

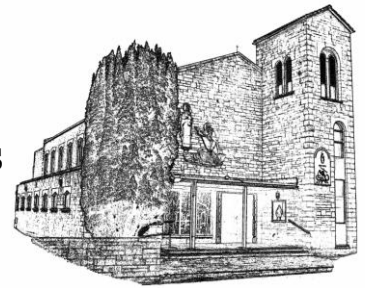
# The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Wilfrid

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## THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> January 2015

### Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm	For the Intentions of the Parish	
Sunday	10.00am	Ken Wass RIP	
Monday		Weekday of the Year	
	10.00am		
Tuesday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Wednesday		Weekday of the Year	
	7.00pm	Funeral Vigil Mass: Canon Michael Reynell	
Thursday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Friday		Weekday of the Year	No Mass
Saturday		St. Anthony	No Morning Mass

### 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

	5.30pm		
Sunday	10.00am	For the Intentions of the Parish	

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4.45 to 5.15pm.

*[The Baptism of the Lord – page 119 in the Parish Mass Book]*

CANON MICHAEL REYNELL RIP: The Funeral Mass for Fr. Michael will be on Thursday at 2.00pm in Arundel Cathedral. Archbishop Peter will be the Principal Concelebrant and will be joined by priests from this and neighbouring dioceses and assisted by deacons from our own diocese. It will be the occasion for Fr. Michael's family, close friends and parishioners from the parishes that he served during 50 years of ministry as a priest to give thanks for his life, commend him to God and pray for his eternal salvation. All will be welcome.

There will also be a Vigil Mass for Fr. Michael at St. Wilfrid's on Wednesday at 7.00pm at which the local Dean, Fr. Tony Churchill, will be the Principal Concelebrant. This Mass is for priests and people unable to attend the Funeral Mass on Thursday. All are welcome. There will be light refreshments following the Mass on both days. May he rest in peace!

THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD: Although Christmas lights and decorations may have been packed away for another year the liturgical celebration of Christmas comes to an end with today's feast, which is why the Church still has all the signs and symbols of Christmas. The Lord's Baptism, like his Epiphany last weekend, is a "manifestation" of the coming into our world of the Son of God. The Church, which we all joined when we were baptised, is one way in which Jesus continues to make himself known to the world: at the beginning of Mass we will be reminded of this with the blessing and sprinkling of holy water.

## CANON MICHAEL REYNELL RIP

The Order of Service booklet for the funeral of a priest has a few notes at the back on the life and ministry of the priest whose life we meet to celebrate and for which we give thanks.

Father Michael was born in 1925 and educated at St. Joseph's, Blackheath. His wartime service was as an engineer in the RAF which included being stationed towards the end of the war at the temporary airfield at Church Norton. After the war he worked in a Shipping Office until he began his formation for the priesthood in 1954 at St. John's Seminary, Womersley.

He was ordained priest in June 1960 and his first appointment was to Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Langley Green (Crawley) as assistant priest. Thereafter he served as Assistant Priest in St. Mary Magdalene, Brighton; The Sacred Heart Church, Caterham; St. Mary of Pity, Burpham (Guildford).

His first appointment as a parish priest in 1972 was to Our Lady Help of Christians in West Byfleet and then as parish priest at St. Peter's, Hove. His final appointment was to this parish where he was parish priest from 2000 until he retired in 2011. Priests are seldom just the priest to their own parish! Fr. Michael was also the Dean of the Brighton and Hove Deanery, a Judge on the Matrimonial Tribunal and a School Governor at the Marist School in West Byfleet, Cottesmore Primary School in Hove and Cardinal Newman School, also in Hove. He was also appointed as a Canon of the Chapter at the Cathedral.

He will be remembered with affection in all the parishes he served, as an Assistant Priest for a total of 12 years and as a Parish Priest for more than 39 years. May he rest in peace!

**SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING:** The first meeting of the group in 2015 will be on Tuesday at 6.30pm in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to review the achievements of 2014 and begin planning for 2015.

**NO MASS ON FRIDAY:** Please note that there will be no Mass in the parish this Friday morning.

**PEACE SUNDAY:** The theme for this year's World Peace Day next Sunday is "Slaves no more, but brothers and sisters." Slavery in all its many modern forms is now blighting the life of millions of people around the world and earning the slave "traders" a vast amount of money. Fighting slavery, particularly for sexual exploitation, has become a top priority for Pope Francis and Cardinal Vincent Nichols who, together with the Home Secretary and a Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, are leading the international campaign to end slavery in its modern forms.

The Catholic charity, Pax Christi, is also very involved. Next Sunday there will be the annual retiring collection for Pax Christi. Please take an envelope home for your donation next weekend.

**SELSEY FOLK CLUB:** There will be a first "open" meeting of this new venture in our Parish Hall on Wednesday, 21<sup>st</sup> January from 7.30pm. It intended to be a regular social event for the parish and for the wider community: all will be welcome to come along to sing, to play, or just to listen.

**BAGS2THEFUTURE:** We are due a collection in February and empty bags are now available. You may fill them with clothing and footwear that you no longer need. However, heavier fabrics such as curtains and bedding are **no longer** collected. Filled bags can be left in the porch.

**A HUG:** A former parishioner – Sky Higley – has sent a cheerful little poem from Scotland to brighten these winter days: copies are available near the Newsletters.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Max Foresheaw, Tricia Green, Christina Hackett, Nell Hassett, Billy Jones, Dave Mortby, Peggy Owens, Samantha Phillips, Theresa Watson and all in the parish who are sick.  
*Please speak to Fr. John if you would like the parish to pray for you, or for someone in your family.*

Collections:	3 <sup>rd</sup> /4 <sup>th</sup> January	Offertory Collection	£357.90p
		Church Maintenance Fund	£72.98p