

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

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25th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
September 2017

23rd/24th

Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm	Intentions of the Parish	
Sunday	10.00am	Trish Hunt RIP and Dorothy Riches RIP	
Monday		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
	10.00am		
Tuesday		Weekday in Ordinary Time	No Mass
Wednesday		St. Vincent de Paul	No Mass
Thursday		Weekday in Ordinary Time	No Mass
Friday		Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael	
	10.00am		
Saturday Mass		St. Jerome	No Morning

26th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	5.30pm	In Thanksgiving	
Sunday	10.00am	Intentions of the Parish	

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 4.45 to 5.15pm

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PLEASE PRAY FOR John Kiely, formerly of St. Itha Close, who died during the week: his funeral service will be on Friday, 6th October at Chichester Crematorium. Pray also for his family and friends at this time of sadness. May he rest in peace!

FORMAL WELCOME: Our youngest parishioners, Kenzie Zofija and Zara Veronika, have already received a warm welcome since they have been coming to the Sunday Morning Mass with their parents, Giedre and Paul Hodges. At the beginning of Mass this Sunday morning they will be officially welcomed into our parish community when their parents formally ask that they be baptised. They will be fully welcomed into the Church next Saturday afternoon at their Baptism.

MEMORIAL MASS: There will be a Requiem Mass next Sunday afternoon for Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor at 3.00pm in Arundel Cathedral. Many from the diocese, people and priests, were unable to be present for his Funeral last week in Westminster: this Mass will be an opportunity for many to add their prayers and respects to those that have already been offered for Bishop Cormac.

VOLUNTEER WELCOMERS: The team of "Welcomers" at the Saturday evening Mass has become a little depleted of late. There is a "sign-up" list on the parish notice board if anyone would like to join the team: the duties are light and simple - welcoming everyone arriving for Mass with a warm smile and offering them a Parish Mass Book -

requiring only an early arrival at the Church when it is your turn on the rota to welcome. Please sign up if you can help.

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THE GOLDEN RULE

Recent months have seen a number of impressive examples of the Golden Rule put into practice, in our own country and around the world. At its simplest the Rule says “Do to no one what you would not want done to you” and it runs like a golden thread through all the great religions and cultures of the world and has even been absorbed into the beliefs of many with no particular religious affiliation. Happily, the Golden Rule has often been expressed in a much more positive form: Jesus, for example, taught the crowds in the Sermon on the Mount: “So always treat others as you would like them to treat you” (Matthew 7:12).

In its positive form, the Golden Rule is much more demanding: if, naturally, any of us would like to be treated with the dignity and respect we believe we are entitled to then it follows that we must be prepared to treat all others in the same way. The recent examples we have seen of the Golden Rule in practice include the responses of people to the attacks on the public in London and Manchester. It wasn't just members of the emergency services that rushed to help those injured or in danger, but many ordinary members of the public stopped to help those in need even when to do so put their own lives in danger. We saw same thing in France, Spain and other countries around the world where people of violence have sought to wreak havoc on city streets. And at the present time we witnessing this same human spirit, and observance of the Golden Rule, being demonstrated in the wake of terrible hurricanes in the Caribbean and southern States of North America, and also in the devastation following the earthquake in Mexico. The human spirit always seems to be at its best in the face of great adversity, for which we must be ever thankful. If the Golden Rule in its various forms could also be lived and practised in more normal times and circumstances we would undoubtedly be living in a better and happier world.

OPEN DAY: If you have a child due to start school in September 2018 you may want to consider a place at our local Catholic Primary School: St Richard's Primary School in Chichester. There will be an open day on Monday, 16th October.

“CONSIDER A CAREER IN CARE” There will be an open meeting in Selsey Town Hall on Saturday, 7th October for anyone who would like to find out more about becoming a care worker in the local community. There are posters and postcards in the porch with more information.

THE BIG SLEEP OUT: This annual fundraising event, organised by Stonepillow, will be on the night of Saturday, 7th October in the grounds of Chichester Cathedral. Stonepillow now provides 365 days a year support for homeless people in Chichester, Bognor Regis and Littlehampton and is able to give accommodation to 86 people at any one time. The Big Sleep Out aims to raise £30,000 from sponsorship of those prepared to spend a night sleeping in cardboard boxes or other makeshift shelters - not to replicate the plight of homelessness but to gain a small insight into the realities of rough sleeping. If you would like to be involved - by sponsoring those sleeping out or even by joining them for the night - then find out more from the Stonepillow website.

JUMBLE AND JAM: There will a (traditional!) Jumble Sale in the Parish Hall on Saturday, 14th October: at the same time, St. Wilfrid's Kitchen will be open for the sale of jams and preserves.

BAGS2THEFUTURE: There will be another collection of shoes and clothing surplus to requirement in the near future. Please take home a special bag or two to fill with cast-offs and return to the Church Porch in the next week or two.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Jacqui Brooker, Joanne Donoghue, Max Foreshow, Nell Hassett, Margaret Kortens, Grace Ledger, Desmond McGoldrick, Samantha Phillips 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:
£362.59

16th/17th September

Offertory Collection
Home Mission Sunday

£64.59