

PARISH OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS Goring Way

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Second Sunday of Easter

Saturday	27 th	8.00 pm	The Parish
Sunday	28 th	8.15 am	Bernie Oehlers RIP
		10.30 am	Margaret Dunne RIP
Monday	29 th	9.30 am	Mossie Clancy RIP
		1.00 pm	FUNERAL SERVICE FOR LAURA SWIETLIK RIP
Tuesday	30 th	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Wednesday	1 st	9.30 am	Betty McEvoy RIP
Thursday	2 nd	7.30 pm	Holy Souls
Friday	3 rd	9.30 am	Intention of Antony Kelly
Saturday	4 th	6.00 pm	Deceased Relatives of Peter Gavin
Sunday	5 th	8.15 am	Veronica Johnstone RIP
		10.30 am	The Parish
		6.00 pm	Polish Mass

WHEN WE PUT
OUR PROBLEMS IN
GOD'S HANDS,
HE PUTS HIS PEACE IN
OUR HEARTS.

SATURDAY: Exposition with Benediction: 10.00 - 11.00am. Reconciliation: 10.15 – 10.45 am & 5.15 - 5:45 pm

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16; Apocalypse 1:9-13. 17-19; John 20:19-31

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32. 40-41; Apocalypse 5:11-14; John 21:1-19

COLLECTIONS: Good Friday Holy Places: £321 Thank you for your generosity.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Brian Dunne, Patrick Ryan, Sheila Tune, Michael Butler, Brenda Peazold, Rosie Grove, Mary Wessel, Gina Palermo, Elizabeth Hoskins, Peggy Gallagher, Joan Cutmore, Christine Watson, Gordon Milne, Bernard Bandy, Deacon Pat Moloney, Alfred Deacon, Ester Park, Marie Garselis, Roni Horstead, Ronnie Tyler, Jenny Begley, Bill Hogg, Breda Schlimgen, Michaela Finn, Winifred Lyons, Yvette Allen, Leslie Lee, Kerry McStravick, Lydia Van Melsen

2. THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY: **DIANA MARY STOREY** and those whose anniversaries occur about now: Monica Day, Bernard Stone, Roy Jacobs, Margaret Dunne, Anne Wesley, John Field, Nick Brown, Linda Dixon-Smith, Peggy Mardell

3. WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS to our Parish this weekend. We do hope that you have enjoyed your stay

4. A VERY BIG THANK YOU on behalf of the Parish to all who helped make the ceremonies of Holy Week and Easter so special – the flower arrangers, church cleaners, musicians, choir, servers and not least our Cantor Andy. Also a personal and huge 'thank you' for your very generous Easter offerings

5. ST GEORGE'S NIGHT 'DO' will take place **next** Saturday 4th May (the Solemnity of St George has been moved to 30th April) following the 6.00pm Mass and the money raised will go to the Chestnut Tree House Children's Hospice. There will be a 'Delicious Supper' and Raffle. Raffle prizes will be gratefully received. Tickets will be on sale this weekend price £7.50 for adults and £4.00 for children or from Teresa 01903 529260

6. THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP OF ST. ANDREW'S C. of E. CHURCH, Ferring has invited the women of English Martyrs to join them for an Ecumenical Service **next** Wednesday 1st May at 2.30pm. We are always greeted warmly at this annual event which will be followed by refreshments in the church Centre. To assist with numbers for catering, if you are able to attend, please ring Anne on 01903 242624 no later than Tuesday. 30th April.

7. PRAYER PARTNERS: The children preparing for their First Holy Communion would like to give Prayer Cards to their Prayer Partners at 10.30am Mass this Sunday as a 'Thank you' for praying for them. Please could all prayer partners try to attend this Mass if possible.

8. KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA 'CELEBRATING YOUNG PEOPLE AWARDS' : KSC Worthing are helping to promote this new initiative. The awards on July 3rd 2019, will honour the achievements of those truly remarkable young people who make our communities and our world a better place. Nominated by friends, family, teachers and clergy they reflect every area of social action: **Promoting** solidarity and peace. **Living out** the option of the poor. **Protecting** the dignity of workers. **Fostering** community and participation. **Caring** for the environment. **Celebrating** human dignity. **Inspiring** youth leader. For further details and nomination form please contact KSC Youth Officer David Wynn-Davies 01903 521439 before 17th May.

10. READERS & MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: May rosters are now available in the Sacristy.

11. SCHOOL CHAPLAIN & DEANERY YOUTH WORKER JOB IN WORTHING. SALARY £30,000

Chatsmore Catholic High School and the participating parishes in Worthing Deanery are looking to hire an experienced youth minister for the above post, starting in September. Application deadline is May 20th. For an application pack, Email Jack.Regan@abdiocese.org.uk

12. INSPIRE 2019 - DAY FOR YOUTH LEADERS & CATECHISTS: Inspire is our annual day for those who work with young people and young adults in our parishes, and anybody who is interested in doing so. It's happening on Saturday May 11th at St Joseph's Church, Redhill. Tickets £10. To book, Email Jack.Regan@abdiocese.org.uk or book online at tinyurl.com/inspirebookings

13. EDGE A Youth Group for Year 7-11s will next meet in The Barn this Sunday April 28th at 6.30 pm. For more information, search for EdgeWorthing on Facebook or contact Jack.Regan@abdiocese.org.uk

MARY'S MEALS: We are now in particular need of A5 Notebooks/Reporters Pads, Toothpaste, Pencil Cases and Crayons/Colouring Pencils. Many thanks to all who so generously contribute to these backpacks

14. TURNING TIDES (Worthing Churches Homeless Projects): Items they currently need: Coffee, Sugar, Baked Beans, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Meals, Jams and Spreads, Tinned Tuna, Rice Pudding, Cooking Oil, Juice, Biscuits. Also Baking Trays, Saucepans, Tea Towels, Cleaning products and Washing Tablets/Powders. In clothing they need small waist Jeans, Men's Hoodies. Boxers and Men's T-Shirts. Many thanks to those who are so generous in their donations throughout the year.

Father Liam says: European Union leaders meeting in Strasbourg before Easter were told to use 'Cathedral thinking' to tackle climate change. The Swedish teenage environmental activist Greta Thunberg urged them 'to panic' as time is running out. The 16 year old told Members of the European Parliament and officials to 'act as if the house is on fire.' For several months Greta, who has Asperger's, has been addressing a number of high-powered meetings in various European countries urging politicians to take action urgently in the face of rapid species extinction, soil erosion, deforestation and the pollution of the atmosphere and the oceans.

A new study has shown that the earth's glaciers are melting much faster than scientists had thought. Glaciers are losing 369 billion tonnes of snow and ice each year. More than half of this is in North America. The most comprehensive measurement world-wide found thousands of inland masses of snow compressed into ice are shrinking 18 per cent faster than an international panel of scientists calculated in 2013. Their melt is accelerating due to global warming. The world's glaciers are shrinking five times faster now than they were in 1960's, adding more water to already rising seas.

'Over 30 years, suddenly almost all regions started losing mass at the same time,' said Michael Zemp, director of the World Glacier Monitoring Service at the University of Zurich, who is the lead authority on this latest report. The glaciers shrinking fastest are in Central Europe, the Caucasus Region, Western Canada, the lower 48 U S States, New Zealand and near the tropics. Glaciers in these places are losing more than 1 per cent of their mass each year. 'In these regions at the current glacier loss rate,' Mr Zemp says, 'the glaciers will not survive the century.' His team used ground and satellite measurements to look at 19,000 glaciers, far more than previous studies. They found that south-western Asia is the only region of 19 where glaciers are not shrinking.

Clearly Greta was moved at the plight of our planet. She fought back tears as she spoke about it. And she was very emotional about the plight of the Cathedral of Notre Dame which was on fire just a few hours before she spoke. She was hugely impressed by the offers of help coming in from all over the world to help restore the Cathedral. She told her audience that if our house was falling apart we would not waste time. We would immediately act. But in the case of the danger to the home of humanity we have little sense of urgency. 'If you took it seriously,' she said, 'you wouldn't hold three emergency Brexit summits and no emergency summit regarding the breakdown of the climate and the environment.' Her speech was met with a standing ovation. But it deserves a much fuller response than that.

The response to the plight of Notre Dame Cathedral was heart-warming. At a time when Europe is more fractured than united it was reassuring to see so many rally to save such an iconic building. Of course the noble fire-fighters had done heroic work in securing its survival and the survival of so many precious works of art and items of devotion. The famous Rose Windows, dating back to the 13th Century has survived the religious wars of the Reformation when so many priceless works of art were lost in this country. In the French Revolution, with its attempt to destroy Christianity, the Cathedral was turned into a Temple of Reason. The cross and statue on the High Altar – the Descent from the Cross – also survived the Revolution as did the Great Organ, the Crown of Thorns and the Statues of the Apostles and the Evangelists in the roof. They and so much more besides survived the recent inferno.

The bells of Notre Dame have rung out at key moments in the history of France. Emmanuel, the largest bell, was put in place in 1685 and weighs more than 23 tonnes. Emmanuel was the only one of four to survive the Revolution. The bells that were destroyed were of course replaced and they all survived the fire which was prevented from spreading to the bell-towers. Fittingly it was the bell called Emmanuel which rang out calling on Parisians to celebrate the end of World War II. Let us never neglect to call on Emmanuel – God with us – to help us.