



Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

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Catholics West Hove

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Monks in the City

**St John the Baptist's, 2 Bristol Rd, Kemptown, BN2 1AP
Phone 07444 802368**

The monks of Worth Abbey living in the city invite you to
PRAY WITH US

Join the monks for Prayer in
St John the Baptist's Church:

Lauds (Morning Prayer): Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat - **9am**

Vespers (Evening Prayer): Mon, Tues, Wed - **6pm**

First Holy Communion Prayer Sponsors

If you would like to be a prayer sponsor for one of our
young people making their First Holy Communion in
May 2024, please email the office or speak to Fr Tony.

We need another six sponsors please

We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.

For more information and ways to support them see:
[cbcew.org.uk/category/cbcew/international/countries/
ukraine/](http://cbcew.org.uk/category/cbcew/international/countries/ukraine/)

28th January 2024: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Weekdays: 4th Week in Ordinary Time, Year II

Fr Tony Writes:

This weekend the readings invite us to compare Jesus with Moses. They suggest that Jesus fulfils the role of the prophet like Moses, who Moses himself foretells in our first reading. Of course we are aware that Jesus is much more than this. But for Jesus' original audience even suggesting equality with Moses would have been an audacious move.

However the people do recognise the speals with 'authority', 'unlike the scribes'. What was the difference? In the first place, the normal way scribes taught was to quote earlier authorities, often comparing different opinions: 'This rabbi said this, that rabbi said that'. Jesus does not do that. He speaks on his own authority.

But perhaps more importantly, in Jesus there is someone who embodies authority. In Mark this is seen not just in his teaching but in his power. A power that makes a real difference to people's lives.

We may not be able to work miracles (though we should never rule that out). But our proclaiming of the Gospel will only be effective if people see it makes a difference in our own lives and the lives of the people we serve.

Missio

This Sunday Fr Brian Oswald is coming to speak to us about the work of Missio, and to thank all those who contribute to their work, especially through prayer and through the 'Red Boxes'. Fr Tony will be away from Thursday (25th Jan) until the following Friday (2nd Feb), Fr Paul will be celebrating the weekday Masses.



**CHILDREN'S
LITURGY**

Children's Liturgy Group

This takes place during the 9am Mass at St Theresa's (in the side chapel), during term time. Children from Reception Class to Year 3, are welcome to join the group.

Our upcoming themes are:

28th January; 4th Sunday in ordinary time; **The Power of Jesus**
4th February; 5th Sunday in ordinary time; **Jesus Cures the Sick**
11th February; 6th Sunday in ordinary time;
Jesus Cures the Leper

Upcoming Events

Sunday afternoon, 11th February

Mass for the Sick with Anointing, St Theresa's, 2pm.
Followed by refreshments.

Wednesday 14th February: Ash Wednesday

10am Mass St George's, 7pm Mass St Theresa's.

Saturday 2nd March 10am-1pm

'Let us Dream' deanery day, Parish Hall, St George's.

Looking at our response to the climate crisis, in the light of Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si. There will be a short talk via Zoom to introduce this on Wednesday 21st Feb, 7:45pm.

More details to follow!

Please Pray For...

All who are sick in the parish particularly:

Cheryl Evans, Colette, Deacon Richard Harvey, Elizabeth Hopkins, Julie Laker, Terry Phipps, Tom Hulse and Winifred Wilde.

Those on our regular prayer list including:

Eileen McLoughlin, Maria Parente, Jean Ryan, Chris and Vince Neal.

Those who have died recently especially:

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



If you would like to donate to the food bank this week we are most in need of:

**Long Life Juice; Meat Soup;
Tinned Custard; Tinned Fruit;
Tinned Ham; Tinned Rice Pudding; UHT Milk**

Donations may be dropped into the boxes at the back of either of our churches. *Thank you for your support.*

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A series of talks on the Gospel of Mark

Wednesday, 7th Feb,

St Theresa's, 7:45pm.

(Mass 7pm, followed by refreshments.)

This year on Sundays we will be hearing the Gospel of Mark. It is the shortest and most dynamic of Gospels. It was probably written in Rome, for a small Church community that had known St Peter, and was now enduring persecution and seeing people falling away.

What was it like to hear the Gospel for the first time, possibly hidden secretly in a room in the city? We will look at the second half of the Gospel on the 7th February. All are welcome.

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Do you enjoy working with children and young people?

Could you help to inspire and empower children and young people in our Catholic schools and churches to bring alive their sense of global justice?

Could you give an assembly in a local school?

Supported by CAFOD with training and resources, you will discuss issues of global justice, add to parish and school life whilst complementing the work of teachers, priests and catechists.

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Weekly Timetable

Saturday 27th Jan <i>St Angela Merici</i>	5:15– 5:45pm Confessions, St Peters 6pm Mass, St Peters	(St Peter's, Portland Road, Hove, BN3 5GD)
Sunday 28th Jan 4th Sunday of Ordinary Time <i>Racial Justice Sunday</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> 11am Mass, St George's	<i>Eric Cripps RIP</i> <i>All Parishioners</i>
Tuesday 30th Jan	10am Mass, St George's	<i>Abina O'Brien RIP</i>
Wed 31st January <i>St John Bosco</i>	7pm Mass, St Theresa's	<i>Guili Pires RIP</i>
Thursday 1st Feb	10am Mass, St George's <i>Adoration to 10:45</i>	
Friday 2nd Feb <i>Presentation of the Lord</i>	10am Mass, St Theresa's <i>Adoration to 10:45</i>	
Saturday 3rd Feb <i>St Ansgar</i>	5:15– 5:45pm Confessions, St Peters 6pm Mass, St Peters	(St Peter's, Portland Road, Hove, BN3 5GD)
Sunday 4th Feb 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time	9am Mass, St Theresa's <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> 11am Mass, St George's	<i>All Parishioners</i> <i>David Weston RIP</i>

The SVP would like to thank the parish for all the:-

- ◆ Foreign coins and banknotes
- ◆ Current UK coins and banknotes
- ◆ Old British and Irish money
- ◆ Obsolete currency, such as pre-decimal

they have donated via the Cash4Coins collections. So far we have collected about 3.6 kg of currency. We are just over half way to the target we are aiming for, which is 5kg -10kg. Jars are still at both churches if you would like to donate any of the above.



Minibus Driver Needed

The SVP have lost one of the drivers for the minibus at Tower House and are now struggling to pick up guests/parishioners from our area, which is very unfortunate as we have two ladies who want to start going to Tower House. (Tower House is a community day centre that welcomes older people in Brighton and surrounding areas).

For the guests to get to Tower House by 12noon, pick up on Fridays is between 11am and 12noon and they usually leave about 2pm, so would need lifts home as well.

If this is something you can help with, please email the parish office or speak to Fr Tony.

St Vincent's Centre Brighton (Tower House)

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