The Catholic Parishes of Uckfield & Heron’s Ghyll

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Preface of the day & Eucharistic Prayer 2

Stations of the Cross: Friday evenings at St Philip’s at 7.30pm & Monday mornings at 10am. Also at St John’s on Tuesday at 7pm followed by soup and cheese.

St Vincent De Paul Society: We are taking a retiring collection for all the work the SVP does, after all Masses on 19/20 March. We remain very grateful for all the support we receive from our fellow parishioners.

Easter Offering: By tradition the collection taken on Easter Day is your personal offering to the parish priest. Your donation is given to Fr Stephen in lieu of a salary; any Gift Aid part of your donation goes to the parish. Envelopes are available at the back of church. Thanks for your support.

Lists are at the back of church for readers, ministers and footwashing candidates. Please do sign up.

St Philip’s Easter Church Clean: In preparation for the Easter Services the Church Clean will be on Tuesday 22nd March from 10.30am to 12.30 and not as previously advertised on Saturday, 26th March. If you can spare 1/2 hour - help would be most welcome.

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Any servers wanting to assist on Holy Thursday, Good Friday or at the Easter Vigil at St Philip’s should be at the sacristy ONE hour beforehand for rehearsals.

Holy Week & Easter Liturgies

Holy Thursday
8pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper at St Philip’s followed by the ‘Watch in Gethsemen’ until 11pm

Good Friday
10.45am Ecumenical Act of Worship in Uckfield High St
12noon: The Solemn Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross at St John’s
3pm: The Solemn Liturgy with Veneration of the Cross at St Philip’s
7.30pm: Stations of the Cross & Veneration of a Relic of the True Cross at St Philip’s

Holy Saturday
10.30am Blessing of Easter Baskets at St Philip’s at 8pm Blessing of the Fire, Vigil and First Mass of Easter at St Philip’s

Easter Sunday
9.30am Mass at St Philip’s
11.30am Mass at St John’s

Blessing of the Easter Baskets: The Blessing of the Easter Baskets will be on Holy Saturday, 26th
March, 10.30am. After the blessing you are invited to the Lourdes Room for refreshments. Contact Elizabeth 765671 Halina 767040

**Świecenie Jajek I Pokarmów** bedzie w Sobote o godz. 10.30. Pozniej zapraszamy na kawe i ciastka.

"The Gift, a life in the Spirit course" which is six sessions starts on Wednesday 6th April after the 9.30am Mass at St John’s. All are welcome.

**Reconciliation Services in Lent**
- Sunday 13th March 3pm at St Wilfrid’s, Burgess Hill RH15 9EN
- Monday 14th March 7pm at St Pancras, Lewes BN7 1QX
- Monday 21st March 7pm At St Paul’s, Haywards Heath RH163PQ

**Usual times for Confessions in the parish:**
- Saturday at 10am and 5pm at St Philip’s or after any Mass at St John’s or St Philip’s.

**Good Friday Walk of Witness:** This is arranged by Churches Together in Uckfield and is different this year due to the road works.
- 10.00 a.m. Meet at The Source (bottom of Luxford Car park) for hot cross buns and drinks. This will be followed by a short time of prayer and reflection.
- 10.35 a.m. Walk from The Source via Civic Approach and the High Street to Post Office Square.
- 10.45 a.m. Good Friday Ecumenical Service, led by the Baptist Minister.

**Free to Follow Christ:** A day for young adults (18-35) exploring the Gospel call to leave everything and follow Christ. Sunday 17th April, from 11.30 am to 5 pm at St Joseph’s Church, Brighton. More information from Megan - 07464 311665 or email admin@wellspringbrighton.org.uk

**Collections Last Week**
- St Philip’s £525.26
- St John’s £154.70
- Ave. weekly standing orders £180.00 £263.00

**Look out for** the upcoming release of the film **Risen this weekend**. The film tells the story of a Roman soldier investigating the mysterious disappearance of the body of Jesus of Nazareth. See the Damaris website for trailer and useful resources.

**Ashdown Singers.** Lenten Concert at Uckfield URC on Wednesday 23rd March at 7.30 p.m. Free entry. Byrd’s Mass for Four Voices, Elgar’s Ave Verum and works by Pergolesi & Purcell. All welcome.

We are pleased to announce that the school has organised a textile collection with Bag2School in order to **raise funds for St Philip’s school**. Textiles accepted include: adults’ & children’s clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys. (N.B. Bedding, curtains and household linen cannot be accepted.)

If you fill the donation bag and still have more then you can use any other bag to donate your items and don’t forget to ask grandparents, friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well! Bag2School will be collecting from St Philip’s School on: Tuesday 22nd March before 9am. Please bring your bag (or bags!) to the Church car park on Tuesday 22nd March or contact Carine Roberts: friendsofstphilips@outlook.com for your bag(s) to be stored beforehand.

**Petitions for Our Lady of Lourdes:** A parishioner writes: I will be going to Lourdes in Easter week with HCPT Pilgrimage Trust and I would be happy to take petitions to place in the Grotto from anyone who wishes me to do so. Please leave any petitions in the sacristy.

St Philip and St John **Bridge Group** will next meet on 23rd March from 2:00pm in the Lourdes Hall. Cost is £1.50; new members are most welcome. Contact: Chris Found 01825 763601 or 07871806925.

**J+P. Traidcraft Stall:** We shall be glad to see you at the Traidcraft Stall in the Narthex on Saturday evening or Sunday morning, 19th and 20th March. We would be glad of volunteers to help in serving at the stall. Contact Ian Holmes-Siedle at (01825)760544 or ian.siedle@btinternet.com

**Regular Events**
- **Confessions:** Saturday at 10am and 5pm at St Philip’s or after Mass on Sundays at St John’s.
- **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** from 45 minutes before weekday Masses at St Philip’s (not before school Masses).
- **Sick At Home Or In Hospital:** if anyone is seriously ill at home or is in hospital, it is most important that a priest be informed so that the sick person may receive the spiritual help of the sacraments. Relatives or friends should contact Fr Stephen or the Catholic chaplain of the hospital parish (at Haywards Heath 01444 450139; at Eastbourne 01323 723222; at Tunbridge Wells/Pembury 01892 522525).
- **Mothers’ Prayers:** each Thursday at 10.30am at the home of Janet Desmond, (07985 989533) and every other Wednesday in the Lourdes Room at St Philip’s at 10am (Liz Campbell 765671).
- **Rosary Group:** each Tuesday at 10am at St Philip’s (if there is a Mass at 9.30am) & Wednesdays 10am at St John’s.
- **St Vincent de Paul:** Outreach to those who may need our help or support.
- **Justice & Peace Group:** meets at St Philip’s regularly.
- **Sphere:** a ladies group meeting on the first Wednesday for spiritual input, social activities and outings.
- **Newman Forum:** an adult faith discussion group meeting 2 or 3 times a year.
- **Mass in the Extraordinary form:** is celebrated at Bethany’s Chapel, Diamond Farmhouse, Easons Green, (Pam Talbot 01825 840305) at 10.30am every 4th & 5th Sundays of the month by Fr. Michael Clifton.
(With the full approval of the Bishop).

**St Philip & St John’s Bridge Club**: meets 2.30pm every 2nd and 4th Wednesday.

**Traidcraft Stall**: at St Philip’s on the last weekend of each month.