



# St Wilfrid's Catholic Church Burgess Hill

with

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~ **Sunday 14 October 2018** ~

## ~ **Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time** ~ **School Welcome Mass**

**Lectionary Cycle B Year II - Eucharistic Prayer 2**

*At today's 9.30am Mass we welcome all families whose children have joined St Wilfrid's Catholic Primary School and pray together at the start of the school year.*

### **First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2018-2019** **First Holy Communion Prayer**

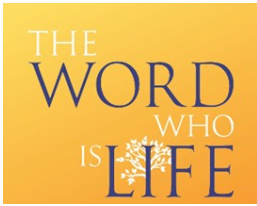
Father in Heaven, our children are preparing for their First Holy Communion next May. We ask you to be with them so that they may grow in their understanding of the Scriptures, of the Sacraments and especially of the gift of your Son in The Eucharist. Please inspire parents, grandparents and the children's catechists to be supportive, thorough in teaching and personal examples of Christian living to inspire all those preparing for First Holy Communion. We ask this in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Next Parents Meeting**  
Monday 19 November 7.30pm  
**Childrens Session Two**  
Saturday 3 November  
9.30am/11am and  
Mass at 9.30am on  
Sunday 4 November.



### **Deanery meeting with Bishop Richard**

Bishop Richard and his team met in our parish hall on Tuesday evening 9th October, with more than 200 people from our deanery parishes: Burgess Hill, Haywards Heath, Keymer/Hurstpierpoint and Lewes. The Bishop's plan is looking forward to 2030, when there may be significantly fewer priests to serve all the parishes of the Diocese. The long term plan for our area is for there to be only one priest for Keymer, Burgess Hill and Haywards Heath, and one for Lewes with Seaford, Peacehaven and Newhaven, with the priest and administration for our area to be here at Burgess Hill. Why Burgess Hill? I don't know. We are the geographically central church. I suspect having the large public parish space of our hall probably helped as, possibly, did the extent of our own and surrounding parking. It doesn't really matter. The Bishop made it quite clear that nothing is "carved in stone." The plan doesn't take into account retired priests living in the area or more vocations to the priesthood and so could change, but he believes we must be prepared for the "worst case scenario," and be glad if it turns out better. Overall he is positive and optimistic. He has plans for formation and education at every level in the parishes, including youth, that should help revitalize the church and each one of us, and that is very exciting, and something we have already begun in our own small way. Administration will also be centralized and simplified, and not the sole responsibility of the parish priest. He emphasized that the mission of the Church is all our mission, not just the clergy. We are quite well placed for all of this, which doesn't mean we won't be affected: Even before 2030, the Mass times need to be re-arranged so that one priest could cover all the Masses in Burgess Hill and Keymer, for instance, in case a priest was ill or away. It will mean some changes and compromises for everyone. I remain, with the Bishop, very optimistic about it all. The main plan, as presented, is now on the Diocesan website at: [www.dabnet.org](http://www.dabnet.org) though this does not include the specific details for each deanery. Thanks to all of you who contributed ideas which we passed on to the Bishop in preparation for this diocesan plan and to all of you who were able to come along on Tuesday evening. I hope you will share your impressions of the plan with other parishioners who may ask. Every blessing, Fr. Rick



**CAFOD Harvest Fast Day** Thank you all very much for your generosity in raising £1311.18 (incl £432 Gift Aided) last weekend. This will mean that more families around the world have the means to support themselves and survive now and in the future. Thank you to everyone who contributed; your gifts will change lives. For more info on the projects being worked on please visit [www.cafod.org.uk](http://www.cafod.org.uk)



**Baptism**  
This weekend we welcome into the family of God  
**Lilah Blossom Mimi Vaughan**  
**Harley Nicolas David Vaughan**  
**Arlo Bruce Walker**  
**Rafferty David Walker**  
We offer them and their families our prayers and congratulations.

**Prayers for the sick**

Please remember in your prayers those from our community who are unable to join us:

Bobbie Brodie, Christopher Browne, Carol Budgen, Beatriz Fuensanta Lopez de Lacey, Joan de Lacey, Carmel Holmes, Elmira Iragga, Ros Kennedy, Lubasi Malumo, Kathleen McKendry, John Mooney, Val Parris, Peter Ramage, Jerry Ring, Eveline Schjerve, Damian Sewell, Mark Swallow, Sister Pat (Convent of the Poor Clare's, Crossbush), Mary Stapleton, Doris Thorne, Father George Vincent, Vicky, Mary Wallace and Brenda Walsh.

Please inform the office of any changes so that the Prayer List is kept up to date.

**The Vianney Group** A group for men, aged 18 - 45 who wish to explore whether they have a calling to the priesthood. The next meeting takes place on Sunday 21 October from 4pm-7.30pm at the Priest's House, Burgess Hill. For details contact Fr. Con Foley on 01932 842643 or foleycon@gmail.com *St John Vianney is the Patron Saint of Priests.*

**Memorial Book** During November our parish Memorial Book will be placed before the Altar at St. Wilfrid's. All names given previously will be included. If you have names to be added, please complete a form at the back of the Church and return it to the Priest's House by **Friday 26 October** Thank you.

*This Sunday 14 October is **Prisoners' Sunday**. It is a day to direct our thoughts and prayers to prisoners, their families and their children.*

**RIP**



Of your charity please pray for the Repose of the Souls of **Patricia 'Pat' Dod** who died on 5 October 2018. Funeral Mass on Monday 22 October 2018 at 11.00 am at St George's Chapel. *and* **James Hegarty** who died recently. Funeral Mass on Thursday 18 October 2018 at 11.00 am at St George's Chapel. We offer our sympathy and prayers to their families and friends. *May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace. Amen*

**Flowers**

13 Oct Felicity How

**Children's Liturgy**

14 Oct Michelle Claire Demi Heather

**Church Cleaning**

15 Oct Joanna Kirkdale

**Mass Intentions/Service Times ~ from Saturday 13 September**

<b>Sat 13</b>	6.00 pm	<b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> St Wilfrid's Jo Herian RIP
<b>Sun 14</b>	9.30 am 11.00 am	<b>Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b> St Wilfrid's People of the Parish <i>School Welcome Mass</i> St George's Deceased Sisters
<b>Mon 15</b>	9.15 am	<b>Memorial ~ St Teresa of Jesus, Virgin, Doctor</b> St Wilfrid's For vocations to the priesthood and religious life from our Parish and our Diocese
	10.00 am	St George's Paul Klimek RIP
	3.45 pm	St George's Holy Hour and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	7.00 pm	St Anne's Prayer Group
<b>Tues 16</b>		<b>Feria in Ordinary Time ~ Week 28</b>
	9.15 am	St Wilfrid's Ivor Carroll RIP
	11.30 am	St Anne's Celia Whelan RIP
	4.00 pm	St Anne's Adoration
<b>Wed 17</b>		<b>Memorial ~ St Ignatius of Antioch, Bishop, Martyr</b>
	9.15 am	St Wilfrid's Hannah Flowers RIP
	10.00 am	St George's Intentions of Sister Mary Luke <i>Feast Day 18 October</i>
	4.00 pm	St Anne's Adoration
<b>Thurs 18</b>		<b>Feast ~ St Luke, Evangelist</b>
	9.15 am	St Wilfrid's Caroline Underwood RIP
	11.00 am	St George's Funeral Mass for James Hegarty RIP
	4.00 pm	St Anne's Adoration
<b>Fri 19</b>		<b>Solemnity ~ St Philip Howard, Martyr</b> <i>Patron of the Diocese No abstinence today</i>
	9.15 am	St Wilfrid's Well being and intentions of Elise Lawrence in celebration of her 60th birthday
	10.00 am	St George's Deceased Benefactors birthday
	3.45 pm	St George's Holy Hour and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
	4.00 pm	St Anne's Adoration
<b>Sat 20</b>		<b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	6.00 pm	St Wilfrid's People of the Parish
<b>Sun 21</b>		<b>Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>
	9.30 am	St Wilfrid's Dawn Lavelle RIP
	10.00 am	St George's Edward Baxter RIP

**CONFESSIONS SATURDAY 11.30 am - 12 noon**

**MISSIO - World Mission Sunday** Next Sunday 21 October the Holy Father invites all Catholics to contribute to a special collection for Missio, his official charity for overseas missions. Your support will help brave missionaries in proclaiming the Gospel of peace around the world. Please join in this special day that unites Catholics all over the world in prayer, celebration and care for the mission of the Church. If you are able to Gift Aid your donation, Missio envelopes are at the back of the Church. Thank you.



Thank you to those who attended the **Quiz Night** last Saturday...and thank you to the Razzell's for organising the 'challenging content' and main meal, and to those who prepared and brought food. Brains were taxed, appetites definitely met - with a delicious chilli, guacamole and jacket potatoes, funds raised and overall a jolly good laugh was had. Congratulations to 'The Ministry of Useless Fact's' team, who won!

**Ministries at St Wilfrid's - 13 / 14 October 2018**

	Sat 6.00 pm	Sunday 9.30 am
Readers	Carol Nevett Frances Novis	Jane Billings Jez Jalie
Ministers	Dot Fell Gail Razzell	Denise Adamson Brigitte Garcia Clare Hole Angela O'Hara Abi Stribbling
Welcomers	Pat Tucknott	Alec and Rosemary Fulton Tom Boyle