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A magnificent occasion

MAY 28 SAW A VERY SPECIAL DAY in the life of Arundel and Brighton - a double celebration. It was the actual fiftieth anniversary day of the foundation of the diocese and also the day chosen for the installation of our new Bishop Charles Phillip Richard Moth, known simply as Bishop Richard. Representatives of all aspects of the diocese, and many from beyond, were present.

Before the ceremony processions of the Knights and Dames of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre of Jerusalem, of which Bishop Richard is a member, and also Papal Knights and Dames entered the Cathedral. Next processed in Civic leaders and then Ecumenical guests. Afterwards the clergy of the diocese, at least 16 visiting bishops, the Apostolic Nuncio His Excellency Archbishop Antonio Mennini, Cardinals Vincent Nichols and Cardinal Cormac processed to their places. A special Litany of the Saints was sung, incorporating the patrons of all the parishes in the diocese and read by Br Anthony Brockman of Worth Abbey.

Then at the West Door of the Cathedral Bishop Richard was presented by Archbishop Peter Smith to the Provost of the Cathedral Chapter, Canon Tony Whale, who offered him a crucifix, which he revered. He then blessed himself and those with him with Holy Water. The Dean of the Cathedral Canon Tim Madeley then led him to the Blessed Sacrament altar to pray and then into the sacristy to vest.

During the entry procession the hymn 'Praise to the holiest' was sung. Archbishop Peter Smith greeted the congregation and invited the Chancellor of the diocese, Fr Jonathan Martin, to read the Bull of Appointment which was handed to him by the Nuncio. He then showed it to the College of Consultors and the whole assembly. Bishop Richard responded 'With faith in Jesus Christ and with love in my heart, I accept the pastoral care of the people of God in the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton. I promise to serve faithfully the Church in this Diocese, preach the Gospel and celebrate the Eucharist'. The Archbishop then installed Bishop Richard in his 'Cathedra' and presented him with the crozier (see history page 2), which had been used by each of his predecessors. Bishop Richard was formally greeted by representatives of the clergy, religious and people of the diocese and he greeted the Lord Lieutenants, and Her Majesty's representatives for Surrey, East and West Sussex.

The Mass continued in the usual way. (Bishop Richard's homily appears on page 3.) Music was beautifully led by a choir consisting of members of the choir of St Mary's University, Twickenham, where Bishop Richard is Chair of Governors, some of the choir for Jubilee 50 and some of the Cathedral choir, under Anne Ward. The Mass setting was Paul Inwoods' *Missa Orbis*, commissioned by the diocese for the Festival. The anthem 'O Praise the Lord', by Neil Cox was sung at the preparation of the gifts.

At the end of the Mass Archbishop Antonio Mennini, Cardinal Cormac and Bishop Richard all spoke briefly and following the blessing the long procession left the cathedral to Tell out my soul'. A truly magnificent occasion, which was followed by much socialability. This led to a reception in the Castle, by kind invitation of the Duke of Norfolk.

For further stories and pictures see pages 2 and 3



Pictured above: Bishop Richard presides at Mass; (left top) the Bishop kisses the crucifix as he enters the Cathedral, looking on Provost Canon Tony Whale and Canon Tim Madeley, dean of the Cathedral; (left below) Archbishop Peter Smith presents the new Bishop with his crozier.
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More installation pictures



Pictured above, Bishop Richard speaks to left to right *The Lord Lieutenants of Surrey - Dame Sarah Goad; - Mr Peter Field, East Sussex; and - Mrs Susan Pyper, West Sussex.*

Above right: *Members of the Cathedral Chapter lead the Bishop into Mass.*

Catherine Chrustmas, Diocesan Specialist Adviser for Liturgy, is seen animating the ceremony.

Below the *Knights of St Columba attend the Bishop as he enters the Cathedral*

Bottom right: *Bishop Richard with Commodore Tim Hodgson MBE RN at the reception in the castle*

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Bishop Richard's homily at his Installation



MAY I BEGIN by adding my own words of welcome to those of Archbishop Peter. Thank you for being here for this great celebration, for this is a great day – the 50th Anniversary of the very day on which this Diocese of Arundel & Brighton was established. It is a real privilege and, I believe, a grace that this should be the day of my Installation as your fifth Bishop. As on Easter Day, we can say: 'This is the Day the Lord has made, let us rejoice and be glad.'

On Jubilee days, there can be a temptation to look back. We have much to celebrate at this time of Jubilee: the foresight of those who recognised the need for a new Diocese; the faithfulness of so many people, the commitment of the religious communities, the teaching in our schools, the service of priests and deacons, the leadership and vision of all my predecessors as Bishops: Bishop David, whose ring I wear today and whose crozier Archbishop Peter presented to me; Archbishop Michael – it is personal joy for me to welcome him here today, for he ordained me Deacon and Priest and was one of the principal consecrators at my ordination as Bishop; Cardinal Cormac – whom we welcome here today and who will speak to us at our Festival 50 celebrations in a few weeks time; Bishop Kieran, whose contribution in the field of evangelisation within the Diocese and beyond has been very significant. I would also like to thank Archbishop Peter in a particular way for all he has done for the Diocese in recent months, giving so much of himself to this Diocese along with his heavy responsibilities in Southwark.

While we rejoice in so much of these past years, we must also look forward and the Scriptures proclaimed for us today lay down both a challenge and source of consolation as we continue our pilgrimage together.

There are times in all our lives when we experience difficulties as individuals and as families, weakness and pain as a Diocese too – but today let us re-commit ourselves to 'the Word who is life – for this is our subject'. For us as the Church in Arundel & Brighton – and for the Church everywhere – there is but one subject, the person of Jesus Christ. For it is Christ alone, through the union with Him to which we are called, that will make our joy complete. In our encounter with the One who loves us we, with the psalmist, know that 'the Lord is good',

It is in Christ alone that joy and fulfillment lie, in the Christ who gave up everything out of love for us, whose love for us is without bounds, embracing death for us. The Christian is at home at the foot of the Cross – an uncomfortable truth – and our call is to take up the cross and follow in the footsteps of the One who is all love. It is there, too, that we are in the com-

pany of Mary our Mother.

We follow in this way not just for ourselves, but that all may 'Taste and see that the Lord is good'. This, indeed, is the vocation of the Church that is this Diocese of Arundel & Brighton – the proclamation of God's mercy in Christ. As Pope Francis reminds us, in the Bull of Indiction for the coming Jubilee Year of Mercy: 'The Church is commissioned to announce the mercy of God, the beating heart of the Gospel, which in its own way must penetrate the heart and mind of every person'. It is Jesus, in His death and resurrection, who is the fount of mercy for all peoples. It is He, our subject, whom we must proclaim.

The effective proclamation of the joy of the Gospel demands commitment on all our parts. Like Jeremiah, we will not feel up to the task. Certainly, his expression of inadequacy is true for me today as I come before you as your new Bishop. But, as we – together – move forward in our proclamation of the Word who is life, God's words to Jeremiah must remain always in our minds and hearts: 'Do not be afraid – I am with you'.

First and foremost, we must be continually renewed for the mission that lies before us. Let us commit ourselves to ever-deeper prayer, to times of silence where we can reflect on the message of the Gospel. Let us grow in our understanding of the gift of faith – not just at those key times of sacramental preparation, but through a life-long deepening in prayer and understanding. Through our participation in the

Sacrament of the Mass and through the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, may the Word who is life transform our lives.

It is through this nurture, this security within the sheepfold of Christ, that we grow in grace and are enabled to go out to others – and this is where the Gospel gets uncomfortable! We do not remain in the sheepfold. Jesus calls us out. We take up the cross and follow where He, the shepherd, leads – to the disadvantaged at home and abroad, to those suffering from injustice, to those trying to rebuild their lives, to the one released from prison, to the one living with mental or physical illness, to those who have lost hope and meaning in their lives, to those searching, perhaps even unknowingly, for God. Jesus himself calls us to the service of His mercy, that others may know Him who is our subject – that all may taste and see that the Lord is good – that all may know the nourishment and safe pastures of the sheepfold that is Christ, that 'all may have life and have it to the full'.

In laying down this call afresh today, be assured of my commitment to prayer for you, service to you and – with you – the proclamation of our one subject: the Word who is life.



Pictured top: Bishop Richard, with in the background, Cardinal Cormac, Cardinal Vincent Nichols and His Excellency the Apostolic Nuncio.

Below left to right: The Duke of Norfolk, the Earl of Arundel, the Duchess of Norfolk and Lady Mary.

Bottom (above): Oliver, a student at St Philip's School, Arundel and Imogen a student at St Philip Howard, Barnham present the gifts to the Bishop.

Right: Sr Kamfwa a Dominican sister from Crawley greets the Bishop on behalf of the religious of the diocese.

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The Bishop's Crozier and Ring

THE CROZIER (pictured right) which was presented to Bishop Richard was originally presented to Archbishop William Godfrey by his friends at Usher College on 29 June 1939 on him becoming the Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain. Before leaving for Rome to take up his position he ordained six students to the priesthood at the Venerable English College, one of whom was David Cashman, later to become his secretary at Wimbledon, and later still to become his Auxiliary bishop when he became (Cardinal) Archbishop of Westminster. The crozier came into Bishop's possession after the death of Cardinal Godfrey in 1963 and so came with him on the formation of the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton in 1965.



The ring (pictured left) belonged to Bishop Cashman and is described in the inventory as 'Large gold ring with amber stone each side of which is a golden rose'.



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Some very special occasions

The excitement is building, much planning has been done and now Jubilee 50 is upon us.

But we have already had immense excitement by the appointment in time for our very special day of Bishop Richard. Archbishop Peter Smith explains how even the mighty machinery of the Curia in Rome, encouraged by the Papal Nuncio, found us Bishop Richard in time for 5 July.

Only a very few people were able to be at Bishop Richard's installation and so we have done our best to bring to everyone the flavour of this very special occasion. Although very spectacular, there was also a strong sense of it being a family celebration.

The same feelings of family are there at many parish gatherings and we look forward to hearing about your special occasions. We may not be able to include them all immediately, but we will do so at some time.

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JUST A THOUGHT

Here We Go! Here We Go! Here We Go!

IT'S HARD TO RESIST the temptation to use football clichés as Team A&B heads for the Amex Stadium on 5 July. We gather not for a Cup Final but for the start of a new season under our new head coach.

The commitment (financial and emotional) involved in following a football team, week in and week out, through thick and thin, is extraordinary. So is the bond which exists between people wearing the same colours, the banter and the ability to sing loudly for 90 minutes (a skill which seems to desert the English in every other context, including Sunday worship!). When blessed with success, the shout is always 'We've won!' even if my contribution involved nothing more athletic than reaching for the TV remote control and pouring myself a beer. And fans experience the ecstasy of being one, whether in triumph or defeat.

I don't know what 'merchandising opportunities' await us Catholics at Falmer, but I hope we'll recognise our unity is not a matter of tribal colours. I hope we'll sing louder than the usual home crowd. I hope we'll realise the depth of our own unity – founded not in a shared hobby and dress-code but in Jesus Christ.

We don't live for Saturday. We don't even live for Sunday. Rather, we live from the Lord's Day, from the Breaking of Bread, from our Baptism. 'He's won!' and he shares his victory with us – a victory which must find expression in our lives given for others and in our unity. So let's sing of our joy – and have a ball at the Amex on 5 July.

Fr Rob Esdaile

ARCHBISHOP PETER – A FOND FAREWELL

A&B News' Special Correspondent Visits Archbishop Peter Smith in his Southwark home

On the appointment of Bishop Richard on 28th May, Peter Smith – Metropolitan Archbishop of Southwark – relinquished his responsibility for our Diocese. It was now time to bid him a fond farewell. In conversation with Peter Burholt, he recalls the time of the transition after the unexpected resignation of Bishop Kieran and the following months, when he was asked to become our Administrator.

ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE, next to Southwark Cathedral, is in a busy location on the south side of the Thames. To add to the hustle and bustle, the local council had decided to dig up all the roads in the area at once and, to top it all, the rain was falling relentlessly. At last, the taxi driver found the house and, after a while, the imposing front door was opened by Rachel McKenzie, the Archbishop's secretary. 'Sorry to keep you, but the doorbell doesn't always work!'

Archbishop Peter was also there in the grand hall. 'Welcome. How do you like your tea?' We settled down in his homely private apartment on the first floor, a room which had mementos from his life, with Africa featuring in a number of artefacts. 'I've just welcomed two priests who have flown in from Nigeria, who will be here for a number of months' he said, as if to confirm this impression. 'Now what do you want to ask me?'

Did Bishop Kieran's resignation come as a complete surprise to you?

To answer you in one word – yes, it was a shock to all of us. However, I was asked my advice the month before on how such a matter should be handled. I was asked both in my position as Metropolitan of the Province, which covers A&B, and as I have previously studied Canon Law. It was a very difficult situation, as this type of event does not happen every day. It certainly came as a great surprise to his fellow bishops in England and Wales. We are more used to bishops retiring at 75, rather than resignations; but life is not perfect.

What was the timetable surrounding the official announcement?

It is said that the Vatican works in years, whereas other organisations work in months. Although this is frustratingly true on many occasions, there was an urgency this time. Bishop Kieran's resignation was made public on 27 September to the clergy, religious and laity of the diocese on the same day. The Holy Father accepted this resignation eight days later on 4 October. The Vatican realised that a speedy decision had to be made, given the growing interest of the press in Bishop Kieran's story.

How did you get to know about your role with A&B? Did you volunteer?

At this point your correspondent was given a rather wistful look from Archbishop Peter. 'Had I touched on a sore subject?'

It is a bit of a long story, but I happened to be in Rome attending a meeting on Europe, having been asked by Cardinal Vincent (Nichols) to step in for him. After lunch on the Thursday I had an urgent message from the Papal Nuncio – who also happened to be in Rome – to say that the Holy See wanted me to look after the diocese until a successor had been appointed. I did try and ask if someone else was better placed, as I was already Archbishop to the second largest diocese in England and Wales.

Despite my observations about my already large workload, I was left in no doubt about the decision. I remember the Papal Nuncio simply said that it was the Holy Father's wish that I take over these duties. How could I resist such a request!

Did you meet the Holy Father and what happened next?

Again, it is interesting how the Vatican works. Given the urgency of the subject, the Curia moved very quickly indeed. On the next day (Friday) I was already due to attend a group audience with the Holy Father. I remember the building we went to having a tiny lift and, as I was in a party of clergy, I decided to walk up the stairs. It was five flights up!

There were plenty of frock coated attendants about, making sure everything was happening according to the strict etiquette observed in the Vatican. As I entered one of these attendants stopped me. He told me that after the audience I should immediately go and see Mgr Bevan at the Congregation of Bishops.

I left to go to the Congregation, trying to avoid the crowds. 'Mgr Bevan? He is not here! He is at the Casa Santa Marta!' So back I went, walking in the heat and through the throngs of tourists, back to the Casa in the ground of the Vatican. However, when I eventually found Mgr Bevan he told me that I was actually to see the Cardinal Prefect – back at the Congregation, from where I had started! The administration was so embarrassed at messing up the arrangements, one person after another came in to see me to apologise. Five in all appeared and I was about to stop the sixth, when I found that he was carrying my letter of appointment. Did I say 'yes'? I had to as the appointment was being announced to the world tomorrow!



All-in-all, my visit to the Vatican is one I will never forget; one full of surprises. I had to apologise to Cardinal Vincent that I had missed most of his conference. I came away with a new title – Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

Were you presented with guidance on what to do?

Another wry smile appeared.

Not really. The letter of appointment gave a little direction, but reviewing the Code of Canon Law, the book of rules of the Church, I took from it what I thought was appropriate for this unusual situation. I

had to gauge what I could do and what I couldn't do. In the time of an administrator there can be no 'innovation', no major changes. For instance, I could move priests if necessary, but not appoint them as permanent parish priests. I was there to keep the diocese on course... not to change direction!

A week after the announcement of Bishop Kieran's resignation you wrote to all parishes. Why did you do this and not let the dust settle?

Along with Cardinal Cormac, we felt that the diocese had gone through a type of bereavement and it was important – no, essential – to re-assure people that they were not left stranded in the Faith and, in some cases, their jobs.

Much had to be achieved over a very short time, such as re-confirming deans, support for family life from DABCEC, education and many other activities important to the diocese. I appointed the Chancellor, Fr Jonathan Martin, my 'delegate' for day to day matters, and met with the Consultors and Diocesan Trustees.

One important task was to gather as many clergy as possible together, which I did at Worth Abbey. I was so pleased that over 120 came for the meeting. We had 45 minutes of open questions and I quickly found that, despite the very sad circumstances, there was a very good spirit amongst the clergy.

You were seen in an edition of the A&B News with a glass of red wine in your hand. Did you mind that sort of publicity?

Ah, yes, that was the Gift Aid AGM! No, not at all – I was chatting to people at the 'thank you' supper, an opportunity to meet people in the diocese. Bishops are human... some of us do enjoy an occasional glass of red.

Did you decide on our next bishop?

The way it goes is that the A&B Chapter of Canons produces a list of three candidates, which then come to me, as Metropolitan, for consultation. A final list of three goes forward to the Papal Nuncio – at this point I am then sworn to absolute secrecy. This is called 'Papal Secret' and I could not divulge the names to anyone. This was at the end of November last year and, as this was an unusual situation, I asked the Papal Nuncio to request Rome not to delay appointing a suitable Bishop.

I remember a call came through (unusually) on a Monday evening from the Papal Nuncio. My private secretary, Fr Philip, handed me the phone. A decision had been made, but I was still under the 'Papal Secret', so I could not even tell Fr Philip, who was standing a discrete distance away. However, later he confided in me that my smile from ear to ear gave the game away!

Your correspondent gently told Archbishop Peter that a 'book' of three names had been made in the Diocese, one of the names being Bishop Richard!

What do you think of our new Bishop Richard?

He is an inspired choice and one which I fully endorse. He was at Womersley when I was teaching there, so I know him well. He is a man of prayer, very experienced, committed and energetic. Your Diocese is a good diocese and well run. I felt very much at home and I know he will, too.

Did you have any advice for Bishop Richard?

Not really, he is a sensible man. His spiritual focus and experience will be of great help for the continued development of your growing community. However, I did have one question for him shortly after his appointment 'Can I do a swap?' 'Certainly not!' he replied.

Scheduled for one hour, after two hours it was time to bring our talk to an end. We all need to thank God that Archbishop Peter was around to step in and support us in a time of need. His action and wisdom was our rock, and on this rock we will grow in the Spirit. We thank him for that and pray that his life may continue to shine on those in need. Amen

Praise and Worship at Big Church Day Out



BIG CHURCH DAY OUT is one of the biggest Christian events in the country. It attracts just shy of twenty thousand people each year, including some of the biggest Christian music artists in the world, and most of the UK's leading faith-based organisations. What's more, it all happens right here in A&B at Wiston House, nestled neatly between Steyning and Storrington.

Big Church Day Out (BCDO for short!) happens each year on the Spring Bank Holiday weekend. It isn't run by any particular Christian community and tries to be as ecumenical and open as possible. Indeed, they go to great lengths to make Catholics feel welcome, even to the point of giving us a great reduction on ticket prices and running a special Mass for us on the Sunday morning. And that generosity is clearly having an effect. It was lovely to see so many A&B people there. There must have been over a hundred that I knew, and probably countless more that I didn't.

The main attraction at BCDO is the music. There are three main stages and a few more smaller venues dotted around Wiston's extensive grounds. Those familiar with the Christian music scene will recognise some of the names on this year's line-up: Lacrae, Guvna B, Switchfoot, The Abrams Brothers, REND Collective, Israel Houghton, Bethel Music, Jesus Culture, Martin Smith, the De-loreans, and many more - around 35 in total, including some Grammy award winners and some double-platinum selling artists currently in the middle of world tours. Among them was twice Grammy-nominated Matt Maher, one of the world's best known Catholic worship leaders.

Away from the music stages participants can connect with a range of Christian charities, shop for books, music and other Christian wares, listen to interviews with key figures, buy a range of food, and even go on funfair rides! There is a men's tent (featuring Skalextric, cut-throat shaves and table football) and a women's tent (don't ask me!) and, of course, a dedicated stream for children. And if none of that's your thing, there is always the Pimms tent, the tea garden with brass bands and orchestras, the chance to pray quietly in Wiston's historic Church, and acres of beautiful grounds.

On Sunday morning at 9.30 Mass was celebrated for around 300 Catholics who were on site at the time, meaning that they did not have to go far from their tents to fulfil their Sunday obligation. Matt Maher provided the music - as he did for Pope Francis in Rio a few years back - and Fr Columba from the Friars of the Renewal preached beautifully about the meaning of Pentecost.

BCDO, now in its seventh year, is the brainchild of Tim Jupp. When Tim's band, Delirious, one of the biggest Christian bands of all time, wound up in 2009, he looked around for another project to sink his teeth into and had the idea for BCDO. It started as a simple idea and grew to epic proportions.

Those coming to the festival can either come for the day (Saturday or Sunday) or can buy a weekend ticket. For most people, the weekend option involves camping on site, adding to the small city of tents and caravans that builds slowly from Friday afternoon onwards.

The next BCDO will likely be on 28 and 29 May 2016, though that's yet to be confirmed.

Here is what some A&B Catholics had to say about the 2015 weekend:

'BCDO was a truly amazing weekend - praising and worshipping God and spending time with friends' (Emily, Seaford). *'It was amazing just to be alive with the fire of the Holy Spirit on the feast of Pentecost, praising God for his love, while being amongst friends. Especially celebrating Mass with my Catholic family.'* (Jane, Brighton)

Story and picture by Jack Regan

Bringing Christ to Visiting Seafarers

WHEN APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA (AoS) port chaplain Deacon Roger Stone (pictured) visits any of the ships in his patch along the Sussex and Hampshire coast, he never knows what to expect. 'When I recently visited a cargo ship, the third officer complained to me that he was being bullied by the chief mate. The chief mate had struck him twice, although I couldn't judge whether it was a strike or a tap, or what it was. I advised the third officer to lock his cabin at night when he was sleeping so the chief mate could not simply walk in. I spent an hour with him and we prayed together. The third officer was much more relaxed and on my subsequent visits to the ship, was much happier and reported that the situation had improved. He no longer wanted to sign off but was happy to extend his contract.'



July 12 is Sea Sunday, when the Church asks us to pray for seafarers and support the work of AoS, whose chaplains and ship visitors provide practical and pastoral help in ports around Britain.

Roger, a permanent deacon in Arundel and Brighton Diocese, thrives on the unpredictable nature of his ministry and enjoys the various challenges he faces every day. His patch covers eight ports, including Portsmouth, Southampton, Shoreham and Cowes, where everything - from oil tankers and container ships to cargo ships and cruise ships - drop anchor.

Accidents on ships are common and an important part of his work is visiting seafarers who have been taken to hospital. When he was informed that a Russian seafarer was in Southampton General Hospital after fracturing both ankles, he went to see how he could help. 'There were some complications when he was discharged. The company had not arranged proper transport for him or appropriate seats on the aircraft. He had to keep both legs up and they had booked an economy seat for him. I sorted that out with the company and he returned home safely, and sent me an email saying thanks and maybe meet again in the future.'

Life on board is difficult for seafarers because they're away from home for so long - typically nine months. They work hard and long hours and often for little pay, said Roger. 'Seafarers often endure prison-like conditions until their contract ends, afraid to say anything. It's really stressful for them, living in constant fear and anxiety.' Many seafarers have a deep faith and are keen to nourish it, he added. When he goes on board, he takes prayer cards and other faith materials with him. In Advent, he takes cribs and calendars; during Lent he takes crosses.

Roger says Catholic parishes can play a vital role in supporting seafarers. 'Seafarers derive comfort from knowing that someone cares. They leave their homes and families and risk their lives so we can enjoy the goods we use every day. Our Christian vocation is to be Christ to seafarers when they visit our ports. Without the support and generosity of people in parishes AoS wouldn't be able to function and seafarers would be completely abandoned.'

Story by Greg Watts Picture courtesy of www.apostleshipofthesea.org.uk

Thanks to the Sisters of St Dorothy

JESUS TOLD HIS DISCIPLES not to take the place of honour at a wedding feast, but to take the lowest seat. When it came to the Mass to celebrate the many years of service given to our parish by the Sisters of St Dorothy, and especially the current community, Srs Helen, Rita and Doris instinctively followed the instruction. On arrival they sat at the back of St Joseph's church in Redhill and had to be told by Fr Chris Spain that they must sit in the front bench! The chief celebrant was Fr Stephen Ortiger OSB, with Frs Chris, Aaron Spinelli, Seamus Hester and Andrew Moss concelebrating too. Fr Stephen reminded us that the meaning of the name Dorothy was 'gift of God' and that was precisely what the sisters were for us. They were the touch of God to many, and they would be sadly missed when in the near future they would be leaving. Parishioners would only realise just how much they had been unobtrusively doing after they had gone; we would find ourselves saying 'how do we manage without them?'

During the feast afterwards the sisters were presented with appropriate gifts. All were given M&S vouchers and a souvenir photograph, but as Srs Helen and Rita are returning to Zebbug in their native Malta they had the added bonus of a suitcase each. Fr Chris said the priests would miss their hospitality, and their skill at doing the mending! The first appearance of the Sisters of St Dorothy in Malta was an act of kindness almost 130 years ago; the first convent was established in 1911. The sisters are pictured from left to right: Sr Helen, Sr Rita, Sr Doris and parish secretary Catherine.

Story and pictures: Ann Lardeur



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Mass will be celebrated at 3 pm.

Why not find out if a coach is going from your parish?

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ADVANCE NOTICE

Diocesan Anniversaries Mass 2015

This year's Mass will take place on

Saturday, 17th October, 2015,

12 noon, at Arundel Cathedral.

The Chief Celebrant will be Bishop Richard Moth.

Couples celebrating a significant or landmark Wedding Anniversary are warmly invited to apply for places.

Diocesan Mass for Altar Servers

Bishop Richard will preside at a Holy Mass for all Diocesan Altar Servers on Saturday 26 September 2015 at 12noon in Arundel Cathedral



All who have served, all who are serving and anybody who would like to serve are welcome to attend.
Please bring an alb if possible.

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For more information contact: Fr Dominic O'Hara
Telephone 01903 731171 Email domohara1563@yahoo.co.uk

Grandparents' Week

27 October to 4 October 2015

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Tercentenary of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament

ON 30 NOVEMBER 1715 in the parish church of Boucieu le Roi in France Peter Vigne founded the Congregation of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. Peter was beatified in 2004 by St John Paul II.

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A celebration was held at the school on 4 June commencing with a Mass of Thanksgiving in the presence of all the school and invited guests. At the commencement of the Mass all the flags of the seven countries were brought to the altar. The Mass was concelebrated by our new Bishop Richard and eight priests. During the Mass all the sisters renewed their vows of poverty, chastity and obedience commencing with Sr Breda alone who celebrates her Golden Jubilee this year and followed by all the sisters together.

In his homily the bishop asked all to spend time reading the scriptures quietly and slowly 'as the sisters have done for 300 years'. Thanks and presentations followed.

Lunch for all the guests concluded the celebration and time was available for all to meet our new bishop and the sisters.

Pictured are the sisters at the cutting of the celebration cake with Sr Breda taking the lead.

Story and picture: David White



Cardinal Nichols Celebrates at St Richard's in Slindon

FOR THE FIRST TIME in more than 500 years Sunday Mass in Slindon was celebrated by a Cardinal. The Archbishop of Westminster, the leader of the Catholic Church in England and Wales, Cardinal Vincent Nichols came to Slindon to mark the 150th anniversary of the opening of St Richard's Church in 1865.

Fr Tony Churchill, parish priest of Bognor Regis and Slindon, had invited Cardinal Nichols to lead the celebrations, and concelebrated the Mass along with two other priests on 31 May, Trinity Sunday. The Anglican Vicar of Slindon, the Rev Marion Curtis, was present for the Mass in a special seat at the front of the church. Pictured are Cardinal Vincent with Fr Tony and the altar servers.

Story and picture: Fr Tony Churchill



St Philip Neri's school celebrates their Feast Day



THE FEAST was celebrated enthusiastically by the pupils at St Philip's Catholic Primary School in Uckfield. A morning of class based activities including making St Philip Neri stained glass windows and joke books reflecting the saint's love of humour, was followed by a liturgy of the word led by one of the parish deacons, David Tutt.

After a picnic lunch shared with a visiting school from Arques la Bataille in France, the children spent the afternoon on the school field practising circus skills and enjoying football and rounders games.. - see picture.

For Mrs Joanna Sanchez, recently appointed head teacher, it was her first St. Philip's Day. 'We were blessed with glorious weather,' she said, 'and the children really embraced our patron saint's zest for life and fun. It was a lovely day'.

Story and picture: Angela Wilding

Southwick with Portslade Parish Confirmation Retreat

THE CONFIRMATION GROUP from the Parish of Southwick with Portslade and Hangleton had their final retreat in preparation for receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation on Friday 5 June at St Theresa's Church in Southwick. The group are pictured with their catechist at an earlier event.



There are seven candidates this year so the retreat was themed on the seven days of creation, and also explored the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit. The venue was the Torch Centre in Hurstpierpoint from Friday night through to Sunday afternoon, celebrating Mass in the little chapel on Sunday.

Story and picture: Gill Sajnog

May Procession at Our Lady Queen of Heaven School

OUR LADY QUEEN OF HEAVEN Catholic Primary School in Crawley enjoyed their annual May Procession on Friday 22 April. This wonderful event saw the arrival of the sunshine, with the children coming together with their parents, families and friends to celebrate the Patron Saint of our school. Each class created a beautiful Mary banner celebrating many of the Marian names given to Mary, each was brought forward along with the many flowers donated from the children and their families. These flowers were later given to St Catherine's Hospice.

This will be a memorable event for the school for many years as it not only celebrated the Patron Saint of our school, but also featured the grand opening of the new prayer garden which will available for the children and staff to use throughout the year.

Irene Archer



Corpus Christi Carpet of Flowers at Arundel Cathedral

FOR MORE THAN 100 YEARS Arundel cathedral has celebrated the Feast of Corpus Christi with a festival of flowers, including a spectacular carpet of flowers in the centre aisle of the Cathedral and a solemn procession of the Blessed Sacrament to Arundel Castle for Benediction.

This year, the carpet of flowers paid colourful tribute to the two milestones for the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton in 2015; our 50th anniversary and the installation of our new Bishop, Richard Moth.

Main picture: Focus Photography, Below: Harry Robertson



...and a view of the other end from the altar!



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Diocesan Financial Secretary - 35 hours per week - Hove

The Diocese of Arundel & Brighton covers the city of Brighton & Hove, the counties of East and West Sussex, and Surrey outside the London boroughs. We have 95 parishes and 66 schools serving our Catholic community. The Diocesan trust is a substantial charity (reg no 252878).

The Financial Secretary implements the Diocesan policy and strategy for all aspects of financial management and legal administration of the Diocese and its assets. S/he is responsible for - preparation of the Diocesan statutory accounts; monitoring budgetary controls; property and other insurances; property transactions; procurement of buildings, land and services; banking and investments; payroll and employment matters; legal compliance, etc. The Financial Secretary also advises and supports parishes and schools in these areas.

The current post holder is retiring and we are seeking a replacement. Reporting to the Bishop and Diocesan Trustees, the Financial Secretary has five staff to assist in carrying out these duties.

The Financial Secretary should be educated to degree level and hold relevant professional qualifications. S/he will have excellent communication and organisational skills with a high level of ability in IT applications. In addition, s/he will be a practising Catholic in good standing with the Church; this is a 'genuine occupational requirement' for a senior leadership role in the Diocese.

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Please contact Mgr John Hull: telephone: 01273 859701 or email: vg@dabnet.org for an application form and job description.

Closing date: 10 July 2015 interviews will follow shortly after this.

What can we say about Israel ?

JANE CLEMENTS, Director of Council of Christians and Jews, gave a talk at Bexhill on Sea on Tuesday 5 May. It was preceded by a short AGM at which Gillian Meyer, Chair of the local branch reported that a number of well attended and interesting events have been held during the past year, including the Holocaust Memorial in Hastings, plus visits and speakers, increasingly in partnership with Hastings and District Interfaith Forum.

Jane, executive Director of CCJ, with many years experience in interfaith relations, a first degree in theology, with a specialisation in Islam and founder of FODIP, the forum for discussion of Israel and Palestine, spoke of the reasons we should be able to discuss the issues involving Israel/ Palestine, the emotional attachments involved, our sources of information and the difficulties of vocabulary when addressing this subject. Real dialogue skills, practised by CCJ for many years, the willingness to take on board the realities, including polarisation, fundamentalism and the complexities of the situation all have to be considered. The most important thing is meeting the other, when many preconceived ideas can be completely changed.

Story: Gillian Meyer

MASS FOR THE DEAF

Usually first Saturday of each month at 1pm

Note: No Mass in August but on 5 July at Diocesan Golden Jubilee Festival at the AMEX in Brighton

5 September at St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham RH12 2PJ

Advance Apologies from the A&B News

As the installation of our new Bishop takes up much of this July Edition and the 50th Anniversary Festival at the AMEX in Brighton will take up much of both the August and September Editions we apologise that many very interesting articles will have to be carried forward to later editions.

CAFOD
Just for the world

Nepal Earthquake Update

THE TWO EARTHQUAKES have had a catastrophic impact on the lives of millions of people. Even before the earthquakes 25% of the population of Nepal were living in extreme poverty, and now many have lost their homes, their possessions and their means of making a living.

Our partners began delivering aid within hours of the first earthquake. In the first month, alongside our partners in the Caritas coalition of Catholic aid agencies, we provided food, shelter kits and emergency supplies to 130,000 people. Our work continues reaching tens of thousands more, providing life-saving support to homeless and injured families.

Because of the scale of the disaster and because roads have been blocked, some parts of the country are difficult to reach - but our local partners have scaled up their response in the worst hit areas. We are now delivering aid in seven of the worst hit districts.

Our work is possible because of the generosity of Catholics in England and Wales. Thank you. Please do continue to pray for the people of Nepal.

How your money helps

- * £21 will provide clean water to three families for a week
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BISHOP'S DIARY
JUNE/JULY

Sun 28	12.45pm	Worth Abbey
Mon 29		Crawley Deanery Visit
Tue 30		Epsom Deanery Visit
Wed 1		Mayfield Deanery Visit
Thu 2	2.00pm	Meeting at Egham Parish
	4.00pm	Meetings at St Mary's University, Twickenham
Fri 3	10.00am	Mass for the Walking Pilgrimage, Arundel Cathedral
Sat 4	7.30pm	Attends overnight Youth Vigil at AMEX, Brighton
Sun 5		Diocesan 50th Anniversary Festival, AMEX Stadium
Tue 7	11.00am	Meeting, DABCEC
	2.00pm	Meeting at St Bede's, Redhill
Wed 8		Redhill Deanery Visit
Thu 9	4.30pm	Deanery Staff Mass at St Wilfrid's School, Angmering
Fri 10		Worthing Deanery Visit
Sat 11		Proclaim '15, Birmingham
Sun 12	10.30am	Mass with the Redshirts, Christ the Prince of Peace, Weybridge
	2.00pm	Mass and Bless new building at St Joseph's Primary School, Guildford
Mon 13	10.30am	Trustees' Meeting, Hove
	4.00pm	Meeting with Head Teachers at St Wilfrid's School, Crawley
Tue 14-Thu 16		Retreat for Mental Health Professionals, Douai Abbey
Fri 17	8.45am	End of Year Mass and Sponsored Walk at Chatsmore Catholic High School, Worthing
	6.00pm	Friends of Arundel Cathedral Summer Vespers at Arundel Cathedral
Sat 18	11.30am	Ordination to the Permanent Diaconate of Ian Moon at St Leonard's on Sea
	3.00pm	Meets with Poor Clares, Hollington
Sun 19	11.30am	Confirmations at Christ the King, Eastbourne
Mon 20-Tue 21		St Mary's University Graduation, Westminster Cathedral
Wed 22	9.15am	Mass for Leavers at our Lady Queen of Heaven Crawley
Thu 23		Woking Deanery Visit
Fri 24		St Leonards Deanery Visit
Wed 29	10.00am	Mass for Redshirts departure to Lourdes, St Wilfrid's, Crawley
Thu 30	10.30am	Meeting followed by Dedication of new Chapel at North Terminal, Gatwick
Fri 31		Leads the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

Last minute information about Festival 50

Everyone is included

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to the Amex Stadium for Festival 50. We want to ensure that everyone enjoys the day!

There will be:

- Festival Friends to meet and greet everyone arriving by coach.

They will direct people and help anyone who has a query or who needs to get to a particular place in the stadium. Fellow parishioners will want to offer friendship, help or support to those who are frail or people who are on their own.

- Ample toilet facilities including Easy Access Toilets for people with Disabilities.

An INCLUSION INFORMATION POINT on ground floor level close to one of the main entrances.

Anyone who has particular needs can come to this point for advice, support and help. We will also be able to reserve seating appropriate for specific needs in the actual Stadium for the Gathering Rite and Mass.

- Allocated spaces and seating in appropriate areas will be available for those:

Ø who have reduced mobility.

Ø who are hard of hearing and require a loop system.

Ø who are in wheelchairs with a space for their carer if required.

Ø who have learning difficulties.

Ø who are deaf and require Signers/Communicators.

Ø who find lip-reading helpful.

Ø who need some gentle care and some rest and quiet

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- * Festival Friends around throughout the day to help and direct.

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Trains start at Brighton and terminate at Seaford



Seaford / Lewes to Falmer
Departs Seaford 09:27, 09:59 then 27 and 59 minutes past each hour (24/32 minute journey)
Departs Lewes 09:24, 09:44 then 24 and 44 minutes past each hour (7 minute journey)
Trains start at Seaford and terminate at Brighton

Falmer to Brighton
Departs 11:31, 11:51 then 31 and 51 minutes past each hour (9 minute journey)
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Falmer to Lewes / Seaford
Departs 11:26, 11:56 then 26 and 56 minutes past each hour (6 minutes to Lewes, 24/26 minutes to Seaford)
Trains start at Brighton and terminate at Seaford

WHAT IS A JUBILEE?

The jubilee year is a particular example of the principle of *Sabbath*. Generally we think of Sabbath as referring to one day in seven, the holy day of the week. But the principle applies on bigger timescales as well. Leviticus 25 begins with the instruction for the Sabbath year, one year out of seven when the land would be allowed to rest. And seven such cycles makes 49 years, crowned by the fiftieth jubilee year, the Sabbath of Sabbaths.



DO YOU WANT HELP WITH YOUR PARISH WEBSITE

The diocesan website will be launched at Festival 50. James Goadby (www.allinteractive.co.uk) has designed the site. He will have a box in the south stand at Festival 50 where he will be available to discuss parish websites

A FEW OTHER USEFUL THINGS

What food is available?

There will be a number of commercial food outlets throughout the stadium. They will be open until 2pm, when preparations for Mass will begin. You are, of course, welcome to bring your own refreshments and there will be plenty of places to picnic

How much do we have to pay?

The event itself is free, except for the funfair and refreshments. You are welcome to bring your own picnics

Collection at Mass

There will be a retiring collection as you leave Mass, which will be shared between the hospices in the diocese and Bishop Dan's diocese of Chulucanas in Peru

What happens if it rains?

Most activities will be under cover. If it rains, some of the events in the plaza will move to the west stand, except for the funfair.

Prayer for the Jubilee

We stand before you, Holy Spirit, conscious of our sinfulness, but aware that we gather in your name.

Come to us, remain with us, and enlighten our hearts.

Give us light and strength to know your will,

to make it our own, and to live it in our lives.

Guide us by your wisdom, support us by your power,

for you are God, sharing the glory of Father and Son.

You desire justice for all; enable us to uphold the rights of others; do not allow us to be misled by ignorance or corrupted by fear or favour.

Unite us to yourself in the bond of love and keep us faithful to all that is true.

As we gather in your name, may we temper justice with love,

so that all our discussions and reflections may be pleasing to you, and earn the reward promised to good and faithful servants.

We ask this of You who live and reign with the Father and the Son, one God, for ever and ever.

Amen.

(Prayer used at each session of the Second Vatican Council)

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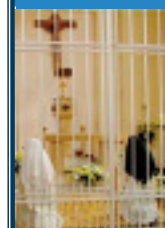
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FROM THE PARISHES

ADUR VALLEY

ANOTHER lively month! 13 of our young people were confirmed at Arundel Cathedral and had a wonderful celebration.

Our Deacon Richard Edwards has become a grand-father for the first time to his son Nick's little boy, Arthur.

The Lourdes fund has benefited this month from a wine and cheese evening, a cake sale put on by some of the children and a table top sale. A plant sale was held at St Peter's, which raised £285. The Missio boxes at St Peter's have raised an amazing £2,435.

The Sisters at The Towers held a Mission Coffee morning and raised £3,000. James Hart, one of our parishioners ran the London Marathon.

The Catenians, the Catholic Men's Association, have started a new group in Shoreham and held their first meeting this month.

Churches Together in Steyning and District arranged an ecumenical service at St James' Church, Ashurst on Rogation Sunday. In preparation for Pentecost we prayed a Novena to the Holy Spirit either alone at home, or with others in the St Peter's Day Chapel each afternoon.

Penny Richardson

BRIGHTON

St Mary's, Preston Park

OUR CHURCH was beautifully decorated at Easter, with the flowers and resurrection scene enhancing our worship. Dick and Betty Morris paid for our Easter candle this year in memory of Dick's parents who loved St Mary's so much.

On Friday 24 April the Social Concerns Group organised a quiz night. There were seven enthusiastic teams. Everyone had a good time and we raised £130.50 for CAFOD.

Seven of our young people were confirmed on 23 May at St Mary's by our dean Fr Kevin Dring. Our congratulations and blessings to them.

In church collections we raised £1,393.64 for the CAFOD Nepal Earthquake Appeal and £178.75 for Christian Aid week.

We were sorry to hear of the death (aged almost 102) of Isabelle McHardie who with the late Cyril Cassidy ran the Senior Citizens Club for many years.

Claire Shelton-Jones

BURGESS HILL

TWO DAYS AFTER Bishop Richard was installed as the new Bishop of Arundel and Brighton he responded to the invitation of Fr Rick McGrath and came (where else?) to Burgess Hill (plus Keymer) to confirm our candidates, Adam, Anna, Alexander, Benjamin, Camille, Chloe, Ellie, Elysia, Emily, Ethan, Hattie, Joe and Robert.

The Confirmation Mass was, as might be expected, a joyful occasion for all concerned, Bishop Richard telling us the story of his crozier, and a little of his own journey of faith, and encouraging the candidates in theirs.

Our Catechists, Mary, Paul, Aimee and Abi and the candidates had prepared an uplifting service which the servers, musicians and the whole congregation responded brilliantly. Afterwards there was an opportunity for photos with Bishop Richard, followed by refreshments in the parish hall. An excellent afternoon.

Joe Wilkinson

CATERHAM

THE 5TH CATERHAM CUBS were very pleased to meet our new Bishop, Richard Moth, on 2 May at Fryland's Wood and to celebrate

TO ALL OUR CORRESPONDENTS ITEMS for the **AUGUST 2015** issue must reach the Editorial Office at Crawley by 10am on **Monday 29 June 2015** and for the **SEPTEMBER 2015** issue by **Monday 3 August 2015**. Contributions may be sent by e-mail to abnews@dabnet.org and if so please include a contact telephone number.

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POLEGATE and HAILSHAM



ON SUNDAY 17 May the Children's Liturgy annual summer outing was held at Abbots Wood. Fr Rory Kelly and over 30 others from both communities enjoyed an afternoon of fun, great company, lovely picnic food and good weather. Friends and extended family members joined us for the occasion. Some of the children had great fun building a den in the woods, (see picture above) whilst others went on cycle rides with family members. The swing ball was popular with both adults and children. There was great chatting amongst the adults, whilst the children played together, enjoying each other's company. This is destined to become an annual event.

The previous day St George's had a plant sale - an event which raised £410 - and everything was sold out in an hour. Thanks to everyone who took part.

In Hailsham, St Wilfrid's commemorated two anniversaries - the 60th of the church and one hundred years since Mass was first said in the town - with an excellent exhibition of photos and newspaper cuttings put together by Bob Waters and Dorothy Blake on Pentecost Sunday. It was followed by a shared lunch, everyone bringing plates of food.

Story and picture Ann and Paul Sullivan

Mass with him.

During the Feast of Pentecost a large map of the world was placed in the church porch to enable our cosmopolitan parishioners to mark where they had originated.

The CAFOD group had a vintage tea party early in May which raised £353. Seventy parishioners and friends attended for an enjoyable afternoon.

The inaugural meeting of St Vincent de Paul was held on 22 May.

Volunteers are still being sought to help to run the parish shop.

We have a large number of first communicants this year, the first group received their First Holy Communion on 30 May.

CRAWLEY

Christ the Lord (LEP) Broadfield and Bewbush

MGR TONY BARRY celebrated our Mass on Good Shepherd Sunday. Our children's liturgy group had been busy making face masks of sheep out of paper plates and cotton wool, and enacted the parable of the Good Shepherd for us.

Mgr Tony also celebrated our Mass on Pentecost Sunday, when once again, the children delighted us when they came back in by showing us the paper 'tongues of fire' they had made and sang us a little song about the Holy Spirit.

Barbara Winstanley

EASTBOURNE

Our Lady of Ransom, St Gregory and St Agnes

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS have taken place across our three churches and the children now look forward to their Certificate Mass.

Our monthly sfternoon tea parties have proved very popular with each one being themed, the next one being a Coronation tea.

Tickets are being sold for another popular event, which is the Indian gala evening in aid of the St Gregory's roof fund. A Grand Raffle was held at St Gregory's in aid of the roof fund, raising £1,212.00.

Nick French, a St Gregory's parishioner is taking part in a Lourdes Pilgrimage Jubilee sponsored walk around the diocese covering 250 miles which will culminate on 5 July at the Amex Stadium, joining the Jubilee Pilgrimage.

We have had an excellent response from parishioners following the Catenians appeal for

Rosaries to send to indigenous communities in Australia and Africa. They have been involved in this initiative since 2009.

The Catholic Women's League welcomed Jackie Mulholland speaking on 'Life in the Royal Navy'; there was also a discussion on the next theatre outing to which all ladies from the parish are welcomed.

Our Catholic Faith Course is still running well with many interesting topics being discussed at this group, which is aimed at those who are already Catholics and those who wish to find out more about the faith.

Mary Staffiere

HASLEMERE

THE PARISH HALL was the venue for a hustings of the candidates for the General Election and all six received a good grilling from a packed and often noisy audience. All agreed that it had been a most worthwhile evening.

In the two-week long Haslemere Festival, the church hall was the venue for one of the many lectures. This gave the background to the Wintershall plays started by Peter and Ann Hutley on their estate in Bramley. The director, Ashley Herman, accompanied by members of his cast, performed moving excerpts from The Life of Christ. Fr Chris Bergin was roped in as one of the 'extras'.

Earlier in the week choirs from combined local churches and music groups (including Our Lady of Lourdes) gave a concert to commemorate World War I. This included poetry and readings (one from Fr Chris) as well as choral pieces and popular songs of the day. The Aldershot Military Wives Choir also took part.

Parishioner Milly Bell was honoured recently with a Haslemere Volunteer Award for services to the community. For over 20 years she has run a one-woman campaign to put Christmas cribs in shops, offices and hotels throughout the town. During that time she has acquired over 50 cribs in all kinds of mediums from exquisite porcelain figures to hand-knitted characters and personally sets them up during Advent. Thanks to Milly's efforts, a newspaper headline talked of Haslemere being an 'oasis of Christianity'.

Fay Foster

LEWES

FOUR YOUNG PEOPLE from St Pancras, Lewes, received the Sacrament of Confirmation on Pentecost Sunday.

A group of families from the parish spent a wonderful day at the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation at West Grinstead to mark the month of Our Lady. Mass in the Shrine church, a picnic lunch and games in the paddock, the Rosary Way, visits to the Secret Chapel, Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament, tea and lots of cake! What could be nicer?

Jonathan Martin

PETWORTH with DUNCTON

IT WAS A GREAT PRIVILEGE to be able to welcome Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor to the parish on Holy Saturday. As well as celebrating the Easter Triduum services at our sister parish of Midhurst, the Cardinal came to the Sacred Heart church in Petworth for the Office of Readings. This was followed by coffee in the presbytery which gave his old friends in the parish a chance to catch up with him.

The annual parish meeting was held on 22 April following evening Mass at the church of SS Anthony and George in Duncton. The now traditional supper of sausages, mash and fruit crumbles was then served in the village hall. About 60 people were present and, as usual, it was a most convivial evening.

There was a quiet day for Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday, 9 May at Hill Brow, Liss, by kind permission of the De La Salle Brothers. Fr Andrew Moss from Chichester joined the group and led the reflections.

Sally Bohane

WOKING

ST DUNSTAN'S is a diverse community with parishioners from 68 different nationalities. Each weekend there are five celebrations of the Eucharist (Mass) and some 1,600 parishioners attend each week, but each year on the Sunday closest to the Feast of St Dunstan we hold a single 'Festival Mass' for the whole parish to celebrate together.

Parishioners take pride in dressing in their national costume. Readings and prayers are said in many different languages and different cultural traditions are celebrated at Mass. The celebration of Mass is followed by a social gathering and shared meal provided by parishioners. So then we find ourselves enjoying flavours from Africa, India, Poland, Russia, China, Italy, Portugal, Spain, Ireland and many, many more countries.

The week before the Festival this year, a collection was taken up in the parish and we raised an amazingly generous £3,500 for the Nepal Earthquake Disaster Appeal.

John Sexton

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Thank you

WADHURST



SACRED HEART CHURCH has had a serious spring clean this year. We now have a beautifully glossy non-slip church floor, which inspired the Wadhurst ladies to choose a new soft green sanctuary carpet and our talented Niamh Murphy to reupholster Fr Martin O'Connor's sanctuary chair.

This was a fitting setting for our children's First Communion Mass. 10 children had their special day in a beautifully decorated church, surrounded by parents, cousins, grandparents and lots of friends. (See picture above)

During May many parishioners joined the other churches in remembering the 25 Wadhurst men killed on one day at Aubers Ridge in France in 1915. Some accompanied a group to visit Aubers for a special service of remembrance and to join the villagers of Aubers. Margaret Anderman, a long time Wadhurst resident, was able to find the name of two old family friends and the grave of one of them killed on that day. The continuing friendship between Wadhurst and Aubers is a blessing that has come out of a tragedy.

It was Fr Martin's birthday on 30 May, so the parish gathered together after 10:30am Mass to help him eat his birthday cake. Some of the children helped him to blow out the candles - only a token number as we didn't wish to overheat the annex!

Peggy Purslow

FROM THE PARISHES

WEYBRIDGE



WE ARE NOW half way through our year of celebrations marking the 25th anniversary of the completion of our wonderful church, Christ the Prince of Peace. We have enjoyed a rich diversity of events, both spiritual and social, including special Masses (including an international celebration and a series of 25 house Masses around the parish), a pilgrimage to Catholic London, a variety show of extraordinary parish talent, and, yes, even a Bake Off! We also 'beat the bounds' with a walk around places of historical interest in the parish. A recent high spot was a 2 day pilgrimage to Belgium which featured a viewing of the famous Van Eyck altarpiece in Ghent cathedral. We were privileged to hear Mass, celebrated by our own Fr Con Foley, in the crypt of the cathedral. There is much more to come before the culmination of the anniversary year with a special Mass in November.

Story and picture Peter Clapham

WORTHING

St Mary of the Angels

AFTER THE REPAIRS to our south transept roof, the roof over the Blessed Sacrament chapel has also been found to be in need of urgent repair, as well as the dry rot in the entrance being more extensive than at first thought. At the moment works are being carried out to install a toilet for the disabled which entails the closure of the main entrance while the works are being carried out and we are using the side entrance by the church shop.

On Sunday 10 May four of our young people were confirmed at Arundel Cathedral and were presented with their certificates at

Masses on Ascension Sunday.

I wrote in the April's A & B News about our new parish project, the Mutemwa Leper Colony. On Trinity Sunday the Rev Ben Bradshaw spoke at Masses about his involvement with the project and about John Bradburne who ran the Colony for 10 years. He was then sacked by the committee that ran it, as they thought he was treating the lepers too well. He then camped nearby and continued to help the lepers as best as he could. This angered some of the local population and he was found shot in the back at the roadside in September 1979. Prayers are now being said for his beatification.

Astrid Gibson

Diocesan Appointments

MARK BRUNET has joined the Diocesan Education Service as Buildings Officer. After careers in marine engineering, the performing arts and the construction industry, where he worked as a Project Manager and Finance Director, Mark spent some years as a Business Adviser and worked in Economic Development before becoming a School Business Manager at a large community comprehensive school in Hove.

Mark says: 'I am looking forward to discovering how I can support the great work going on in schools across the diocese – I have particular interests in energy efficiency and the interaction between building design and effective education, but I know from my own experience how much energy and time goes in to the job of keeping schools running on a daily basis, so I am conscious of making sure that I can help without getting in the way of that!'

Mark is currently working on making sure that the voluntary aided schools capital programme for this year is not hampered in any way – and looking forward to seeing more great building projects go ahead.



ROSEMARY TERRY says 'I am delighted to have joined the Diocesan Safeguarding Team as the Training Co-ordinator and would like to introduce myself to you all. I will be working two days a week and have been made very welcome by the staff at Bishop's House. I am looking forward to challenges ahead to help progress and develop the safeguarding training programme for those of you that work with children, young people and adults in the Diocese.'

I qualified as a social worker back in 1978. At the beginning of my career I worked with Adults and Children, however, since having a family and returning to work when my children started school, I have worked mainly with children, young people and their families both as a front line worker and manager. For the last seven years until I retired from local government, I was one of

the Children's Safeguarding Managers for West Sussex County Council, working with schools and further education colleges in both the maintained and independent sectors. I was also the Local Authority Designated Officer for the county, overseeing the management of allegations against adults who work with children. Delivering and facilitating safeguarding training formed part of those roles.

Over the years I have also had a number of voluntary jobs both with children and adults in voluntary organisations and faith groups, so have some understanding of the demands and rewards of these roles which I am sure will help me in my new post.

It is a privilege to be part of the work and ministry of the Diocese and the Christian Faith and I hope to meet with and speak to some of you in the near future!



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Book Review

The Little Oratory; A Beginner's Guide to Praying in the Home

By David Clayton and Leila Marie Lawler Sophia Institute Press

This book addresses the question: how do we live our Faith outside Mass on Sunday? It is a question every Catholic parent must reflect on; the authors, both fired with a sense of what Catholic culture is about, provide an answer. They emphasise that they are only making suggestions to help other families start to pray together, something surprisingly hard to establish in the hurly-burly of home life. Interestingly, both authors are converts; thus they come to faith and how to incarnate it at home with fresh, invigorating ideas. They say half-humorously: "How does one manage to fit in daily Mass, the Divine Office, the Rosary, the Divine Mercy chaplet, the Jesus Prayer, devotion to the Sacred Heart and everything else – on top of a family life?"

The answer is, within the Church's liturgy and much-loved devotions, you prioritize. Their own preference is incorporating the Liturgy of the Hours into the prayers of the little oratory as, after the Mass, it is the most important form of the Church's worship. But they are also at pains to say that each family must find the right form of family prayer life appropriate to them. What matters is to create a "sacred space" at home that is central to family life yet also uplifting, so that the supernatural becomes part of the natural activity of the "domestic church".

David Clayton is also a painter. Several well-known icon pictures are included at the end of the book for

framing in a little oratory. The point of an oratory is harmony: holy objects that have a personal and sacred resonance, along with candles and flowers on a table or shelf, that are kept loved and cared for, rather than a clutter of holy pictures in a neglected corner. Harmony matters because ideally an oratory should radiate its aura throughout the home. It should also be beautiful. The authors believe "we should avoid the ugly, the superficial, the sentimental and the downright kitschy." Having grown up with sickly representations of the Sacred Heart I know what they mean – but I also know an old Irish Catholic lady whose home is full of highly sentimentalised religious art, brought back from pilgrimages to which she is devoted, so I think we must also recognise that good taste and bad taste are less important than the presence of the Holy Spirit in the home.

The authors point to the important role of fathers in leading prayers at home: "The present crisis of fatherhood will be resolved only in families, where the father is allowed to regain his position of servant leader." They also give sensible advice on the difficulties of praying as a family – unruly children and a chaotic house, for example. They conclude, "The important thing is to pray, not to 'say prayers.'" This is a book to ponder, on a crucial subject too often neglected.

Francis Phillips



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