

The Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Wilfrid, Selsey

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18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
30th/31st July 2016

Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm	Pat Nolan RIP	
Sunday	10.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish	
Monday	10.00am	St Alphonsus Liguori	
Tuesday		Weekday of the Year	
No Mass			
Wednesday		Weekday of the Year	
No Mass			
Thursday		St John Mary Vianney	
No Mass			
Friday	10.00am	Weekday of the Year	
Saturday		The Transfiguration of the Lord	No Morning
Mass			

19th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	5.30pm	Matt Davis RIP	
Sunday	10.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish	

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4.45 to 5.15pm.

[18th Sunday in Ordinary Time - page 117 in the Parish Mass Book]

PLEASE PRAY FOR: This Sunday our Diocesan Pilgrimage is in Lourdes. By tradition the pilgrims will have very much in their thoughts and prayers - at the Grotto and during the Pilgrimage Mass - the people of the diocese back home, especially those who are sick at home or in hospital; those with permanent disabilities; those who are frail especially in residential care homes; those who bear their suffering silently wherever they are. In turn, they ask all of us in our parishes to pray with them and for them that they may receive many blessings and graces from the pilgrimage. There are four pilgrims from St Wilfrid's: a special prayer for them will be much appreciated.

SUMMER FLOWER COLLECTION: There is a retiring collection this weekend to top-up our Church flower fund midway through the year: it can be Gift-Aided using a special purple envelope.

LIFEBOAT SERVICE: The annual Service of Praise and Thanksgiving at the beginning of Lifeboat Week will be in St. Peter's Church this Sunday evening, beginning at 6.30pm. The Service is in the Church because work in progress on the construction of the new Lifeboat Station means that Lifeboat Green is not available this year. All will be most welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION PHOTOS: The photos taken of the children on their First Communion Day are now available on a special CD for each family: please ask Fr. John for your copy today, if you didn't receive it last weekend. May we thank Charlie Severne - our official photographer - for the very special souvenir of the very special day that he produced for each family?

COFFEE AFTER MASS: There will be coffee and other refreshments available in the Hall after Mass next weekend: all will be most welcome.

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INSTRUCT THE IGNORANT

The second Spiritual Work of Mercy has something of a direct, even harsh, ring to it – possibly because none of us likes to be thought of as ignorant! In the Bible God is presented as the gentlest, most patient and most persistent of teachers. Through Moses God gave us laws and commandments to bring order into society; through the prophets we received guidance on how to live with justice and compassion; in the Books of Wisdom there is an inexhaustible fund of instruction on personal relationships and making the most of life; in the Psalms there is poetry and spirituality that inspire us to aim for the best in our human nature.

The image of God as a gentle and patient teacher was very much to be seen in the life and work of Jesus, who taught not just with words but with every action of his life. Whether on “the Mount” or in a boat on the edge of the Sea of Galilee from where he preached sermons, in towns and villages, in Synagogues or wide open spaces, people flocked in large numbers to hear what he had to say because “he taught with authority.” But also because he told a good story: his parables are a model for any teacher in how to teach deep truths in an appealing manner that anyone can understand. Before returning to the Father, Jesus instructed his followers to go and proclaim the Gospel all corners of the world. Ever since the Church has fulfilled this command as a primary responsibility – from the pulpit, in schools and universities, by action and example, in print and in social media, and in so many other ways.

We can never know enough about the truths of our faith and should take every opportunity to learn more about the joys of the Good News. We are also part of the Church with a mission to proclaim to the world what we believe and know to be true and so we should be happy to seize every opportunity to banish ignorance from the lives of those around us.

RUDE MECHANICAL CONCERT: The Selsey Folk Club, which had its beginnings in our Parish Hall, is hosting a Concert on Friday evening featuring the group The Rude Mechanical as part of the Selsey Festival: it will be at The Selsey Centre beginning at 7.30pm. Tickets are £5.00 each - online from The Selsey Festival website, from John or Julian, or at the door.

STONEPILLOW APPEAL: Next weekend Julian Lindsey-Clark will make an appeal on behalf of Stonepillow - the Hostel at Hunston for homeless people. There will be a retiring collection to support its work - and please remember the Stonepillow “box” permanently in the Church Porch to receive gifts of consumables for the kitchen at the Hostel.

MERCY TOUR EVENT: A group of young people on a “Mercy Tour” around the country will be visiting Chichester on Monday, 8th August. They will lead an evening of adoration, worship and reconciliation in St. Richard's Church from 7.00pm. All are welcome. As the theme is encountering God through Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and through reconciliation, there will be priests present throughout the evening to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation with those who wish to use the occasion for going to Confession.

TREASURE HUNTING: St. Wilfrid's is not about to be invaded by those seeking treasure in the Pokemon-Go game. However, it seems that there is a clue in the painting of Our Lady and St. Wilfrid on the front of the Church for those searching for a Cache in a local Geocaching treasure hunt. So there is no need to be suspicious of anyone studying intently the front of our Church: a friendly and helpful word would doubtless be much appreciated and help them on their way!

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Beryl Ayres, Jacqui Brooker, Max Foreshow, Nell Hassett, Grace Ledger, Sean Mangan, Reon McSharry, Samantha Phillips, Sheilagh Roberts 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:
£365.10p

23rd/24th July

Offertory Collection

Church Maintenance Fund
£82.01p