

THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF

SS Anthony & George, Duncton
The Divine Motherhood & St Francis of Assisi, Midhurst
The Sacred Heart, Petworth

Sunday August 2nd		Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		The Parish of Petworth & Midhurst
5.30pm (Sat)	Petworth	Vigil Mass		Parish Priest Fr Peter Newsam peter.newsam@abdiocese.org.uk
8.00am	Duncton	Mass	People of the Parish	
9.30am	Midhurst	Mass	Sally & Rowland Thomas RIP	
11.00am	Petworth	Mass	Private Intention	
Monday August 3rd		Feria		Administrator Catherine Moody: Tuesday - Thursday 9am-1pm phone number is 07543 666878 petworth@abdiocese.org.uk
No Mass				
Tuesday August 4th		S. John Mary Vianney		The Presbytery, Angel Street, Petworth, West Sussex GU28 0BG 01798 342169
9.30am	Petworth	Mass		
6.30pm	Simple prayers via Zoom			
Wednesday August 5th		Feria		Finance Lead Paul Mellings paul.mellings@btinternet.com
9.30am	Midhurst	Mass	Fr Paschal Uche's intentions	
Thursday August 6th		Transfiguration of The Lord		Pastoral Lead Charles Sommer charles@sommer-holdings.ltd.uk
9.30am	Petworth	Mass		
Friday August 7th		Feria		Website petworthcatholic.org or midhurstcatholic.org
6.30pm	Petworth	Mass	Private Intention	
Saturday August 8th		S. Dominic		
9.30am	Midhurst	Mass	Mgr James Carter RIP	
10.00am	Midhurst	Confessions		
11.00am	Parish Prayer Meeting on Zoom			
5.00pm	Petworth	Confessions		
5.30pm	Petworth	Mass (First Mass of Sunday)		
Sunday August 9th		Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8.00am	Duncton	Mass	People of the Parish	
9.30am	Midhurst	Mass	Private Intention	
11.00am	Petworth	Mass		

Please check this Newsletter online each week. If you are not receiving this Newsletter by email, but would like to, please email Catherine and ask her to include you. Alternatively, if you would like to have a copy posted to you, please let Catherine know. **Items that are new, or amended, this week are headed in red**

A very warm welcome to Jack Hampton to be baptised at Duncton this weekend.

Parish Team meeting by Zoom this Wednesday (5th) at 5pm

Are you part of The Big Parish Gathering? As some people are still shielding themselves we will still gather for prayer vis Zoom at 11am each Saturday. Everyone is welcome, either online or by simply phoning a telephone number. Contact Catherine in the office if you would like to start joining us.

If you have prayer intentions that you would like mentioned at this gathering, please email them to Fr Peter by Friday lunchtime.

Gift Aid Envelopes There has been a clerical error with the envelopes distributed for the current year (2020-1). We need your help to sort it out. Please will everyone with envelopes for the current year that are titled 'Sacred Heart Petworth' bring them back to Mass (or, if you are not able to get to Mass at the moment, return them by post or drop them in the letter box) and place them in the box labelled 'old GA envelopes' at the back of the church. You will be handed a new set of envelopes (safely protected in a plastic bag etc) for the rest of this year. Many apologies for this, and thank you for your assistance.

Sunday readings - questions for reflection and discussion Each week the Catholic Bible School posts some questions to help you explore the Sunday readings. The questions go on their website each Friday for the following Sunday. Here is the link <http://www.catholic-bible-school.org/sundays>

Opening our churches for Mass
PLEASE READ THIS SECTION CAREFULLY

Mass times have, broadly speaking, returned to the pre-pandemic scheme. Fr Peter will be saying Mass each week in the convent for the sisters, but in order to protect them this Mass will be for the community only.

The Sunday obligation remains suspended, so there is no obligation to attend Mass on Sunday - to spread the number of people out, you may want to consider coming on a weekday.

NB as a temporary measure there will be an additional Mass in Petworth at 5.30pm on Saturday. To make sure that we can keep numbers safe, please email, text or call Catherine (details above) to let her know which weekend Mass you plan to attend. **I know it is a bit of a bore, but you will need to do this each week.** This is all a temporary measure to make sure we can comply with the government guidelines. In the unlikely event of a church becoming full to safe capacity, we will not be able to admit further people.

Midhurst Food Bank Food donations for the foodbank are being resumed and can be put in the box at the back of the church on the final Sunday of each month.

CAFOD Coronavirus Appeal You can read about the ways in which CAFOD is working across the world to help combat the effects of the Diocese, and you can support them with a donation, by visiting <https://cafod.org.uk/Give/Donate-to-Emergencies/Coronavirus-appeal>

A simple time of prayer each Tuesday at 6.30pm.

Everyone is welcome to join in - email Catherine and she will give you details of how to join us on Zoom.

How to give money to the parish

(1) There is an offertory basket at the back of each church for cash/cheque donations at Sunday Mass. Or
(2) With internet banking Please enter in the reference field the reason for the transfer - 'offertory' or 'Mass stipend' or whatever. Thank you so much for your generosity.

A/c name Petworth Sacred Heart

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(3) Standing Order If you would like to move to giving by standing order email Catherine and she can help with this.

The parish is so grateful for your generous support.

Bidding Prayers for this Sunday

Let us pray for Pope Francis, for Bishops, priests and church leaders; that they may have the powerful gift of sharing God's love and mercy throughout the world at a time of great need.

Let us pray for all parents of young children, especially those who will be bringing their children for baptism in the coming weeks; that the joy of new life may make them strong in hope and love.

Let us pray for all those in public life, that they may act wisely, justly and fairly; that there may be a deeper longing for the values of integrity, decency and compassion in our society.

Let us pray for the work of CAFOD, and all those who are working together to help those most vulnerable to the Coronavirus because of poverty, poor living conditions, lack of knowledge and inadequate medical facilities; that the world may join together to help the weakest people.

Let us pray for the sick, especially for all those named on our sick list, any known to us personally, and all patients in hospitals, hospices and nursing homes; may the Lord bring them comfort and healing. Let us pray, too, for all those unable to join us for Mass because they are shielding themselves.

Let us pray for all those who have died, especially for those who have died recently, and for Pat Lee and all those whose anniversaries fall at this time; may they enjoy eternal rest and peace.

Loving Father, grant eternal rest to the dead, comfort to mourners, healing to the sick, peace to the dying, strength to healthcare workers, wisdom to our leaders and the courage to reach out to all in love, so that together we may give glory to your holy name. Amen

'In these times, marked as they are by indifferentism, individualism and the exclusion of others, the rediscovery of brotherhood is paramount and integral to evangelisation, which is closely linked to human relationships.'

'Instruction on The Pastoral Conversion of The Parish Community', published by The Congregation for The Clergy June 2020

Please continue to pray for the sick, amongst them: Fr Tony Collins, Philip Henstock, Netta Davey, Doug Scott, Carolyn Luck, Kathleen Behan, Sister Barbara, Tristan Pye, Sister Ancilla, Josh Vaughan, and Patrick Mahon.