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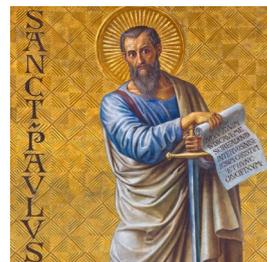
26thth June 2022: 13th Sunday of the Year
Sunday: Year C, Weekdays: Year 2, Week 13

Fr. Tony Writes



At last I have a phone at my new house! My phone number is quite easy to remember: 01273 313111. Please use this number if you need to speak to me personally. For general parish administrative stuff please continue to use the parish number, and for hall business of course call Sandra.

Communication is, of course, one of the key tasks of the church. We are called to proclaim the Gospel, and that is an act of communication. St Paul, who we celebrate along with St Peter this week, was one of the Church's greatest communicators. Around 40% of the New Testament is connected with Paul in some way. 13 letters bear his name. A fourteenth, the Letter to the Hebrews, is at times attributed to him, and although that is unlikely, the influence of Paul's thought can be seen in it. Paul is the main human character of the Acts of the Apostles (The main character is the Holy Spirit!), and as Luke, who wrote that book, appears to have been Paul's companion on some of his journeys, we could see Luke's Gospel as another writing that owes something to Paul. The Second Letter of Peter mentions the letters of Paul, and the Letter of James was partly written as a response to a wrong interpretation of Paul.



As we switch back into Ordinary Time, the way the readings at Mass are chosen changes. In the seasons (Advent, Christmas, Lent, Easter) and on feast days (such as Corpus Christi) generally all three readings (and the psalm) link together. For the rest of the year the First Reading is linked to the Gospel, and the Psalm is linked to the First reading. But the Second Reading—which is usually from one of Paul's letters—follows its own pattern, working through the letters systematically over the three year cycle. As we 'drop back' into Ordinary Time we find ourselves towards the end of Paul's Letter to the Galatians.

Often at Mass the priest focusses his homily on the Gospel, but as I have taught St Paul on and off for many years I quite often start from the second reading. I will be doing that this weekend, though I will be linking it to the Gospel (which is quite easy to do this week!).

Thanks to all who came to the meeting about the SVP on Wednesday. The good turnout means we should be able to do a bit of a relaunch. The SVP is a very useful resource for a parish, as it gives a tried and tested structure to support the poor, lonely and vulnerable in our community.



We will beat leprosy together

A heartfelt thank you for the donations of £241.84 from across our parish following the appeal in support of Lepra. The continued support from the parish is greatly respected and valued. In the coming year the united generosity of our parish means Lepra will reach out and cure 10 people of the disease of leprosy. It is hard for us to imagine just what it will mean to the individual, they may be reunited with family, re-enter their community or have use of limbs or sight restored! Thank you!

Assistant Administrator vacancy in the East Brighton Parish.

The East Brighton Parish (St Joseph's and St John the Baptist) are looking for a part time administrative assistant (16 hours a week). We would welcome applications from highly motivated candidates with excellent organisational skills, ability to learn, and considerable computer competence. Contact AnnMarie on 01273 087839 or email: eastbrighton@abdiocese.org.uk for an initial chat and application details.



Please Pray For: All who are sick in the parish, especially Andrew Duncan, Elizabeth Smith, Alex Gibbons and Jean Ryan. Those who have died recently, especially Jerry Sheehan (Funeral Thursday 7th July, 10:30, St Theresa's) and Margo Gibbons, and those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

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

Support the people of Ukraine

You can give to CAFOD's Appeal at:

cafod.org.uk/Give.

To access Reset's website go to:

www.homesforukraine.org.uk.

Find out more about the Government's Homes for Ukraine initiative:

homesforukraine.campaign.gov.uk.

Find out about the Family Scheme Visa:

www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-ukraine-family-scheme-visa.

First Holy Communion



Amazingly, on Saturday we had our last session with the families before celebrating the children's First Holy Communion.

The celebration will be on:

**Sunday 10th July
11 am at St Theresa's**

NB. There will not be a 9am Mass at St Theresa's that morning. 11am Mass at St George's will happen as usual, celebrated by Fr Paul Wilkinson.

13 Children from 12 families across the two parishes will be making their First Holy Communion on that day. They are: Arthur, Ben, Charlotte, Danny, Evelyn, Evie, Ivy, Jasmine, Lilly, Santiago, Saoirse, Scarlett and Seraphina. Please keep them in your prayers.

For those already looking forwards to First Holy Communion 2023, there will be an information evening for families in September. We will announce the date in the coming weeks.

Weekly Timetable

Saturday 25th June	4:45- 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	All Parishioners
Sunday 26th June <i>13th Sunday of the year</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am Mass, St George's	Rizzo Family RIP Fr David Weston RIP
Tuesday 28th June <i>St Ireneus</i>	10am Mass, St George's <i>Followed by Tea and Chat</i>	
Wednesday 29th June <i>Sts Peter & Paul</i>	10am Mass, St George's 7:30pm Mass, St Theresa's Adoration to 9pm	
Thursday 30th June	10am Mass, St George's 7pm Music Practice, St Theresa's	
Friday 1st July <i>Consecration of Arundel Cathedral</i>	10am Mass, St Theresa's	
Saturday 2nd July	4:45- 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	
Sunday 3rd July <i>14th Sunday of the year</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's <i>School Leavers Mass</i> 11am Mass, St George's	Sebastiana Rato RIP All Parishioners

All Welcomers & Stewards

are warmly invited to attend a Deanery time of Reflection and Formation on Saturday 9th July from 11.00 – 15.00 at St Peter's Church Hall, Hove, BN3 3GD,

to consider moving forward and reflect on how we can enable our Parish and Church communities to reach out to welcome and include everyone. This Formation enables you to explore how this can be achieved through, scripture, prayer and reflection using a multi-sensory approach, as well as considering disability awareness and different groups who may not feel included. Please bring your own packed lunch. This will be led Margaret Fraher, the Diocesan Inclusion Adviser, who is also a member of the Diocesan Formation Team.

Please contact Caroline Kelly to book a place at this event or if you have any queries (vena_kid@yahoo.co.uk).

Events at Worth Abbey

TIME OUT Individual retreats: 18-22 July

Arriving on Monday 18th July, spend a few days at Worth Abbey enjoying the rhythm of the monastic prayer and liturgy, time in reflection and the peace of the Sussex countryside.

Finding Stillness: 20-23 September

'Be still and know that I am God' (Psalm 46). Come to Worth Abbey and encounter this refreshing and empowering stillness.

To book go to: www.worth.co.uk For further information contact us on 01342 710318 or email retreats@worth.org.uk.