

## Mass Times

### Sunday Masses

- Sat 5.30 pm Vigil Mass  
Sun 8.00 am  
9.30 am Family Mass  
11.15 am Sung Mass  
5.45 pm (1st Sun Youth Mass)

### Weekday Masses

- Mon, Tues, Thurs 7.30 & 10.00 am  
Wed 7.30 am, 12.30 pm,  
7.30 pm Extraordinary Form  
(1st Wed monthly ONLY)  
4.30 pm Burrswood  
(2nd Wed monthly ONLY)  
Fri 7.30, 10.00 am & 7.30 pm  
Sat: 8.00 and 10.00 am

### Reconciliation

- Sat 10.30-11.30 am. 4.30 - 5.15 pm  
Also by appointment.

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## Prayer

### Benediction with Evening Prayer of the Church.

Sunday 4.00pm

### Eucharistic Adoration

Monday - 6.30 am - 8.00 pm  
Tuesday and Thursday 6.30 am - 1.00 pm  
Friday 6.30am - 9.00pm

### Morning Prayers

Monday- Friday 7.00am, Saturday 7.40am

### Rosary

Mon - Tues & Thurs - Fri before 10.00 am Mass

### ROSARY INTENTION

That we may be open to the Holy Spirit so that we may carry out the Spirit's work.

Monday - Friday the church is usually open from 6.30am until at least 8.00pm.

### Prayer Groups

- Cenacolo Thurs, 2.30 pm -  
Blessed Sacrament  
Charismatic Tues, 8.00 pm - Church  
Christian Tues, 2.00 pm- MR3  
Meditation  
Mothers Tues, 10.45 am- Meet Room 3  
Prayers

### GOING INTO HOSPITAL?

If you are going into hospital and would like a priest to visit you during your stay it is essential that you let one of the priests know. Tunbridge Wells hospital and many other hospitals do not inform us when Catholic patients are admitted.

**Please note the latest items can be accepted is 4pm on Monday in any given week, although inclusion for the coming weekend can't be guaranteed.** Contributions to:  
newsdesk@st-augustine.co.uk or office.

Newsletter can also be printed from the website - <http://www.st-augustine.co.uk/newsletters.php>

# ST AUGUSTINE'S NEWS

20th May 2018



## PENTECOST by Fr Peter Stodart



The Jewish feast of Pentecost, also called the Feast of Weeks, was celebrated fifty days after the Passover. It was originally a thanksgiving for the harvest and was one of the three great feasts when all the men of Israel had to present themselves before God (*Deuteronomy 16:16*). By the time of Jesus, however, it was kept as the anniversary of the covenant between God and Israel. It was a fitting day, therefore, for the Holy Spirit to come upon the apostles, not only because there

were plenty of people in Jerusalem for the feast. but also because the sending of the Holy Spirit was the final fulfilment of the covenant and of God's promise not only to Israel but to all humanity.

The dramatic signs that marked this event – the mighty wind, the tongues of fire, the overcoming of the language barrier – demonstrate that, by this act God was bringing to completion the salvation of all human beings. For the reconciliation between God and humans was fully achieved by Christ's sacrifice of his life, and the significance of it was fully revealed by his victory over death. To bear the saving effects of this sacrifice and this victory to all people, Jesus commissioned the twelve apostles. Constituted but not yet empowered, the apostles waited in the upper room for what was to be the final act of the Paschal mystery and the first act of the Church.

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of the faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love!

## REGINA CAELI

O Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia!  
For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia!  
Has risen, as He said, alleluia!  
Pray for us to God, alleluia!  
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!  
For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia!

**PENTECOST SUNDAY**  
Year B Psalter Week 3  
Parish Mass Book  
Readings: from page 290  
Preface: page 76

## ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Our Annual Parish Meeting will be held tomorrow, Monday 21st May at 8.00pm in the Hall. We look forward to seeing you there. If you haven't already got one please pick up an invitation, and take a copy of the approved minutes of last year's meeting, from the table in the porch.

## Retreat at Douai Abbey

We have two or three available spaces for our last visit to Douai Abbey, from 24th to 27th July. If you are interested please contact me as soon as possible at [lucia.crewdson@gmail.com](mailto:lucia.crewdson@gmail.com)

## EMERGENCY WARDENS' COORDINATOR

A chance to make a significant input to the life of the parish without making a major commitment of time! There is a network of Emergency Wardens in place who have the task of supervising the evacuation of the Church if an emergency were to occur. There is a need to appoint a Co-ordinator who has the responsibility of ensuring that there are sufficient Wardens available for each Mass and that their equipment is in working order. If you wish to learn more please give contact details to the Office.

## Dates for your calendar

### Running the Race of Life with the Holy Spirit

12th June - 8pm, Talk in Church

Barbara Onuonga is an inspiring speaker and teacher who is passionate about her Catholic faith. More details to follow

Our **International Parish Mass** will be the 5:30pm Mass on Sat 7th July. Followed by a celebration in the Hall.

**A Family & Childrens' Day** will be held in Hall & car park on 1st July from 1:30 -4:30pm.



## Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

As you may be aware, the Liturgical Universal Calendar was recently revised to include a new Memoria: Mary, Mother of the Church. This obligatory memoria has been added to fall on the Monday after Pentecost Sunday, and so in 2018 it is to be kept tomorrow, Monday 21st May. Prayers and antiphons for this Mass can be found in the Roman Missal on page 1411-1415 including a preface. The Decree and a Notification links follow.  
*Link to the February Decree:*  
<https://tinyurl.com/yc9akzak> (tinyurl)  
*Link to a Notification about the Memoria:*  
<https://tinyurl.com/y7q3vpv8> (tinyurl)

## FOOD BANK SALE

There will be a table sale of food items, that are not appropriate for putting in the bags that we hand out each week, outside the Church after all Sunday Masses this weekend 19/20th May any reasonable offer or donations accepted. The income will be used to buy basic items to restock our depleted shelves.

## Diocesan Financial Controller Wanted The Diocese of Arundel & Brighton

Please contact the Chief Operating Officer Sarah Kilmartin:  
telephone: 01273 859705 or email:  
[finance@bishops-house.co.uk](mailto:finance@bishops-house.co.uk)  
for an application form and job description.  
Closing date: Monday 4th June 2018,  
interviews to follow shortly after.

## Bereavement Retreat

There is a Bereavement retreat being held at Minster Abbey on June 1<sup>st</sup> -3<sup>rd</sup>. For further information go to [www.minsterabbeynuns.org](http://www.minsterabbeynuns.org) or write to Minster Abbey, Church St. Minster, Nr. Ramsgate, Kent. CT12 4HF  
**Telephone:** 01843 821254

## GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Please collect your new box of  
**GIFT AID ENVELOPES**  
from the narthex.

**The Diocesan Justice & Peace Commission, Spring Assembly 2018** entitled **Laudato Si!** Responding to the call of Pope Francis, will be at **St Mary's Church, Croydon, Surrey. Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> June. 10.30am to 4pm, Preceded by Mass at 10am celebrated by Bishop Lynch. Speaker Ellen Teague.** Free event. Everyone welcome. Please bring a packed lunch. Tea & coffee provided.

## The Marian Fathers are holding their 17th Divine Mercy Conference

**Saturday 16 June 2018 at Our Lady Mother of the Church, 2 Windsor Road, Ealing W5 5PD from 10:30 am to 6 pm,** Guest Speaker is Sr Briega McKenna, OSC who has an International Ministry for Healing. The conference will include Holy Mass presided by Rt Rev Bishop Paul Hendricks, Hour of Mercy and Healing Ministry. Entrance is by tickets only £10 donation. For tickets and more information contact: DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE - MARIAN FATHERS, 1 Courtfield Gardens, London W13 0EY, T: 020 8998 0925;  
Email: [info@divinemeracy.org.uk](mailto:info@divinemeracy.org.uk)  
[www.divinemeracyapostolate.co.uk](http://www.divinemeracyapostolate.co.uk).

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Dear God,  
please reveal to us your sublime beauty that is everywhere, everywhere, everywhere, so that we will never again feel frightened. My divine love, my love, please let us touch your face.  
St. Francis of Assisi

## THIS WEEK

**SATURDAY 19<sup>th</sup>**

2.30 pm Polish Catechism - Hall

**SUNDAY 20<sup>th</sup> Pentecost Sunday**  
Yr B Ps Wk 3

9.30 am First Holy Communion Inscription Mass

5.45 pm Confirmandi Inscription Mass

**OUTREACH Citizens Advice** The charity Citizens Advice CAB provides free, independent, confidential and impartial advice to everyone on their rights and responsibilities. For more information, please see [www.twcab.org.uk](http://www.twcab.org.uk)

**MONDAY 21<sup>st</sup> Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**

12.30 pm Ladies Lunch & Prayer Grp Hall

8.00 pm Annual Parish Council Meeting Hall

**TUESDAY 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Noon Tuesday Lunch Club Hall

4.00 pm FHC Rehearsal Church

**WEDNESDAY 23<sup>rd</sup>**

2.30 pm Bible Study

**THURSDAY 24<sup>th</sup> Dedication of St Augustine's Church - Our patronal feast**

**FRIDAY 25<sup>th</sup> St Bede the Venerable**

**SATURDAY 26<sup>th</sup> St Philip Neri**

**SUNDAY 27<sup>th</sup> The Most Holy Trinity**  
Yr B Ps Wk 4

7.00 pm Confessions in Polish

7.30 pm Mass in Polish

**MSZA SWIETA 19.30**

**OUTREACH Mission Appeal Society of African Missions.** The Society of African Missions, founded in France in 1856, is an international missionary society whose main purpose is to spread Gospel values to the people of Africa everywhere. See [www.missionariesofafrica.org/](http://www.missionariesofafrica.org/)

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