

We Welcome Visitors and New Parishioners to our Parish Family
FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (Year C)

MASSES 10th / 17th February 2019

Sat	9th Feb	9.30am	Doreen Halstead R.I.P (V)	
		6.00pm	Doris Patricia Bennett R.I.P(J&LB)	1st Mass: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	10th Feb	8.00am	Parish Family Ints	Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
		10.30am	John Michael Watson R.I.P (RW)	
Mon	11th Feb	No Liturgy today		
Tue	12th Feb	10.00am	Joanna Price R.I.P (<i>Foundation Mass</i>)	
Wed	13th Feb	2.00pm	Novena	
Thurs	14th Feb	10.00am	Walter Kealy Ints (WK)	Feast: Ss Cyril, Monk, and Methodius, Bishop <i>Exposition 9.30 - 9.50am</i>
Fri	15th Feb	10.00am	Winifred Courtney R.I.P	
Sat	16th Feb	9.30am	Mary Teresa Errington R.I.P (PE)	
		6.00pm	Parish Family Ints	1st Mass: Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Sun	17th Feb	8.00am	Margaret Gilbert & Family Ints (MG)	Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time
		10.30am	Eileen Baguley R.I.P (WBB)	
		3.00pm	Latin Mass	

Sacrament of Reconciliation After the 9.30am and 6pm Mass

Collection: 2nd/3rd Feb Total £1290.34 £693.34 £597.00 Standing Order

Second collection this weekend: Lourdes Pilgrimage Fund (Gift Aid)

Mass intention envelopes are available in the porch.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT GROUP: We will be meeting again on Friday 22nd February from 7pm starting with our shared supper. This month's talk will once again be by Fr Raniero Cantalamessa. All welcome to join us.

Please pray for all those who are sick in our parish at this time.

Please pray for those who have died recently. We also remember those members of our Parish family whose family anniversary occurs at this time, Joanna Toubkin, Margot Evans, Jim Donoghue, Michael McKenna, Mary Wait, Patrick Kearey, Eileen Daly, Christine Miles and Stephen Gardner. May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

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FINANCE: As always, many thanks for this week's Offertory Thanksgiving and your constant financial support for the parish. The hall boiler has now been replaced and it will be much more efficient and economic than the original one which was over 30 years old.

ST THOMAS MORE GIRLS CLUB meets on Mondays 4.00pm to 5.45pm the Church Hall. This is a cookery and craft activity club for all girls aged 7 (year 3) to 11 years (year 6). Any older girls who would like to help run the activities are very welcome. Girls Club aims to develop friendship and formation through fun activities and short talks about faith for kids. The weekly fee is £2.00 each or £3.00 per family. *Contact Mary 07955 154014 for more information.*

GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE: Many of you left flowers and plants at the graves of your families and friends during the Christmas season, and that was lovely. It would be great help if you could give those plots a tidy up and make sure that any items that have had their day are removed. Also, a very gentle reminder – if you leave plants, vases and pots etc.. at the graves it makes keeping the garden tidy that much more difficult.

ANY THOUGHTS? Although Christmas is hardly over, do you have any thoughts about what we might do to make Lent a bit special this year? Any ideas you may have will be most welcome if you pass them to Fr Paul or Deacon Colin

THE NOVENA PRAYERS TO OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP will resume on Wed 6th Feb at 2pm in the Church and will continue for 9 weeks until Wed 3rd April. All welcome. *Contact Veronica 01323 491020.*

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Seaford Catenians are arranging a ST PATRICK'S DAY MEAL & CELEBRATION to take place on **Saturday 16th March** at St Thomas More Church Hall from 7.00 p.m. The event is open to all and is to raise funds for two charities, the Friends of Eastbourne Hospital and the Sisters of Providence of Rouen for their work in Madagascar. Live music will be provided as last year by Carl and a licensed bar will be available. Tickets cost £12.50 for an adult and £6 for a child (under 16) and will be available from 16th February. For more information please contact *Shaun Reid on 01323 895242 or Joe Fackler on 01323 896591.*

SEAFORD CATENIANS: The Catenians meet in Seaford Golf Club, Firlle Road, on the second Monday of the month (except in December) at 7:30 pm. If any gentleman is interested in joining the Association please contact *Michael Logan on 01323 491566 or Martin Klust on 01273 584204.*

ST TERESA'S PRAYER GROUP: The prayer group will now meet at 1 Hawth Way, and not at "Shalom". Please bring your booklet "Anointed" with you. There will be photocopies for new members. If you are interested in joining us do come along or phone *Heather – 898548*

CONFIRMATION: Bishop Richard will be celebrating the sacrament of Confirmation in our deanery in July this year. Any of you aged 14 or over and who have not yet been Confirmed and wish take the opportunity should have a word with Fr Paul after Mass one weekend soon. A programme of preparation to take place after Easter will be arranged. We look forward to hearing from you.

INVITATION TO PARENTS OF ANNECY CHILDREN: Come along and find out about the school's approach to teaching phonics on Tuesday February 12th at either 9.00am or 4.00pm. Contact the school office if you would like to attend.

PLEASE SAY A PRAYER for Sr Pat who rather unwell and in hospital at the moment.

A GENTLE REMINDER: Those intending to make arrangements for their marriage should contact their parish priest at the earliest opportunity so that the necessary documentation and programme of preparation can be arranged. This applies wherever you intend to marry, home or abroad.

ONE FOR THE BASKET: Many thanks for your wonderful response in providing food for the Seahaven Storehouse to distribute to local people in need during this difficult time. The basket in the porch is a regular feature and all that you leave there is most gratefully received. Keep it up!

IF YOU ARE UNWELL OR HOUSEBOUND and would like a Minister of the Eucharist to bring you Holy Communion, please contact the parish office, Deacon Colin or Fr Paul and arrangements will be made.

It is when desolation and dark moments make one lose the meaning of things that Christians must persevere in order to reach the promise of the Lord without falling down or retreating.

One must first of all recall the beautiful moments, the happy days of our encounter with the Lord, the time of love. And, secondly, we must have hope for what has been promised us. With life consisting of good and bad times it is important not to allow oneself to fall and go back in moments of difficulty.

Francis

Pope

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Hard copy to the presbytery by 12.00 Wednesday