

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

<p>Masses for week commencing 20/21 November 2021 Mass for this week: Christ the King (34th in Ordinary Time)</p>			<p>BAPTISMS – These are usually celebrated on a Sunday at 3:00 pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Jack.</p>
<p>EAST GRINSTEAD - Our Lady & St. Peter</p>			<p>MARRIAGE – Marriage arrangements should be made with Fr. Jack at least 12 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To arrange for marriage preparations please contact Fr. Jack.</p>
Sat, 20 th November 6:15 Vigil Mass OLSP	Feria	Parish and People	<p>MASS INTENTIONS – Have a Mass said for a departed loved one, or someone who is sick, or to celebrate a family occasion. Use the brown envelopes at the back of the church. Please do it two months in advance if you want a specific date.</p> <p>R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS – Persons interested in learning of the Catholic faith, and any adult person who wishes to receive Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation. If you need information regarding this please contact Fr. Jack.</p> <p>VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital.</p> <p>NEW PARISHIONERS – Our Parish Family invites all its members to share fully in our spiritual and social life. If you change your address or telephone number please tell Fr. Jack. Please also consider registering online at: www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com after which you will receive the newsletter by email each Saturday.</p> <p>PRAYING FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH FAMILY Every week we will pray, by name, for our sick parishioners in the Bidding Prayers. Please contact Father Jack/Sue Wade at East Grinstead and Deacon Ted for Lingfield to arrange inclusion. Names will be included for two weeks and can be continued provided that you renew the request each fortnight. Time will always be included in the Prayers to remember long-term sick parishioners (and other loved ones) whose names are not included for reading and are not printed in the newsletter.</p> <p>LIVESTREAMING - We are pleased to have livestreaming of our services. Typically, this will be the 9am Sunday Mass at Lingfield and 10:30am Sunday at East Grinstead. We also livestream the 3pm Wednesday mass at St Bernard's. Other masses and special services will be streamed as advertised in this bulletin. Please go to: www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com to join us online. Requests for livestreaming of weddings, funerals and baptisms should be made to Fr Jack or Jonathan Jenkins jamjenkins64@gmail.com</p>
Sun, 21 st November 9:00 St Bernard's 10:30 OLSP Masses streamed	Christ the King	Luciano Rey-Chao (1 st anni)	
Mon, 22 nd November No Public Mass	St Cecilia (Patron of musicians)	Barry Family (deceased members)	
Tues. 23 rd November No Public Mass	Feria		
Wed, 24 th November 3 pm St Bernard's	St Andrew Dung-Lac and companions.	Luciano Rey-Chao (1 st anni)	
Thurs, 25 th November 9:30 OLSP	Feria	Jose Maria (1 st anniversary)	
Fri, 26 th November 12 Noon OLSP	Feria	James Michael Fitzpartick (foundation)	
Sat, 27 th November 6:15 Vigil Mass OLSP	Feria	Eileen Joyce - Wellbeing	
Sun, 28 th November 9:00 St Bernard's 10:30 OLSP Masses streamed	Advent 1	Jim Fitzpatrick RIP	
<p>LINGFIELD - St. Bernard's</p>			
Wed, 24 th November 3 pm	St Andrew Dung-Lac and companions	Luciano Rey-Chao (1 st anni)	

CURRENT COVID RESTRICTIONS - Please use sanitiser and wear face coverings. Communion is of one kind. Singing is allowed with face coverings. Please respect other people's space. Please use the offertory boxes as you leave the church. We are still not able to physically exchange the peace. In essence please be courteous and please don't crowd – use common sense.

CONFESSION / RECONCILIATION - This is an essential part of our spiritual lives. As always I am available after mass on weekdays. Also on Saturday Morning from 10:00 to 11:00 and evening from 5:30 to 6:00. You may also phone me for an individual appointment if you wish.

MASS - on Sunday will follow the pre-lockdown pattern both at St Bernard's and OLSP. Mass will continue to be streamed from OLSP and also from St Bernard's. Please follow the parish web-site, and remember that I am always ready to chat on the telephone if needed.

WEEKLY OFFERTORY - There are a variety of methods whereby the weekly offertory can be made and all are gratefully acknowledged. The original, traditional method was the passing around of the offertory basket. However, for those who prefer this opportunity to donate, the procedure was suspended during the pandemic. Now, with the relaxations granted, the decision has been taken to once again resume "passing around the plate" **EFFECTIVE THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT ON 28th NOVEMBER, NEXT SUNDAY.** Of course, if you already contribute by standing order or any other method, please just pass on the collection basket or pouch. Thank you.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - This week there is a special retiring collection in support of our cathedral's maintenance fund, The Cathedral of Our Lady & St Philip Howard in Arundel. If you use your purple A&B Gift Aid envelope your donation will be increased by 25% on giving. Thank you.

PARISH 100 CLUB - Congratulations to winners in the October draw: 1st, £50, no 22, Mrs Pett; 2nd, £25, no 8, Mr Townsend; 3rd, £15, no 98, Executor advised. In December, six prizes will be drawn; if you would like a share in the 100 Club just speak to Chris (327002) or e-mail cjp_mrp@hotmail.com

NEWSLETTER COPY DEADLINE - As previously requested, please will you respect the copy deadline of midday on a Thursday for items to be received by Mapande and please will you always submit them in e-mail format to ensure receipt; her address is mapande@aol.com Thank you.

AUTUMN CHARITY FEAST 2021 - Thur. 25th Nov. The Dorset Arms - 01342 316363 English food.

Any of the meals costs £20 for a 3 course meal £6 going to charities – money split between 6 local charities. Raffle at all meals 3 to 1 chance of winning if all play and full. Auction at 1st and 3rd venues. Live music part of time at all but med cuisine. Please phone the venues to book your places.

CHRISTMAS MEAL AT LA FAROLA - 3 course meal with a coffee or tea after for just £20 and £5 for chicken nuggets and chips for those age 5 and under. Menu: 1st course soup, main course either roast dinner or risotto and for pudding either Christmas pudding or fruit salad with tea or coffee at end of the meal. Date: Sunday 12th December 12.30pm at La Farola, next to Our Lady & St Peter. Please sign up early so this good deal can go ahead. Someone will be at the back of the church on each of the weekend services. Enrique for Lingfield.

COLLECTION PLATE - We are re-introducing the money collection at mass on the 1st Sunday of advent (28th Nov). Many people will now be paying by standing order and thank you for this. But we are still 25% down on pre-pandemic offerings, so this is a necessary step. Please help the welcomers by passing the basket between the rows.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES - Please consider volunteering for welcoming duties at the Christmas services. A sign-up sheet will be at the back to the church and even if you've never done this before, we'll be happy to have your support as part of a team.

CAFOD PARISH CHRISTMAS GIFT - Home is where the heart is. We all have the right to the security of a home which cannot be taken away from us, but for some this right is being denied. As parishioners, could we reach out this Christmas to fund the CAFOD gift, 'Home for Life'? Can we help widows and their children access the legal support they need to secure their homes and livelihoods? We will be collecting during Advent and if you would like to contribute to our target of £192, please pop whatever you can manage into the CAFOD 'house' that you will find at the back of each church. Thank you.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE WINTER APPEAL -

On behalf of the 'Clients' of Crawley Open House we wish to say a big **THANK YOU** to the parishioners of East Grinstead and Lingfield, for your wonderful generosity and support to this Appeal.

The Open House told us they had run out of the bags we sent last year, and they forecast this Winter will bring more people than ever needing their help.

With the aid of a loan, we were able to move quickly and deliver in September:

- 45 Winter grade Sleeping Bags
- 45 Waterproof covers.
- 48 1 ltr Thermo flask

About 50% more than previous years:

These are already being distributed to the Homeless. Thanks to you, many will at least be warm and dry with a hot drink to see them through the winter nights until accommodation can be found. As we have reached the loan amount the **APPEAL IS NOW CLOSED**.

Should there be a surplus, it will be given to the Open House in the form of needed supplies. **St Bernard's SVP**

CANDLELIGHT ROSARY - every Wednesday at 7pm in St Bernard's Lady Chapel. Please join us.

COFFEE AFTER 9AM MASS AT ST BERNARD'S - will **recommence** after Christmas.

PARISH CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT ST BERNARD'S - will **not** take place this year. We look forward to the next one in the Spring.

SATURDAY SOUP AT ST BERNARD'S - will recommence on Saturday 29th January and thereafter every last Saturday of the month at 12.30 pm.

DO YOU HAVE SOME FREE TIME TO HELP OTHERS?

CARE in East Grinstead and Lingfield desperately need some volunteers! We need **Drivers** who, using their own cars, can transport our clients to medical appointments at GP surgeries or hospitals. Commitment is totally flexible, fuel expenses are covered, and PPE kit is provided.

We also need **Duty Officers** who work from home for one full day per month, 9am – 5pm, taking phone calls and allocating volunteers using our computerised system. Full training is given. All our volunteers are DBS checked which CARE pays for.

Please can you help us maintain our service which we know is so greatly appreciated in our communities? To find out more, visit: www.careineastgrinstead.co.uk, or telephone either Valeria (07719 785269 – Church Rep) or call Care on 01342 410086 (Mon-Fri, 9am-5pm)

"DIVINE MILK CHOCOLATE ADVENT CALENDARS - If anyone would like one or more of these, I have some in stock at £4.50 each (lovely design cover as usual!). Please contact Chris Vasey, email civasey@aol.com or phone 01342 834436. Thank you."

LOVE IN A BOX - thank you to all who donated shoeboxes filled with goodies for this year's appeal. There is still time to donate or do a box but please ring EG 835190 (Sue Joy) for collection - the boxes leave for the Eastbourne Warehouse on Wednesday 24 November and thence to Moldova for distribution to the children in need.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE - boxes are available at both churches for donations to COH who need tinned meat, tinned fish, tinned potatoes and vegetables, jars of cooking and pasta sauces, sugar, biscuits, cereal bars, cakes and sweets, jam, marmalade, honey, dog food and treats, spray deodorants for men and women, tins of soup and packets of cereals. Single duvets, new underwear and new socks are also required. COH like many other charities has suffered badly during the covid crisis and we want to get back to supporting them as well as we used to. Thank you.

EG FOODBANK - now requires large tinned ham, surface cleaner spray, tubs of chocolates, bleach/toilet cleaner, Christmas cake slices, Christmas biscuits and medium Christmas puddings. Please take to the Jubilee Community Centre (box in entrance) or donate at Sainsbury's, Waitrose or leave in the boxes at the back of both churches. Thank you.

