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Schools on Pilgrimage

ON A BEAUTIFUL SUNNY DAY, Catholic secondary schools from across the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton excitedly gathered at the meeting point by Arundel Castle Museum, eagerly awaiting their pilgrimage walk through Arundel Park to the Mother Church of the diocese, Arundel Cathedral.

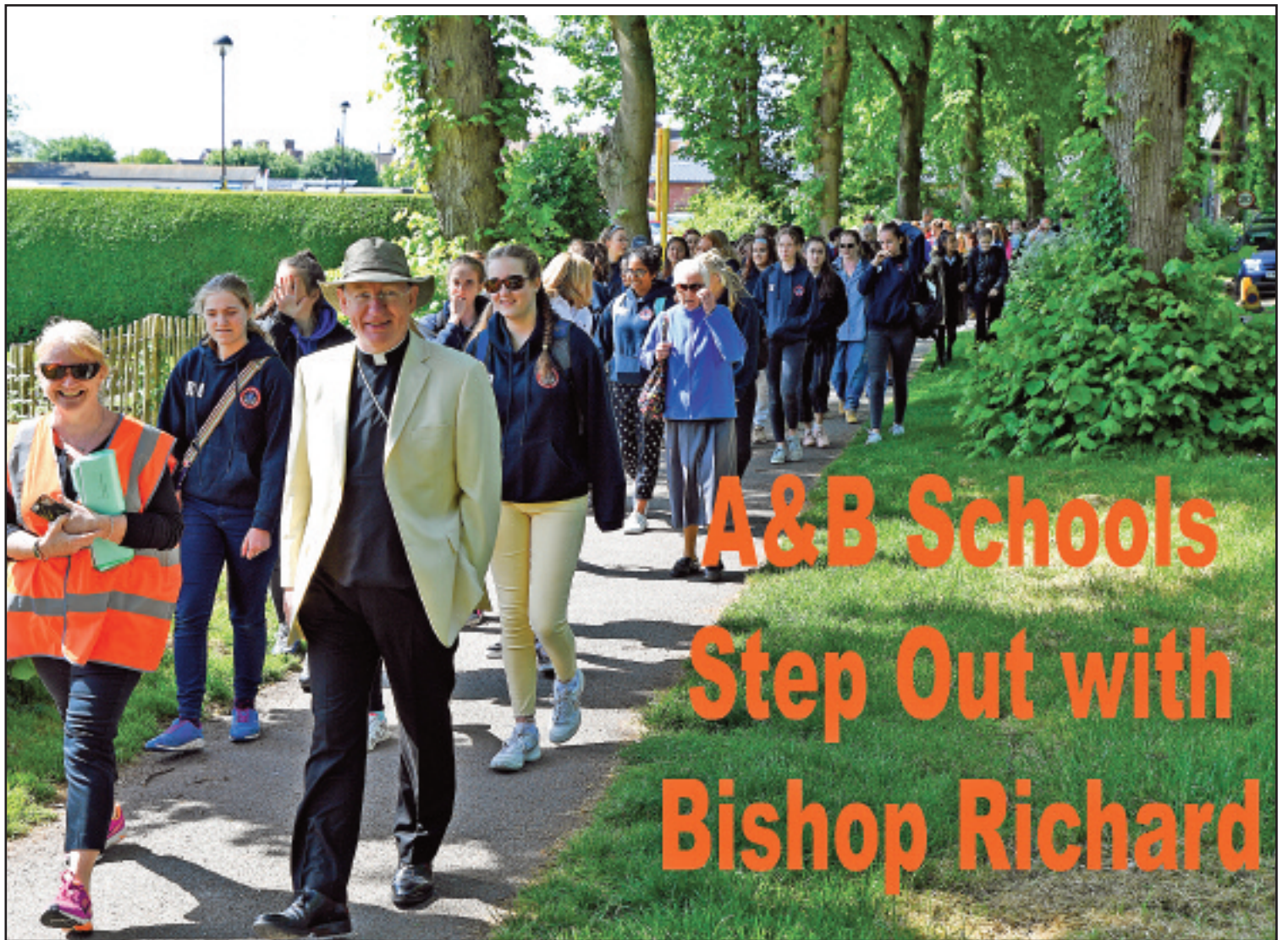
Bishop Richard and members of the Education Service team were there to register and welcome everyone. Once all the schools had arrived and were gathered together, pilgrims were formally welcomed and received a blessing in preparation for their journey.

Bishop Richard led the pilgrims - at quite a pace - through the beautiful grounds of Arundel Park, stopping every now and then to appreciate the stunning countryside scenery around them and encounter the many animals on route.

A very energised congregation of staff and students arrived at Arundel Cathedral for a celebration of Mass with the theme 'follow me, feed my sheep' and were welcomed by beautiful singing from the choir of St Wilfrid's Catholic Secondary School, Crawley. Other diocesan secondary schools provided servers, welcomers and eloquent readers.

Amongst the pilgrims in the Cathedral striking and poignant art work was being exhibited in the form of see-through images of those who had fought for peace and lost their lives during the First World War.

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Step Out with
Bishop Richard

The 2018 Jubiliarians Mass Over 450 Years of Dedicated Service - Deo Gratias!



Pictured above are (L to R): Fr David Russel, Fr Anthony Lovegrove, Fr Anthony Milner, Bishop Richard, Fr Jonathan How, Canon Jeremiah O'Brien, Fr Kevin Dring and Mgr Richard Madders

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Students Raise over £12,000

Helping Those in Need



STUDENTS AT CARDINAL NEWMAN Catholic School in Hove have been holding a number of events to raise money for charity and have succeeded in raising over £12,000. The charities include Mary's Meals, the Hangleton & West Blatchington Food Bank and Project Antifreeze.

During Lent, each class had to think of fundraising ideas and put together the activities themselves. Events included cake sales, sponsored walks, staff v student dodgeball, a penalty shootout, netball and football. The activities raised a staggering £5,500 plus 30 bags of food.

Recipients

Mary's Meals will receive £3,605 which means that, combined with the £5,227 raised at Advent, the school has raised enough to feed 635 children every day for a whole year in their linked school in Malawi. The charity reaches over 1.2 million impoverished children with a nutritious meal in a place of education every day that they attend school. By providing food in a place of education, Mary's Meals attracts hungry children into the classroom where they can learn, thrive and work towards a positive future.

The Hangleton & West Blatchington Food Bank will receive £1,581 on top of the £545 raised at Advent and hundreds of food bag donations. The aim of the foodbank is to provide food to individuals and families living in the local area who find themselves in crisis or urgent situations and it helps dozens of local families every week.

Project Antifreeze will receive £320 on top of the £780 already raised towards supporting the homeless in Brighton and Hove. Their outreach teams are on the streets in the evenings seeking to meet the basic needs of those who are homeless and sleeping rough. They also operate a drop-in centre four days a week providing specific care, including help with housing, benefits and addiction issues.

Dr James Kilmartin, Headteacher, said: 'These charities have become a very important focus for the whole school community. It has been great to see that by acting together we can make a difference. This has been spectacularly demonstrated by the students of Cardinal Newman Catholic School and shows the 'caritas' spirit of the school. It has been a real team effort with all staff, students and parents getting involved.'

Magnus MacFarlane-Barrow, Mary's Meals founder and CEO, said: 'Today, around the world, 57 million children miss school because of poverty. Instead of sitting in a classroom getting an education, they are working in fields, begging on street corners, or scavenging among the garbage to survive. Our vision is that every child should be able to receive one good meal every day in a place of education. Working together with people who share our ideals, we believe that our vision can be achieved in this world of plenty, where there is enough food for everyone.'

Colm Lennon, Chairman of the Hangleton & West Blatchington Food Bank, said: 'We have a fantastic relationship with Cardinal Newman School who provide us with food collections and financial assistance through the dedication of their staff and students. Without their support and that of other schools and organisations, we would be unable to continue to support local families. We have also been invited to talk to the pupils about the work we do and bring awareness of the poverty that exists in our local community.'



Paul Young, CEO of Off The Fence Trust which runs Project Antifreeze, said: 'Cardinal Newman have been a fantastic source of support to Off The Fence over the years, always looking for new and original ways to get behind our work. This year is no exception and it's inspiring to see so many young people getting involved with fundraising initiatives and thinking about the needs of others, specifically the homeless community whom we serve! A big thank you to the students and staff who have helped to raise this amazing figure for our Anti-freeze work.'

Story and pictures: Corinne Allen

Improvement Allies

PAVILION AND DOWNS Teaching School Alliance is thrilled to welcome Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Hove, to the alliance.

There are now six schools from across Brighton and Hove and West Sussex in the partnership: Cardinal Newman join Blatchington Mill, Steyning Grammar, Vardean, Dorothy Stringer and Hove Park schools, who were awarded Teaching School status in 2016 by the DfE and the National College for Teaching and Leadership.

The driving force behind the teaching school alliance is a network of headteachers aiming to raise standards for all young people across Brighton and Hove and West Sussex. In recognition of the fact that as people we never stop learning, the alliance places an emphasis on partnership and collaboration, working with teachers at all stages in their careers to recognise and develop their skills. Pavilion and Downs, in collaboration with Durrington High Research School, has already successfully secured significant funding to address school improvement issues in the region.

Nationally, Teaching School Alliances lead on Initial Teacher Training, Continuing Professional Development and School to School support to raise standards. With a team of Specialist Leaders of Education, the Pavilion and Downs Teaching School Alliance offers a pathway for professional dialogue and sustainable impact. Working strategically and collaboratively with schools across Brighton and Hove and West Sussex, Pavilion and Downs offers school to school support with research and development, network meetings for those new to teaching and professional development opportunities for teachers at all levels.

Headteacher at Cardinal Newman Catholic School, Dr James Kilmartin (pictured right) said: 'We are delighted to join the Pavilion and Downs Teaching School Alliance. Working together, we will be able to improve the education (and the lives) of children in our schools in Brighton, Hove and West Sussex.'



Story and picture: Mel Thomas



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Corpus Christi Family Day at Wonersh



ST JOHN'S SEMINARY, WONERSH, was bathed in glorious sunshine and filled with laughter, prayer and praise, as families gathered to celebrate the feast of Corpus Christi. People from many parishes from across the north west of the Diocese gathered for a picnic lunch in the beautiful grounds.

There was plenty of entertainment for the children: a stilt walker, balloon models, face painting, craft activities and some wonderful prayer stations from the Catholic Bible School. The Adults were well catered for with some inspiring talks from the seminarians and everyone enjoyed the tours of the building.

The highlight of the day, however, was the magnificent Corpus Christi procession led by



Bishop Richard. Flowers were strewn, hymns were sung and reverence shown to our Lord in the Eucharistic presence. Despite all the excitement and bustle of the day, all the families that gathered in the chapel experienced a wonderful moment of silent adoration before the blessed sacrament.

A magnificent spread of cakes concluded the day, provided by families from Cranleigh and Bramley. The parish was pivotal in offering support in terms of stewards and entertainment and we really appreciated all they and the seminarians did to help the day succeed.

*Katherine Bergin
Marriage & Family Life Adviser*



Turning Concern into Action

Marie Campbell and Peter Sowinski of the SVP conference in St John the Evangelist Parish, Horsham, tell us about the success of their heart-warming (and stomach-warming?) 'Soup for Sudan' initiative.



LIKE ALL SVP GROUPS we seek to help those in need; the essence of our work is person-to-person contact and spending time with people is our greatest gift.

We also fundraise for the SVP Sudan appeal through our 'Soup for Sudan' lunches organised weekly during Advent and Lent which we began on Ash Wednesday 2016, not knowing how popular the lunches would be and whether we would be able to manage.

The response of our parish community has been very positive, warm and generous. Thirty to forty guests attend each week and thanks to our talented and hardworking members (15 busy people!) we have a menu of four or five different homemade soups and a buffet of bread, cheese and fruit, followed by tea or coffee with biscuits.

The lunches are occasionally boosted by the help of the enthusiastic and dedicated Mini-Vinnies from our Primary Schools, St John's and St Robert Southwell. The children, accompanied by their teachers, serve the soup, chat to our guests and even sing a few songs and read poems.

The age range of our guests ranges from the parish toddlers' group to the grandparents' group with many others in between dropping in while shopping or on their lunch break. A lovely benefit, which we did not anticipate when we started the lunches, is to fill the hall with people chatting, smiling and enjoying catching up with friends and making new acquaintances. The lunches are now a firm part of the parish social calendar.

The funds we raise are vital for those in desperate need in Sudan and South Sudan where the SVP support medical, water distribution and baby feeding programmes. In response to the famine reported in South Sudan, members are looking after the immediate needs of 13,000 internally displaced people in 2 camps.

Story and picture: Marie Campbell & Peter Sowinski

One School Feeds Another



CHILDREN at a school in Liberia are being fed every day they attend school thanks to the efforts of Worth School students. Pupils at Worth, near Crawley, were joined by parents and staff in raising almost £12,000 to sponsor a Mary's Meals programme at the Farsee Korma Public School in Liberia (pictured above) for the next two years.

Mary's Meals is a charity dedicated to providing some of the world's most underprivileged children one meal every day they attend school. The charity works in 15 countries across Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Caribbean and is currently feeding 1,257,278 children around the world thanks to sponsors like Worth School.

In September 2016, Headmaster Mr Stuart McPherson set the Worth community a challenge to raise £5,000 to sponsor a Mary's Meals feeding programme for a full school year. The response was phenomenal and by the end of the school year £11,959 had been raised.

This was achieved through a number of charitable initiatives including supporting World

Porridge Day, where boarding students ate porridge for breakfast and the 'breakfast saving' on what they would normally eat was donated to Mary's Meals. Girls in the school raised £450 by selling Valentine's Day roses, while collections at the Christmas Carol Service and the Annual Speech Day boosted the total.

With the amount raised, Worth wanted to commit to an initial two year sponsorship of a school and chose the Farsee Korma Public School in Cape Mount in the north west of Liberia, an area that borders with Sierra Leone. It has a total of 351 pupils who will all now receive a meal every day they attend school.

Principal teacher H Boima Dakawah said: 'Mary's Meals feeding programme increases enrolment and makes the students come to school on time.'

Worth School is continuing to raise money for Mary's Meals, with the possibility of sponsoring the feeding programme at Farsee Korma Public School for a third year.

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FOR CENTURIES, Catholics have honoured the Blessed Virgin Mary throughout the month of May, and we are no different - see below.

The maturing of Spring, with its theme of renewal, growth and celebration, is touched on throughout the paper, from the schools' pilgrimage to the annual Corpus Christi celebrations in Arundel to a joy-filled family day playing and praising at St John's Seminary, Womersley.

We look forward to the World Meeting of Families in Dublin next month and the Adoremus festival in August - Fr Tony Milner has written a reflective and thought-provoking article on the Eucharist, see this page.

Lest we become too self-centered, we are reminded of the needs of schoolchildren and babies as well as sailors who sacrifice so much for their families' future.

Praising, celebrating, supporting - much to do, what a wonderful and busy life it is.



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Lord, I am Not Worthy...

AS A PARISH PRIEST one thing which forms a significant part of my ministry is asking people to do things. This is not merely incidental to the role of a parish priest, in fact it is a key element in the task of leadership. Identifying skills and talents, enabling people to make use of them. This, of course, includes inviting people to become Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. And almost invariably the initial answer is 'Father I don't feel worthy'.

I don't get that for any other ministry. No-one says they feel unworthy to count the money, write the bidding prayers or even read the Scriptures or be a catechist. They may feel unprepared or that they lack the relevant skills, but they don't say they are unworthy.

My usual response is to say that none of us are worthy. And how could we be? How could anyone be worthy to bear and distribute, or indeed receive, the very Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God? Yet we do so not because we are worthy to do so, but because we are called. I am called because of my call to the ministerial priesthood. I am not worthy of that either! In the rite of ordination, the bishop asks the rector if the candidate is worthy to be ordained. One bishop remarked that he thought the answer ought to be 'of course he isn't'.

Distributing Holy Communion

Equally, when the priest asks someone to assist with the distribution of Holy Communion that is a call. Not on the level of the life-defining vocations such as marriage or ordination, but a call none the less. The disciples were not 'worthy' when the Lord called them. St Paul certainly wasn't! Worthiness does not come into it. At the heart of the call is the Lord's desire to

come to his people. Indeed all vocations within the church are at their heart a call to help people to encounter Jesus Christ, but of course this is at its most obvious in the ministry of bringing the Blessed Sacrament to people. And looked at that way we can see that worthiness is not so much something we need in order to be called, but something which is given in our calling. The Lord deems us worthy, and that is enough.



Of course a more fundamental but related question is our worthiness to receive the Eucharist in the first place. And we know that we are not worthy, indeed we say so every time we go to Mass. But Jesus comes to us precisely because we are not worthy. He comes to heal us, to free us from sin, to give us new life. He comes to us that he might live in us and we in him. In a sense, if we were worthy of the Eucharist we would not need it! As Pope Francis has said on a number of occasions, 'The Eucharist... is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak' (EG 47).

St Paul and Discerning the Body

But what does St Paul mean when he criticises those who 'eat the bread or drink the cup of the Lord unworthily' (1 Cor 11:27)? Do we not all do this? Paul clarifies this a few verses later - he means those who eat and drink 'without discerning the body'. Again we may ask 'what does he mean - is this about the Real

Presence?'. Certainly we need to recognise who it is we are receiving. But for Paul the 'body' is clearly the Church, and he is being critical of those who are receiving the Eucharist while at the same time behaving poorly towards other members of the Church with whom they are sharing that Eucharist. There is an essential link between the Eucharist and the Church - indeed the second Vatican Council described the Eucharist as the source and summit of the life of the Church (Cf. LG 11, SC 10).

The Sign of Peace and St Augustine

In the Mass we recognise we fall down on this in many ways. We acknowledge our sins at the beginning, not just to God but to one another. In the Confiteor we say 'I confess to Almighty God and to you my brothers and sisters'. The sign of peace is a reminder that we come as brothers and sisters to the Lord, and we need to be one with one another if we are to be truly one with the Lord. St Augustine reminds us, referring to St Paul



"You are the body of Christ, member for member." [1 Cor. 12.27] If you, therefore, are Christ's body and members, it is your own mystery that is placed on the Lord's table! It is your own mystery that you are receiving! You are saying 'Amen' to what you are: your response is a personal signature, affirming your faith. When you hear 'The body of Christ', you reply 'Amen.' Be a member of Christ's body, then, so that your 'Amen' may ring true! (Sermon 272)".

So it is good to say 'I am not worthy'. But that should not stop us from receiving the Eucharist (unless we are aware of grave sin in our life - then we should go to confession first, precisely to mend that rift between the Church and ourselves that grave sin creates). Similarly, it should not stop us from responding to the call to act as ministers of the Eucharist. Rather it should spur us on to take advantage of the 'medicine' that it may heal our wounds and enable us to draw ever closer to Christ by becoming ever more fully a member of his Body, the Church.

Fr Anthony Milner
Parish Priest of St Joseph, Dorking

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JUST A THOUGHT

JULY IS THE TIME TO REFLECT BACK on the past academic year - have we made the best of the opportunities offered? Have we taken the time to share our achievements? Are we looking forward to preparing for a new experience next term? Going back to school in September seems so far away. The only cloud on the horizon is waiting for exam results in August!

Families are excitedly looking for the chance to spend some time together. As we attend family gatherings, picnics and parties with friends, may we be blessed with the chance to make memories with them, remembering to thank God for giving us the warm sun and the beauty of this wonderful time of the year.

One of our best summer holiday memories was when we were living in Alderney. Our family were visiting us and one beautiful, hot morning we all headed straight down to our favourite beach. Taking the little boat out in to the bay we spent most of the day in and out of the sea. Family friends arrived with a bbq and during the afternoon we played beach games - it was so much fun. Watching the sunset together that evening was fantastic. A little sunburnt, sandy and tired when we eventually headed home, it was a day which we will always remember.

Hannah & Louis
Students at St Andrew's Catholic School,
Leatherhead

Our Lady Crowned



ELIZABETH FITCH WRITES 'At the end of our 11am Holy Mass on the Sixth Sunday of Easter, Fr Mícheál Beatty, our parish priest, crowned Our Lady to a wonderful chorus of 'As I kneel before you'. What a joy to honour Our Heavenly Mother. Our May devotions will continue every Sunday in May with the rosary and benediction at 4pm.

Our thanks to Allison Smith for the beautiful crown.

Picture: Dominic Rumsey/Meree Jane-Heidsie

Arundel Friends meet Chichester Friends

A GROUP OF FRIENDS from our Cathedral in Arundel visited their counterparts in Chichester a few months ago. On that occasion they were warmly welcomed by Bishop Martin who talked about the role of cathedrals generally in the spiritual life of the church and the special unique features of the Cathedral in Chichester.

In April the Arundel friends were glad to reciprocate. Mgr John Hull, as Provost of the Diocesan Chapter, led the welcomes and in a short but fascinating talk, highlighted the similarities and the differences between the ways in which Catholic cathedrals and Anglican cathedrals worked - how Bishops were chosen, how the Diocese was conceived as a Particular Church and how it was governed, and how, unlike the position in the Church of England, the Cathedral was very much the parish church of the Bishop.

But Mgr John's talk also highlighted how the medieval inheritance of the Church of England meant there were many similarities

in approach and in practice; more that unites than separates us.

A guided tour of the Cathedral was led by Oliver Hawkins, an erudite and knowledgeable 'Friend' who has spent many years researching the history of the historic building, its architecture and artefacts, and edits the twice yearly publication of 'Cornerstone'.* The visitors were also treated to sight of the sacred vestments, and precious historical artefacts normally stored carefully out of view in the cathedral vaults. A short description of their origins and use was provided by retired archivist Michael Rycroft. Local Arundel 'Friends' joined the group for a buffet lunch to chat and make our guests feel welcome.

A tour of the Fitzalan chapel led again by Oliver followed and the visit concluded with tea and cakes in Cathedral House.

The Friends have been delighted by the many and warm expressions of thanks received from their guests and hope that other groups will be inspired to visit. They hope too that by publicising the visit more people will come forward to become Friends and join our stalwart band of supporters. It is great fun and thoroughly worthwhile.

Story and picture: Margaret Bamford

* The twice yearly publication of the Friends of Arundel Cathedral. All members receive one as part of their membership. More details about membership can be found on the Cathedral website or by phoning Lindsey Stratford on 01903 884567



Celebrating *Corpus Christi* for Over 140 Years



FOR MORE THAN 140 YEARS the people of the town of Arundel have celebrated the Feast of Corpus Christi (the Body of Christ). Traditionally, a carpet of flowers is laid in the central aisle of Arundel Cathedral, open for public viewing for two days and then, after Mass on the second day, the Blessed Sacrament is taken in procession from the Cathedral to the courtyard of Arundel Castle, home to the Duke and Duchess of Norfolk. Following prayer and Benediction, the grand procession returns to the Cathedral.

Carpet of Flowers

Each year the carpet of flowers is prepared to a different design and the 2018 design was on the theme of 'Adoremus: the National Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress' that takes place in Liverpool from 7-9 September this year.

The weather forecast for 31 May, the day of the procession, was for lightening and torrential downpours all afternoon; indeed the skies were leaden and the air was muggy.

A decision was made to proceed and, after Mass presided over by Bishop Richard, the 2018 procession took place.

Procession

It was led by KSC stewards, altar servers, the choir and clergy and young girls strewing petals before the monstrance containing the Blessed

Sacrament, borne by Bishop Richard wearing a humeral veil, walking under a processional canopy held aloft by four bearers, accompanied by two candle holders and two deacons.

Knight and Dames of various orders followed, including members of The Order of St Gregory, The Order of St Sylvester, The Order of the Holy Sepulchre and the Order of Malta. Finally, two or three hundred members of the congregation brought up the rear.

Loudspeakers placed along the route of the entire procession enabled prayers to be relayed and hymns to be sung jointly with the cathedral congregation.

The procession went down London Road and High Street, watched by a small crowd, then entered the grounds of Arundel Castle through the impressive gateway.

Winding its way past ancient trees and green swathes, the procession then passed through a narrow stone entrance into the wide expanse of the castle courtyard, overlooked by the 11th century keep on its hill.

Following prayers and Benediction at an altar at the foot of the hill, the procession then reformed and retraced its steps, returning to the Cathedral, accompanied by prayers and hymns.

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POPE FRANCIS ARRIVES IN DUBLIN for the World Meeting of Families 2018 on 25 August.

This is an exciting international event that many families from across the Diocese will be attending. A group of 50 will be attending as the official Arundel and Brighton Group, so we will be spending time getting to know each other over the course of the event. This group is made up of families of all ages who are looking forward to the experience and hope to bring back some of what they learn to their parishes.

The World Meeting will begin on 21 August with an opening ceremony, followed by a three day conference that will engage every one of all ages. A fun filled youth stream will run alongside a fully packed children's programme, while the adults have the opportunity to attend workshops and lectures.

The theme of the conference is **The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World** and will focus on key issues related to family drawn from Pope Francis' teachings in The Joy of Love (Amoris Laetitia). Over the three days we will look at the Family and Faith, the Family and Love and the Family and Hope, led by a number of renowned international speakers.

The conference leads us towards the Festival of Families which will be an enormous celebration of Faith and of Families. Music, dancing and testimonies will allow us to share the joy we experience and bring us all together for one big international party – and Pope Francis will be joining us!

The World Meeting culminates in a Final Mass on Sunday which will be celebrated by the Holy Father, Pope Francis. It marks the conclusion of the event and we will hear which Diocese has been chosen to host the next World Meeting of Families.

We will have a member of the A&B News team with us, so look out for news of our journey in future editions – but most importantly – please keep the families who are attending in your prayers; that they may learn to experience God more fully in their family life, and that they may allow Him to transform their hearts and minds. And may we all return from Dublin renewed and invigorated, ready to bring the Good News back to our Diocese.

*Elizabeth Wakeling
Parish Family Groups Project Officer*



INSPIRE 2018 Day for Youth Leaders & Catechists

AROUND FIFTY YOUTH ministers and catechists from around the diocese gathered in Redhill on Saturday 12 May for INSPIRE 2018, the diocese's annual day for those who work with young people - pictured below. It follows on from the Breakthrough programme run in previous years, and will hopefully now stick around as a popular and useful annual event.

Unlike in the past when the day was led by one keynote speaker, INSPIRE featured an array of speakers. A TED-style event, if you like. Among them were Will Desmond, founder of the ASCENT, Fr Nick Crowe OP who talked about spirituality in ministry, Bishop Richard, Lizzie Wakeling who talked about young people and mental health, and others. It also gave participants a chance to network and to ask questions.

It seems to me, as the Diocesan Youth Officer, that we are at an exciting time in the Diocese where youth and young adult ministry is concerned. The Bishop has given

us a clear vision to follow and we seem to be in a time when all sorts of things are really starting to blossom! The Well-spring community in Brighton are doing some trailblazing work with young adults and students; programmes like Youth Alpha are transforming parish ministry; diocesan programmes like the Redshirts and the ENCOUNTER programme are going from strength to strength, and the start of the ASCENT programme in this autumn looks set to add an exciting dimension and to offer something to those young people wanting to take their faith a stage deeper.

This September, the INSPIRE process will continue with local groups. In fact, the new plan is for there to be three meetings a year: one diocesan meeting in the early part of the summer, one set of local meetings facilitated by me; and one set of local meetings which people arrange and sort between themselves.

If you want to get involved in any of the above, then feel free to get in touch – jack.regan@dabnet.org



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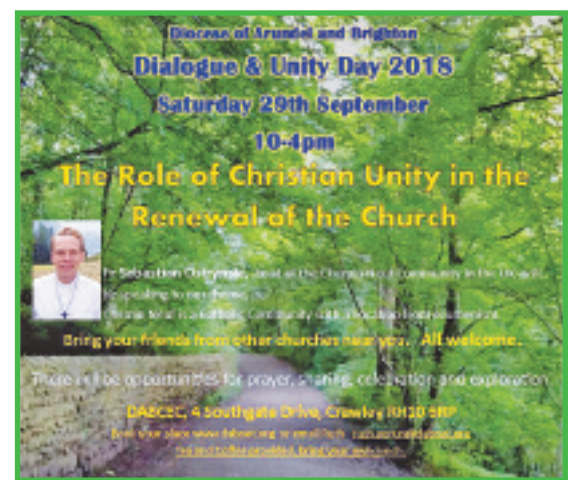
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Further information to follow.

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Sea Sunday - 8 July

Work of the Apostleship of the Sea

THIS MONTH the Church celebrates Sea Sunday on the 8 July when we are asked to support Apostleship of the Sea's work with seafarers. Greg Watts meets two of its ship visitors on the south coast to find out about their work.

Ship Visitor Irene Chapman

'I knew very little about the maritime world and wasn't aware of the conditions in which seafarers operate. I was also unaware of how many goods imported to the UK come by ship,' says Irene Chapman. Irene is one of Apostleship of the Sea's (AoS) volunteer ship visitors, working alongside Rev Roger Stone BEM, a permanent deacon in the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton, who is chaplain to the ports on the Sussex and Hampshire coast.

Irene became a ship visitor eight years ago after hearing a talk in her parish on Sea Sunday about how AoS provides pastoral care and practical help to seafarers. Having worked in commercial management and higher education, Irene knew nothing about the maritime world and that so many of the goods we rely on – cars, fridges, computers, fuel – come to Britain by sea. 'One of my first impressions when I began visiting ships was how very hard the crew work and how incredibly cheerful they remain,' Irene recalls. She was surprised by the size of some of the ships and how dangerous being a seafarer is. Few of us would fancy being on board a ship being tossed about in the middle of the ocean in a ferocious storm hundreds or thousands of miles from land.

Missing Moments

Irene mostly visits car transporters, general cargo carriers, and gas tankers docked at Fawley. Seafarers can be at sea for months, Irene has learned, which means they have little contact with their families and miss out on important moments such as births, their children's first day at school, and Christmas. **'One sentence from a seafarer which has remained with me was, "I**

have no memories." He was referring to the fact that he had missed his children's birth, their growing up, their parties and their graduation ceremony. Because he was working at sea, he could not be there to share any of these.' (Irene is pictured below presenting Fairtrade Easter Eggs to seafarers).

Ship Visitor Mary Thakrar

Another ship visitor working on the Sussex and Hampshire coast is Mary Thakrar. Much of her time is spent visiting ships in Southampton. Unlike Irene, she already knew a lot about the tough life of seafarers, having once lived on a cargo ship.

When she became a ship visitor, she was struck by how the maritime industry had changed since her time at sea. 'In those days, most of the seafarers I met were English and their pay and conditions were decent. That's not the case nowadays,' she says. Many of the seafarers she meets are from parts of the world such as the Philippines and Goa. The reason they go to sea and undertake one of the most dangerous jobs in the world is to support their families back home.

How AoS Can Help

Because many ships are only in port for a few hours, seafarers have little time to have a change of scenery or buy essential supplies. This is where AoS often helps, providing mobile phone top-up cards, warm clothing in the winter, arranging transport to local shops and even for a priest to visit a ship to celebrate Mass on board.

'I have met older seafarers who have spent years at sea to give their children better lives by funding higher education for them,' says Mary. 'Many also work to fund medical treatment for their family. We often take these for granted, but in many countries you have to pay for them.'

Story and picture: Greg Watts



Six new Altar Servers

THE PARISH OF EFFINGHAM AND FETCHAM recently enrolled six new altar servers into the Guild of St Stephen. They are pictured with Fr John Inglis and Deacon Ian Wells.

Story and picture: Ian Wells



One of our inserts this month is from Your Catholic Legacy. Research shows that Catholics are among the most generous legacy donors - but this generosity does not always involve legacies to Catholic causes. As a result, a campaign has been launched to encourage more Catholics to consider leaving a gift in their will to fund vital work by Catholic charities at home and abroad. This includes illustrations of how Catholics can choose to lay a foundation of faith for future generations by leaving a legacy gift.



OBITUARY - Pilgrim Pat

PAT DONACHIE's first 'pilgrimage' was with her husband Keith, leaving Yorkshire to live in London in the 1960s, then on to Ashford in Kent, and then settling in Reigate in the early 1970s.

Pat was a stalwart of the Arundel and Brighton Walking Pilgrimages, rambling the length and breadth of the country, facing long miles in uncertain weather and sleeping on hall floors. Eventually Keith joined her. In due time they walked together the 800 miles of the Camino to Santiago da Compostella. As a unique symbol her walking shoes were placed with the traditional items upon her coffin.

Much of Pat's life as a scientist had been spent in hospital laboratories. Helping people was her passion; with the SVP and St Catherine's Hospice where she became a bereavement counsellor, and both Keith and Pat were 'at work' on Christmas Day with Crisis at Christmas.

Obituaries by their nature concentrate on the life of the person in the wider community. For her family the memories are of a happy home, fun, food and holiday. Pat's final pilgrimage

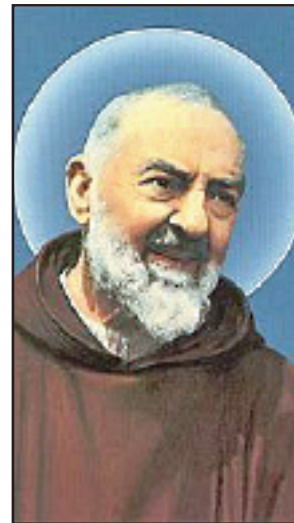


heavenwards was from East Surrey Hospital, where she had regularly taken Communion to parishioners, took place on 28 March. Her maternal love continues in harmony with that of the Lord.

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Pilgrimage to Italy

THIRTY FIVE pilgrims from the diocese were very privileged to go on an amazing pilgrimage with Frs Stephen Hardacre and Terry Martin.



Included were visits to the tomb of St Pio, the Holy House of Nazareth in the Basilica of Loreto, and the sanctuary of St Michael The Archangel and the Basilica of St Nicholas with his relics in Bari.



Asked by my neighbour to describe a pilgrimage: 'A time to journey with our fellow pilgrims, praying, singing and being silent. It deepens your spiritual life where you discover the beauty of your faith. Cling onto the things that matter. Food for your soul.'

Story: Eileen Eifion-Wynne

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BISHOP'S DIARY

JUNE/JULY

JUNE		
Sat 23	11am	Guildford Deanery Confirmation at Cranleigh
	2.30pm	Guildford Deanery Confirmation at St Joseph's, Guildford
	6pm	Jubilee Mass, Tadworth Parish for Mgr Richard Madders MBE
Sun 24	9am	Mass at Slindon Parish
Mon 25	11.45am	Mass and lunch with recently ordained clergy
Tue 26	10.30am	Council of Priests, DABCEC
	6pm	Choral Evensong, National Churches Trust
Thu 28	10.30am	Mass for 70th Anniversary of St Peter's Primary School, Leatherhead
	2.30pm	Refugee Steering Group Meeting, High Oaks
Fri 29	8am	Mass and Blessing of new chapel of St Peter's School, Merrow
	2pm	Mass at Cranmore School
Sat 30	11am	Brighton Deanery Confirmation, St Peter's, Hove
	3pm	Brighton Deanery Confirmation, St Mary's, Preston Park
JULY		
Sun 1	12 noon	Procession with Italian Community, Woking
	7.30pm	Talk on the Holy Sepulchre, Winchester
Mon 2	12 noon	Mass and lunch with retired priests at High Oaks
	5pm	Mass at St Cuthman's, Billingshurst
Tue 3	7.30am	Mass at Gossops Green Convent, Crawley
	10.45am	Trustees' Meeting High Oaks
	7.30pm	Meeting at High Oaks
Wed 4		Meeting at St Mary's University, Twickenham
Thu 5 - 7		Mental Health Conference, Oxford
Sun 8	3pm	St Leonard's Deanery Confirmations, Bexhill
Mon 9	11am	Meetings at Eccleston Square
Tue 10	11am	Meeting at Eccleston Square
	1pm	Meeting in London
	4.30pm	Worthing Deanery Staff Mass, St Catherine's Primary School, Littlehampton
Wed 11	10am	School Mass and blessing of new chapel at St Philip Howard Catholic High School, Barnham
	5pm	Meeting at High Oaks
	7pm	Council of Deacons, High Oaks
Thu 12	10am	DASB Meeting, Salesian School, Chertsey
	1.30pm	Worthing Deanery Children's Conference, Chatsmore School, Goring
Fri 13	6.30pm	Vespers and Reception, Arundel Cathedral
Sat 14	11am	Eastbourne Deanery Confirmations, Our Lady of Ransom
	2.30pm	Eastbourne Deanery Confirmations, Christ the King Parish
Sun 15	10.30am	Silver Jubilee Mass for Fr Tony Milner, Dorking Parish
	2.30pm	Mass at Celebrate, Cardinal Newman School, Brighton
Tue 17	7.30am	Mass at Gossops Green, Crawley
	6pm	Mass and Confirmation at HMP Send
Wed 18/19		Graduations for St Mary's University, Westminster Cathedral
Fri 20	9am	Meeting at High Oaks
	1pm	Jubilee Celebration for Our Lady Queen of Heaven school, Crawley
	5pm	Ordination to priesthood of Tristan Cranfield at Arundel Cathedral
Sat 21	5pm	Mass at Staplefield
Sun 22	3.30pm	Mass for Lourdes Briefing Day, St Wilfrid's School, Crawley
Tue 24	7pm	Mass at Sacred Heart, Hove for Fr Kevin Dring's Silver Jubilee
Wed 25	9am	Red Shirts Departure Day Mass, St Wilfrid's School
Thu 26 July to 2 August		Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

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And a heartfelt plea goes to all reading this. Would you like to join us? Do you feel in some way called to volunteer? Is there a little voice inside suggesting it's worth getting in touch to see how you might be able to help? Please do.

Martin Brown
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the ASCENT 

APPLICATIONS ARE STILL OPEN for the ASCENT which is starting in our diocese this October. It's been running successfully for a few years now, in two other locations around the country, and is supported by Bishop Richard, so we're delighted it's coming to A&B.

the ASCENT is a three-year discipleship process for young people in years 10 to 12 that seeks to raise up a generation who are passionate about prayer and influencing their localities with the Gospel. So, if you are about to start Year 11, 12 or 13 this September, and have attended a Catholic youth event in the past or have completed your confirmation programme but just know there is something deeper, this is probably the thing for you to get involved with. This is what the organisers say about it:

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'It can be tough to live out our faith, right? Especially when we don't have around us people who are encouraging and cheering us on in our faith journey. We also think that it really is not enough just to complete a confirmation programme or attend an annual youth event in order to become a passionate disciple of Jesus. So, because of this we have come up with a bit of a crazy idea... we want to invite you to come and join the ASCENT family as we travel together over a three-year period where we will do life together and learn from each other. Based around three weekends and weekly Google hangouts in PoDs (Pockets of Disciples) we want to enable you to fall deeply in love with Jesus and your brothers and sisters in Christ. Sounds simple? It is. But we really believe this could be the process that helps you to influence your locality with the Gospel.'

Secondary Schools on Pilgrimage (cont.)



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In his homily, Bishop Richard asked us to reflect on the moments in our lives that we have found challenging and know that wherever we go and with every step we take, Christ is with us.

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FROM THE PARISHES

GODALMING



ST EDMUND'S PARISH enjoyed a wonderful pilgrimage to Aylesford Priory in Kent. It was led by our parish priest Fr David Parmiter and was entitled 'Praying with Mary'. After a session led by Ian Honeysett, reflecting on and praying a selection of Marian prayers, a Mass was celebrated in the delightful Relic Chapel. In the afternoon parishioners took advantage of the sunny weather to say the Rosary in the priory grounds following the Rosary Walk. For many of the parishioners it was the first time they had returned to the Priory since visiting on school trips.

Damian Wheeler

ADUR VALLEY

THE YOUTH of our parish have done so much to be thankful for this month. Firstly we must congratulate Amelia, Beth, Dominica, Marc, Max and Will who were confirmed.

The youth SVP organised an evening of games and pizza - allegedly, Pie Face and ping pong were a huge hit!! They raised £23 which is going towards setting up the Mini Vinnies at St Peter's School.

Then on 25 May the Youth SVP had a sponsored 'Sleep Out' in the hall; not a fun night but an effort to experience what it would be like for rough sleepers. The adult supervisors served food as if they had gone to a night shelter and they had to find themselves a slot to bed down for the night.

The Spring parish day was a great success; everyone enjoyed it and £777 was raised for parish funds. The Sisters' coffee morning at The Towers raised £1,500 for their Mission work.

There have now been five sessions to 'Explore Prayer' led by Fr Tony Lovegrove. Each session is self-contained so that if one has been unable to attend every session it has not mattered and all have gained spiritually from those they have attended.

Penny Richardson

TO ALL OUR

CORRESPONDENTS

ITEMS for the **August 2018** issue must reach the Editorial Office at Crawley by 10am on **Monday 2 July 2018** and for the **September 2018** issue by **Monday 30 July 2018**. Contributions may be sent by e-mail to abnews@dabnet.org and if so please always include a contact telephone number.

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CATERHAM

WE CONGRATULATE the 14 Confirmation candidates confirmed by Bishop Richard Moth on 27 April and also the children who received their First Holy Communion on 12 and 19 May.

The Parish Justice and Peace Group prayed the Peace Rosary on 4 May and invited Saima Raza of the Croydon Community against modern slavery and human trafficking to give a compelling talk about this very relevant issue on 11 May.

The SVP Group had a coffee and cake sale on 20 May which raised over £226 including donations and Moyra Brohier organised the first parish plant sale which raised over £350 for the Beavers Scout group and the Gatwick Detainees Welfare Group. St Francis School had the remaining plants for their school garden.

The Mothers and Toddlers seem to be very busy with various activities and at the other end of the age scale the parish Women's Group had a house Mass said by Canon Francis O'Sullivan of the Southwark Diocese. He is the brother of a deceased member (Mrs Olive Wood). As always it was a very joyous occasion and much appreciated. Well into his nineties, he is ever youthful!

The annual CAFOD vintage tea, held on Sunday 13 May, was attended by 60 people who had an enjoyable time whilst helping a good cause.

Peter Patterson

CRAWLEY

ON PENTECOST SUNDAY we gathered together with our 40 young confirmandi at the 5.30pm Mass. It was heartening to see these young people praying and reading, proving that the Catholic Church is alive and thriving!

As the Bishop welcomed our young people to be true witnesses to Christ, our community at St Bernadette's church was recognising the contribution of one of ours. At the 5.00pm Mass, Fr Chris Dobson paid tribute to our talented musician Francis, who plays guitar at St Bernadette's and has been the leading musician at Mass for 12 years. Parishioners were keen to chat with him after Mass and quickly a queue formed before he'd had time to put away his guitar. Fortunately, there was plenty of opportunity for those who were able to stay, to chat over tea and cake. The mention of cake brought a cheeky smile to Francis's face! There is great affection for him and the tribute and warm regard in which he is held are very appropriate. May God continue to be with him and his family.

Thanks go to our accomplished and inspiring Mauritian choir for their lively contribution to our worship on Trinity Sunday. Many thanks also to Fr Simon Dray for celebrating our Mass and to Deacon Andrew Bayes for his thoughtful homily.

Sue Fellows and Barbara Winstanley

EASTBOURNE

Christ the King and St Joachim

THE MASS TO MARK Fr Neil Chatfield's induction as our parish priest was celebrated on 3 May, the feast of Sts Philip and James. During the course of his homily Bishop Richard Moth said that this was an appropriate day on which to induct our new parish priest as the preaching of Sts Philip and James together with the other apostles helped to lay the foundations of our faith community.

We were pleased to welcome Mgr Keith Newton, Ordinary of the Personal Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham, which has Fr Neil as one of its members, and our area Dean, Canon Paul Jennings, who read Fr Neil's letter of appointment as a prelude to the induction ceremony.

Reflecting on the occasion in the parish newsletter, Fr Neil was able to look back on a memorable evening. 'The church was full, the music was great and it was a very moving welcome to the responsibility of the parish.' He thanked parishioners for their hard work in preparing for the Mass and for the excellent refreshments which were enjoyed afterwards.

The eventful month also saw 31 children from each of our churches receive their First Holy Communion. We continue to remember them all in our prayers.

John Carmody

EASTBOURNE

Our Lady of Ransom

A PROCESSION to the bandstand, held for Rosary on the coast for faith, life and peace in the British Isles, was attended by Fr Raglan Hay Will, Fr Gerard Hatton and over 200 parishioners, despite the cold and windy day. Those who could not attend prayed the rosary at home. Flores de Mayo and a procession of Our Lady was led by Fr Gerard to St Saviour's; flowers and plates of food were brought for the celebration.

We have had an extremely good response to the widely acclaimed Alpha Course which is aimed at anyone who wants to understand their faith more deeply. Bishop Richard Moth was our guest speaker at our first ENCOUNTER evening in the parish centre. For 18-30 year olds, it included food, games, music and adoration. We held an International Mass to celebrate Pentecost followed by a meal in the parish centre. Fr Raglan held a talk in the parish centre at the RCIA meeting on the social teaching of the Church and the Lay Apostolate.

Mary Staffiere

MERSTHAM, REDHILL and REIGATE

THE 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER was a week-end of celebrations for the parish of the Nativity of the Lord. The Saturday evening had a three-fold purpose: the induction by Bishop Richard Moth of Fr Tony Bridson as parish priest, of Tamsyn Lawlor as head of St Joseph's School, Redhill, and the formal welcome of Fr Binoy of the Syro-Malabar Mission, based in Merstham.

Another mystical number had a role too: Bishop Richard drew attention to the word 'love' appearing seven times in the five verse reading from St John's first Epistle. It is to be celebrated and shared in both parish and school; both are places to experience the love of Christ. The theme was underlined when, after Communion, children from St Joseph's School led us in the hymn 'Let there be love shared among us.'

Induction of Fr Tony Bridson



Bishop Richard had the unusual task of reading out his own formal letter for the appointment of Fr Tony. (It is normally the role of the Dean, but

our Dean was celebrating Mass in his own parish at that moment.) He then went on to say how important it is for priests to have pastoral hearts. Our parish is delighted to reap the benefits of Fr Tony's wide pastoral experience.

We were pleased to welcome Fr Tony's parents and Tamsyn's family to the event, which was followed by refreshments, music and a dancing display which truly reflected our multi-ethnic parish.

The second celebration occurred the following afternoon when Bishop Richard confirmed the young people of our parish. Nevertheless, there was still time for the regular parish lunch - which this time had an African flavour.

Ann Lardeur

MIDHURST

AS PART OF THE MAY celebrations, on the first Sunday of May at the end of Mass, Fr Peter Newsam led the altar servers to our statue of Our Lady and placed a small crown on her head.

The following Sunday was nearing the end of the Easter Season. There were several events, in particular linked to 'Thy Kingdom Come', which is an ecumenical prayer movement for the days between Ascension and Pentecost around the churches in Midhurst. At the Divine Motherhood, we had an hour of prayer in preparation for Pentecost on Saturday 12 May.

At the end of the month, Fr Peter wrote in the newsletter that we could not hold our annual Mass for The Blessed Margaret Pole this year, a very popular feast held in the stunning Cowdray ruins that are now: 'closed due to renovations'!

Paula Dempsey

NEWHAVEN and PEACEHAVEN

FROM APRIL 28 to May 13 our two parishes came together for a mission entitled GROWING TOGETHER run by The Sion Community. For these two weeks, dedicated teams guided us through wonderful and joyous services designed to inspire and reawaken our love for Jesus and each other within our communities.

The first week consisted of home visits to parishioners and daily Masses with faith sharing experiences which were very personal and moving.

The second week consisted of Inspiring Faith Services in which we participated. Homilies, videos, singing and laughter, all combined with the opportunity for reconciliation and quiet prayer time, made for a wonderful, refreshing, inspirational and spiritual time. No doubt the Holy Spirit will have moved many of us to look again at our lives and how we can make changes for the better.

Of course, all this was accompanied by refreshments after each service, and a very happy and well-attended party at the end of the mission when we thanked the Sion Team for their dedication and hard work amongst our community.

Carolyn Ochar

PETWORTH with DUNCTON

BISHOP RICHARD MOTH has asked Fr Peter Newsam, the parish priest of Petworth and Midhurst, to take on the role of Episcopal Vicar of Sussex in addition to his existing roles. This will make his already busy life even busier, but Fr Peter is of course to be congratulated on this appointment and we wish him every success in his new role.

On 28 April there was a joint meeting of the two parishes of Petworth and Midhurst, preceded by evening Mass. The way forward was discussed at some length and several points of interest and concern were raised. It was agreed that progress is being made but that there is still much to do to fulfil the Bishop's vision of the future.

The services of Holy Week and the Sacred Triduum were, as ever, truly inspiring and it was gratifying how full the churches were, especially for Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. After the starkness and austerity of Lent, it is always wonderful to see the churches come alive once more with flowers and lights and the joy of the Resurrection.

Sally Bohane

FROM THE PARISHES (cont.)

POLEGATE and HAILSHAM

AT THE END OF APRIL several members of our communities joined in the Rosary on the Coast for faith, life and peace in the British Isles, held at the bandstand on Eastbourne seafront as part of the national event.

A new statue of St George (see picture) was recently presented to St George's, Polegate, by Dominic Duder-Rumsey in memory of his wife, Jenni Duder-Rumsey who died peacefully in September 2017. They had been attending St George's for over 20 years and Jenni was an active member of the congregation until taken ill about 10 years ago. At the beginning of May the Children's Liturgy crowned the newly decorated statue of Our Lady of Lourdes in the new Dedication area which was blessed on the same occasion. This was created as a memento of Jenni and her love of St George's. The crowning was accompanied by singing *O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today, Queen of the Angels and Queen of the May*.

On Sunday, 20 May, the Children's Liturgy at St George's held their annual summer gathering in Abbots Wood. The sun came out soon after their arrival and the families present had an enjoyable fun filled afternoon. Parents and children from St Joachim's in Hampden Park were amongst the 30 people present. Everyone joined in enthusiastically in the games and shared picnic.

Margaret Piegrome and Anne Sullivan



WORTHING



ON PENTECOST SUNDAY at separate Masses at firstly St Michael's church and then St Mary's Church, Worthing, Michael Hunter and Susan Swindells were received into full communion in the Catholic Church. They were both sponsored by their respective fiancées, Michelle and Donato. Michael works in London in a major company and Susan is an art teacher at Chatsmore Catholic School.

Michael's fiancée is from USA and Susan's fiancée is from Italy.

The picture shows Fr Chris Ingle, Michael Hunter, fiancée Michelle, Susan Swindells, fiancée Donato, Deacon Mark Woods and behind, RCIA parish catechists Trudy and Beth.

Story: Mark Woods



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IN THE MAY EDITION of A&B News we asked you to answer the question 'What is the connection between the CTS, Mill Hill Missionaries and Westminster Cathedral?' in order to win a complete set of the Onefifties anniversary booklets.

The answer we were looking for was the person of **Cardinal Herbert Vaughan** who founded the CTS in 1868, the Mill Hill Missionaries in 1866 and was a primary fund raiser for the construction of Westminster Cathedral, before becoming the third Archbishop of Westminster.

The first correct answer pulled from the editor's Panama hat was submitted by Dr Claire Dane of Woking. Many congratulations Claire and a set of Onefifties is heading your way - enjoy!



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