

## PARISH OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS Goring Way

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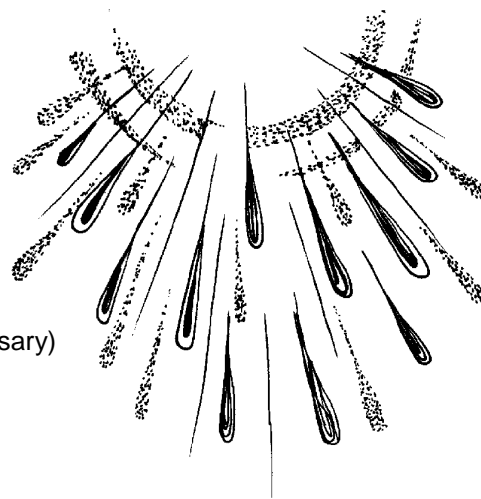
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### Pentecost

Saturday	8 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Sivyer Family Past & Present
Sunday	9 <sup>th</sup>	8.15 am	Intention of Ken Ellis
		10.30 am	Father Eric Flood RIP
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Intention of Mary Murphy
Tuesday	11 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Holy Souls
		7.30 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Alec & Moira Marsh RIP
Thursday	13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30 pm	Intention of Deacon Gary Bevans (10th Anniversary)
Friday	14 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am	Charlie Gillespie RIP
Saturday	15 <sup>th</sup>	6.00 pm	Canon Peter Phillips RIP
Sunday	16 <sup>th</sup>	8.15 am	Michael Aherne RIP
		10.30 am	Roger Davis RIP
		6.00 pm	Polish Mass



**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 2:1-11; Romans 8:8-17; John 14:15-16, 23-26

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Proverbs 8:22-31; Paul to the Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

**COLLECTIONS:** Church: £ 517 Catholic Communications Network: £ 345 Thank you for your generosity.

Next weekend there will be a Second Collection for the Day of Life  
(Gift Aid using Special Envelopes available in both porches)

**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 Schlinggen, Michaela Finn, Winifred Lyons, Yvette Allen, Leslie Lee, Kerry McStravick, Lydia Van Melsen

**2. THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY** and those whose anniversaries occur about now: Wasyl Szymuda, Raymond Tremayne, Mary Marsh, Simonne Brookes, Josette de Roland Peel, Marina Hatton, William Steadman, Bernard Carroll, Cynthia Hinchcliffe, Nuala Clarke, Wendy Lee, Rose Jeffery, Jim Murphy, Pamela Dixon-Smith,

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

**4. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION** will be received by fifteen of our children this Sunday during the 10.30 am Mass. Please pray for: Marc Ambros, James Buckley, Keavy Burrows, Aude Calmet, Florence Fitzjohn, Kaitlin Greeney, Annie Howell, Mia Katine, Amalia Lenik, Kirsten Lock, Erin Parkinson, Milena Ramashkevich, Maisie Salloum, Nickeisha Sarpong, Owyn Winton and their families.

**5. ENGLISH MARTYRS GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS:** In September there will be (with your help) an Exhibition in the church entitled 'Our Church' and Adrian and Breda, who have kindly agreed to organise it, are looking for the following: Any photos/memorabilia from Weddings, First Holy Communion, Marriages; written memories of those who recall the move from the Barn to the 'new church'; a photograph of the Martyrs Window in colour or the church pre Sistine Chapel ceiling? Do take a look among your photographic memories and written memories and lend them to us to make this a really fascinating walk 'down memory lane'.

**6. HANDMADE CARDS FOR FATHER'S DAY** (which is on 16<sup>th</sup> June) are now available in the Shop. All proceeds from the sale of these cards goes to the Parish Project in Kalingalinga

**7. A TEXAN EVENING** Many thanks to all who all who helped/donated in any way. A fun evening, with delicious food was enjoyed and £709 was raised to assist Daya Mina in Sri Lanka to run a Centre that serves very special young people and children,

**8. ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL FESTIVAL OF CORPUS CHRISTI & CARPET OF FLOWERS:** Free Entry. 9.30 am to 8 pm on Wednesday 19th and 9.30 am to 5.30 pm on Thursday 20th June. Solemn Mass and Procession to Castle at 5.30 pm on 20th. Refreshments in the Cathedral Centre. All welcome!

**9. RACE FOR LIFE 2019** is coming to Worthing on 16th June and this year 'Males' may also participate. The event raises awareness to cancer and provides vital funds for research and cure. For further details see: [www.raceforlife/worthing](http://www.raceforlife/worthing)

**10. MARY'S MEALS:** We are now in particular need of Soap, Toothpaste and Pencil Cases. Many thanks to all who so generously contribute to these backpacks

**11. 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: The Cheshire Homes for people with disabilities** were founded by Leonard Cheshire, one of the most admired people of the 20th Century. The intention from the outset was that the residents could acquire a sense of belonging by making whatever contribution they were capable of towards the running of the Homes, which are havens for many thousands of people with severe disabilities. For many years past the emphasis has shifted – where preferred – to a system of care for people in their own homes. Today of the 20,000 people supported by the Foundation, only 10% live in Residential Homes.

Leonard Cheshire was born in 1919 and joined the University Air Squadron while studying at Oxford. When the Second World War broke out he served with bomber Command and was a member of the famous 617 Squadron, the Dam busters. He flew in about 100 operations, including extremely dangerous raids on the heavily defended cities of Cologne, Brunswick and Munich. He was awarded the Victoria Cross, not as is usual for a single, outstanding action but for four years of sustained exceptional courage.

The first atomic bomb was dropped on Hiroshima on 5th August 1945. Shortly afterwards Cheshire was invited to accompany, as an observer, the second raid on Nagasaki, which led to the Japanese surrender. What he saw and learned soon drove him to work for peace. His first step was to organise a community for those who, as a result of physical or mental disability or homelessness, needed help to embark on a career. The site he found was a small estate at Le Court, near Liss in Hampshire where he invited a number of people in dire circumstances to gather. Financially Le Court lived from day to day. The News Chronicle recorded Cheshire as 'scrubbing, painting, carpentering, nursing, feeding, washing the helpless! After a time his own health, weakened by the stress of war, collapsed. Le Court was then converted into a trust with a management committee.

Leonard's conversion to the Catholic Church took place after much thought and study and he was received on Christmas Eve 1948. His aviation work took him to Predannack Airfield in Cornwall where he soon made plans for another project; a second version of Le Court in a derelict house. Under his inspiring leadership, colleagues from Vickers, aircraft staff and other local volunteers came to paint, rewire and lay bricks. Cheshire was now once again in poor health. He was found to have a large cavity in one of his lungs, which led to a stay of nearly two years in King Edward VII Hospital in Midhurst. He was a man of deep faith and he devised a scheme for airlifting people to Lourdes who were too ill to go by train or coach. From the beginning he did not wish there to be a Catholic label attached to the Foundation. Cheshire avoided the role of organiser and he left it to others to solve the innumerable problems and details which arose. If Homes were in difficulties they had to get by without being dependent on him. He spent most of the years from 1955 to 1959 in India. A new Cheshire Home opened somewhere in the world every three months.

A further project was inspired by his encounter with and eventual marriage in 1959 to Sue Ryder. She had worked as a young girl in the War with Special Operations Executive, which achieved some notable successes. Working chiefly among its Polish units she was aware of what the Poles had suffered and after the War did all she could to help them. Thousands of victims had been left homeless and helpless, survivors of concentration camps and forced labour. They continued to be oppressed by inhuman Russian brutality. In 1958 there were 200,000 stateless people living in Germany. Leonard and Sue began to devise a complex of homes for stateless Poles. This led to the Ryder-Cheshire Foundation. They toured India organising homes for many thousands of lepers, in addition to other project. This was followed by a massive campaign against Tuberculosis.

The Ryder-Cheshire Mission organised a Family Week in Rome in 1984 attended by several hundred seriously disabled people from the homes all over the world who received a special blessing from the Pope. This was also the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of their marriage. The Sue Ryder Foundation was first established at Cavendish in Suffolk in 1953 and now links 80 centres worldwide.

Cheshire accepted a life-peerage in 1991. Sadly in that year he was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease and died the following year. In her Christmas broadcast in 1992, the Queen quite exceptionally mentioned Leonard Cheshire by name. She said: 'Just before he died Leonard Cheshire came to see us with his fellow members of the Order of Merit, suffering from a drawn out and terminal illness. He bore this with all the fortitude and cheerfulness to be expected of a holder of the Victoria Cross. However what struck me more forcibly than his physical courage was the fact that he made no reference to his own illness but only to his hopes and plans to make life better for others. He embodied the message in that well known line: 'Kindness in another's trouble, courage in one's own.'

Sue Ryder died in November 2000.

What an extraordinary couple!

## **NOTICES**

**NO Tea and coffee after 10.30 Mass this Sunday**