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August 29th 2010 Twenty Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (Year C)

Saturday	28 th	5.30pm	Mass
Sunday	29 th	8.30am (Duncton)	Mass The People of the Parish
		10.30am	Mass
Monday	30 th	10.00am	Mass
Tuesday	31 st	10.00am	Mass Francesca Sommer and Parents
Wednesday	1 st	10.00am	Eucharistic Service
Thursday	2 nd	10.00am	Mass
Friday	3 rd	10.00am	Eucharistic Service
Saturday	4 th	12.00 Noon	Mass
		5.30pm	Mass Christopher Ghika's intentions
Sunday	5 th	8.30am (Duncton)	Mass The People of the Parish
		10.30am	Mass

Confessions: Saturdays at 5.00pm or by appointment

THIS WEEK

This Thursday and Friday Mass times are swapped around

Next Sunday Coffee after 10.30am Mass Meeting after 10.30am Mass for anyone interested in joining the altar servers team.

Talk on Blessed John Henry Newman by Fr Alexander Lucie-Smith 7.30pm

Altar Servers We would like to recruit some new altar servers, so we will have a meeting after the 10.30am Mass on Sunday September 5th for anyone interested in serving – adults or children (as long as they have made their first communion). If you are interested but unable to come on the day, please have a word with Fr Peter or Charles Sommer.

Friday is the Memorial of St. Gregory the Great (also a First Friday)

Parish Diary

Sunday September 5th

Coffee after 10.30am Mass

Meeting for all prospective new altar servers after 10.30am Mass.

Wednesday September 8th

Justice and Peace Group at The Presbytery at 7.30pm

Sunday September 19th

Choir singing at 10.30am Mass

Sunday September 26th

Parish Council meets after 10.30am Mass

Friday October 1st

Papal Visit

Pilgrim packs for those of you travelling to Birmingham will be arriving at the beginning of September. The coach pick up will be at the Catholic Church in Haslemere, at a (very early) time to be confirmed. There will be no seating provided at the mass, so you will be able to take your own folding seats with you if you wish. I have asked Cathy to act as group leader, so have a word with her if you have any questions.

18 Days to Go!!

Mass in Honour of The Birthday of Our Lady and torchlight procession at Our Lady of England Priory, Storrington, Wednesday September 8th at 7.30pm. All welcome.

✘ **Diocesan Accounts for 2009** Copies are available at the back of each church if you wish to inspect them.

✘ **Wardrobes** There is a wardrobe in the St Joseph's Chapel, and a large compactum wardrobe in the sacristy at Duncton. Both of these are now surplus to requirements, and if anyone would be interested in making an offer for one or both of them, please have a word with Fr Peter this weekend.

✘ **Life in the Spirit** A series of seminars organised by the Catholic Parish of Godalming, beginning on September 23rd. Leaflets are at the back of the church.

Gift Aid The tax statements have now been produced and will be handed out after mass today. A big thank you to all those who use the gift aid scheme; the tax that we are able to claim back represents a very significant contribution to the finances of the parish. If you are a tax payer and not already a member of the scheme do please

consider joining now and talk to our gift aid organiser Martin Hall (01798 869269).



A Date for your Diaries As you know, when the Pope visits Britain next month he will beatify Cardinal Newman. Newman was a man of great significance not just in his own day, but for all time, and I have asked Fr Alexander Lucie-Smith, the assistant priest at Chichester, to come and talk to us about him. Fr Alexander is an entertaining and knowledgeable speaker, so it should be a good evening: Friday October 1st at 7.30pm

Last Sunday's offertory

Cash in Gift Aid envelopes	£363.50
Loose cash	£129.22
Average weekly amount of standing orders under Gift Aid	<u>£450.00</u>
Last week's total	£942.72

Many thanks for your generosity

Proud to Be Catholic No. 5

Sometimes people suggest that religious faith is a sort of crutch which weak and needy people use to help them cope with life's difficulties. While it is certainly true that our catholic faith helps us to make sense of life and its challenges, it is far more significant than that. Our faith calls and challenges us to be better people, to put aside selfishness and greed and to live lives of generosity, goodness and love: it challenges us to be holy. It is not a weekly 'fix' to get us through the next few days – it is a challenge to live differently, day by day and hour by hour. It does not merely help me cope with life, it inspires and calls me to be a better priest, a better father, a better husband – or a better doctor, of policeman, or teacher, or farmer, or whatever. It influences every decision that I make, every choice that I am faced with. It inspires every baptized person to make Christ present in the little bit of the world where they live and work. We can be proud of our faith because it challenges us not to live by what we fancy, by our immediate desires and passions, but to dare to aim higher, to believe we can do more, to trust that we can play our part in building up the kingdom – with God's help we do our bit to make this world a little more like Heaven. This is no easy option; but nor would we want to live any other way.

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