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Living Faith Theology Conference

*Enlivening Faith - Deepening Transformation -
Empowering Mission*

The Happy Life: Human Flourishing, Virtue, and the Beatitudes: Fr Nicholas Crowe OP, Provincial of the Dominican Order in Britain.

Sunday 10th November, St Joseph's Parish Hall, on Milton Road, 12:45 - 4:15pm (with tea break). We will begin with lunch: please bring a dish to share or a packed lunch. Suggested Donation: £10 - £20 (waged), £5 (unwaged). No booking necessary.

Eucharistic Healing Service

Sunday 3rd November 3pm - 4:15pm

St Mary Magdalen, Upper North Street, Brighton

(parking available on school playground)

A time of prayer, reflection and music. Praying for the healing of our families, for those we know in need and for ourselves. All are welcome.

We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine. More info: cbcew.org.uk/category/cbcew/international/countries/ukraine/

**3rd November 2024: 31st Sunday of Ordinary Time, Yr B
Weekdays: 31st Week of Year II**

Fr Tony Writes

שְׁמַע יִשְׂרָאֵל יְהוָה אֱלֹהֵינוּ יְהוָה אֶחָד

Actually I didn't write that. Rather it comes from Moses. It is the Shema, the basic statement of faith for a Jew. It is the origin of the first line of our own creed. Transliterated into our own alphabet it reads, *Shema Isarel Adonai elohemnu Adonai ehad*. It translates literally as, "Hear Israel, the LORD our God the LORD is one".

Actually that is not quite the whole story. Where a Jew would say Adonai, and we say 'the Lord' the Hebrew actually has the consonants YHWH, but the dots around them, which tell us how to pronounce the word, are the ones for Adonai, because anyone reading the text would not pronounce the divine name, but rather say Adonai: 'the LORD'. Most English translations, including the ESV, which is the translation used in the new Lectionary, follow that, using 'SMALL CAPS' for LORD (as here) to distinguish it from when Adonai is used in its own right. Some Bibles, including the Jerusalem Bible, do write out the divine name as 'Yahweh'. But in our current lectionaries that is changed to 'the Lord' (without the small caps), indicating that, when read in public, we should not normally pronounce the divine name.

Interestingly, the use of 'Jehovah' as a name for God comes from an attempt to combine the consonants, in the form JHVH, with the pronunciation dots.

Why not? Well in fact we don't actually know how it was pronounced (Yahweh is an educated guess). Also the church has always done so. In the Greek Old Testament it is translated as *kyrios*, and in the Latin Vulgate (translated by St Jerome in the 4th century) it is translated *Dominus*. Finally we avoid it out of respect for the Jews.

This respect for the divine name explains why it was so important to have it as the theme of one of the Ten Commandments. And it goes with the love of God commanded by Moses. For you don't abuse the name of someone you love. It shows a lack of respect. That also, of course, means we should not abuse the names of other people. Or, to put it another way, we should not 'give people a bad name' by the way we speak of them (or contribute to that in gossip). Love of God and love of neighbour are inseparable. Both are contained in the Old Testament, but in different places. Jesus links them together into a profound unity. If we do the same, we won't be far from the Kingdom of God!

Helpers Needed! Children's Liturgy Group Leaders

Our children's liturgy group takes place during the 9am Mass at St Theresa's (in the side chapel), during term time. We need a few more adult volunteers to lead the sessions please. We generally have around six to ten children each week, between the ages of about 4 and 8 years old. **If you would like to get involved please speak to Juliette or Charlotte.**



Please Pray For...

All who are sick in the parish, particularly:

Rex Curd, Sally Harvey, and Lucy.

Those on our regular prayer list including:

Florence Davis, Kathleen Davis, Paddy Dixon, Cheryl Evans, Margaret Gilligan, Helen, and Deacon Richard Harvey.

Those who have died recently especially:

Mahen Fernando.

As well as those whose anniversaries occur this month. A full list of sick parishioners, and anniversaries can be found on the parish website.

The New Lectionary: God's Word in the Liturgy

This Wednesday 6th November: What is a Lectionary?

Fr Paul Wilkinson will explore the origins of the lectionary, and how the scriptures are now arranged in the Liturgy of the Word.

Next Wednesday 13th November: So What's New?

Fr Tony will look at how the scriptures are translated, and how this new translation can help us, focusing on the readings of the coming year.



St Theresa's Church

Mass: 7pm Followed by refreshments.

Talk: 7:45pm Followed by questions and discussion.

Night Prayer: 9pm.

The talks will also be shared over Zoom.

Contact tony.milner@abdiocese.org.uk for a link.

Wreath Workshop

Field Mint Floristry are delighted to be hosting a bespoke wreath workshop at St Mary's Catholic School, Portslade, on the 6th December 2024. £45 per person. Including a glass of mulled wine and festive treats. Please call the school office to make payment on 01273 418416 (by 8th November). 6:30pm arrival. We look forward to seeing you all!



St Mary's Christmas Fair

Thursday 5th December, 3:10pm – 5pm

The school would like the parish to run a mince pie and cake stall. We need cake and mince pie donations please, and at least four volunteers to run the stall (so we can have two on, and two off, to enjoy the fair on a rota). Please contact Charlotte to get involved charlotte.conneely@yahoo.co.uk.

This week the foodbank needs:

Biscuits; Coffee; Deodorant; Korma Curry Sauce; Laundry Tabs/Pods; Long Life Orange Juice; Shaving Gel; and Tinned Custard.

We have so much pasta, tea, and tins of baked beans at the moment, so please don't buy us these.

Donations may be dropped into the boxes at the back of either of our churches, these are delivered to the food bank weekly. **Thank you.**



Weekly Timetable

Sat 2nd Nov All Souls	10am Mass, St Theresa's 6pm Mass, St Peter's	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Sunday 3rd Nov <i>31st Sunday</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am Mass, St George's 3pm Healing Service, St Mary Mags, Brighton	<i>Malcolm Allwright RIP</i> <i>Anthony Moorjoppily RIP</i>
Tues 5th Nov	10am Mass, St George's 7pm Mass, St Theresa's <i>Fr Celestine</i>	<i>All Parishioners</i>
Wed 6th Nov	7pm Mass, St Theresa's <i>followed by The New Lectionary Talk</i>	<i>Dolores Brook RIP</i>
Thurs 7th Nov <i>St Willibrord</i>	10am Mass, St George's <i>followed by Adoration</i> 7pm Mass, St Theresa's <i>Fr Celestine</i>	<i>Paul Jaconelli RIP</i>
Fri 8th Nov	10am Mass, St Theresa's <i>followed by Adoration</i> 7pm Mass, St Theresa's <i>Fr Celestine</i>	<i>Amelia Lowndes RIP</i>
Sat 9th Nov <i>Dedication of the Lateran Basilica</i>	10am Mass, St Theresa's 6pm Mass, St Peter's	<i>Holy Souls</i>
Sunday 10th Nov <i>32nd Sunday</i> <i>Remembrance Sunday</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> 11am Mass, St George's (Remembrance Mass) 2pm, Blessing of Graves, Hove & Southwick (3pm Portslade)	<i>Charles, Melita & Alfred Muscat RIP</i> <i>Those who gave their lives in the two World Wars and other conflicts.</i>

November

This is the month in which we pray for the dead in a particular way. The envelopes for putting the names of those you would like to be prayed for are available in the churches, and will be placed in a basket in front of the altar at every Mass. Any Mass this month without a particular intention will be offered for the Holy Souls.

In addition we will have a special parish Mass for the Holy Souls at the 7pm Mass on Wednesday 27th November at St Theresa's. We will remember in particular those who have died in the past year. If there is anyone who has died since last November, either a parishioner or a relative, that you would like to be remembered, do contact the parish office.

Blessing of Graves takes place next Sunday 10th November at the various cemeteries around Brighton and Hove. I will go to Southwick at 2pm and then on to Portslade around 3pm. Fr Colin and Fr David will be at Hove cemetery at 3pm.

Special Collections 2024

Sunday 10th November — Retired Priests Fund
Sunday 24th November — Arundel Cathedral Maintenance