

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

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### THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2020

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#### Mass Times

Saturday	5.30pm		
Sunday	10.00am	Intentions of the People of the Parish	
Monday		St Blaise	
	10.00am		
Tuesday		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
No Mass			
Wednesday		St Agatha	
No Mass			
Thursday		St Paul Miki & Companion Martyrs	
No Mass			
Friday		Weekday in Ordinary Time	
	10.00am		
Saturday		St Cuthman of Steyning	No Morning
Mass			

#### 5<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

	5.30pm	Intentions of the People of the Parish	
Sunday	10.00am		
Sacrament of Reconciliation:		Saturday, 4.45 to 5.15pm	

*[The Presentation of the Lord – page 300 in the Parish Mass Book]*

PLEASE PRAY FOR Anthony Cannon, of Lapwing Close, who died on Thursday. He moved to Selsey last year from Chichester and has since been receiving Holy Communion at home regularly. Pray, too, for his family and friends. May he rest in peace!

THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD: Today we are celebrating "The Presentation," also known as "Candlemas" – the fortieth day after Christmas. The Season of Christmas lasts for a full forty days ending with this Feast. In St Wilfrid's we keep our small Christmas Crib in place in the little window by the main door of the Church until after today's Feast!

ENROLMENT SERVICE: The Programme of Preparation for the Sacraments of Reconciliation (Confession) and Holy Communion this year has just one child. At the beginning of Mass this Sunday morning the parents of Nathan will present him to the parish community. They will ask the parish to assist them in helping him to prepare for the Sacraments with the instruction he will receive, by making him and his family always feel

welcome, by the example we give and by praying for Nathan and his family throughout the coming months.

**COFFEE AFTER MASS:** All are welcome to refreshments in the Parish Hall after Mass on Saturday evening and on Sunday morning. We are hopeful of being able to import the last of the Epiphany Cakes (Galette des Rois) or, if the shelves have been cleared for this year, something similar.

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**DAY RETREAT:** There will be a quiet day for reflection and prayer on the topic of Prophecy – in the Scriptures and in the life of the Church today – on Tuesday from 10.00am to 4.00pm at the Sussex Heritage Centre, near Arundel (BN18 9QY). The cost for the day will be £15.00; bring a packed lunch, hot drinks provided. For more details, or to book, see [www.sussexheritage.co.uk](http://www.sussexheritage.co.uk) or 'phone Maria on 01903 413606.

**RACIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY:** The entire focus of this year's Racial Justice Sunday next weekend is on the travelling communities in England and Wales – Gypsies, Roma and Travellers – under the theme “You are at the heart of the Church.” It is taken from a homily preached by Pope St Paul VI in 1965 when he visits a Roma Traveller Site in Italy: he said “You are not on the margins of the Church...you are at the centre...you are at the heart of the Church.” Last weekend the world witnessed the commemorations around the world of Holocaust Memorial Day; next weekend the Church in England and Wales will celebrate the contribution of another minority group that often suffers persecution. There will be a retiring collection for travelling communities but also, to take home, a special “pledge card” that will encourage us to think about other ways that we can support travellers.

**SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA:** The routine has now become established when our parish is the host Church for welcoming people from the community (and from our own community!) for tea, cake, entertainment and good company: our next turn will be next Sunday – and on every second Sunday of each month – from 3.00 to 4.30pm.

We are also looking for some more volunteers (from younger parishioners!) to come along and help with the welcoming and catering: some simple waiter/waitressing at table and in the kitchen. If you are able to help, please have a word with Karen Pirks – 07824 376 760 – or to offer any baking – savoury or sweet – you can manage.

**SWIMATHON 2020:** The “sign-on” forms now in the Porch are looking clean and tidy when we need them to be covered with writing! If you would like to join our team of gallant swimmers, please add your name to the list; if you would like to sponsor – an individual by name or The Team as a whole – then add your name to the other list. The annual Sponsored “Swimathon” – at Bunn's Oasis Pool – will take place from 12.00noon until 3.00pm on Sunday, 1<sup>st</sup> March. We will be joined by Swimmers, and their supporters, from Selsey Community First Responders to take part in this joint Charity event. Bunn's is kindly allowing our Swimmers free entry to the Pool with the exclusive use of at least two lanes.

**A & B NEWS:** The February edition of our Diocesan Magazine is available this weekend: sixteen pages of news and views – and plenty of photos – from around the diocese. It includes a full report on the visit to the Cathedral of the Statue of Our Lady of Walsingham in the autumn and the Dedication of England as the Dowry of Our Lady.

**A & B LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2020:** There is now a poster in the Porch with contact details for the annual pilgrimage to Lourdes: from 24<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> July 2020 for those hoping to travel to Lourdes by 'plane (or 23<sup>rd</sup> to 31<sup>st</sup> July for those travelling by coach). Booking forms are now available online for ordinary pilgrims and for those wishing to go as a “helper” – contact [www.ablourdes.org](http://www.ablourdes.org) – or 'phone 01403 740110 for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR: Angela Barnado, Jacqui Brooker, Joanne Donoghue, Max  
Foresheaw, Magda Gallanti, Nell Hassett, David Mortby, Brian Rogers, Cyril Wass 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.*

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