



The Catholic Parish of Cranleigh and Bramley

January 2019

Welcome to our Parish

If you are new please introduce yourself to Father David go to our website and complete ONLINE REGISTRATION

If you would like to contribute to the February Issue please ensure copy is with the Parish Office by 5pm on Monday 21st January

Congratulations to the 300 Club December Winners

Pauline Streeter
Katherine Cole
Chris Hodgson

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Southwell Family
Peni Shaw
Ashleigh Reed

From the Registers

Welcome into the church through baptism

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We said farewell and Rest in Peace to:

Julia Von Bertele

Welcome to the priesthood

Jack Lusted
(at Arundel 19th December)

Dear Brothers and Sisters

You should be reading this in time for Christmas - may I wish you, and your families, a wonderful, happy and holy Christmas.

I hope that you will continue to celebrate with the Church throughout the season which begins on Christmas Eve and runs through until Candlemas on the 2nd of February. I know that, outside the Church, tomorrow heralds another opportunity to spend your money in the Boxing Day Sales and then its pretty much all over for the secular world. But not for us!

On the way to Candlemas we celebrate the most important Solemnity of the Epiphany of Our Lord. In this feast we celebrate the "revealing", or "shining out", of Jesus as the Christ - the Messiah - the Chosen One of God come to save his people and establish the reign of God on earth "as it is in heaven". This "reign" of God was revealed first of all to a lowly handmaid - the Virgin Mary, then to her betrothed, Joseph, then to the Shepherds via a chorus of angels, then to the Magi who had travelled from afar to see the "new thing". On Sunday the 13th of January we keep the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Through His baptism in the river Jordan, John the Baptist announces that Jesus is the "Lamb of God" and God the Father's voice is heard telling us that "This is His beloved Son - Listen to Him".

All this is to help us see that Jesus fulfils not only prophecies but our hopes too. He is the one who will be "God-with-us" and in what a strange way. We call God "almighty" and "glorious" and yet He chose to share our lives as we do ourselves through family, in danger and in exile, as a fellow worker as a carpenter, as a man who had the gift for friendship and fellowship, as a person of integrity and absolute truth and above all as a man who loved even though it would cost his life. Such is the man whose birth we celebrate with love and faith and hope.

Please read this newsletter and take note of the various 'goings-on'. May I draw your attention to the AGM on the 5th February which I hope a large number of you will attend.

With best wishes and prayers for a prosperous new year.

Fr. David.

300 Club Applications

Over the years, the 300 club has been here to help raise funds for the church.

Over the past 10 years, over £11,000 has been raised. The draws start in January with a New Year draw and end in December with a Christmas draw, with 12 monthly draws during the year.

Entry forms are available at the back of each church in the parish and should be returned no later than 13 January 2019 to be included in all the draws for the year.

Return entries by putting them in an envelope in the collection at a Sunday mass or direct to the parish office in Cranleigh.

In the current year, there are 124 entries, each one costing £12. After taking away the prize money this had left £648 as a contribution to the church's funds. Let's see if we can make 2019 a bumper year and raise over £1000 for the church. Good luck!

COFFEE MORNING

Cranleigh Parish Meeting Room

1st Wednesday of each Month
but January 9th is the first in 2019

All are Welcome, bring a friend or
invite someone along

Parish Information

01.01.19 11am New Years Day Mass at Cranleigh

No Masses between 2nd January and 4th January

10.01.19 7.30pm	New Baptism Course 1 of 2
17.01.19 7.30pm	Baptism Course 2 of 2
20.01.19 11am	Baptism of Joseph Botha
20.01.19 6.30pm	Christian Unity Service
29.01.19 7.30pm	Liturgy Meeting
30.01.19 2pm	Cedar Court Service

Overview for the Month

The month of January is dedicated to the **Holy Name of Jesus**, which is celebrated on January 3. The first eight days of January fall during the liturgical season known as **Christmas** which is represented by the liturgical colour white. The remaining days of January are the beginning of **Ordinary Time**. The liturgical colour changes to green — a symbol of the hope of reaping the eternal harvest of heaven, especially the hope of a glorious





All the Christian churches in Cranleigh are represented on the committee by their priest or minister, plus 2 members of their congregations. Your R.C. representatives are Chris Greenwood and Win Bracking.

The committee meets 4 times a year and the clergy also meet once a week for Morning Prayer at St Nicolas Church.

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins on 17th January (the feast of St Peter's Chair at Rome) and ends on 25th January (the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul). During this week there are a variety of opportunities to gather together for prayer and worship with one special service, this year on Sunday 20th January 2019.

During the year the churches unite for Harvest, Remembrance, Village Carol Service, Lenten Vespers at the Seminary, Palm Sunday procession, with donkey, from The Common and Procession and Service of Witness on Good Friday in Stocklund Square.

We are very fortunate that co-operation between clergy and our churches is so positive and good.



AGENDA

Meeting to be held
Tuesday 5th February
at 7.30pm
At Cranleigh Parish
Meeting Room

1. Welcome and Prayer
2. Parish Priest's Report
3. Pastoral Group Reports
 - Care Group [Jane Harding]
 - Churches Together [Win Bracking]
 - Pokot Report Attached [Eugene McGivern]
 - Safeguarding Report [Angela Sargeant]
4. Financial Report [John Federer/Skip Koblintz]
5. Any Other Business (notified)
6. Closing Prayer

There will be an opportunity for a glass of wine after the meeting.

Close at 9.00pm



Justice, Only Justice,
You Shall Pursue

(Deuteronomy 16:20)

18th to the 25th January

Week of
Prayer for
Christian
Unity 2019

Please join us for the first
Bereavement Mass on Friday
25th January 2019 at 10am or
come along for coffee at
10.30am in Cranleigh

Parish Youth Group Christmas Party

On Saturday 8th December, we were very honoured to invite Bishop Richard to our Christmas Party, designed to be an event specifically targeting new members, or those who had not been able to attend any of the previous meetings. The party was held at St John's Seminary by kind permission of the Rector, Fr Brian Coyle.

The evening started with a good deal of social time while everybody arrived, with plenty of food and drink provided by several generous members of the group – we then had music and an opportunity for people to get to know one another a bit better. This was especially useful since many of the participants had not previously met, and consequently took up most of the evening. Some took the opportunity to be shown around part of the seminary by the seminarians – the games room was a particular highlight! Later, Bishop Richard led us in a period of Lectio Divina and a brief discussion before blessing the group.

All in all, it was good fun and a very successful evening, with a high attendance of around 30 people – somewhat more importantly, much of the feedback afterwards suggests that a good deal of the young people who turned up found it to be a very enjoyable experience.

FOR EUCHARISTIC
MINISTERS

DAY OF RECOLLECTION

*SATURDAY 16TH FEB
AT CRANLEIGH
FROM 0930-1330*

*SATURDAY 4TH MAY AT
ST JOSEPHS MILFORD
FROM 0930-1330*

**PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH.
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE
PROVIDED**

More info at office@cpcb.org.uk

Pope Francis in Palermo with young people and religious



Come and experience Christian Meditation:

You are welcome to join Chilworth Christian Meditation Group, Wednesdays 7.30pm to 8.15pm in the Assisi Room behind St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford GU4 8QR. A period of quiet meditation. No need to book. Typically, around ten or more people attend from all backgrounds aged from 30+ to 85+! We follow The World Community for Christian Meditation. More information from Sheila Longman; E: sheliaannlongman@aol.com Tel: 01483 505814

Worth Abbey - Open Cloister Retreats:

A number of retreats are available at Worth Abbey over the coming months including an Advent Retreat 4-6 December, and many more including Teenagers' Young Adults' and Individual Retreats. If you have any questions, would like to check availability or for further information please contact the Bookings Secretary at The Open Cloister Email: toc@worth.org.uk or: 01342 710318

Catholicism course at St Augustine's Abbey, Chilworth:

You are warmly invited to a presentation of the next episodes of 'Catholicism - a journey to the heart of the faith', by the acclaimed author and speaker Bishop Barron, on Saturdays 19 January, 16 February, 16 March, 6 April, 11 May and 15 June 2019.

In the Diocese:

World Meeting of Families Party:

This event on Saturday 15 December in Crawley has now been **cancelled** and a new date will be arranged for 2019.

Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing:

The next monthly Mass will be held on **Saturday January 5th** at 1pm in St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. Diocesan Coordinators and Communicators for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People: Mr Peter Booker and Mrs Maria Booker, c/o DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 6RP. Email: mag.booker@gmail.com . Mobile: [07970428601](tel:07970428601) (sms [text] only) Tel: Mr Jim Mortell on [01273 552159](tel:01273552159).

Adoremus Delegate Day:

If you were a delegate at the National Eucharistic Congress at Liverpool in September then Bishop Richard invites you to Worth Abbey on Saturday, 19th January 2019 for a Day of Reflection on the experience of Adoremus - National Eucharistic Congress. The day will begin at 10.00am and conclude at 4.00pm and will include a period of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. A more detailed programme will be circulated nearer the day. **Booking is essential.**

Email Liz Fitch on office.admin@parishofgoodshepherd.co.uk or tel: 01424 420815

Justice & Peace Assembly 2019 - Slavery on Our Doorstep:

Saturday 26 January, 10am-4pm on Human Trafficking. Bishop Richard Moth plus Mick Duthie, Santa Marta Group, Fr Mark Odion, Santa Marta Group and Richard Lancashire, Sussex Police. To book a place call Rosie on 01293 6511611 or email rosie.read@dabnet.org.

National Board of Catholic Women - Day with Bishop Richard:

On Saturday 23rd February, from 10 am to 1 pm, at the St Philip Howard Centre (formerly DABCEC). Explore ways to engage with 'The Word who is Life'. Book at nbcw@rcdab.onmicrosoft.com

Youth Evenings of Reflection with Bishop Richard 2019:

Following on from successful meetings in 2018 Bishop Richard has agreed a series of meetings in 2019 at various venues and on various dates. The evenings have mainly been used by Confirmation groups in the past, but are open to anyone aged 11-18. We are expecting that most of those coming will be coming with leaders as part of an organised group. Any individuals wanting to come must contact Jack Regan and booking is essential for all. For more information and to book contact jack.regan@dabnet.org

Second Collections

Missionary Endeavour	268
Future Priests	670
Retired Priests	565
Missions	640
Holy Places	279
Catholic Communications	142
Services	250
Day for Life	143
Peter's Pence	124
Apostleship of the Sea	263
National Cath Fund / CATEW	261
Cathedral Maintenance	75
Crib Collection	122
Cafod – Lent Fast	795
Cafod – Harvest Fast	560
Home Missions	228
Lourdes Pilgrimage	418
Pax Christi	260
Footsteps / No 5	242
Racial Justice	289
St John's Seminary	632
World Meeting of Families	314

Cranleigh Parish Room - Financial Summary*Inception to date*

	£000's
Income - giving and Fundraising	156
Parish Surplus Funds	<u>100</u>
Total Income	<u>256</u>
Expenditure	306
Expenditure > Income (Overdraft Funding)	-50
Balance of 5 Year plan income (end of 2019)	27
Forecast Shortfall	-23

Thank you for your generosity towards the Parish Room project. We have one more year until end of the five year giving and fundraising plan. As you can see from the figures our projected income will fall short of the planned income by £ 23,000. For us to clear the overdraft by the end of 2019 we need an increase in giving and new fundraising initiatives.

Your ideas and time commitments are certainly needed to help us close the financial account of this much used and valued parish room.

Parish Income

	November	Year to November
Offertory	7,205	82,107
Gift Aid Rebates	<u>1,494</u>	<u>14,683</u>
	8,699	96,790
Cranleigh Hall	1,124	17,120
Gift Aid Rebates	<u>406</u>	<u>3,263</u>
	1,530	20,383

Restricted funds

	Collected	Balance at November
Parish Holiday Fund	810	810
Parish Lourdes Fund	220	1,243



Mission Team Report

Last month we introduced ourselves as your Mission Team given the responsibility of taking your feedback to Bishop Richard and incorporating those ideas into our own Parish Plan for the next ten years.

The steady decline in both parishioners and priests over the last 40 years, despite a number of interventions, means that our plan will need to be more than ‘more of the same’. That in part is why we are being diligent in its creation and faithful to Bishop Richard’s recently released Pastoral Plan (<https://www.dabnet.org/ViewArticle/?section=Resources&id=1437&subject=Miscellaneous>).

We are currently working on a schematic of what the parish will look like in 10 years (2028) if we are successful. This 'picture' of our parish in 2028 will give us clear direction over the coming years as well as the flexibility to adapt the plan in the face of unforeseen change. Once complete we must determine priorities for change as we do not have the resources (money, manpower & materiel) to deliver everything at once, this is a 10 year plan after all.

As Fr David mentioned recently we intend to deliver this plan for your consideration and review in early March 2019 but until then we are always available to discuss this work if you can corner us.

Once the plan is tweaked and approved by the parish we will start recruiting those key people to manage the tasks our plan identifies for 2019/20.

