

Sacred Heart Parish, Bordon

Good Shepherd Sunday

Today is known as 'Good Shepherd Sunday' because this is how Jesus describes Himself in the Gospel today.

We pray in a particular way today for an increase of Vocations to the Sacred Priesthood, praying that many young men will 'lay down their life for the sheep' in imitation of the Lord.

Priesthood is a sacrifice. The priest lays down the life he might have had to serve the Lord in His Church.

Priesthood is a way of life; it is who the man is. It is His identity. We speak of the one ordained 'becoming a priest'.

We know only too well that some have tried and failed to live a 'double life' being a priest some days and not on others causing scandal and harm to the church.

But today, we pray for an increase in good and holy priests, those who will willingly 'lay down their life for the sheep'.



Parish Mission Statement:

"We are here to make Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament better known, loved, honoured, worshiped and adored. All of our efforts in this parish will be geared towards helping every individual to discover the Lord waiting for them to approach Him in the tabernacle".

PARISH SUPPORT



Making your weekly offering via Standing Order is the best way to give, if possible. It means we know how much will come into the parish each week / month and it also means that if you happen to be away, the parish will still receive your support. The Bank details you need to set up a Standing Order are:

Account Name:

CDP BORDON AND GRAYSHOTT

 Sort Code:
 30-93-04

 Account Number:
 01755138

GIFT AID

Anyone who pays income tax on pensions, wages etc can complete a **Gift Aid form** and increase whatever they offer to the parish by 25% at no extra cost to them (the taxman donates it to the parish from what you have already paid him!)



Another way to support the parish (at no extra cost to you!) is to do your online shopping through 'Easyfundraisng'. By doing this the companies you shop with will donate from your bill to the parish.



We have so many volunteers in the parish, helping to make things run smoothly and we are indebted to them. We have such a 'can do' attitude with no task being too much trouble! The more volunteers we have, however, the lighter the load, so during Eastertide we traditionally think about ways we might be involved in the life of the parish:

Reading at Mass: Publicly proclaiming the Word of God is a privilege but it takes courage! Training is given and the commitment is generally once every 4 weeks or so. **(Speak to Father)**

Altar serving: Serving at God's altar is also a privilege. It is a weekly commitment and training is given. **(Speak to Deacon Kim)**

Projector: Would you like to help with the projector? Fr John produces the slides, videos, etc. At present there is no rota, but we hope to form one. We hope the commitment will be once every three weeks. (Speak to Martin)

Tea and Coffee: are you able to help with serving tea and coffee after Sunday Mass? There is a rota, and the commitment is generally once a month? (Speak to Magdalena)

Flower arranging: are you creative? Would you like to be part of the flower arranging team? The main commitment is Christmas and Easter and certain Solemnities. **(Speak to Helen)**

Friday soups: would you like to be part of the soup making team? The commitment is once a month or so to produce a soup with all proceeds going to the Parish Funds. (Speak to Rebecca)

Website and media: Would you like to help out with the parish website and/ or social media platforms or producing information leaflets / booklets? (Speak to Father)

Parish Schola: A group of singers to help lead Mass parts, psalms and other chants used throughout the year at Mass. (Speak to Jeanneth)



Our Lady's visitations to Fátima begins on May 13, 1917. Three peasant children, Francisco, Jacinta, and Lucia were tending to their family's sheep. The children under 10 years old were blessed with the presence of the Virgin Mary.

The children saw this beautiful woman, dressed in white and standing above a tree. The Virgin Mary told the children that world peace would occur if they spread the message of prayer, penance, and reparation.

She visited the young children on the 13th day for the next six months. She revealed to the children three secrets during Her visits.

The children were told to make sacrifices for the conversion of sinners. Lucia told the villagers that Mary asked them to pray the Rosary every day.

News of the apparitions spread throughout the village, some believing the children and some not so much. The Blessed Virgin Mary promised the children that one day a sign would occur that would show the village people that they were being truthful. These events culminated in the sixth and final apparition "Miracle of the Sun" – the sign.

70,000 people gathered and saw the miracle of the sun, which appeared to dance in the sky and fall towards them.



Jacinta, Francisco and Lucia, the three children Our Lady appeared to.



Some of the 70,000 who gathered to witness the miracle of the sun.



Congratulations!

Many congratulations to our Confirmation Candidates who will be confirmed by Bishop Philip this weekend.

Parish Car Wash

Can you spare anytime between 9:30am and 2:00pm on Saturdays to help with the parish car wash? We're hoping to organise this to begin in June?

Schola

Do you enjoy singing? We are building a parish schola, which is different to a choir. This is a group which leads the Mass Parts (Gloria, Sanctus, Agnus Dei etc). Having a schola makes it much easier for the whole congregation to learn new Mass settings. If you are interested, please speak to Jeanneth.

Prayers for the Parish Mission Team

Please keep Paddy, Tim, Chioma, Questa, Andrew, Michael, Niamh, Philip, Kevin and Martin in your prayers and all those they will visit during our **Parish Mission** (1st-8th June)

Tea and Coffee after 10am Mass

We need a couple more pairs of hands can you help?



Friday Soups....

12:30pm - 2:30pm EVERY FRIDAY

Do drop in between 12:30pm and 2:30pm for some delicious soups! Bring a friend if you can – it's a great way to welcome visitors to the parish, especially if they are not Catholics.



Infant Baptism Preparation

The next preparation programme will begin on Sat 4th May at 11:30am.

Please do complete an enrolment form and return it to Fr John.



PARISH FEAST DAY MASS:

FRIDAY 7TH JUNE AT 7PM

We are entering Bordon in Bloom!

We are entering Our Lady's Grott into the 'Bordon in Bloom' competition.... Would you like to be involved??

The Closing date for entries is 23rd July 2024

Please speak to Susan Lee if you would like to find out more!



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Sacramental Preparation in the Parish



Baptism preparation:

The next
Preparation
course
begins on
Saturday 4th
may at
11:30am



Confession:

Available 30mins before every Mass and:

5pm Sat 6pm Tues 11am Fri



First Confession

and Holy Communion:

Saturday 4th May at 10am



Confirmation class:

Sunday 28th April after Mass



Marriage Preparation:

It takes approx.

1 year to
prepare for
Marriage.
Catholics must
be Confirmed
before
Marriage.



Holy Orders:

If you have ever considered a Vocation to the Priesthood / Deaconate, please speak to Fr John.



Last Rites:

If there is ever the danger of death, please contact Fr John immediately.



Confession Times:

30mins before every Mass & 5pm on Saturdays 6pm on Tuesday 11.00am on Fridays Or by appointment



Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament:

Tuesday 6pm Friday 11.00am Saturday 5pm

Benediction: 5:45pm on Saturdays



Family Catechesis:

Learn about our faith as a family.... Every two weeks at 10am on Saturday mornings



Devotions:

Holy Rosary:

First Friday:

Wed after Mass Fri 11:30am Every first Friday



Saturday 20 th April 4 th Sunday in Eastertide (VIGIL)	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Adoration:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Confessions:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Holy Mass:	6:00pm	Our Confirmation Candidates
Sunday 21 st April 4 th Sunday in Eastertide	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to the Resurrection
Holy Mass:	10:00am	Brian Flynn Intentions
Monday 22nd April 4th Week of Eastertide	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Souls
Holy Mass:	10:00am	Our Parish Mission Team
Tuesday 23 rd April 4 th Week of Eastertide	Sorrowful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Angels
Adoration:	6:00pm – 6:45pm	
Confessions:	6:00pm – 6:45pm	
Holy Mass:	7:00pm	Private Intention
Wednesday 24 th April 4 th Week in Eastertide	Glorious Mysteries	Dedicated to Saint Joseph
Holy Mass:	07:30am	Jacquline Street Intentions
Friday 26 th April 4th week in Eastertide	Sorrowful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Holy Cross
Adoration:	11:00am – 11:45am	
Confessions:	11:15am – 11:45am	
Holy Mass:	12 noon	Rebecca Chandler Int
Saturday 27 th April 5 th Sunday in Eastertide	Joyful Mysteries	Dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary
Adoration:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Confessions:	5:00pm – 5:45pm	
Holy Mass:	6:00pm	Sophie Musselwhite Int

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