

Parish Newsletter:
11th SEPT to 19th SEPT

**St. Catherine of Alexandria Roman
Catholic Church**

Year B

**Saint Catherine of
Alexandria**



Prayer

Glorious St. Catherine, virgin, and martyr help me to imitate your love of purity. Give me strength and courage in fighting off the temptations of the world and evil desires. Help me to love God with my whole heart and serve him faithfully. O St. Catherine, through your glorious martyrdom for the love of Christ, help me to be loyal to my faith and my God as long as I live.
Amen

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS: Churches continue to live stream Mass:
www.churchservices.tv

Daily Readings and the Daily Homily are available to view on our parish website, also Gift Aid information.

CONFESSIONS BY APPOINTMENT

St. Joseph's Convent
Public masses and visits remain suspended until further notice.
St. Joseph's Rustington
MASS AT 9.00AM ON SUNDAY

Please pray for those who are unwell

**Mary Bond, Simon Hobson,
Gloria Bird, John Iago,
Flora Gardner-Reeves,
Kellie Marshall,
Christopher Bruce,
Kevin Blake and Angie Tyson.**

SAFEGUARDING
If you have any issues, please contact PAT RODDEN
01903 716496

The SVP can direct people or provide emergency help if needed. Their e mail is:
stcatherinessvp@gmail.com and
emergency phone number is: 07554 060625

100 CLUB
THE WINNER FOR AUGUST IS
MARY AGNES ROLPH with number 61

NOTICES ON PAGE 2 & 3 and please see the diocesan website for new forthcoming events and information

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Mass Intentions at St Catherine's this week

SATURDAY 11 th SEPTEMBER	PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES	OUR LADY ON SATURDAY
SUNDAY 12 th SEPT. MASS AT 11.00 AM	MAUREEN MCCARTHY RIP	TWENTY FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
MONDAY 13 th SEPT.	HOLY SOULS	ORDINARY WEEKDAY
TUESDAY 14 th SEPT.	JOHN IAGO INT.	EXLTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
WEDNESDAY 15 th SEPT	MASS AT RUSTINGTON	OUR LADY OF SORROWS
THURSDAY 16 th SEPT	SUE PEGRUM INT.	ST. CORNELIUS. POPE.MARTYR ST. CYPRIAN.BISHOP.MARTYR
FRIDAY 17 th SEPT	HOLY SOULS	ORDINARY WEEKDAY
SATURDAY 18 th SEPT	PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES	OUR LADY ON SATURDAY
SUNDAY 19 th SEPT MASS AT 11.00 AM	PATRICK JOSEPH O'REILLY	TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Offertory Collection 5th September: £420.40 Thank you.

There will be a second collection for the Catholic Education Service after this Sunday's mass.

There will also be a second collection for the Home Missions after next Sunday's mass.

Coffee after Mass is now a weekly event. Come and enjoy a cup of percolated coffee, tea, or squash. It's an opportunity to meet fellow parishioners (while suitably distanced, of course) – including the ones that you recognise (even behind the masks) but can't put a name to. Last Sunday two dozen of us were there. (Toilets are now open, by the way).

GREAT BIG GREEN WEEK 18-26 SEPT: This month communities across the country will join together for the Great Big Green Week. It will be the biggest event for climate and nature ever in the UK and everyone's invited! Join a national week of events celebrating action on climate change. To find out more: www.greatbiggreenweek.com

CAFOD: is currently responding to significant crises across the world. They are working with local Church organisations in Haiti to deliver emergency aid to people affected by the catastrophic earthquake and tropical storm; working in Afghanistan to ensure the safety of their local partners and their communities; as well as supporting local aid workers in many other areas of our troubled world. For more info, go to: www.cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news

NEWS OF FATHER CARL

For Fr. Carl's retirement we will be arranging a Parish Farewell event after a Sunday Mass, and details will follow. For now, donations please, in a sealed envelope marked "Fr. Carl's Collection" may be put in the mass collection basket or put through the presbytery door.

September Red Box Collection. If box holders wish to have their Red Boxes emptied, please will they leave them with Mike Webber (or Paul Peppard) **before Mass**. Those box holders who have not yet returned to church are asked to ring Mike (as Missio Local Sec) on **01903 725448** to make arrangements for him to collect them. Many thanks.

Update from our SVP group:

Thank you for the ink cartridges, we are exchanging them for cash.

We have bought a transporter chair for use at the church. It is available for people who need it at the step free access door.

There are Sainsburys vouchers available for those in need, given by The Bishops' Conference.

Our next meeting is 2pm, 21st Sept in Don Bosco room and we are running the coffee after mass on 3rd October just after the feast of St Vincent de Paul, 27th Sept so you can meet us there.

First Holy Communion 2021/22

First Holy Communion and Reconciliation preparation for Baptised children in years 3,4,5 & 6 will start this term. Dates and times to be arranged.

Application forms are now available from St Catherine's Church (11am Sunday Mass) and St Joseph's Church (9am Sunday Mass). Any questions please contact Adrienne 07935 402209.

Journeying from Despair to Hope: ' Building support from parishes to prisoners and their families.'

An online event on 12th October, 5 pm to 6.15 pm. Register at <https://forms.office.com/r/J1zTkUTiP7>

Pilgrimage Walk in Arundel in honour of Our Lady on Saturday 25 September 2021 at 11am to 2 pm, stopping at the remains of the ancient religious foundations of Arundel for short prayers. All welcome. Contact Lindsey Stratford on 01903 884567

or aruncathfriends@btconnect.com or see www.arundelcathedralfriends.uk

London Jesuit Centre Courses

Introduction to the Old Testament (begins 23 September 2021)

The Old Testament is essential to understanding the history of salvation and the course will map out the main arc of the Old Testament narrative by exploring four central themes: creation, covenant, prophecy and kingship.

Prayer from Scratch (begins 29 September 2021)

Prayer is at the very heart of the Christian life and this course, over five Wednesdays, will help participants see prayer in a new way. There will be time for discussion and reflection, as well as periods of guided prayer.

God and Suffering I - Philosophical Questions (begins 23 September 2021)

It has been a centuries old cry of atheists – how can there be a perfect, loving God given that the world is so full of suffering? The course will explore some of the key philosophical arguments and help participants understand the issues more deeply.

You will find a full list of LJC events, courses and retreats here: www.londonjesuitcentre.org.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING: The anti-trafficking and exploitation catholic organisation 'RENATE' are due to hold a film festival in London on 12 September. RENATE has organised a film festival competition, in partnership with the British Academy of Film and Television Arts (BAFTA) and 16-24 year olds have been invited to enter the competition with the aim of raising awareness around human trafficking. The royal Society of Arts will screen the top three entries to the public. For more information: www.abdiocese.org.uk

EL CAMINO DE SANTIAGO: a talk by Richard Morris, Trustee of the Surrey Churches Preservation Trust, Tuesday 12 October, 7-8 pm. Cost £5 SCPT members, £10 non-members, in person or on-line. For more information email: shac202@yahoo.com

40 DAYS FOR LIFE: NEXT BRIGHTON VIGIL

[40 Days for Life](#) is an internationally coordinated 40-day vigil campaign that aims to end abortion locally through prayer, fasting and community outreach. Their peaceful, prayerful vigils gently offer support to women who might otherwise feel they have no choice but to abort. All participants sign a statement of peace.

The Brighton BPAS abortion clinic closed in June but has been replaced by a smaller clinic, operated by MSI International. The next Brighton vigil will be held outside the new clinic from **22nd September to 31st October**.

If you would like to join the vigil or are interested in finding out more see the dedicated webpage [here](#) or contact Sheridan Lynch on 07803 047 402.

Quiet Day Wednesday 22 September with silence and space to reflect, with materials on the theme of Harvest and Fruitfulness. Beautiful country house in the South Downs near Arundel. Cost £15. Optional sessions of spiritual direction available. Also **Individually Guided Retreat 10 to 12 October** and dates for **Therapeutic Breaks** at Sussex Heritage Centre, Arundel, BN18 9QY. Single ensuite rooms. For more details or to book see www.sussexheritage.co.uk or phone Maria on 01903 413606

The Deanery Confirmation Service this year will be held on **Sunday 26th September at 3pm at Arundel Cathedral**.

There will be a practice at **Holy Family Church Lancing on Thursday 23rd September at 7pm** and, as usual, we will practice on the day starting about 1pm at the Cathedral. Please do not worry if you cannot make the Thursday practice- it would still be great to see you on the Sunday.

Beginning Experience Weekend: October 8th – 10th, Sion Community, Brentwood, Essex. For those who find themselves single again following divorce, separation, or bereavement. Beginning Experience is a weekend programme to help you move from the darkness of your grief into the light of a new beginning. More details at besouthofengland@gmail.com. See website for poster.

Marriage Anniversaries Mass: Anyone celebrating a wedding anniversary that has particular significance for them is welcome to join the annual celebration of marriage at St Joseph's Church in Guildford. This year the celebration, with Bishop Richard, is on Saturday, October 9th with Mass at 11.30.

In order that we can be Covid compliant we do ask that everyone books their space via our website. Please use the following link [Diocesan Marriage Anniversaries Mass and Reception \(09-Oct-2021\) · ChurchSuite Events](#) or contact the Diocesan Marriage & Family Life Adviser, Katherine Bergin at Katherine.bergin@abdiocese.org.uk (Places are limited to 150). We so look forward to celebrating with you!

DEANERY MASS FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: The last twelve months have been challenging for people across our community, particularly those who have been bereaved during the Covid-19 pandemic, or before. Many of us have found it difficult to get to Church through the various lockdowns, while those who have lost someone may have been unable to gather with family members and friends, with limited numbers of people able to attend funerals in person. Join Bishop Richard as he offers Mass in each Deanery for our intentions, our friends and those who have died. The Worthing Deanery Mass will be held on **Wednesday, 24 November, 6.30pm, St. Mary of the Angels, Worthing**. For the full list of Deanery Masses and more information: www.abdiocese.org.uk

CORONAVIRUS PRECAUTIONS – INFORMATION

Toilets are now open

The Sunday Obligation - The suspension will remain until 1st Sunday of Advent - this is particularly helpful to those who are anxious about coming back to Mass, because they can continue to use the on-line celebrations of Mass

We will continue to provide hand sanitizer at entrance and exits to churches

Face coverings are strongly recommended (not law)

Singing can take place, but this will be done gradually over the summer

One Way system - no longer required. People should exercise good responsible behaviour especially when moving to receive Holy Communion during Mass and should avoid getting too close to each other.

Stewards / Welcomers - required to show people to their places, if they want to sit socially distanced (i.e. St. Joseph's Chapel)

Holy Water Stoups - to remain unfilled.

Ministers, servers can resume their roles

Offertory collection baskets etc can be used, but we do encourage people to give money electronically, if possible.

Physical Sign of Peace to remain suspended

Holy Communion remains under just one kind, but people can receive communion on the tongue if they wish to do so

Communion of the Sick can resume, but follow all existing guidelines

Social Activities (i.e. coffee mornings) can resume but have to follow all the H&S regulations for insurance purposes.

Anyone with cold or flu like symptoms should not attend

Please wear suitable clothes as all doors will be propped open for air flow

The church WILL NOT be left open for unsupervised or individual prayer at this present time.

If after attending Mass, you come down with any flu like symptoms please let the Parish Secretary know.

Thank you for your co-operation in these matters – keep well – stay safe