



St. Patrick's Newsletter

November 2018



St. Patrick's Church

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Services at Our Lady of Lourdes Rottingdean (Mass: Sat. 6.30 p.m. Sun 10.30 a.m.)
Sunday Mass at St. Patrick's 9.00 a.m.

Do Read Bishop Richard's pastoral plan

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Future events

St Patrick's raffle

We are holding a parish raffle this year at St Patricks. I shall be selling tickets every Sunday. The draw to be held on Sunday 9 December when we serve mulled wind/juice and minced pies after mass. Prizes to include bottles of spirits and wine. Tickets will be £2 per strip or 3 strips for £5. Please do buy some tickets especially as we are not having a stall at the Catholaity Fair this year. Thank you **Jane Moore**
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December Saturday 8th Churches
Together in Woodingdean sing carols at the Warren Road shops from 10.30 onwards, you can come and sing for a while, or listen. The words of the carols are provided, and there is background music.

December 9th at St Patrick's Mulled wine and mince pies after Mass 9.50 until 10.30; also includes drawing raffle

Friday March 1st Women's World day of Prayer at St Patrick's; we welcome people from 7 other churches

Friday March 15th St Patrick's CEILI with ceili band and caller - date for your diary

A Volunteer please..... We have a rota on the porch board for those willing to take it in turns to arrange flowers for Sunday mass. We would love more volunteers but we also need someone to take over compiling the rota. Help is available....any offers? See Irene or Bernadette

Prayer Group at St Patrick's

Next prayer group Monday 29th October
9.15 until 10am
Prayers and reflection a different leader each month

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Monthly costs at St Patrick's

We no longer pay towards a married priest stipend – in 2017 this was £702 per month for St Patrick's. However St Patrick's have always paid a monthly contribution, currently £650 to Our Lady of Lourdes, for our share of parish costs.

St Patrick's pays running costs - water, electricity, gas and all maintenance of the church, and maintenance of the rented house, 119 Cowley Drive as well as regular additional contributions to parish expenses. We pay a gardener and a cleaner throughout the year.

St Patrick's income includes not just the Sunday collection but rental income from the house, formerly the priest's house, income from hiring the church space during the week and money we make at our fund raising events.

Paying towards the monthly costs

Why not pay by standing order?

If you have a bank account you can arrange to pay your contribution to the church weekly, monthly or annually. Who to make the standing order out to?

If you attend St Patrick's predominantly, but not exclusively, it would be appropriate to make your standing order or gift aid contributions to St Patrick's which has its own bank account.

Are you able to gift aid your church donation?

You can if you are a taxpayer. This does not cost you, and gives St Patrick's 25% more.

Are you a taxpayer? If your annual income up to April 2019 will be less than £11,850, you do not pay tax and cannot gift aid anything.

If your annual income after all allowances is

more than £11,850 you probably are a taxpayer. You can use gift aid for all, or more likely part, of your income in excess of £11,850

Example: if your annual income is £14,000, you can claim gift aid on donations up to £2150 (£14,000 – £11,850). For every £100 you donate, the church receives £125.

As announced in the budget on 29th October the tax free allowance will increase sometime to £12,000

Who to contact in St Patrick's:

Gift Aid Coordinator: Fiona Chambers
email fiyule@yahoo.co.uk tel 01273 248 527

There are forms available to declare that you are a taxpayer.

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Volunteers needed

Are you willing to help with church flowers, music rota, Sunday tasks – reading collecting, weekly tea and coffee after Mass, putting the weekly bin or fortnightly recycling out and returning bins, clearing weeds, helping with social events, fund raising, Facebook announcements, advertising, making posters, tickets, doing minor church maintenance – then please let Bernadette know berskin@hotmail.com 01273 309118

Woodingdean Christmas tree

Installation 8th December 10am at Holy Cross church

Christmas Dinner 2018

at Holy Cross Church!

Contact Rev Helen Rose if you would like to help

by email revrosyrosy@gmail.com

or tel 01273 679015