

Times of Monastic Liturgy

in the Abbey Church of Our Lady Help of Christians, Worth Abbey
It is best to arrive at least five minutes before the commencement times listed.

Monday - Friday

06:20	Office of Readings
07:30	Morning Prayer
08:00	Said Mass
13:00	Midday Prayer
17:30	Conventual Mass ***
18.45	Evening Prayer
21:00	Compline

Saturday

06:20	Office of Readings
07:30	Morning Prayer
09.00	Conventual Mass
13:00	Midday Prayer
18.40	Evening Prayer
21:00	Vigils of Sunday

Sunday

07:30	Morning Prayer
09.30	Sung Mass
18.00	Evening Prayer

*** N.B. Mass at 17.25 on Thursdays in School Term. See page 1 or 2 for further details and other variations.

Weekend Masses:

Worth Abbey:
5.00pm First Mass of Sunday
9.30am (Concelebrated)
West Hoathly:
11.30am at St Dunstan's Chapel

Holy Days of Obligation:

Worth Abbey:
8.00am, 5.30pm (Concelebrated)
& 7.30pm

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Regular events in the Parish

Assent - This is a catechism group for children following on from FOG. So the children will be 11 to 14. It meets monthly, on Saturday mornings in St Benedict's. Contact: Fr James or just turn up.

Car Share - For requests and volunteers for getting people to Mass on Sundays. Contact: Jill Carter Tel: 07836 316525.

Child Protection Representative - Our Parish Representative is Rachel Davies Tel: 0780 169 6354.

Christian Meditation Group - Meets at 8.00pm to 9.00pm each Wednesday in the Unity Room. Contact: Geraldine Constable Tel: 01342 317886 or E-mail: Geraldine.constable@btinternet.com.

Confirmation - Courses are run every two years for 14-18 year olds. Details will be in 'In Touch' and on the Parish Website. Contacts: Catherine Goodridge Tel: 07788592036 or Julia Newton Tel: 07714 270959.

Faith Group - RCIA - For those who are interested in the Catholic Church meets weekly in term time to understand what church membership means. Contact: Fr James if you would like to join.

Fertility Clinic - Dr Kevin McCarthy, a parishioner GP, has a consultation to treat married couples suffering infertility and recurrent miscarriage. Because of time restrictions, this consultation can handle only bona fide parishioners of Worth Abbey Parish as patients. Please ring Mandy Tuesday to Friday 9.00am to 1.00pm for an appointment.

FOG - The 'Follow On Group', for those following on from First Communion. FOG, a catechism class happens on the first Saturday of the month from 10.00 until 11.00am. Contact: Rosemarie D' Cruz E-mail: rosemariedcruz@hotmail.com.

House Groups - Ten House Groups operate within the Parish. They meet weekly or fortnightly in term time to reflect on the Gospel of the coming Sunday, and to pray together. These groups are small and operated locally within the Parish. Contact: Fr James.

Junior Church - With songs and worship is available for children: Pre-School in the Unity Room & those at school, in the in the Seminar Room (Choir Vestry). For further information come along during a service or Contact: Rachel Davies Tel: 0780 169 6354.

Lectio Divina - A group meets every Tuesday evening in Parlour 1 from 8.20 to 8.55pm. Contact: Fr Aidan on 01342 710225 or amurray@worth.org.uk.

Lost Property - If you have lost anything recently in the Abbey Church or anywhere at Worth, ring the secretary of the Open Cloister to make enquiries Tel: 01342 710318.

Marriage Preparation - The Parish runs a one day course in the Spring for all marriages in the twelve months following. Contact: the Parish Office to book a place on the next course.

Parish Necrology - The list of deceased is on the Welcome Table in the Narthex. For alterations and additions Tel: 01342 710315.

Prayers for Healing - A simple liturgy of Prayers for Healing takes place at 10.45am to 11.15am in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, on the first Sunday of the month. The next service - 6th November & 4th December.

Sacrament of Reconciliation - The sacrament is offered on Sundays before the 9.30 Mass and during a Service of Reconciliation on the last Saturday of each month at 4.00pm.

Silent Adoration - From 30th September, 7.00pm to 8.00pm, Friday Evenings in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. You would be most welcome for a few moments or for the whole hour.

The Rosary is prayed each Saturday morning at 9.30am in the Lady Chapel, following the 9.00am Mass.

Youth Ministry helping the Parish youth to grow in their catholic identity through Fun, Fundraising, Faith, Fellowship and Food! Contact: Sean Cahill scahill@worth.co.uk.

Parish Priest - Fr James Tel: 01342 710313 or 0798 162 5150 E-mail: jcults@worth.org.uk

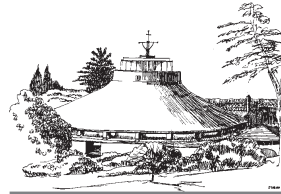
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In Touch Worth Abbey Parish

29th/30th October 2011

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

No 849

Your way of acting should be different from the world's way; the love of Christ must come before all else. (Rule of St Benedict 4: 20-21)

All Visitors - You are very welcome to our Abbey Church and we hope you enjoy your visit. Would you like to gift aid your donation by taking a yellow envelope from the Welcome Table? It will be much appreciated. Thank you.

This Thursday Mass will be at 6.40pm.

FOG - Fog meets next Saturday, 5th November at 10.00am in St Benedict's. This is for children after their First Communion up to the age of 11 and is a monthly catechism class.

All Saints - November 1st is the actual date of this Holy Day of Obligation and Masses on Tuesday will be as usual at 8.00am and 5.20pm with the School. We will anticipate the feast with a parish Mass on Monday the 31st at 7.30pm.

Volunteers needed for the Traidcraft Stall - Please contact Patricia Wallace on 01444 458324 or patriciawallace@btinternet.com.

Adorable Norfolk terrier puppy (male) for sale - Pure bred, Kennel club registered. Ready after 18th November. For details contact Helen Sweetman 01342 719913. All proceeds from sale are being donated to Abbey Church building fund.

Parish Pilgrimage in the Footsteps of St Benedict - 3rd-14th May 2012 There are only 2 places now left on this pilgrimage following the life of St Benedict from Norcia (his birthplace), to Rome (where he studied), Subiaco (where he spent time as a hermit) and finally the Abbey of Montecassino. Single and twin accommodation is in Monasteries, Convents and hotels. The all-inclusive cost is £1,200. These last two places are being kept

for parishioners until the end of October, after which they are likely to be offered to two non-parishioners who have expressed an interest. Please contact Rosemary Sanders as soon as possible if you would like to join us. Tel: 01342 826819; email: rosemys@fastmail.fm.

Irundu - Edited Notes from Cynthia on her Visit to Irundu this Summer - Vocational School - Things are going well here and the students were doing exams whilst I was there. It's so very different from our system - students drift in during the first fortnight of a new term; they may do 3 terms then be absent for various reasons and re-appear a couple of terms later to finish the course - the important thing is that we keep track of them and ensure they get the education eventually. Our carpentry workshop is well used and fortunately our generous donor knows a thing or two about carpentry and the importance of having space to use potentially lethal machinery safely, space to store wood when it is seasoned and space to work on large orders of furniture including, of course, our benches before being taken in one delivery to a school. There were no vocational students before we sponsored them and this is helping to show others the value of a practical training which leads to a job. Thank you to everyone who has kindly supported this scheme. It would be hopeless to sponsor the academic students because we have about 60 or so paying students so if some get it free then no-one will see any reason to pay. The land which we opened up for our demonstration garden is now being used to grow maize for the school together with a variety of other crops. Despite what Tom would have you believe, he hasn't worked on the land for over two years and all the credit should go to Michael and

Juliet who have worked really hard to keep this land productive. Tom organised our demonstration garden but then virtually disappeared for 2 years - returning in Feb this year to help with the micro-credit - he leaves at the end of September. As always, things are not always what they seem to be.

Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies – A course designed to help adults learn more about their faith. It is possible to join the course at any point during the year. The course involves some lectures, discussion, reading. It normally runs from 6.45pm to 9.15pm at Howard House Chaplaincy, 2 Station Approach, Falmer, Brighton. For more details see www.ccrs.rcchap.org.uk or poster on notice board.

This Sunday Baptism of Eight Children – This Sunday the following children are being baptised: Emilia Swarbrick, Evie Whittaker, Bertie Donaldson, Jemima Donaldson, Daisy Donaldson, Emma Free, Olivia Legate-Kowal and Ciara Shaw.

The Living Word - Scripture Study Day – Saturday 26th November 11.00am – 3:30pm at Sacred Heart Parish Rooms, Norton Road, Hove (with Mass at 10:30am) A study day bringing Scripture to life! With Fr Richard Ounsworth OP – a dynamic Scripture scholar and preacher. The day will include talks, open Q&A for all and any questions about the Bible, a workshop on lectio divina (sacred reading) by The Wellspring Community. Donation only event (donations welcomed to cover costs). Bring your own lunch. For more information, E-mail: admin@wellspringbrighton.org.uk or Tel: 01273 245096.

Last Week's Collections – First Collection - (of which 52.3% (£386.72) was Gift aided) £738.12; Second Collection Missio - £334.00; and Cafod Harvest final figure is £720.

An Inspector Calls – All 24 tickets have now been taken.

Come and see where Deacon Chris is studying! On 27th November at 3.00pm, the seminary at Wonerish is holding an 'open day' with Advent Concert, mince pies and mulled wine! Please

let Chris know if you can come Tel: 0775 459 2899 or E-mail: cnydobson@hotmail.com.

Craft Sale – At Turners Hill Free Church on Saturday 5th November 10.00am – 5.00pm. The Bethel Café will be open for refreshments – All are welcome!

Missals with the New Translation – From November 24th the New Sunday Missal retailing at £18 and from January the New Daily Missal, which will include Sundays, retailing at £45 will be available from the bookshop.

Emmaus – A new group has been set up as a follow on from RCIA, giving fairly recent converts to the RC church the opportunity to explore and discuss faith matters and how our faith can guide and support us in our everyday lives. Its inaugural meeting is in St Benedict's at 7.45pm on 9th November and will consider the Emmaus story - What does it teach us? How does this change life for us? Tel: Nick Horton (01342 717060) or Jill Carter (01342 810313) for more details.

Parish Library – All parishioners are welcome to borrow books from the library, located in the Parish office in St Benedict's. Should you wish to borrow a book please record this in the borrowing book located in the library. There are no specific opening or closing times, you are welcome to visit during the day except Monday & Wednesday. If the door is locked please contact Fr James/Mandy (Parish Office 01342 710313) or Marcella Skipp (mar.cella@btpenworld.com) for the entrance code.

Bargain Deal – There are price comparison websites where the general public can search for the best deals in car insurance and lots of other financial areas. Catholicvalues.co.uk is a price comparison website where every purchase generated triggers a commission fee for pro-life charities which support the dignity of life from conception to natural death.

Prayers Please – Sue Law, Mary Lovell & Patsy Wilson.

Anniversaries – Margaret Mary Hull, Ruth Cross, Norman Smith, Catherine Castle, Derek Kirby-Turner, Winefrid Osborne, Kathy Maynard,

Next Week's Readings:

Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time (A)

First Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for her.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 62(63):2-8. R.v.2

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Those who have died in Jesus, God will bring them with him.

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them; to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

The bridegroom is here. Go out and meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out". But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves". They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you". So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.

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Will Gardner and Francis Pollen.

Next Week's Gospels – **Monday** - Luke 14:12-14; **Tuesday** - Matthew 5:1-12 All Saints;

Wednesday - John 6:37-40 Commemoration of All Souls; **Thursday** - Luke 12:49-53; **Friday** - Luke 12:54-59; **Saturday** - Luke 13:1-9.