

For those affected by the Nepal earthquake

*Merciful and loving God,
we pray for our sisters and brothers in Nepal,
for those who have died,
and for those who mourn.
We ask that through your grace,
you may bless and comfort your people.
For those who are afraid;
bring peace,
for those who are toiling to save;
bring strength,
and for those who are lost;
bring shelter under the shadow of your wings.
Open our hearts Lord,
help us to be with your people
through our actions and prayers,
as we hold onto hope in you.
Through Christ our Lord, Amen.*

Rachel McCarthy/CAFOD

Parishioners are encouraged to contribute to this page of the Newsletter. If you have an item which you would like to offer, please email it to the Parish Office for consideration.

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With St. Peter's, Rotherfield

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Sunday 3rd May 2015 – Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mass Times, Feasts & Intentions for the week

Sat 2nd 6 pm (Vigil Mass) – Ashley Bell R.I.P
Sun 3rd 8.45 am (Rotherfield) People of the Parish
10:30 am (Wadhurst) – Peter Boyd R.I.P
Mon 4th 10 am –
Tue 5th 10 am – Betty Ainscough (90th Birthday)
Wed 6th No Mass -
Thur 7th 10am Audrey O'Donaghue
Fri 8th 10am
Sat 9th 6pm (Vigil Mass)
Sun 10th 8.45am (Rotherfield)
10.30 am (Wadhurst)

The English Martyrs

Usual Mass Times:
(See above for any changes)
Sundays:
Wadhurst: Sat 6:00pm (Vigil)
Rotherfield: 8:45am
Wadhurst: 10:30am

Weekdays (Wadhurst):
Monday: 10:00am
Tuesday: 10:00am
Wednesday: No Mass
Thursday: 10:00am
Friday: 10:00am
Saturday: 6:00pm (Vigil for Sunday)

Parish Office Hours:
Monday 9am – 12 noon
Thursday 9am – 12 noon
Friday 9am – 12 noon

Confessions:
Saturday: 5:00pm – 5:30pm
Easter Sat: 10-11 am by appointment
Rosary:
Thursdays 9.15 am Carillon Cottage

Adoration (Holy Hour):
First Friday: 9:00am – 10 am

Mothers' Prayers:
Wednesdays 11am, Three Trees, Wadhurst
Tel: Colleen (01892) 784734

Prayers for Healing:
Fourth Thursday of the month, 2 pm at
Carillon Cottage. Box for prayer requests
in Annexe or Tel: Colleen O'Farrell
(01892) 784734

News & Notices

MONDAY BANK HOLIDAY there will be Mass as normal at 10am

REMINDER please remember to communicate via the Parish Office email parishsecretary.sacredheart@gmail.com We also have the letterbox by the office for Mass intentions.

PARISH 200 CLUB Subscriptions will be collected after Mass next weekend for the new year which starts on 1st June. Tickets are available for new and existing members at £12 for the year. There is a monthly prize of £25 and quarterly prize of £50. Please do support the draw which raises much needed funds for the parish.

PARISH DRAW WINNER for April is John Whelan – congratulations! Your cheque is on the table in the Annexe.

CONFIRMATION: Congratulations to two of our young parishioners, Oliver Thompson and Rebecca Lond, who were confirmed last weekend in Uckfield. We congratulate them on this step in their journey of faith.

NOURISH: The collection for Nourish will take place this weekend, 2nd/3rd May.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: A group of our children will be receiving their First Holy Communion at the 10.30 am Mass on Sunday 17th May. Please continue to pray for them and their dedicated teachers.

EVENING SERVICE AND BENEDICTION: There will be an Evening Service and Benediction for Ascension-tide at St Peters, Rotherfield on Sunday 17th May at 6 pm.

SPECIAL COLLECTION this weekend after all Masses - CAFOD has launched a £3m emergency appeal following the earthquake in Nepal. Thousands of people in this already impoverished country have been killed and many thousands more are in urgent need of food, water, shelter and emergency supplies. 8 million people are affected. CAFOD is responding with Church partners and has deployed a team to provide specialist support.

WADHURST METHODIST CHURCH: After one hundred and forty years of worship and witness in Wadhurst, the decision has been made that the Wadhurst Methodist Church will close. Their last service will be on Sunday 24th May at 3pm. It will be a celebration to mark their many years of service to the community of Wadhurst. We are all warmly invited to join in this celebration.

‘WRESTLING WITH THE ANGEL – A Convert’s Tale’: A book on conversion by our very own Jon Elsby, now available, priced at £7.99. If you are interested, it can be obtained direct from Jon at £5 a copy. Please see him after Mass, or let the Parish Secretary know and she will be in touch with him.

DIOCESAN FESTIVAL 50 – Sunday 5th July 2015

Are you anxious about coming to Festival 50? Would you like to come but are anxious about how you will cope with getting there, or about managing with a particular difficulty while you are there? Please don’t let this put you off. Contact the Inclusion Adviser for the Diocese on 01293 651136, or email margaret.fraher@dabnet.org so we can make sure you can join this very special celebration.

Encounter@Festival 50

A Youth Vigil for Festival 50 for 14 – 35s on Saturday 4th July from 7-10pm with a sleepover at the Amex. See the poster in the annexe and take a flier from the table. For more information and to register contact jack.regan@dabnet.org.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES AND MISSIO MAGAZINES: There are still a large number of these on the table in the annexe. Please pick yours up if you haven’t already done so.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Please continue to pray for all who are sick in our parish, and amongst our families and friends. Please pray also for all who love and care for them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Please remember in your prayers all who have died, and whose anniversaries occur at this time, including Elizabeth George, Ashley Bell, William Conoley and Peter Boyd.

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