

**Next week: — Solemnity of All Saints, Year B**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:**

**Revelations 7:2-4,9-14**

*Such are the men who seek your face,  
O Lord*

**Responsorial Psalm:**

**Ps 32:4-5. 18-20. 22**

*May your love be upon us, O Lord  
as we place all our hope in you.*

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Jn 3:1-3**

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ

**Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12**

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peace-makers: they shall be called sons of God Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.'

**Readings and feasts for week 30**

Mon	Rom 8:12-17	Lk 13:10-17
Tue	Rom 8:18-25	Lk 13:18-21
Wed	Eph 2:19-22	Lk 6:12-19
	<i>Sts Simon &amp; Jude</i>	
Thu	Rom 8:31-39	Lk 13:31-35
Fri	Rom 9:1-5	Lk 14:1-6
Sat	Rom 11:1f,	:Lk 14:1,7-11

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# IN TOUCH

**24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> October**

**Thirtieth Sunday, Year B**

**No. 1,026**

Never give a hollow greeting of peace or turn away when someone needs your love (Rule of St Benedict 4: 25-26)

**Thursday Mass this week - 5:30pm**

**IRUNDU presentation** last Sunday attracted 60 people who were given an overview from Fr Aidan and the Worth-Irundu Committee of the parish's involvement with Irundu, Uganda, over the past 8 years. This was followed by a very tasty Ugandan lunch. If you would like to be involved, or require more information, contact a member of the committee: Robin Williamson, Rosemary Sanders, Cynthia Haynes, Paul and Ali Ambridge, Joe O'Dwyer, Christina Lorrimer, or Fr Aidan.

**Year of Mercy, 8th December 2015 – 20th November 2016:**

To help us prepare for the Jubilee Year of Mercy established by Pope Francis small booklets, leaflets and prayer cards are available in the Abbey Bookshop.

These books will also form the basis of the **Advent course** on the 5 evenings from 10<sup>th</sup> November to 8<sup>th</sup> December. Please put the dates in the diary

**Prayer for Migrants and Refugees**

Heavenly Father, you are the source of all goodness, generosity and love. We thank you for opening the hearts of many to those who are fleeing for their lives. Help us to open our arms in welcome, and reach out our hands in support; that the desperate may find hope, and lives torn apart be restored. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ Your Son, Our Lord, who fled persecution at His birth and at His last triumphed over death. Amen

**Cathalaity Fair 14th November**

**10.30 am - 3.30 pm**, The Grandstand Hall, Brighton Racecourse. Free Parking or via bus routes 2, 21, 22 & 37b. Admission £1 Under 14s free. Organised by Rottingdean Catholic parish.

**Weekend Masses:** Worth Abbey: Saturday 5.00pm; Sunday 9.30am

West Hoathly: Sunday 11.30am

**Holy Days:** Worth Abbey: 8.00am, 5.30pm [Vigil 7.30pm]

**Worth Abbey Parish website:** <http://worthabbeyparish.co.uk>

### CHRISTMAS CARDS

Sample Traidcraft Christmas cards and catalogues can be viewed and orders taken from now until 29th November. See Philippe & Patricia by the display in the Narthex.

### Jam & Chutney Sale for Irundu

There will be a pre-Christmas Jam and Chutney Sale for Irundu after Mass on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November at Worth Abbey and on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> December at West Hoathly. All contributions to this worthwhile cause will be gratefully received.

The Royal Voluntary Service 'Good Neighbours' provides support for local elderly people to reduce social isolation. The service is free of charge and tailor made to individual needs. It can include accompanying someone to the shops/visiting friends or providing company and regular visits from a volunteer. Contact the team on 01293 228060; or at [crawleytocoasthub@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk](mailto:crawleytocoasthub@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk)

**Peoples Climate March**, Sunday 29 November. London with CAFOD and other Climate Campaigners. To book visit <http://www.cafod.org.uk/>

### Prayers are requested for:

Stuart Arnold, Mary Carling, Sharon Gyles, Robin Ingham, Angus & Pat McDonald, Floria Moore, Pat O'Grady, Barry O'Sullivan, Clem Watson and Archie Whitby.

**Prayers for refugees** All Saints Church, Crawley Down, 12 noon to 8pm every Thursday. Also tents, clothes.... for migrants in Calais & Greece can be left at the Vicarage.

**Diocesan Refugee Crisis Fund.** email [Aidan.Cantwell@dabnet.org](mailto:Aidan.Cantwell@dabnet.org) for details.

### Internship with the Pastoral Team at DABCEC

For a maximum period of one year working with the advisers on different initiatives and to include a range of duties and administrative work. For those with an interest in pastoral work within the Church or who wish to develop and evidence work-place skills and who may be waiting for places at university or longer-term work opportunities. Contact Andrew Bayes, Pastoral Team Coordinator at DABCEC or email [andrew.bayes@dabnet.org](mailto:andrew.bayes@dabnet.org)

### The World Community of Christian Meditation

East Grinstead and Worth Abbey Christian Meditation Groups  
Would you like to know more about this contemplative form of prayer?  
Join us at the following places:

**Worth** Unity Room, Wed 8 to 9pm, 28 Oct, 11, 25 Nov & 9 Dec.

**East Grinstead**, St Peter's Church Hall, Thursdays 4:30 to 5:30pm, every week til 10 Dec.

### SAVE THE DATE:

- 5<sup>th</sup>– 7<sup>th</sup> Nov **Nostra Aetate** conference, Heythrop College [www.heythrop.ac.uk/nostraaetate](http://www.heythrop.ac.uk/nostraaetate)
- 7<sup>th</sup> Nov '**Laudato Si'** Study Day on the encyclical from Pope Francis Westminster Cathedral Hall. <http://www.cafod.org.uk/>
- 14<sup>th</sup> Nov, 10 to 4pm Year of Mercy **Day of Reflection**, St Theresa's Effingham David.Wills@dabnet.org 01293 651157
- 15<sup>th</sup> Nov, 7.30pm, **Concert** by Worth Abbey Choral Society
- 16<sup>th</sup>–20<sup>th</sup> **The Nativity at Wintershall** Details: 01793 418299 [www.wintershall-estate.com](http://www.wintershall-estate.com)
- 20<sup>th</sup> Dec, 4pm — Worth Abbey Parish Advent **Carol Service**

### 2016

- 16<sup>th</sup> Jan, 10am to 4pm **Justice & Peace Assembly** at DABCEC with Bishop Richard. To book, contact Ruth Gerun [ruth.gerun@dabnet.org](mailto:ruth.gerun@dabnet.org) or telephone (01293) 651164

**TWO Concerts at the Abbey,**  
Sunday November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm  
Faure's Requiem  
Sunday November 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm  
Choral and orchestral concert by Worth Abbey Choral Society and soloists in aid of **Outreach Peru.**

### REGULAR EVENTS IN THE PARISH

**Prayers for Healing** - First Sunday of month 10:45-11:15. Next service 1st November.

**Marian Prayer Group**  
2<sup>nd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Mon, 7:45pm, Lady Chapel

**Lectio Divina**  
Tuesday, 8:20pm, Parlour 3

**Faith Group—RCIA**  
New enquirers invited.

**Christian Meditation Group**  
Wed, 8:00pm, Unity Room. Now only meets twice a month. Next sessions 28<sup>th</sup> Oct; 11 Nov.

**Silent Adoration** Friday 7.00pm

**Vigil of Prayer for Vocations** with adoration. First Friday of the month, 9pm to 6am on Saturday.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation**  
Saturday, 9:30 to 10:00am  
Sunday before 9.30am Mass

**Rosary** Saturday, 9.30am

**Please pray** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Audrey Sherwin, Lady Dora Wilkinson, Gerry McGiven, Jean Whigham, Kathleen Rogers, Moy Steel, Albert Marchant, Hdmayoun Djavadezadeh, Ivor Francis Davies, John Elton, Deidre Sweetman, Caterina Brenninkmeyer, William Toomey, John Bonner, Mabel Grant -Collie, Peter Seamons, Martin MacDonnell, Trevor Botting and Margaret Mary Hull.

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