



The Sacred Heart Church, Petworth
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April 4th 2010 Easter Sunday (Year C)

Saturday	3 rd	8.00pm	Mass of The Easter Vigil Talli Jones RIP
Sunday	4 th	8.30am (Duncton)	Mass The People of the Parish
		10.30am	Mass Sommer family intentions
Monday	5 th	10.00am	Mass Capt Lloyd Goring & relatives RIP (F)
Tuesday	6 th	10.00am	Mass
Wednesday	7 th	10.00am	Eucharistic Service
Thursday	8 th	10.00am	Eucharistic Service
Friday	9 th	10.00am	Mass
Saturday	10 th	12.00Noon	Mass
Sunday	11 th	8.30am (Duncton)	Mass The People of the Parish
		10.30am	Mass

Confessions: Saturdays at 5.00pm or by appointment

This Week

This Sunday there will be coffee after the 10.30am Mass.

✂ **Thank you** to everyone who worked so hard to clean and decorate our two churches for Easter. They look wonderful!

Parish Diary

Saturday April 17th/Sunday 18th

Appeal in aid of The S. Barnabas Society

Sunday April 18th

Stars of Mary Mass at 3pm followed by tea, at Petworth

Thursday April 22nd

Mass for the Eve of St. George at Duncton at 7pm, followed by Annual Parish Meeting and sausage and mash supper

Sunday April 25th

Finance Committee meets after 10.30am Mass

Feast of St. George

We will be celebrating the feast on

Thursday April 22nd

with a mass at Duncton at 7pm, followed by a brief Annual Parish Meeting, then Sausages and Mash in the village hall.

Everyone welcome!

***A Very Happy and Blessed
Easter to you all***

✂ **The Sacred Heart Church** The Finance Committee are considering a proposal to replace the heating system in the church with a new system, operating with traditional boilers and radiators. The first thing you might notice is that we will have to remove the existing sanctuary extension and move the altar back into the old sanctuary to investigate what lies beneath. This will have some advantages in itself, giving much more room for the congregation. More details of the full plan will be available in due course, but if you

have any questions or comments do speak to Fr Peter.

✂ **A weblink you might find interesting -**
it made me smile for 5 minutes!

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KLnCmzQyb58> [or search youtube for 'Do you know Pope Benedict XVI?']

✂ **Sponsoring a seminarian in Malawi**

Thank you for your generous response to this initiative - further contributions gratefully received, more details of progress next week.

✂ **Martin Hall, Gift Aid Organiser, writes:**

The collections at masses at Easter (including the Saturday vigil) are our personal gifts to Fr Peter and he is most appreciative of our generosity. **If you are a tax payer please place your contribution in a gift aid envelope.** This applies to those on the gift aid scheme who pay by standing order; those using weekly envelopes will already have their own numbered blue envelope. By using an envelope you will enable the parish to reclaim

tax under the gift aid scheme, but please ensure that you fill in the details of your name and address (blank envelopes are no use).

The new tax year begins with effect from next Sunday's collections. To those parishioners on the weekly envelope system, please note that the boxes of envelopes are now available so if you do not already have yours please make yourself known to me before or after mass.

To those parishioners who would like to join the gift aid scheme, please return the completed gift aid declarations to enable me to register you. If you were away for my recent presentation or would like more information about gift aid please speak to me after mass or contact me on 01798 869269.

Last Sunday's offertory

Cash in Gift Aid envelopes	£281.00
Loose cash	£191.20
Average weekly amount of standing orders under Gift Aid	<u>£450.00</u>
Last week's total	£922.20

Many thanks for your generosity

In the Light of Recent Events

Some words from Archbishop Nichols at The Westminster Chrism Mass, March 30th 2010

'Just before we end Mass today, I would like to add a few words about the widespread reports of child abuse in the Catholic Church and all the accompanying comment.

First, and most importantly, we think of those who have been damaged by childhood abuse with all its lasting effects. We must readily express our sorrow and apologies. We are properly and shocked and shamed by each and all such acts which are a dreadful breaking of trust. We are also firmly resolved to continue all our work of safeguarding.

Secondly, attempts to implicate Pope Benedict are unworthy. Every time you read that the 2001 document from the Holy See imposed a duty on bishops to keep these things secret and hidden from public authorities, know that this is simply untrue. There is nothing in that document to deter or hinder a bishop or a victim from reporting cases to the police. In fact since that time, when the Holy See directly called for greater vigilance and scrutiny, bishops have been urged to take that course of action.

Thirdly, please remember that in the last forty years the vast majority of priests in England and Wales – 99.6% to be precise – have never had such allegations made against them. But even one case is too many. Every single case is, and always will be, a sin and a scandal, damaging its victims and shaming us all. All of this we commit to the Lord in this Holy Week. From him alone, through his wounds, can come the healing we need.

There is a vivid phrase to recall: Trust comes on foot but leaves on horseback. It is on foot, through our daily actions, that trust is strengthened. We know that. That is what we do. And there is great trust among us – rightly given and received.'

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For the very best, detailed coverage of these issues see The Catholic Herald's 'Guide for Confused Catholics' which looks at all the issues in detail, and reviews the relevant press coverage. This is probably the best place to read the whole story:

<http://www.catholicherald.co.uk/features/f0000551.shtml>