedicated work, skill and expertise.

Story and picture: Penny Richardson

Servers Old and New



GUILDFORD PARISH celebrated St Stephen's Day Mass by enrolling seven new altar servers from across the parish (see picture above).

In addition, two servers were presented with Certificates of Merit for five years' and seven years' service.

At the same Mass, a Gold Medal for 50 years' service was presented by Mgr Tony Barry, Episcopal Vicar for Surrey and Moderator, to Ron Pearson (pictured right) for his long service and commitment to the Guild of St Stephen at St Mary's, Rydes Hill, where Ron began in 1968 as a server before taking on the task of training new altar servers.

Many congratulations and thanks to Ron - known to us all as Doc - for his dedication over the years.

Story: Sandy Hunt

Pictures: Joseph Chan & Harvey Hunt



Golden Wedding Anniversary

PARISHIONERS at St John the Evangelist, Horsham, were delighted recently to share in the celebration of the Golden Wedding Anniversary of stalwarts of the parish, Mary and David White, when they renewed their marriage vows and were presented with a Papal Blessing at Sunday Mass.

Mary and David moved to Horsham in 1982 when David's job moved to Leatherhead. With four young children, school provision was an important factor in deciding where to live; after exploring Horsham and visiting St Wilfrid's School in Crawley - the decision was easily made!

All four of their children attended St John's RC Primary before going on to St Wilfrid's and then on to university. Now all married with ten children between them, three of the four (who were married at St John's) were present with their spouses and offspring at the 50th Anniversary Mass.

Mary herself taught at deanery schools for many years, culminating in over 10 years at St John's, and is now a Reader, Welcomer and Extraordinary Minister of Communion in the parish, as well as singing with the diocesan choir.

David has had several roles over the years; he too is now a Welcomer and Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion, in addition to being the Safety representative on the Parish Finance Committee, Deputy Editor of the A&B News and Secretary of the national Catholic Diocesan Editors' Forum. How they ever find time for their beloved golf is a mystery!

Story: Veronica Peppiatt Picture: Antoinette Wilks



50 Years - Mary & David

JUST A THOUGHT

I LOVE THIS SEASON in our Catholic calendar, the beginning of Lent which is a time to slow down, take stock and make changes where necessary in our Christian walk.

Shrove Tuesday is when my family and I prepare pancakes and various fillings to sit and enjoy around the table, while writing down our Lenten promises - all very dear to me.

I wake up with anticipation in my heart, as though I am going on a journey to a new place on Ash Wednesday morning, when God gives me yet another opportunity to start all over again and come closer to him. My heart bursting with joy, I thank and praise God for His everlasting mercy and love for us all and I pray for more souls to return to Jesus and for more non-believers to receive Him.

As I was listening to today's Mass readings, two verses really spoke to me and stayed with me the whole day. No matter which stage we are at in our

lives, how old we are, regardless of marital status, gender, or employment status, we are all called. 'Return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning' says God in today's first reading Joel 2:12.

In the second reading 2 Corinthians 5:20 we read 'So we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We beseech you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.'

What does it mean to be an ambassador? An ambassador is a person who represents, speaks for or advertises a particular person or activity. As I listened to this verse, these questions have started pouring into my heart. How am I representing Jesus? How am I speaking for Jesus? What can I do more of or less?

On Easter Day, I am praying that we will all be closer to our Father in heaven and better ambassadors of our Faith and Church.

Ahu Guray, Ewell Parish

Interview with Sarah Kilmartin, Diocesan Chief Operating Officer

It was just over three years ago that the A&B News had its first interview with Sarah Kilmartin, the newly appointed Financial Secretary. Much has happened since then, including a job title change to Chief Operating Officer. We wanted to know whether her original expectations were met, what have been the challenges, her involvement in the Pastoral Plan, and what about family life? Peter Burholt takes up the story.

When we last met, you said that you had wanted to wait for the right job to come along – one where you could make a difference in a not-for-profit environment. What has been the reality?

Yes, that has always been my focus and, in fact, I made my previous move into education in order to gain charity experience. After three years I am still convinced I am in the perfect job for me. Being a committed Catholic is essential to the role and I don't think it would be wise for anyone to attempt this role without such a calling.

I love working in the Diocese and I appreciate all the things that do not happen in corporate life; one I can think of is starting a meeting with a prayer. It does make a difference in bringing everyone together and focusing the mind.

Both you and husband James (Dr James Kilmartin, Principal of Cardinal Newman School) have, on anyone's scale, demanding jobs. How does the balance of your work and family life pan out?

I'm very lucky that I don't have a big commute to get to work as I only live two miles away from the office in Hove. Even when I work late I am only five minutes away from home by car (a Nissan Leaf known as the milkfloat). We have two teenagers at Cardinal Newman, next door to Bishop's House in Hove, and working so close to them is lovely as I can easily give them lifts in the morning. James and I always try to take a day off at the weekend and embrace the Sabbath as a chance to be around the family as well as go to Mass.

What does your job entail and why the recent change in title?

Back in 2017 Bishop Richard commissioned a full-ranging review of the Diocese – in simple terms, was it fit for purpose and ready to meet the challenges of the future? Along with other aspects, my role and that of my department came under this review.

One of the conclusions of the independent consultants, Kinharvie Institute, was that the reporting lines were not clear enough. The idea of appointing a Chief Operating Officer is that there is a senior lay official taking responsibility for supporting the overall organisation in terms of staffing, finance, buildings



Left to Right: Patricia Wrightson - Gift Aid Coordinator, Hazel D'Souza - Finance Officer, Sarah Kilmartin, Gina London - Secretary, Sue Forrest - Building Officer, David Newman - Financial Controller, Maggie Wares - PA to Sarah

and legal and regulatory compliance.

What happens at Bishop's House? (pictured below)

Since I started, the scope of the services has grown to respond to the requirements of the Diocese. As an example, we have a small dedicated Human Resources function to cover the needs of the 300 employees. We have teams working on Finance, Gift Aid, Buildings, HR and Health and Safety, as well as the other Hove departments looking after Safeguarding in the Diocese, and the Chancery and Tribunal offices. The staff in Bishop's House work closely with clergy, staff and volunteers in parishes.

Do you think the parishes know enough about your role and that of Bishop's House?

We are in constant contact with parishes for one reason or another and are trying to improve our communications so it is clearer to everyone where we are and what we do. We are launching new Finance webpages shortly, and these include a new look for PAM, the Parish Administration Manual that we all rely on as the first point of call for diocesan policies and guidance.

When you took up your post, the Pastoral Plan was merely an aspiration. Since then you have seen its development and supported it in presentations to clergy and to each of the deaneries. How is your day to day work informed by faith?

Seeing the Pastoral Plan unfold has been inspirational. *The key message I have taken from it is the need to be awake and engaged as a lay person and not feel that the work of the church belongs to the clergy. In the plan the Bishop emphasises the need for us all to develop in prayer*

and spirituality in order to be effective.

That resonates with me as it is clear to me that our work and projects in the Diocese arise from a wish to serve God to the best of our ability and this is not possible without prayer. *The Pastoral Plan prayer for all the people of the Diocese is frequently used to begin meetings as it sums up our shared purpose and commitment.*

The process of reflecting together through the Bishop's consultation has led to a Pastoral Plan that recognises the needs of the Diocese. This led in particular to the special focus on Formation in the Plan presentations, and this was well received. When we spoke at the meetings about money it was clear

that people recognise the crucial importance of generosity in weekly giving to our parishes, and the need to consider increasing standing orders from time to time. Some parishioners can afford to expand their generosity and give an extra pound a week, but we firmly agreed upon the fact that this is not possible for everyone and no one should feel pressurised.

We also agreed that diligent control of costs is necessary, and there was an emphasis on the importance of developing our work with volunteers where possible rather than expanding the paid workforce. We spoke a lot about our increasing costs for the support of retired priests, and the need to fundraise to support the retired, who generally wish to live singly and independently. Overall, the financial discussions were realistic and sober, with a recognition that this is a challenging area where constant vigilance is needed.

Several of the deaneries mentioned that they would be keen to try out cashless offertory giving, so I am intending to pilot a scheme on this later this year. A small tap and pay device can be handed round with the plate, allowing people to give by card. We are also rolling out the new cloud-based accounting system to parishes - so have a lot on our plate. We are busy but highly motivated!

The 90 minutes were soon up, but it was reassuring to know that one of the people playing a pivotal part in delivering the Pastoral Plan has a clear understanding of what is required for the future. And, most of all, she has faith as her bedrock.

Catholic Artists Exhibition

THE REGIONAL GROUP of the Society of Catholic Artists (SCAR) is based largely in Brighton, Hove and Shoreham. This group, which was formed in 1976, will be contributing to the Brighton and Hove Arts Council's Spring Art exhibition at the Friends Meeting House at Ship Street, Brighton. Dates are from 10 to 13 April with midweek opening times at 10 - 5pm and on Saturday from 10 - 4pm. Admission is free.

The exhibition theme, 'Heaven and Earth are full of Your Glory', follows the group's aim of expressing the Gospel and Christian subjects in art. Members of SCAR will steward on Thursday 11 April. While everyone is welcome, we especially invite artists and craftspeople to join the group, including clergy and religious. Our late Fr David Weston was a founder member as well as being chaplain to the group. His church, St George's Hove, contains works by SCAR members commissioned by Fr Weston.

They bring together Catholic artists and interested laymen in spiritual fellowship and collaboration, encouraging a high standard in church art. They are prepared to execute any decorative or sacred work and participate in national exhibitions and conferences. There is a bi-monthly meeting and a varied programme of events, discussion and support.

Story and picture: John Armstrong



Painting by John Armstrong taken from St John, Chapter 14, verse 5, entitled 'So how can we know the way?'

Cardinal Newman to be declared a Saint

POPE FRANCIS cleared the way for the canonisation of the much-loved educationalist Cardinal John Henry Newman on Tuesday 20 February.

The Pope received Cardinal Angelo Becciu, the Prefect of the Vatican Congregation of the Causes of Saints, and authorised him to promulgate two decrees on miracles for sainthood, a decree on martyrdom and five on heroic virtues.

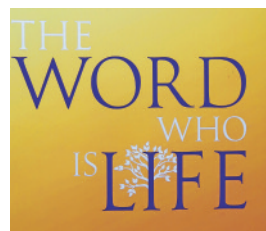
Cardinal Vincent Nichols, President of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales has warmly welcomed the news that Cardinal Newman will be declared a saint. Cardinal Nichols said: 'This is wonderful news which will be greeted with thanks to God by people across the world. Newman's exploration of faith, depth of personal courage, intellectual clarity and cultural sensitivity make him a deeply admired follower of Christ. He brings together so many of the best of Catholic traditions shared well beyond the Catholic Church. His canonisation will be welcomed especially in the Church of England and the wider Anglican Communion. For me the truly remarkable nature of this moment is that this is an English parish priest being declared a saint.'

Story: Catholic Communications Network



Picture: Bishop's House, Hove (The Bishop himself resides at High Oaks, Pease Pottage)





The Diocese of Arundel and Brighton Formation Team



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Parish Family Groups: the Last Eighteen Months

Story: Elizabeth Wakeling

JUST 18 SHORT MONTHS AGO, I joined the Formation Team at The St Philip Howard Centre. How much has changed since then!

First, we weren't the Formation Team, we were the Pastoral Team; and I didn't work at the St Philip Howard Centre, I worked at DABCEC! Aside from these Diocesan changes, there have been points of personal growth for me.

Why I Applied

I applied for the fixed term contract because I had felt called to work for the church, giving more of my life to God's service.

I had quite a lot of experience in youth ministry at Parish and Diocesan level (Confirmation, World Youth Day, Lourdes Redshirts) as well as working with engaged couples to help prepare them for marriage; I had also undertaken qualifications in theology to improve my chances of getting a job in the Church.

Early Uncertainty

When the opportunity arose to apply for the post, I was unsure; the groups didn't seem like something I would get involved in if they were launched in my Parish, but I saw it as an opportunity to get experience 'in the field'.

The reason I wasn't sure about the groups was because they are purely social. There is no bible study or theological discussion, no fixed prayer or times of worship; which is what I thought the Church needed. Instead, they are designed to help build community within the Parish, in order to make them places of love and welcome.

In all honesty, I did not realise how important this element of Parish life was until I saw it in action.

Launching Groups

In the last 18 months, I have launched groups in four parishes. I have seen parishes move from a place where people know each other's faces to where they know names, they know things about each other, they have laughed together, maybe cried together.

They are becoming a Parish Family. A family that gathers to worship. It is beautiful.

And it is so simple. We simply invite people to join, assign them to groups, and give them ideas and inspiration about ways they can get to know each other. Then it's up to them.

I have been blessed to work with some wonderful Parish Coordinators and Group leaders who have truly inspired me and I owe them huge thanks for empowering me to believe in a project that



can make such a noticeable difference to Parish life.

From this simple model, groups have shared food together, walked together, played games, sung Christmas Carols and done crafts together.

They have arranged to celebrate house Masses together and have shared the burden of loss by attending blessing of the graves together (followed by a social so that those who are bereaved do not have to go straight home to an empty house).

Teenage boys want to host barbecues so that they can invite their friends to meet their church family!

God's Presence in Encounters

This project has helped me to understand that God is present in the smallest of encounters. We do not need to be deeply profound to know His grace, we just need to make time for each other and to love one another.

This creates a foundation where deeper things can grow. *'Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me'* (Matt 25:40).

So now my time is up. The contract has come to an end and I must leave. But I feel as though I leave a wonderful legacy in the very capable hands of those who I have worked with at Parish level. They have been fantastic and it genuinely would not have worked without them. So, I pray that God will bless them as they continue their good work.

The Work Continues

And the project is not over! If you are interested in launching a Parish Family Group, please contact Katherine Bergin at: katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk

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Arrivals from 1pm to picnic in the grounds and join the activities. We will conclude with tea and, of course birthday cake!!

It would be helpful (but not essential) for catering purposes to let me know if you are coming:

katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk

A Date For Your Diary

Bishop Richard and the Diocesan Social Action Commission present a

CRIMINAL JUSTICE ROADSHOW

On Saturday 13th July 2019, 11 am to 3 pm,
at the Sacred Heart Parish Hall, COBHAM

More Information to follow

Diocesan Formation Team

Marriage & Family Life



Annual Formation Day for those who Support the Bereaved in their Parish

Planning Liturgies to Support the Bereaved including Funeral Planning

On Wednesday 15th May,
10 am to 4 pm
At St Bernadette's Church, Tilgate Way,
Crawley, RH10 5BS.

Coffee from 9.30 am. Packed lunch needed.

Booking Essential:

Rosie.Read@abdiocese.org.uk 01293 651161

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Project Officer to the Marriage and Family Life Ministry



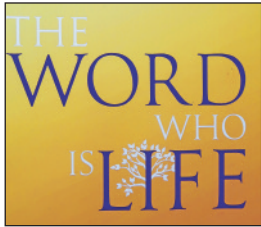
THE DIOCESE OF ARUNDEL AND BRIGHTON wish to recruit a permanent part-time project officer to the Marriage and Family Life Ministry within the Diocese.

Based at the St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley and reporting to the current adviser, the successful applicant would work with the Commission in delivering both specific projects and in supporting the ongoing work of the Formation Team.

This is an exciting opportunity for someone who has a heart for working with families in developing faith and supporting couples through all stages of married life.

You can see the job description and application form on the Diocesan website: www.abdiocese.org.uk

Closing date for applications is Monday, 29 April, 2019



The Diocese of Arundel and Brighton Formation Team



Serving the communities of our Diocese

ON WEDNESDAY 6 February, the Diocesan Formation Team headed up to Birmingham for the Divine Renovation Conference. As well as being an excellent team building exercise, allowing the Formation Team to spend quality time together in order to work more effectively on developing and moving forward with the Pastoral Plan, it gave us an opportunity to reflect on alternative ways to help build the Kingdom of God.

Divine Renovation was originally a book written by Fr James Mallon, a Canadian priest who decided to write about his experiences of running a Parish. It was so successful that he and his team now mentor other parishes around the world; they have produced a guide book and other resources to help Parish Teams move their parishes 'from maintenance to mission'.

I would like, if I may, to share some of my experience of the conference with you here.

I arrived at the venue with some trepidation early on Thursday morning. We had a long day ahead of us (the programme for day one was from 8am to 9pm) and we were starting with networking – eek! (This is not my favourite thing to do, especially so early in the morning. I needed at least two more cups of tea!). However, there were several clergy and parishioners there from across the Diocese, so it was good to catch up with some old acquaintances.



The very first question we were asked in the introduction session was 'From or for?' We were asked to think about why we had decided to attend – was it because we want things from people or for them? Do we want to recruit volunteers in our churches so that we can get things **from** them or do we want to help them encounter Jesus so that He can do things **for** them? This question really set the tone, because these two days were not going to be about getting a few tips to encourage people to sign up for ministry. We were about to learn how to radically transform Parish Communities through the power of the Holy Spirit, to enable people to know and love Jesus Christ!

From this point we were taken on a wonderful journey, through inspiring talks and seminars, amazingly beautiful worship music, thoughtful and inspiring homilies, time to share with each other our thoughts on what we were learning,

but most importantly, through prayer.

Thursday evening was dedicated to opening our hearts so that we might be filled with the Holy Spirit. It was not only uplifting but also life changing. Since that evening, not only do I find myself no longer struggling to pray and feeling guilty when I don't, I yearn to pray; I look forward to it; I cannot wait to be united once again with God in this intimate conversation with Him.

My one desire is to help as many people as possible know and love the Holy Trinity as I do. The peace and joy that this love brings is indescribable. Fortunately, the Divine Renovation material gives us tools to be able to do just that. It helps us become a missionary church in a society that craves meaning and comfort. And no, I am not employed by Divine Renovation, I do not have shares in it, I have no affiliation with it whatsoever!

But I do know truth when I hear it.

The truth is that our beautiful Church is in danger; the pews are getting emptier and more and more parishes are having to be combined. There is no one to blame for this; we used to live in a culture that supported the model of a church-going family, and now we don't.

So, what shall we do? Carry on as we are and wonder why no one comes to join us? Or reach out and tell everyone about this wonderful gift of faith? Because if we do the latter, maybe one day we will be building churches for the expanding communities, not closing them down. But we are all responsible; every baptised member of the community has a calling from God to act. And don't forget to support your priest; let him know that you want to help him bring the Good News to the world. But most importantly, pray. Ask God to fill you with His Holy Spirit so that you are strengthened and inspired to do His work.

May God bless us all as we work to build His Kingdom.

*Story: Lizzie Wakeling
Parish Family Groups Project Officer*



FLAME 2019: Igniting the hearts of young people



EIGHT AND A HALF THOUSAND young people from all over England and Wales gathered together in Wembley SSE Arena to celebrate Flame 2019 on Saturday 2 March. This is an event held every two years that helps inspire and empower young people in their faith.

This year, the music was provided by rap artist Guvna B, Worship Leader Tim Hughes and a specially formed Gospel Choir. Drama was provided by Rise Theatre and we had input from Jean Vanier (founder of L'Arche), Archbishop Eamon Martin and Cardinal Vincent Nichols. The keynote speaker was Robert Madu from Texas.

The theme of the day was 'significance' and we had a wonderful day learning about how important we are in God's eyes and how He has a plan for each of us. We were challenged to make

sure that we keep our eyes on Him and not be distracted by comparing ourselves with others.

We sang, we danced and we praised God. We laughed (a lot – Robert Madu was hilarious!), but most of all, we had the opportunity to realise that we are not alone – there are literally thousands of other people who love God like we do – and it's ok!

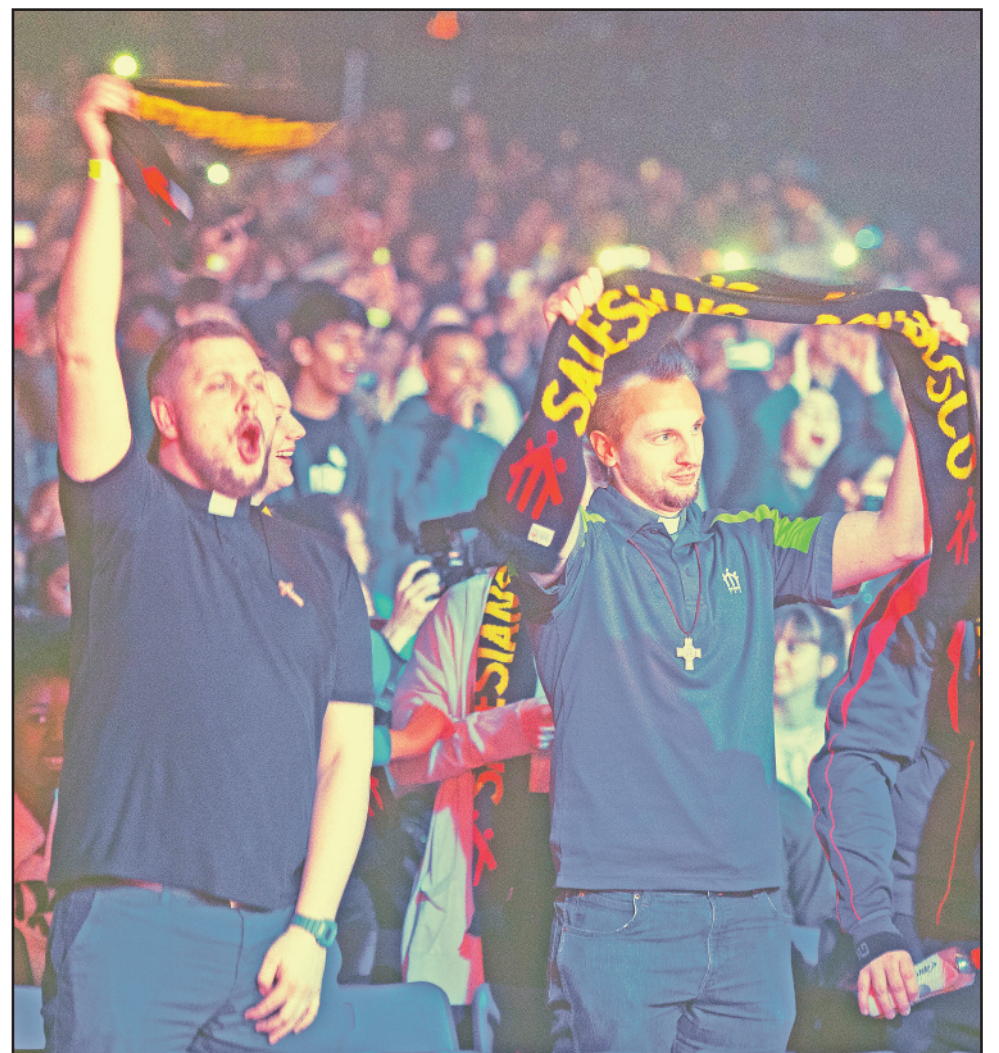
We ended the day with adoration. And there was absolute silence. We simply allowed ourselves to just be with Jesus, and you would not have known there were so many people in the room. It was astounding.

Young lives were transformed by the event, so we pray that the Holy Spirit will continue to work in them to make them Kingdom Builders today, tomorrow and in the future.

Story: Lizzie Wakeling

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St Philip Howard - a Saint For Our Time



St Philip Howard, whose remains are held at Arundel Cathedral, is truly a saint for our time. From a dissolute and privileged youth, estranged from his wife, he turned into a faithful husband and father and a devout Catholic prepared to sacrifice all for his faith.

PHILIP HOWARD was a worldly man, a successful courtier, educated at Cambridge University and the thirteenth Earl of Arundel. Although married, he was estranged from his wife Anne because of his activities at Elizabeth I's court.

Conversion

It was on hearing the Jesuit priest Edmund Campion debate with several Anglicans at the Tower of London in August 1581 that he converted to Catholicism. He was also greatly influenced in this by his wife Anne who had already converted and they were reconciled. Elizabethan authorities knew of his conversion and were watching him.

A Time of Religious Turbulence

By 1585, it was a crime to aid a Catholic priest and an act of treason for an English Catholic priest to be in the country. Howard had a Catholic chaplain in his house in London and at his castle at Arundel. At court and in the surrounding countryside rumours abounded of Catholic plots against the Queen. In this tense environment Howard decided to seek religious liberty abroad, but was betrayed by a servant and apprehended at sea, brought back a prisoner and lodged in the Tower of London. He was never to see his wife and family again.

Suffering for His Faith

A year later, after countless interrogations, he was examined before the Star Chamber, found guilty of treason, fined £10,000 (a huge sum at that time) and committed to prison at the Queen's pleasure. In 1588, with the defeat of the Spanish Armada, another wave of anti-Catholicism swept the country and he was tried again, before the King's Bench, and charged falsely with praying for a Spanish victory. Beset with lies and betrayed by former friends, Philip was unable to defend himself and was found guilty. He was sentenced to a traitor's death - to be hanged, drawn and quartered.

Spiritual Maturity

There began his long term of imprisonment, never knowing from day to day which would be his last. This was his time of spiritual development. Each day

he spent several hours in prayer and meditation; he was noted for his patience in suffering and courtesy to unkind keepers. One day Howard scratched onto a wall of his cell these words: *Quanto plus afflictiones pro Christo in hoc saeculo, tanto plus gloriae cum Christo in futuro.* ('The more affliction [we endure] for Christ in this world, the more glory [we shall obtain] with Christ in the next.')

Canine friendship

He was kept constantly in fear of execution, although comforted by the companionship of a dog, which served as a go-between by which Howard and other prisoners, most notably the priest Robert Southwell, could send messages to each other. Although these two men never met, Howard's dog helped them to deepen their friendship and exchange encouragement in each other's plight. Philip Howard loved his pet, who is remembered along with him in a statue at Arundel Cathedral.

Faithful to the End

As he lay dying Howard petitioned the Queen to allow him to see his wife and children, including his son who had been born after his imprisonment. The Queen responded that 'If he will but once attend the Protestant Service, he shall not only see his wife and children, but be restored to his honors and estates with every mark of my royal favor'. To this, Howard is supposed to have replied: 'Tell Her Majesty if my religion be the cause for which I suffer, sorry I am that I have but one life to lose.'

Martyrdom and Sainthood

In the end, weakened by malnutrition and possibly poisoned, he died peacefully at about midday on Sunday 19 October 1595. He was 38 years old and had spent almost the last eleven years of his life a prisoner in the Tower of London. He was immediately considered a martyr for his faith.

Philip Howard, Edmund Campion, and Robert Southwell were all canonized together in 1970 by Pope Paul VI among the Forty Martyrs of England and Wales.

Story: Jackie Ballard



Anne Dacre his wife

SHINE Day at St Pancras School

THE ECO COUNCIL of St Pancras Catholic Primary School hosted a Shine Day recently. The children focused on how plastic, beach finds and other materials can be reused to create art. The children had the opportunity to print with plastic and repurpose old t-shirts into bags. They made flat-lays of sea creatures and created sculptures of sea life fauna - one is pictured. The day was part of an on-going project at St Pancras to improve our local environment.

The day would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the Eco Council, Mrs Saunders (school staff), Thomas Broad (Recycling Engagement Coordinator) and Caroline Bond (a fibre artist who creates art work from beach cleans).

We started the day with a prayer chosen by the children:



We ended our assembly with a few words from Flynn (year 4) and a closing prayer. As it says in our Mission Statement, at St Pancras we are a family that encourages links between our school, the Parish and the wider community through shared celebrations and recognition of the importance of learning with others.

Story and picture: Michelle Lord

Inspection Outcome



ST RICHARD'S Catholic College staff and pupils were delighted with the result of their recent Denominational Inspection by the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton.

The inspectors found the school to be 'outstanding' in all areas and highlighted aspects of school life that led to this outcome, including pastoral care, spiritual support and the provision of religious education.

The report stated that pastoral care is a significant feature of the school. 'The welfare of each person inspires the whole community in building a

calm, harmonious and prayerful school, and the attainment and progress of pupils have consistently risen since the last inspection.'

It also celebrated the range of fundraising and justice and peace campaigns the pupils engage in, being 'aware of the needs of others in the local and wider community'.

For additional information use the website www.bexhillobserver.net/news/education/bexhill-school-celebrates-outstanding-rating-1-8833788

Lord,
Grant us the wisdom to care for the earth and its living creatures.

Help us to act now for the good of future generations.

To become instruments of a new creation founded on the covenant of your love.

Amen

Dear God,

Thank you for this beautiful planet. Bless it and keep it safe from harm. We pray for the protection of the animals, the soil, air and water. May we care for all you have made. Help us to love the earth as you do.

We pray in Jesus' name.

Amen

The Diocese of Arundel and Brighton Education Service

MISSION STATEMENT

Placing Christ at the centre and empowered by the Spirit, we serve and support our schools in the name of the Bishop, by aspiring to be the very best we can, identifying, encouraging, nurturing and developing excellence in all aspects of Catholic education.

As the Diocesan Education Service, inspired by the Gospel, we are committed to serving in partnership with our family of schools to be the visible face of Christ and to promote the Common Good through the ministry of education.

How Catholic Schools support Catholic Social Teaching at Home and Abroad

DURING LENT, as Christians focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving, Pope Francis teaches that 'In a world where there is so much wealth, so many resources to feed everyone, it's incomprehensible how there can be so many hungry children, so many children without an education, so many poor.'

Our Diocesan schools turn their attention to focused fundraising for local, national and international causes. There are so many excellent charitable events and initiatives that schools are aware of and raise thousands of pounds for. Matthew 6:24 states 'You cannot serve both God and money,' however, in order to serve the poor, we do need to raise money - and our schools are amazing in the effort and commitment to these Gospel values.

St Andrew's School, Leatherhead is one example of how one of our Diocesan schools live out the Gospel values.

Caroline Balko, the school Chaplain, writes: 'For nearly 20 years now we have been committed to supporting Action in Africa, a charity that began in St Michael's in Ashted. In particular, we have developed a close link with Ruhinda School in Nyaishozi, Tanzania.'

'Our project had humble beginnings when we funded the provision of a



porridge breakfast for every child when they arrived at school, often having walked for several hours.

'Equipping the Science Department followed. We then embarked on our biggest challenge. Action in Africa were aware that the girls at Ruhinda were particularly vulnerable on their journeys to and from school. St Andrew's funded the dormitories for the girls so they could stay at the school and then the fitting of solar lighting so they could study in the evenings.

'The following year the toilet and shower blocks were completed. Fr Vitalis visited the school from Tanzania and attended the Deanery concert at St Andrew's School where participants included the Deanery Primary Schools and was an evening of song and celebration.

'All staff at St Andrew's have been fully involved with the projects and this year the Head of PE, Jane Dunckley, will be running in the London Marathon.'

Jane says: 'Running the London Marathon has been a lifelong goal of mine and I am delighted to run it for such an amazing cause.'



The Towers Independent Catholic School in Sussex enjoyed a pancake breakfast as part of their ongoing charity events. This was organised by Miss Lowe and was a successful and enjoyable event. They money raised reached £100 and was donated to local charities.

This is an excellent example of reaching out to the less fortunate in the local area.

These are just two of the many examples of how our schools in Arundel and Brighton live out Church social teaching. We must continue to support the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, for he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive'. (Acts 20:35)

Congratulations to the hard work of the staff and students of all our schools for the commitment and dedication to all the causes that they support.



Fr Vitalis from Tanzania with Alan Mitchell, Head of St Andrew's School

Being a Good Samaritan - the Crisis Fund of the Catholic Children's Society



THE CRISIS FUND of the Catholic Children's Society provides immediate financial support for families facing a crisis in their lives.

The Diocese of Arundel and Brighton has been supporting the 'Crisis Fund' since November 2017 when Bishop Richard requested that the Crib Offerings in the Diocese were dedicated to supporting the fund. Every single penny raised for the Arundel and Brighton Crisis fund is used exclusively in the Arundel and Brighton Diocese.

Headteachers and Parish Priests can apply to the crisis fund, on behalf of a family, for a one-off grant that is usually responded to within 24 hours. It is for members of the school or parish community, who find themselves in severe financial hardship. This support can make a huge difference to families in desperate situations when they have nowhere else to turn.



for some children, life is not always a pleasant walk in the woods....

The crisis fund has already benefited some of the families in our diocese and Headteachers who have applied for grants have agreed that this is a valued resource to support those who are in desperate need.

Bishop Richard has also requested, that from Lent 2019, all Secondary Schools in the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton support this initiative by raising money for the fund during Lent.

Secondary Schools in the diocese are proud of their achievements when raising funds for those in need, especially during Lent when they focus on prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

We are delighted that Bishop Richard will be leading a *Secondary Schools' Pilgrimage to Arundel Cathedral on Wednesday 26 June 2019*. This

will be the third Pilgrimage for Secondary schools in the diocese. The Good Samaritan Pilgrimage will be an opportunity for all our Secondary school pupils to come together and celebrate through pilgrimage, prayer and Mass, the funds they have raised for the Crisis fund.

The Catholic Children's Society FOUNDED IN 1859, the Catholic Children's Society is one of the oldest charities supporting disadvantaged children and families in the UK. Its mission is to bring hope and change to children and families living in poverty, as well as those experiencing emotional and psychological distress. It draws inspiration from Christian values derived from the Gospels and the teaching of the Catholic Church.

How the Society helps

Three examples illustrate the work of the Society.

A seven year old girl who was sleeping huddled in blankets with her younger sister on the floor because the family were destitute. The Society helped the family buy bunk beds, mattresses and bedding ensuring these two young children now have a comfortable and warm place to sleep.

Two teenage girls lost their mother in a traffic accident. The school reported that the siblings were 'finding coping with both grief and organising their mother's funeral with no money unbearable.' As they were both in full time education they didn't qualify for any statutory assistance. The Crisis Fund enabled these siblings to hold a basic funeral and bury their mother with dignity.

A mother and her three young children fled domestic violence and needed help getting a deposit to rent a new flat. Our Crisis Fund provided the family with the immediate one-off support they needed to have a safe place to call home.

Together with the Catholic Children's Society, we can provide urgent help to children in need.





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This means that if you can give £95 for one child's surgery today, two children could have their sight restored.

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God bless you,

Rebecca

Rebecca Molyneux
CBM Programme Manager

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Wintershall Passion Play



'SEEING IS BELIEVING' - a maxim which it could be said Wintershall has taken as its very own in its telling of the story of Christ in ways which, once seen, are never forgotten. A 'local' charity based in the Diocese just outside of Guildford, Wintershall stages three open air productions annually on the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus (the Nativity, the Passion of Jesus, the Life of Christ).

Set up by Peter Hutley in 1989, the first production involved a handful of family and friends performing and watching a homespun Nativity in a working cow-shed/barn on the family property. Today, Wintershall's epic plays involve hundreds of volunteer actors and are seen by thousands of people. Performances are held at Trafalgar Square, in Guildford High Street and in the beautiful Wintershall grounds and barn.

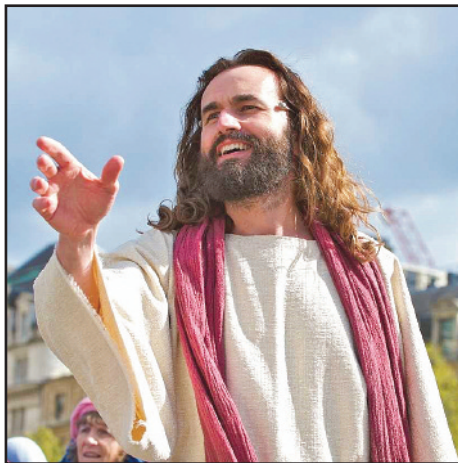
Bible vignettes are also performed in schools as part of assemblies and to support RE provision. Peter's daughter, Charlotte de Klee, produces the plays nowadays but Peter and his wife Ann still keep a keen eye on proceedings; the Bible Society also works closely with Wintershall.

Supported by the Mayor of London, two free performances of The Passion of Jesus are staged in Trafalgar Square on Good Friday each year (19 April this year) as well as in Guildford High Street the following day. Cardinal Vincent Nichols has attended the last few performances as has the Bishop of London. Live-streaming is another way in which the Passion story has more recently been transmitted to a wider audience.

To see The Passion of Jesus staged in the very heart of London in these times is very moving. Last year 20,000 people watched one hundred 'players' or volunteer actors, not to mention the donkey, bring their electric and very realistic portrayal of the Easter story to this iconic landmark. The Winter-

shall website does give a 'health warning' on The Passion, especially with regard to young children: it's not for the faint hearted, as the crucifixion scene can be harrowing. The 'Good News' of the resurrection, however, more than compensates for any lingering upset.

Wintershall is almost completely run by volunteers and they are always looking for extra hands. Most of the actors and production crew are volunteers. In addition, volunteers give out leaflets, take names and addresses, work in the pop-up shop, help the general public and hold donation buckets. Volunteers are welcome to contribute what they can in terms of their time and will get any training that is needed. A 'one off' offer of help on the days of performances is as welcome as any other. Wintershall players (actors) have to be able to commit to specific rehearsal times over a set period but no previous experience is necessary. All are very welcome.



The ethos 'to come and see' is extended to all. If you would like to volunteer or find out more about the productions as well as the dates for all performances this year, please go to the website: www.wintershall.com

Story: Jackie Ballard

Pictures courtesy of Wintershall

FR CHARLES JEFFRIES R I P

A Reflection by Chris Bleasdale, former Chairman of the St Cuthman's Management Committee



IT IS WITH GREAT SADNESS that I have just heard of the death of Fr Charles. Others will be better placed than me in paying tribute to his many years of service to the priesthood and the A&B Diocese. My few thoughts today cover the period of some 15 years that I was chairman of the Management Committee of the Diocesan Retreat Centre, St Cuthman's, at Coolham.

Fr Charles was our Chaplain and had many qualities in ministering to the pilgrims on retreat and to others that came to St Cuthman's for the peace and tranquillity of the beautiful place and the closeness they found to God. Only those receiving his private spiritual direction would fully appreciate his gifts of understanding and spiritual assistance that helped people to lead better and more spiritual lives.

Whilst he gave me, the Committee and the Director much support, he never hesitated to put us right if he disagreed with any policy or practical application.

My lasting recollection will be of seeing him seated in the lounge, hold-

ing court with a twinkle in his eyes while having afternoon tea with the guests of the day and relating stories of his many lifelong adventures including some of his cruise holidays.

Each year we celebrated the feast day of St Cuthman on 8 February and at the Mass Fr Charles would preach on the life of our local Sussex Saint, always managing to give new spiritual insight into St Cuthman's life. His homilies were based on the real life story of Cuthman making a cart to wheel his mother across the Sussex Downs following the death of his father and how he listened to God finally telling him to stop and build a church, which he did at Steyning. Many will know this story from the play 'Boy with a Cart' by Christopher Fry.

The Diocese, his former parishioners and all connected with St Cuthman's, including the many and varied guests of the Centre, will think themselves privileged to have known Fr Charles as a friend and Pastor. May he rest in peace!

Picture: A&B News Staff

TAXING TERMS (explained)

GRACE is God's gift to us, enabling us to live with Him eternally.

It is 'favour, the free and undeserved help that God gives us to respond to his call to be children of God, adoptive sons, partakers of the divine nature and of eternal life' (CCC1996).

There are two main kinds of grace: sanctifying and actual.

Sanctifying (or habitual) Grace stays in the soul, makes it holy or pleasing to God and results in supernatural life. For example, through participation in the Sacraments, beginning with Baptism, our soul becomes infused with the Holy Spirit on account of Christ's sacrifice for the remission of our sins.

We have free will and, to be saved, God requires us to have faith in Him and also to live a moral life in accordance with His will. If we ever choose to stop believing in God and remain in that unbelief or if we ever choose to live a life of serious sin and immorality (and remain unrepentant until we die) then we lose Grace and will not attain eternal life.

Actual Grace is transient. It gets the will and intellect moving so we can seek out and keep sanctifying grace. An example of actual grace would be the sense that you ought to perform a charitable act, or enlightenment about an issue received during a moment of prayer e.g. the feeling you should go to the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Actual Grace comes to us when we need its help in doing or avoiding an action and it remains with us only while we are doing or avoiding the action.

A priest friend, asked to summarise his thoughts about Grace, said we should be mindful that Grace is communicated to us especially - but not exclusively - through the Sacraments and this is one of the many reasons why the Sacraments are so important. Asked for a one-line explanation of Grace, he responded: 'Grace is God's life in us'.

(CCC - Catechism of the Catholic Church)



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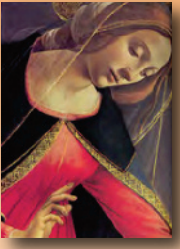
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FAIRTRADE NEWS
 IN ITS 40TH YEAR TRAIID-CRAFT is still with us and looking forward with genuine excitement, having experienced in the last few months some of the hardest in its history. CEO, Robin Roth, said 'Fair trade has been the most monumental success, far beyond the dreams of the pioneers who started things off back in the 1970s. It is mainstream and here to stay. We need to take just a moment and be thankful to the volunteers who got us here. You can celebrate your achievements to the full'. Traidcraft has goods available, including Easter eggs and cards. Please see at www.traidcraftshop.co.uk.
 The Fairtrade Foundation's new campaign calls on the UK Government and companies to ensure cocoa farmers earn living incomes by 2030 in line with the UN's Global Goals to end poverty. Cocoa farmers working in tough conditions are struggling on as little as 74p per day, well below the world's extreme poverty line, and yet for around £1.86 per day, the average price of a large bar of chocolate, farmers could live a decent life, according to a new report launched in Fairtrade Fortnight. Please sign the petition at www.fairtrade.org.uk.
 Margaret Vasey




ADUR VALLEY TRAIIDCRAFT GROUP are continuing to support Traidcraft Exchange. In January 2019 a donation of £800 was sent to the Producers Appeal which helps the people affected by the restructuring of Traidcraft plc. This donation was possible thanks to consistent trading in the parish throughout 2018 and the Christmas card sales. Since 2010 the Adur Valley group has donated £6,790 to a range of Traidcraft Exchange campaigns and appeals. There is a Traidcraft stall on the first Sunday of the month at St Peter's in Shoreham-by-sea and at various times during the year at Christ the King in Steyning. *Maureen Challen*

NOTICE BOARD

Masses for Deaf and Hard of Hearing
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Student Cross Pilgrimage
 Have you thought about celebrating Easter in a different way this year?
 Student Cross is a pilgrimage taking place in Holy Week mainly aimed at students but inclusive of all ages. Eleven different groups (Legs) set off from different locations in the UK, walking around 120 miles in seven days, carrying a life-sized wooden cross. Walkers are provided with food and shelter by generous people and parishes along the way, with all the groups meeting up and celebrating Easter at Walsingham. More than 250 pilgrims of all ages join this Christian walk of witness each year.
 The Kettering leg are looking for new walkers. If you are interested in finding out more we would love to hear from you. Please contact David Rich at davidrich565@gmail.com. You can also visit www.studentcross.org.uk





St George's, West Blatchington at 50
 St George's Church, opened in 1969. During the weekend of 17-19 May there will be a programme of celebratory events in the church and in the parish hall. More details will be put on the parish website www.brightondeanerywest.org.uk as they are available. If you were a member of the parish in 1969 or soon after, we'd love to hear your memories or see photos from that time. Please contact Pat at stg-at-50@stgeorges-hove.org.uk or leave a message with the Parish Office on 01273 708227

Centenary of the Parish and the Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Wilfrid, Selsey
 There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday 18 May at 4pm with Bishop Richard as Principal Concelebrant. Invitations are being sent out and for more information contact www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk

Celebrating Young People Awards 2019
 Nominations are now open for these awards powered by Catholic charity Million Minutes. If you know an unsung hero, heroine or group that have worked together to help their community, put them forward at www.millionminutes.org/awards
 Categories are: promoting the dignity of the human person, the dignity of workers, solidarity and peace, the option for the poor, and the care of creation.

Speaking with your MP
OSCAR ROMERO SAID, 'Be God's microphone on earth'. One way in which we can do this is by speaking with our MPs, they are our link to Parliament!
 As part of the Climate Coalitions Campaign #showthelove I went along to one of my MP Caroline Lucas' surgery appointments. I emailed her local office and asked for a meeting and one was scheduled a few weeks later. Since she is already an excellent advocate of protecting our common home against climate change as the former leader of the Green Party there wasn't much to ask. But, by speaking to her (pictured) she can say that her constituents care. She was really interested in my year as a CAFOD climate champion, I gave her a green heart and shared why I am passionate about protecting our common home. A few days later, Caroline tweeted saying she was at PMQs wearing the green heart I gave her.
 You can become a CAFOD MP Correspondent (MPC) because it is so important climate change is brought up more in Parliament. The reality is that we only have 12 years to limit a climate catastrophe. You don't need to be an expert, CAFOD will write to you three to four times a year with all the information you need to write a letter or even meet your MP face to face. And if speaking to your MP isn't for you, there are plenty of ways you can incorporate campaigning into your daily life, whether it be by tweeting, a conversation over coffee or in the way in which you consume products. Every action you take can have a ripple effect.
Siobhan Doyle
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 Sponsors are being sought for the 4th Annual Catholic Cup football event. It is a one-day event at Sussex FA, Lancing, which brings together Catholic primary schools with a focus on **Faith through Sport**.
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 Please contact Jo on jharrington@stpeterseg.co.uk



BISHOP'S DIARY

MARCH/APRIL

March			Graduations at St Mary's University, Twickenham
Sat 30			
April			
Mon 1	8.30am	Meeting at High Oaks	2pm Palm Procession and Liturgy, St Joseph's Specialist School, Cranleigh
	7.30pm	School of Prayer Event, High Salvington	
Tue 2	11am	Meeting at Hove	
Wed 3	10.30am	Schools' Meeting with Bishop	
	6pm	Meeting at High Oaks	
Thu 4	9am	Trustees' Meeting at High Oaks	
Fri 5	9am	Meeting at High Oaks	
Sat 6	8.15am	Baptism/Confirmations at HMP Lewes	NCSF Meeting, Boars Hill, Oxford
Tue 9	7pm	Mass at The Witterings	
Wed 10	11am	Meeting at St Philip Howard Centre	Crawley
Thu 11	10.30am	Meeting at High Oaks	
	11am	Episcopal Council Meeting at High Oaks	
	5pm	Sir Harold Hood Memorial Lecture, Old Bailey, London	
Fri 12	6pm	Meeting at High Oaks	
Sat 13	10am	Day for Religious, Worth Abbey	
	6pm	Meeting at High Oaks	
Sun 14	11.15am	Mass at Arundel Cathedral	
Wed 17	6pm	Chrism Mass, Arundel Cathedral	
Thu 18	8.30pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper, Arundel Cathedral	
Fri 19	am	Visit to Augustinian Sisters, Addlestone	
	3pm	Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, Arundel Cathedral	
Sat 20	8.30pm	Easter Vigil, Arundel Cathedral	
Sun 21	9.15am	Mass at HMP Ford	
Tue 23	7.30am	Mass at Gossops Green, Crawley	
Sat 27	11am	Confirmation Mass at St Joseph's, Epsom	
	2.30pm	Confirmation Mass at St Joseph's, Epsom	

Papal Knighthood for Epsom Catenian Teddy Totman



AN EPSOM CIRCLE CATENIAN, Bro Teddy Totman, has been awarded The Pontifical Order of St Gregory the Great (KSG). Bishop Richard presented Teddy with his Papal Knighthood during Mass at Teddy's parish church, St Joseph's, Epsom on 13 January.

Bishop Richard outlined for the congregation the 'tremendous service' that Teddy had given, not only to the Parish but also the Diocese. Teddy's recommendation for the Papal award reflected his leadership of the new church steering committee, a ten-year project, and his

trusteeship of the Diocese, from which he is about to retire. Internationally, Teddy and his wife Collette have worked in Teams of Our Lady (founded in France as Equipes Notre Dame), an international organisation for Catholic married couples.

The Mass was well-attended by family members, including their children and grandchildren and many of Teddy's nine younger siblings. Also there to see him receive his award, and to give him a standing ovation, were fellow Catenians, members of St Joseph's new church

Steering Committee, a host of friends, parishioners, members of Teams of Our Lady and his post-Alpha group.

'The church became a reality through his leadership,' explained Teddy's long-term friend and fellow Catenian, John Flood.

'I am both humbled, and proud to receive this honour from His Holiness,' said Teddy. 'Collette has been a fantastic support and inspiration for all we have done,' he added.

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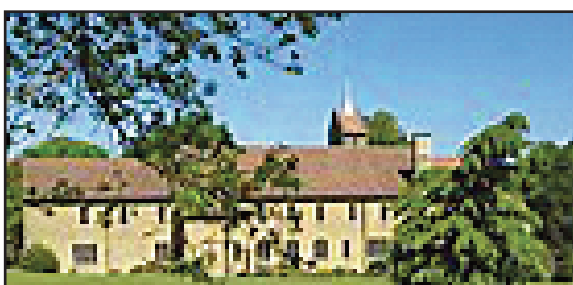


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The theme was 'Jesus - our sole liberator' and the packed programme included Mass, a talk by preacher Gary Stephens, the Divine Mercy chaplet, Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and a healing service.

The prayer tent was manned throughout the day and there was the opportunity for individual prayer intentions to be heard, as well as the Sacrament of Reconciliation being available all day.

SALT runs a children's programme in conjunction with the day's main event, which makes it popular with families, and this is something being developed for the future. Bishop Richard commented on the youngsters present at the celebration, saying we should try to be more trusting and open to God like them.

To find out about more about SALT and the next SALT event contact: Fr Thomas Kolan-gaden OSB, or Fr John Seddon OSB via www.chilworthbenedictines.com or Peter Rock-hill via peterrockhill@hotmail.com

Story: Jackie Ballard

A Letter from HMP Coldingley

Dear Readers

I have been asked if I would like to write a short article about what it is like to practise, grow in, or even find our faith in prison. It is a pleasure to be able to write for you.

Firstly I never thought I would ever end up in prison but, having ended up here, I have seen and experienced just how easy it is to actually end up incarcerated. There have been, and continue to be, some very tough times.

Though I had faith to an extent before coming to prison, having grown up in a fairly religious family and regularly going to church in my younger years - and even serving as an altar boy - I grew sceptical of how and why so much wrong-doing could be done to myself and others if God was ever-present.

Through coming to prison I have been able to re-ignite that flame and grow in faith. The time has been used to help me see, and establish, a better relationship with Jesus and deal with situations in prison safely in the knowledge

that He is by my side and my witness to all.

Though I wouldn't wish anybody to be in prison - it can be, and often is, a truly nasty place - I have to thank God for all the lessons I have learnt, the time I have had, the people I have met and being able to go to chapel each week and participate in Mass and receive the Blessed Sacrament.

I have learnt so much about myself and others and have overcome difficulties, enabling me to do and be better with God's help.

I'm thankful to all the volunteers who come into the prison each week and all the chaplaincy staff who assist us in many ways, but especially in finding, maintaining and growing in faith.

The one thing we have plenty of in prison is time, and it is the most precious and immeasurable element of all. How we choose to spend it can make a huge difference in our lives and all that is to come.

God bless you all

HMP Coldingley

BISHOP RICHARD, the Lead Bishop for Prisons, recently commissioned a report - A Journey of Hope - to explore how sentencing policy in England and Wales can be reformed, in order to create a safe, decent, and rehabilitative prison estate. The report was launched in October 2018 and may be read at: www.cbcew.org.uk/a-journey-of-hope

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FROM THE PARISHES

ADUR VALLEY

IN JANUARY we held a Burns Night raising funds for AMAZE, a charity that assists children with learning disabilities. Then next day many of our parishioners took part in the Shoreham Light Parade 'Shining a light through the winter darkness'.

We were excited and thrilled to have a visit from Bishop Richard who managed to get around all three churches and met many of our Teams and groups and even found time to visit some of our housebound parishioners. As the picture shows Bishop Richard is not afraid to get his hands dirty, lending a hand with clearing up a spillage at Christ the King (CTK) in Steyning.

We have just begun to pray a consecration to Divine Mercy following the book '33 days to Merciful Love'. Our Traidcraft Group has just sent £800 to Traidcraft Exchange. In fact since December 2010 our parish has sent them £6,790, an amazing achievement. At CTK we are celebrating the 30th Anniversary of the signing of the local unity covenant with prayers, readings, hymns and refreshments.

Penny Richardson



CATERHAM

IT IS GOOD TO SEE Fr Sean continuing to recover and being able to do more Parish duties.

The bout of fine weather in February has enabled the crocuses planted by the Beavers in the church lawn to flourish, a pretty sight!

The rhythm of the Parish is in full flow with various groups playing their part. Lenten Groups are being organised, Fairtrade have had a sale, and Justice and Peace continue to have their monthly Mass. The lunch club on the first Wednesday of each month continues to be popular, a useful venue for keeping in touch for the senior members of the Parish, and at the other end of the scale the Mothers and Toddlers are active.

Our link with St John the Baptist in Madaba continues to help the Iraqi Christians who are living in very difficult conditions and a recent collection raised over £1,000 for an urgent operation for Samir Kikhwa and over £700 for the general fund. Our thanks to Eliz and Mike Wood for their work in this field. Fr Sean has decided that the Lenten alms will be donated to Madaba this year.

Peter Patterson

EASTBOURNE

Christ the King and St Joachim MEMBERS OF THE ADORATION team attended Worth Abbey on 19 January for a day of prayer, reflection and discussion led by Bishop Richard.

Commenting on the day, members of the team spoke of their experience of adoration in the Abbey church as being so powerful that words were inadequate to describe their feelings and went on to advocate the use of this form of worship to inspire young people attending our schools.

Bishop Richard visited Eastbourne hospital on 29 January, spending time with chaplains, including Eugene

Adams, our deacon and Catholic hospital chaplain, before visiting patients and praying with them. He thanked the team of volunteers and encouraged them in their ministry.

The difficult topic of clerical sexual abuse was discussed at a meeting organised by the Newman Association which took place at Christ The King on 18 February. Will Kent from Catholic Voices described steps that were being taken to ensure that this does not happen again and emphasised the need for clergy and laity to work together to ensure that our parishes remain safe places for children and vulnerable adults.

John Carmody

EASTBOURNE Our Lady of Ransom

LENTEN SMALL GROUPS have started in the parish and we are grateful to the group leaders for their commitment to this. Weekly Lenten lunches have also started at St Agnes Church in aid of a local Eastbourne charity that supports families of children with special needs and disabilities. A talk was held at all Masses by various people who either go to Lourdes as a helper or sick/disabled. This was to raise awareness once more for the work that the Diocesan Pilgrimage does in trying to help nurses, sick and disabled go to Lourdes. We are very grateful to our parishioners for their support. Our organist Maura is also holding an Easter egg raffle to help send a child to Lourdes. Fr Raglan held a talk at one of the RCIA meetings on Morality/Christian ethics (including Magisterium). A readers and Eucharistic Ministers day was held ahead of re-commissioning at the end of March/April.

Mary Staffiere

ON 1 MARCH 2019, the annual World Day of Prayer took place at a neighbouring Anglican Church, All Saints, in Eastbourne. This year, the service had been prepared by the Christian women of Slovenia, and was attended by our MP, Stephen Lloyd. After the service, refreshments, including traditional Slovenian biscuits, were served in the Church Hall, and those present also enjoyed an informative presentation on Slovenia. The picture shows two members of our parish - Brenda Hillium and Mel Edwards, who contributed to and participated in the service, standing next to MP Stephen Lloyd.

Mary Barlow



EAST GRINSTEAD AND LINGFIELD

WE WELCOMED Fr Jack Lusted and his family to the parish on Sunday 24 February. Fr Jack joins Fr Stephen Purnell and will be installed as our parish priest upon Fr Stephen's retirement in the summer.

On Saturday 9 February, our confirmation candidates were visited by RISE Theatre in Lingfield for a day of fun and drama about the gifts and fruit of the Spirit. The theatre group treated them to an enjoyable, thought-provoking day, showing a great way for dealing with our 'baggage', and provided some space and an opportunity to open our hearts and minds to God.

Also on 9 February, Lingfield SVP held a jazz evening and fish and chip supper to raise funds for SVP's baby feeding programme in Sudan. SVP maintains 17 baby feeding centres on the outskirts of Khartoum. At any one time, several thousand babies receive food at these centres.

Parishioners attended the annual

AGM of Churches Together in East Grinstead on Wednesday 27 February, when John Holmstrom, Worthing homeless project, talked about eradicating homelessness in West Sussex.

Clive Carpenter

GODALMING

THE PARISH AGM, attended by over eighty parishioners, was friendly and productive and focussed on the physical and spiritual renewal of the Parish. A period of consultation is now underway with an online survey for feedback. Canon David Parmiter and six parishioners attended an inspiring Divine Renovation Conference in Birmingham for two days and returned with many more ideas and plans. An enjoyable Parish celebration of Marriage Blessings took place during a February Mass, followed by photographs and refreshments. Our active Justice & Peace group has organised CAFOD talks at Mass and cake sales in aid of CAFOD and arranged screenings around the Parish of the film on Global Healing. The Parish continues to explore its Ministry of Welcoming; a second session is planned, and one parishioner reflected on the first: 'I found Margaret Fraher's presentation very moving. As Christians, we are called to live the Welcome throughout our daily lives as we recognise and honour the presence of Christ in others through the Holy Spirit residing within them... Welcoming is a vital aspect of being a missionary disciple...the session was a spiritual tonic for us all and an encouragement to rejoice in the Welcoming Ministry as an important tool for evangelisation.'

Sarah Stilwell

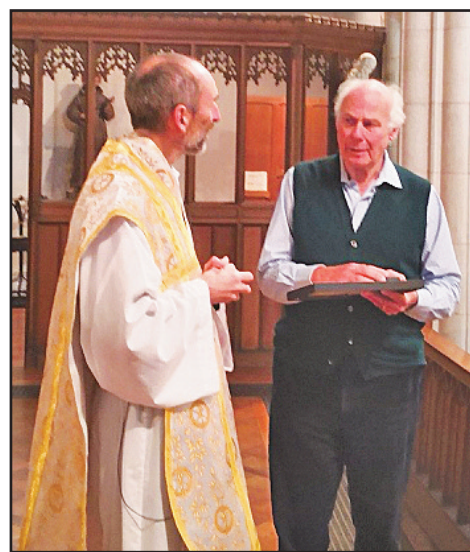
PETWORTH AND MIDHURST

FOLLOWING the Bishop's Pastoral Plan we had a successful launch of our Parish Families initiative. Over 100 parishioners signed up and they have been divided into four groups, with colour names, which will meet on a monthly basis. Each group is of very mixed ages including several families. They are from both Midhurst and Petworth churches. The green group was the first to meet at Midhurst. Their first social included yummy cakes with refreshments.

This is a wonderful opportunity for parishioners to get to know each other better and create a greater sense of community, welcoming both existing parishioners and those new to the area to become part of the 'family'.

Paula Dempsey

The picture is of long-standing parishioner John Hickman receiving the Philip Howard medal from Fr Peter Newsam in recognition of his more than 20 years as Chairman of Petworth Parish Finance Committee.



Sally Bohane

REDHILL

BABY LARBIEY, pictured below with her parents Claire and Dave, became the newest member of the St Teresa's community when she was baptised by Fr Binoy in February. Even at four months she paid attention to the ceremony, watching what Fr Binoy was doing.

Maybe this is not surprising. Her mother has been an altar server for 23 years, and for many years MC and trainer of new recruits. Perhaps we have welcomed a future altar server!



Ann Lardeur

WADHURST

WE JOINED AGAIN this year with the Anglican churches of Wadhurst, Stonegate and Tidebrook to celebrate the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity. The week started with a Combined Service in the Sacred Heart Church when many people expressed that they could do more for justice in a variety of ways. On weekdays there was a lunchtime discussion group which was quite challenging. Not only did we discuss problems such as homelessness, we also looked at the work of 'The Bridge Trust' our local organisation to see how we can support it further. The soup and cheese lunches which followed were a good time for continuing informal exchanges and meeting the new Vicar.



On 2 February we joined with the Sacred Heart School PTA in organising our very first Burns Night Celebration. The haggis was piped in by Jamie Ogilvie and addressed in great style by Simon Dunn. We then served a traditional haggis supper prepared by Mandy Dunn and her team in the kitchen. Supper was followed by dancing to a live Scottish band. This most enjoyable social occasion also raised £1750 to be shared between parish and school.

Toni Buckley

WEST BYFLEET

The Epiphany Dinner was a great success. Although not intended to be a fund raising event, due to the generosity of those attending, including a £100 donation from the West Byfleet Catenian Society, a total of £700 was raised, which has gone to the Stella Maris Charity in Kanniyakumari, India.

The Parish Walking Group put its New Year Resolutions into practice with a four mile walk near Albury followed by a pub lunch.

On 4 February we receive our local Anglican fellow Christians for Ecumenical Morning Prayer followed by refreshments. Our Confirmation candidates joined over 100 young people with Bishop Richard to experience Lectio Divina prayer as part of their preparation for Confirmation in May.

Paul Tipple

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The Festival was established by two young pianists who spent their formative

years in Surrey, Wu Qian, a former pupil of the Yehudi Menuhin School in Cobham and Tessa Marchington, founder of Music in Offices. Along with their aim of presenting the highest calibre of performances to local audiences, the founders are passionately committed to the cause of music education. Funding and support for this vital and enriching area of education is under severe threat across the country, and so they are thrilled that through the continued success of their concerts, the support of the Festival Friends, Festival sponsor Investec W&I and the Community Fund for Surrey, the Festival is in a position to provide on-going funding for the String Scheme (administered by the Royal Grammar School, Guildford) which delivers weekly instrument tuition to local state primary schools and reaches dozens of Year 4 pupils each week.

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NOW IS OUR OPPORTUNITY TO END THE SUFFERING CAUSED BY LEPROSY



Let's create a leprosy-free world

For thousands of years leprosy has been the scourge of poverty-stricken communities across the world. The disease frequently leads to severe, life-changing disabilities and those who suffer from it are often excluded by their community, and struggle to fend for themselves.



123 years dedicated to the relief of suffering

St Francis Leprosy Guild has been dedicated to the relief of suffering caused by leprosy for more than a century, during which time many religious sisters, brothers and priests have made it their life's vocation to care for those with the disease. Today we are determined to build on their legacy and seize our opportunity to help eradicate leprosy once and for all.

A leprosy-free world is now within sight

Just a few decades ago, more than five million

people were being diagnosed with leprosy every year, their lives destroyed physically, emotionally and socially by the disease. Today, this number has reduced significantly but remains stubbornly at over 200,000 new cases annually, worldwide. St Francis Leprosy Guild is committed to achieving a leprosy-free world and we genuinely believe it is possible, if only people like you are prepared to help.

Early detection can stop leprosy in its tracks

Leprosy is curable and in 1995 the World Health Organisation made multi-drug treatments freely available to help fight it. Since then, millions of people have been cured of the disease. New cases

of leprosy tend to be concentrated in isolated communities where people are still living in dire poverty and have little or no access to healthcare. If leprosy is to be stamped out for good, your support is needed to train local healthcare workers who can reach out to these communities. By supporting early detection and treatment - before the disease takes hold - you can help to prevent untold suffering.

If, in this season of Lent, you are able to send a donation of £30, you will help us support ongoing health initiatives, such as the hospital ship run by Dr Tony Lopez Gonzalez.

This has already helped to train 600 local healthcare assistants, and the ship visits remote communities in the Amazon where leprosy is still



rife, so they can monitor people for early symptoms and provide prompt medication.

Help to beat leprosy for good

Dr Tony's hospital ship is just one of around 60 inspirational partner organisations supported by St Francis Leprosy Guild, which are working with remote and marginalised communities in countries such as India and Brazil. Please send £30 today to help this essential work continue. **This Lent, let's seize the opportunity to create a leprosy-free world and help put an end to people's suffering at last.**



Winning the battle against leprosy

- 1980s - some 5.2 million cases of leprosy reported annually.
- 1995 - World Health Organisation extends free access to leprosy treatments.
- 16 million people cured of leprosy in past 20 years.
- Today, over 200,000 new cases diagnosed annually, worldwide.
- Early diagnosis and treatment is key to total eradication.

I WANT TO SEE A LEPROSY-FREE WORLD. HERE IS MY GIFT TO HELP.

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