



The Sacred Heart Church, Petworth
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April 5th 2009 Palm Sunday (Year B)

Saturday	4 th	5.30pm	Mass	The People of the Parish
Sunday	5 th	8.30am (Duncton)	Mass	In thanksgiving
		10.30am	Mass	Staff/children/parents of S Margaret's School
Monday	6 th	10.00am	Mass	
Tuesday	7 th	10.00am	Mass	
		7.30pm		<i>Parish Penitential Service</i>
Wednesday	8 th	10.00am	Mass	
Thursday	9 th	8.00pm		Mass of The Lord's Supper & watch
Friday	10 th	10.00am		Stations of the Cross
		3.00pm		Liturgy of The Passion
Saturday	11 th	8.00pm		Mass of The Easter Vigil
Sunday	12 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 The choir will be singing at the 10.30am Mass, which will be followed by coffee.

This Sunday The ecumenical Palm Sunday procession begins at The Sacred Heart at 3pm. The more people the better!

This Tuesday The Parish Penitential Service will take place at 7.30pm
Please note times of Easter Triduum Liturgies.

after 10.30am Mass

Sunday April 19th Children's Liturgy at 10.30am Mass.

Thursday April 23rd St George's Day Mass at Duncton at 7pm, followed by parish meeting and meal.

Saturday 25th/26th April Appeal on behalf of Diocesan Lourdes Fund.

Parish Penitential Service This will take place in Petworth at 7.30pm on Tuesday April 7th. There will be 5 priests present.

Some Forthcoming Dates

Sunday April 5th (Palm Sunday) The choir will be singing and there will be coffee after the 10.30am Mass.

Tuesday April 7th Our Parish Penitential Service will take place at 7.30pm.

Wednesday April 8th Church cleaning at Petworth from 10.30 am.

Thursday April 9th Church cleaning at Duncton at 10am.

Sunday April 19th Parish Council meets

✂Easter Offering The collection at the three masses for Easter Day forms part of the Parish Priest's income (for which he is, as always, very grateful!) This collection can be gift aided using the yellow gift aid envelopes (or, for those who have weekly offertory envelopes, the blue envelope marked 'Easter Gift'), which allows the parish to reclaim tax paid. Please use one of these envelopes to allow us to claim money from the government at no cost to

you.

✂ **Church Cleaning and Preparations for Easter** *Petworth* Wednesday 8th 10.30-12.30, cleaning and refreshments; *Duncton* Thursday 9th 10am, cleaning and refreshments.

Greenery needed for Duncton Easter flowers, to be at church before 10am on Thursday please.

Gardens Open - Summer 2009 Six parish gardens will be open on various dates this Summer in aid of St. Wilfrid's Hospice, Chichester. Details about each garden opening will be published in our newsletter ahead of the opening days.

Last Sunday's collection came to £356.27. Many thanks for your generosity.

Last Sunday's second collection for Easter flowers raised £209.66. Thank you for your generous support.

The Homily for last Sunday is available at the back of the church.



Coming soon...

April 23rd St. George's Day Mass at Duncton at 7pm, followed by a brief Parish Meeting and then sausages and mash in the Duncton Hall.

May 23rd 'Music for a Sussex Springtime' 7.30pm in The Sacred Heart Church, jointly in aid of St. Wilfrid's Hospice and our own church. Gli Amici Della Musica will return to give us a lovely evening. Please reserve this date, and come to enjoy it.

Holy Week

Holy Week is a unique opportunity to come close to the heart of our Saviour. We have the chance to walk beside Jesus, and to enter into the drama of the last few days of his earthly life. We become actors in the events, and the liturgies of Holy Week issue a profound challenge to us, asking us how we will react to Jesus, what difference he will really make in our lives. We can only really enter into the full joy of Easter if we have also cried out with the crowds on Palm Sunday; sat at table with the Lord and prayed with him in the garden on Thursday; stood and hear him cry out from the cross on Friday; then waited in the darkness of Holy Saturday. The great liturgies of Holy Week are an unmissable experience with the power to flow into every aspect of our lives.

The Lamp in the Lady Chapel burns this week in honour of Our Lady and for the Pope's intentions

Welcome to anyone who may be visiting our church, or if you have recently arrived in the area. We hope that you will enjoy being with us for our worship. There is a very brief history of the Sacred Heart Church by the doorway – please help yourself to a copy.

If you are putting money in the collection (for which we are always very grateful) you might like to use one of the yellow envelopes at the back of the church labeled 'Gift Aid Declaration'. These allow us to reclaim the tax paid on the gift, increasing its value to us by 28% (at no cost to you).