



Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

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For more information and ways to support them see
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Special Collections: This weekend's second collection is for the Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese. Next weekend's second collection will be for World Communications Sunday.

Music Practice & Choir

Music practice for musicians is on Wednesday evenings, 18:30 at St George's; and choir practice is on Thursday evenings, 19:30 at St Theresa's. Please come along if you play a musical instrument or like to sing!



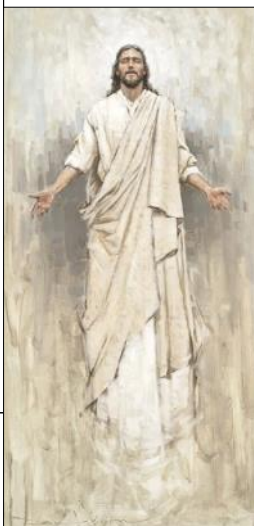
14th May 2023: 6th Sunday of Easter
Weekdays: 6th week of Easter

Fr Tony Writes

Congratulations to Hania, Ala, Jonathan, Noah I and Noah F, who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend at St George's, and also to the 18 children, and one adult, who made their FHC last weekend at St Theresa's. Thanks to all who have helped with the preparation of the children and the FHC Masses.



Receiving Holy Communion deepens our union with Jesus Christ and his Church, and it strengthens us for our mission. All of us are called to discipleship, and one way young people (and others) can live this discipleship is through liturgical ministry. To that end I hope to train up some new altar servers from those who have made their First Holy Communion this year and last year (and indeed anyone else who is eligible). See the box on the opposite page for details.



On Thursday we celebrate the Feast of the Ascension. This is the time when Jesus hands on his mission to his disciples. They ask Jesus what he is going to do, and Jesus says effectively, 'it is your job now', at the same time promising to be with them and send them the Holy Spirit. Let us use the coming final couple of weeks of Eastertide to pray for the gift of the Spirit in our own lives and our own parish, that we truly may be witnesses to Jesus Christ and bearers of his mission.

This leads me on to another theme: A few weeks ago Bishop Richard had a meeting with the pastoral teams and school leaders of the deanery to further explore his Pastoral Plan. This will involve, among other things, working more closely with other parishes. Following on from that, the pastoral teams of the three Hove parishes (ourselves, Sacred Heart, and St Peter's) met together for a very useful 'get to know you' session.

The bishop emphasises in his plan that in order to face the challenges of the future we need a change in mindset. Church is not just something we do, somewhere we go to be fed by Word and Sacrament, or to celebrate important life events. It is something we are: the Body of Christ in the world, bringing the love and mercy of Jesus to our world. You will be hearing a lot more about this, and how we can equip ourselves for the future, in the coming months.

Please Pray For

All who are sick in the parish, particularly Tom Hulse, Elizabeth Hopkins, Peter Rolph, Cheryl Evans, Julie Laker, and those on our regular prayer list including, Marion Shannon, Elizabeth Smith, Hanorah & Mat Smith, Winifred Wilde and Sandra Yelbeck. A full list of sick parishioners can be found on the parish website, as well as those whose anniversaries occur this month. Please also pray for those who have died recently especially, Philip Porritt, Veronica Lloyd, Fr David Russell and Michael Wilkinson (funeral at 11:30 on Tues 30th May, St Peter's Hove).

This week we are most in need of:

Tinned meat;
Cooking oil;
Rice;
Tinned pulses;
UHT semi skimmed milk;
Squash;
Sweet snacks, e.g. chocolate;
Deodorant;
Toothpaste;
Suncream.

We have a huge amount of pasta so please don't buy us any more!

Donations may be brought to the hall on Wednesdays 10:30—11:45am, or dropped into the boxes at the back of either church. Thank you for your continued support.



Deanery Discipleship Mass

Thursday 1st June at 7pm,

Sacred Heart, (39 Norton Road, Hove, BN3 3BF) will host a Deanery Discipleship Mass. Following Bishop Richard's desire for collaboration between parishes, as part of his new pastoral plan, please join us for a short, uplifting celebration of the Eucharist, followed by fellowship time and refreshments. There is ample parking in front of Hove Town Hall.



All parishes across the city are welcome.

Weekly Timetable

Saturday 13th May <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i>	4:30— 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	
Sunday 14th May <i>6th Sunday of Easter</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am FHC Mass, St George's	<i>All parishioners</i> <i>FHC children and families</i>
Tuesday 16th May	10am Mass, St George's	
Wed 17th May <i>Eve of the Ascension</i>	7:30pm Mass, St Theresa's Vigil of the Ascension Adoration to 8:30pm	<i>Vocations</i>
Thursday 18th May <i>Ascension of the Lord</i>	10am Mass, St George's	<i>Deceased members & Friends of the Gee family</i>
Friday 19th May	10am Mass, St Theresa's	
Saturday 20th May <i>St Bernadine of Siena</i>	4:30— 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	
Sunday 21st May <i>7th Sunday of Easter</i> <i>World Communications Day</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's <i>with Children's Liturgy</i> 11am Mass, St George's	<i>All Parishioners</i>

MISSIO Red Boxes



If you have a box that is getting full, please bring it in to St Theresa's (Teresa) or St George's (Patti), they will empty and count it.

Thank you for your continued support of the missions – it is much needed.

Altar Servers



We would like to re-introduce altar servers at our Masses, particularly at the weekend. To that end there will be an **Information and Sign-up Session at 6:30pm on Saturday 17th June at St Theresa's**. Any child who has made their First Holy Communion is eligible to be an altar server. NB. For this meeting the children need to come with a parent or guardian.

And if there are any former altar servers out there, of any age, who would like to lend a hand, do come along also!

There will be refreshments! (Of course!!)

Southwick Churches Together

We meet at 9:30 every Wednesday morning, St Michael's Church, Southwick, for a short service, led by people from the churches in the area. All are welcome. Refreshments afterwards. Andrew McPherson is our representative, but he needs some support. The task is not onerous! Please speak to Fr Tony for more information.

