

Arundel & Brighton Diocesan eNewsletter with News and Updates about the Diocese and beyond.

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## Welcome to A&B eNews

Welcome to this further edition of the A&B eNewsletter.

The Year of Mercy closed on the Feast of Christ the King, but as the Bishop reminded us in his recent [Pastoral Letter](#): "The work of Mercy never ends. The

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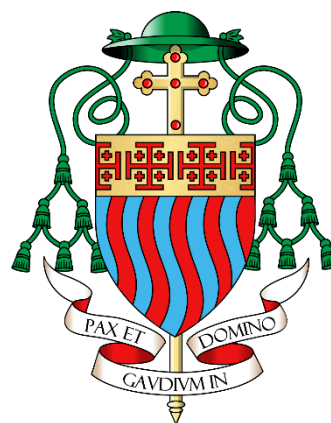
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doors of our minds and hearts must be always open to the Mercy of the Father and the needs of our brothers and sisters."

One of the areas where the work of Mercy continues in the Diocese beyond the closing of Holy Doors, is work with Refugees and you will have seen the Refugee Crisis Newsletter which was sent to all parishes for distribution. It is also available to download on the [Diocesan Website](#).

The Bishops' Conference of England and Wales have produced a wonderful new resource [The Art of Dying Well](#) which has brought the medieval manuscript *Ars Moriendi* – The Art of Dying – into the digital age, with a [website](#) aimed at helping terminally ill people and their loved ones deal with death. Like the original 15th century work, [The Art of Dying Well](#) is intended to bring religious comfort and offer practical guidance to people in the final stage of life. The modern-day version offers videos, animations and interviews with terminally ill people and their carers. Although the content is based in the Catholic tradition, it is intended for anyone addressing end-of-life issues. It features real stories from dying people and their families, as well as interviews with palliative care experts.

Rt Rev Richard Moth, Bishop  
of Arundel & Brighton



Bishop Richard Moth, 5th  
Bishop of the Diocese of  
Arundel & Brighton  
Read his current Pastoral  
Letter on Spiritual Works of  
Mercy [here](#) from Saturday.  
Read his Diary [here](#)

Finally, we look ahead after this Extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy, to the work of the Diocese in offering formation to enable the people of our parishes to deepen their life of prayer and commit wholeheartedly to the mission of the Gospel. You will find a number of events in the New Year that address these issues from the Adult Formation Day on **'From Maintenance to Mission'**, on the Justice and Peace Assembly on **'Globalisation and the Fair Society'**, and on the Communications Day on **'Defending the Catholic Faith without Shouting'**. There is plenty there, and much more beside, to form people in taking forward the mission of the Church.

With every prayer and blessing,  
Mark Woods - [Communications Officer](#)

## Diocesan Information

- [Advent Reflection Material](#) - Available to download
- [Bereavement Course Introductory Day](#), 29 November (New Date), Crawley
- [Marriage Catechists Reflection Day](#), 26 November, Crawley



For more on the Year of Mercy see the [Diocesan](#) and [Vatican](#) Websites

Diocesan Education Service  
Information



For information about and for vacancies in our Diocesan Schools see [Diocesan Education Service website](#). Towers Convent, Upper Bedding (Non-selective & bursaries available) has an Open Morning on Wednesday 23 November. [Email](#) to register.

[Add an Event to the Website](#)

- [Mass for Cardinal Cormac](#), Diamond Jubilee of Priesthood, 27 November, Arundel Cathedral
- [Parish Portal Website Training](#), 19 January, Crawley
- [How to bring our Parishes from Maintenance to Mission](#), 21 January, Crawley
- [Evening of Reflection with Bishop Richard](#) (for 11-18), early 2017, various venues
- [Bereavement Course](#), early 2017, Crawley
- [A&B Justice and Peace Assembly](#), 28 January 2017
- [Defending the Catholic Faith without Shouting](#), 11 February 2017
- [Dates for Musicians](#) in 2016/17 - See [website](#)
- [Learning to be an Interpreter for the Deaf](#), Dates to be confirmed.
- [A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage 2017 - The Redshirts](#), applications now open.

[Advent Reflection Material](#): Booklets for Advent 2016 can be ordered from the DABCEC bookshop:

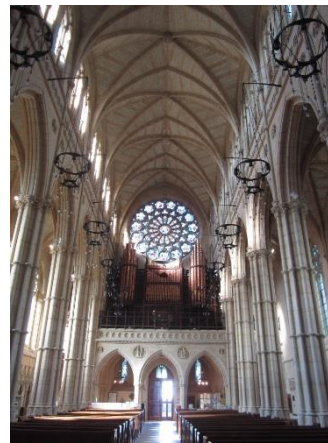
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[bookshop@dabnet.org](mailto:bookshop@dabnet.org). The material is now available online to download on the [Diocesan Website](#).

[Marriage Catechists Reflection Day](#): On Saturday 26 November from 10.30-15.30 join Bishop Richard for this day to develop

You can add events to the Diocesan Website by going to [www.dabnet.org/Courses](http://www.dabnet.org/Courses) and submitting your event.

Arundel Cathedral Information  
and Events



Mass for Diamond Jubilee of Priesthood of Cardinal Cormac Murphy-O'Connor on Sunday 27 November 4pm at Arundel Cathedral with Bishop Richard. Reception in Arundel Castle afterwards. For further information on Arundel Cathedral and events at the Cathedral see the [website](#).

National & International Events

this ministry for engaged couples for both experienced and new catechists. For booking or information contact Katherine Bergin, Marriage & Family Life Adviser, DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, RH10 6RP. Tel: 01293 651152 Email

[katherine.bergin@dabnet.org](mailto:katherine.bergin@dabnet.org) and [www.dabnet.org](http://www.dabnet.org)

[Mass for Cardinal Cormac on Diamond Jubilee of Priesthood](#): 27 November at Arundel Cathedral at 4pm. All are welcome to attend this celebration of our former Bishop as he celebrates 60 years of priesthood. Reception in Arundel Castle afterwards. Clergy please inform [the Cathedral](#) if you are attending.

[Bereavement Course Introductory Day](#): On 29 November (New Date) an introduction for the full Bereavement Course planned for 2017 for those who minister to the bereaved. Support of Parish Priest required to book on the course. See below for dates for full course. For more details please contact Katherine Bergin, Marriage & Family Life Adviser, DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, RH10 6RP. Tel: 01293 651152 Email [katherine.bergin@dabnet.org](mailto:katherine.bergin@dabnet.org) and [www.dabnet.org](http://www.dabnet.org)

[Parish Portal Website Training](#): On 19 January in either 1:45pm - 3:30pm. An

Holocaust Memorial Day 27 January 2017: Every year the Holocaust and other genocides are commemorated on the 27th January. The support of Churches is warmly welcomed, in the simplest way this could involve displaying their themed posters and booklets. The theme for 2017 is 'How can life go on'?

To find out more and to order a free activity pack please visit [www.hmd.org.uk](http://www.hmd.org.uk)

Flame 2017: Annual national Youth event on 11 March at the SSE Arena, Wembley with music from Matt Redman. To book and for information visit [CYMFED Flame 2017 website](#).

Thirteenth National Conference for Rural Catholics 13-15 February 2017 at Sarum College, 19 The Close, Salisbury SP1 2EE. For more information and to book contact Fr Robert Miller, Catholic Bishops' Conference National Rural Officer on [rwhm274@btinternet.com](mailto:rwhm274@btinternet.com).

Understanding Islam - A Course for Catholics living and working with Muslims: 13-16 February 2017 at the Focolare Centre for Unity, Welwyn Garden City, Application deadline 5 December 2016. To apply for a place on the course, e-mail: [Katharina.smithmuller@cbcew.org.uk](mailto:Katharina.smithmuller@cbcew.org.uk), indicating why you are interested in participating in the course.

Beginning Experience: Are you single again through separation, divorce or the

introduction with James Godaby on how to set and use Parish Portal. an effective and easy to use template website for parishes. For more information contact Mark Woods on 0752 843 8042 or email: [communications@dabnet.org](mailto:communications@dabnet.org). To book online go to the [Diocesan Website Courses](#) and click on Communications button.

#### [How to bring our Parishes from](#)

[Maintenance to Mission](#): On Saturday 21 January from 10am-4pm, at DABCEC, Crawley. Guest Speaker: Michael Roche (Alpha in a Catholic Context). He will explore how we can make our parishes more responsive to the call of the New Evangelisation. He will draw on lessons from the "Divine Renovation" books. These make suggestions as to how we might change the culture within our Parishes, so as to create the right conditions for Evangelisation to take place. To book phone 01293 651157 or email [david.wills@dabnet.org](mailto:david.wills@dabnet.org) or [book online](#).

#### [Evenings of Reflection with Bishop](#)

[Richard](#) He is once again inviting young people (11-18) to join him for Evenings of Reflection at different places around the Diocese. They will run from 6.30pm to 9.30pm. Dates and locations are as follows:

Saturday January 21st - St John's Seminary, Wonersh

Saturday January 28th - St Joseph's Church, Redhill

death of a partner? Beginning

Experience is a weekend programme to help you to move on to have a future with renewed hope. The next local weekend is from 17th to 19th March 2017 at the Emmaus Centre, West Wickham, Kent. For an informal chat about what happens on the weekend feel free to contact Freda 01322-401243 Sandra 01293-783965 or John 01992-642443 email [johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:johnbrotherton@hotmail.co.uk)

Taizé Birmingham 2017 Hidden

Treasure - Inner Life and Solidarity: In cooperation with the churches of the city, the Taizé Community will be facilitating a young adult gathering in Birmingham next year, over the Early May Bank Holiday weekend, 28 April -1 May 2017. Brother Alois, Prior of the community will take part. Information see - [www.taize.fr/birmingham](http://www.taize.fr/birmingham); Contact: [taizebirmingham@gmail.com](mailto:taizebirmingham@gmail.com)

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National and International Appeals and Programmes

Marriage Matters is an online collection of 60-word snippets, adapted from the Sunday Mass Scripture Reading reflections found in *I Am With You* Year A. These can be placed in a newsletter, bulletin, website or blog. Simply 'cut and paste' and apply the relevant week's reflection to the medium you're using. The idea is to support, encourage, inspire, challenge and motivate couples to deepen their relationship with one another and

Saturday February 11th - St Paul's

Catholic College, Burgess Hill

Saturday March 18th - St Mary

Magdalene's Church, Bexhill-on-Sea

Some important points to note: Capacity is limited, so it is absolutely essential to book. To do so, please email the Youth Adviser [Jack.Regan@dabnet.org](mailto:Jack.Regan@dabnet.org). Jack will confirm whether there is space. He assumes each group will have adult leaders present. Young people who want to come alone must contact directly with Jack.

[Bereavement Course](#): The full course for those ministering to the bereaved will run Wednesday 25 January, Monday 30 January, Monday 6 February, Wednesday 22 February and Monday 27 February. Support of Parish Priest required to book on the course. For more details please contact Katherine Bergin, Marriage & Family Life Adviser, DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, RH10 6RP. Tel: 01293 651152 Email [katherine.bergin@dabnet.org](mailto:katherine.bergin@dabnet.org) and [www.dabnet.org](http://www.dabnet.org)

[A&B Justice & Peace Assembly 2017](#): 'Am I A Good Neighbour? - Globalisation and the Fair Society' with Bishop Richard, Fr Augusto Zampini-Davies and Jenny Sinclair on Saturday 28 January, 10am-4pm at Christian Education Centre

with God. You can find them on

[www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk](http://www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk).

Premier is running its "**Christmas Alone**" initiative where they create a database of events happening on Christmas Day, so that people who would otherwise be alone can find somewhere to go. To register your event go to [www.premier.org.uk/christmasalone](http://www.premier.org.uk/christmasalone).

Million Minutes - a Catholic Youth organisation inspired by Catholic Social Teaching is offering **small grants** for projects which support youth-led activities linked to Catholic Social Teaching. See their [website](#) for more details and information.

Do support and help promote '[We're all Equal](#)' and '[Don't Screen Us Out](#)' two important campaigns; one to remove disability as a ground for abortion and the other to ensure Down's syndrome babies are not screened out by a new test.

Watch out for the new film Silence, in cinemas January 1st 2017. Directed by Martin Scorsese, and based on the classic novel of the same name by Shusaku Endo. The film tells the story of two young Jesuit priests, Father Rodrigues and Father Garpe, who travel to Japan in the early 17th Century. In a country where Catholicism has been banned and Christians face terrible persecution, the two men go in search of their missing mentor, Father Ferreira. Parish resources for the film are available from [Damaris Media](#).

(DABCEC), 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP. To book a place email [ruth.gerun@dabnet.org](mailto:ruth.gerun@dabnet.org) or book online on the Diocesan Website.

**[Defending the Catholic Faith without Shouting](#)**: The Diocese invites you to a Formation Day on Saturday 11 February 2017 Christian Education Centre, Crawley RH10 6RP with Austen Ivereigh, Papal Biographer, Coordinator and Co-Founder of Catholic Voices and a contributing editor for Crux. The day begins at 9.30am (coffee and registration from 9am). Ends at 3pm. Please bring a packed lunch. All welcome to attend. You can book online or contact Mark Woods on 01293 651170 or email: [communications@dabnet.org](mailto:communications@dabnet.org)

**[Dates for Diocesan Musicians for 2016/17](#)**: See [Diocesan Website](#) for dates of rehearsals for musicians for Rite of Election, Chrism Mass etc. For more information contact [Catherine Christmas](#).

**[Learning To Become an Interpreter for People Who Are Deaf](#)**: Intended for Clergy and parishioners interested in learning British Sign Language and Liturgical Signs in order to Communicate with Deaf People in our Churches and Parishes. As with learning any new language this course will start at a basic level and then progress through the levels as appropriate. It is hoped that people who

Through its [Syria: Peace is Possible campaign](#), the Catholic agency Caritas is urging its supporters around the world to put pressure on their governments to: Ensure all sides of the conflict come together to find a peaceful solution Support the millions of people affected by the war, Give Syrians inside and outside the country dignity and hope.

Film - Sing a Little Louder: This film challenges us to live out our faith ensuring the dignity of the human person from the womb to the tomb. You can view this short film [online](#).

Embrace the Middle East - Daily Advent Reflections: Each day, from 1 December to Christmas Day, they will be sharing tidings of comfort and joy. Inspired by their favourite Christmas carols, our messages will bring focus on Jesus and joyful tidings from the Middle East. [Click here to sign up today for your daily Advent reflection.](#)

Apostleship of the Sea has launched a new scheme to help isolated and lonely seafarers. It's easy and involves sending a card to a seafarer with a short message inside. You don't have to include your address, so you won't receive a reply. If you'd like to send a card to a seafarer, click [here](#) for more details, including where to send the cards to.

ACAT-UK Christmas Cards: Every year Action by Christians against Torture compiles a list of prisoners and where



have followed the course through the levels will eventually be able interpret and communicate to deaf people in Liturgies and sacramental preparation, when required. If you are interested in finding out more about this course please contact: Margaret Fraher, Inclusion Adviser, on 01293 651196 (direct telephone line) or by email at [margaret.fraher@dabnet.org](mailto:margaret.fraher@dabnet.org)

[A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage 2017 - The Redshirts](#): Young people in years 10 and 11 are invited to apply now to join The Redshirts for a year of fun, faith and laughter including the pilgrimage to Lourdes with others of the Diocese from 26 July- 4 August 2017. For more information and application forms see the [A&B Lourdes Website](#).



appropriate their families and supporters, and then invites Christians to send them cards of remembrance and support. For a list of individuals to mail see their [Website](#).

Fathers Prayers: This is a world wide movement of the Holy Spirit aimed at fathers (between two and ten per group) joining together in set and spontaneous prayers with a hymn or two on a weekly/monthly basis. Find out more on [www.fathersprayers.org](http://www.fathersprayers.org) and/ or contact John Murphy direct (07903683227) if you wish to start a group or register a group that already meets.

PACT (prison's charity) is looking for volunteers: To support their work with prisoners and their families across England and Wales. They have a number of opportunities available. Training is provided to all of volunteers. If you are interested get in touch with them on 0207 735 9535 or [click here](#) to see what they have available.

Faith Inside: a guide for Catholics in prison - A new resource for Prison Chaplains and Catholic prisoners available from Redemptorist Publications via

**DoCat:** This is a catechism on the **Church's social teachings** enriched and developed particularly since Pope Leo XII's forceful expression of the doctrine in the 19th century. You can get DoCAT as an app [here](#)

# **St Cuthman's Diocesan Retreat Centre Information**

Programme for 2016-17

See full details of their **new programme** for the year on their [website](#).

Residential Retreats coming up are:

Saturday 24th December - Tuesday 27th December: St Cuthman's Christmas Retreat.

The Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius of Loyola

The Spiritual Exercises are a compilation of meditations, prayers, and contemplative practices developed by St. Ignatius Loyola to help people deepen their relationship with God.

Part 1 - Monday 5th December 2016 to Monday 12th December 2016

Part 2 - Monday 22nd May 2017 to Monday 29th May 2017

Part 3 - Monday 4th December 2017 to Monday 11th December 2017

Each week retreat is £541.80 per person

For more information on all these and other events, and to book individual private retreats and quiet days visit

[www.dabnet.org](http://www.dabnet.org). To book: tel: 01403

741220; or email: [stcuthmans@dabnet.org](mailto:stcuthmans@dabnet.org)

Interreligious Newsletter from the Catholic Bishops' Conference; You can subscribe at <http://eepurl.com/cavnJ9>. It is a newsletter aimed at Catholics who are interested in interreligious matters, and their friends.

LIFE Charity Pregnancy Help: Through their network of Care Centres around the UK, National Helpline or Text to Talk service, LIFE Care provides counselling and support for anyone facing an unplanned pregnancy, suffering the loss of a baby or coping after abortion. Just click on the [Life Website](#).

Readings in different languages - Handy downloadable (pdf) Sunday readings in about a dozen European languages, for those who have different language groups in their parish. Download [here](#).

Papal Blessings for weddings, anniversaries etc - As from January 2015 only available online from the Vatican @ [www.elemosineria.va](http://www.elemosineria.va)

Sarum College Courses and Events in Coming Months. [See their website](#).

Ammerdown Retreat Centre - Various events and retreats. [See their website](#).

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## Local & Parish Events and Information in the Diocese

Young Adults Retreat - The Dawn From  
On High: At Worth Abbey from 25-27  
November with talks, prayer and  
friendship. For more information and to  
book contact: [TOC@worthabbey.net](mailto:TOC@worthabbey.net).

Teenagers Retreat - The Journey:  
Advent Retreat at Worth Abbey from 2-4  
December for years 7-9. For more  
information and to book contact:  
[TOC@worthabbey.net](mailto:TOC@worthabbey.net)

Quiet Day: Led by Chemin Neuf  
Community at St Patrick's Church,  
Cambridge Road, Hove BN3 1DE  
Saturday 3rd December from 10am-  
4pm Simple lunch provided. More details:  
[tim.watson@chemin-neuf.org](mailto:tim.watson@chemin-neuf.org)

Wintershall Estate Events: Please note  
following dates in your diary: Nativity at  
Wintershall, 14-18 December 2016 and  
Life of Christ 20-24 June 2017. [See their  
website for more information.](#)

Quiet Days: Led by Chemin Neuf  
Community at Storrington Priory, School  
Lane, Storrington RH20 4LN  
Wednesdays: 1st February, 29th

March, 10th May from 10am-4pm. Simple lunch provided. More details:

[storrington@chemin-neuf.org](mailto:storrington@chemin-neuf.org) or see the [website](#).

Please consider becoming a CAFOD volunteer in your parish. They NEED YOU! Just contact Martin or Jo at the Arundel and Brighton volunteer Centre for more information on 01483 898866 or email [arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk](mailto:arundelandbrighton@cafod.org.uk).

Apostleship of the Sea wants Ship Visitors: They need ship visitors in Shoreham, Portsmouth and Southampton. Interested? Please contact Deacon Roger Stone on 07963 345 618 or [rogerstone@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk](mailto:rogerstone@apostleshipofthesea.org.uk)

SVP Caravan in Bognor: The SVP in Arundel & Brighton supports deserving families with a break during school holidays. To assist in covering running costs, they are offering parishioners the opportunity to enjoy a week outside of the school holidays for the reasonable cost of £250 from April to October.

The accommodation offers: a 3 bedroom, 6 berth caravan. Please check the facilities on the website or Riverside Caravan Park: [www.rivcentre.co.uk](http://www.rivcentre.co.uk).

Enquires to your local SVP Member or contact: Laurence Kelly tel: 07788963909, or Ray Hingerton tel: 07767013629.

Refugee Stations of the Cross and Photo Display Available: St Mary of the Angels, Worthing J&P group has a Refugee Stations of the Cross made up of a black & white photo display available through an organisation called 'Journey Together' who work to reunite & keep refugee families together. They were taken by professional photographer Marksteen Adamson. You can see more on a [website](#). If you would wish to borrow them contact Mr Dereck Prentis by [email](#).

Pope Pius XII Memorabilia: Would anyone be interested in books and memorabilia of Pope Pius? If so please contact Michael Rycroft at [ms@mandsrycroft.plus.com](mailto:ms@mandsrycroft.plus.com)

Matthew's Gospel Resource Book: The Catholic Bible School has a new resource book. A guide for small groups and individuals to really pray with and study Matthew's Gospel for the new liturgical year beginning this Advent. Copies are available to order from their [website now](#) - including a downloadable free copy of chapter one.

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: From 12-21 May 2017. In the footsteps of Jesus - From Nazareth to Jerusalem via Bethlehem and Jordan Valley. Led by members of the Chemin Neuf Community. See [website](#) for

more information or Email:

[storrington@chemin-neuf.org](mailto:storrington@chemin-neuf.org)



Bishop Richard Moth during the Closing of the Holy Door at Arundel Cathedral.