

WELCOME TO A&B eNEWS:
DIOCESAN AND LOCAL
INFORMATION & EVENTS



Rt Rev Richard Moth, Bishop of
Arundel & Brighton

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

As we approach the 4th Sunday,
Laetare Sunday, Bishop Richard
has issued a Pastoral Letter to be
read in all churches in the Diocese,
reflecting on the joy of life in
Christ. The letter can be read in full
on his [webpage](#) from Saturday 25th
March.

There are still many events planned
in the months ahead. If you need



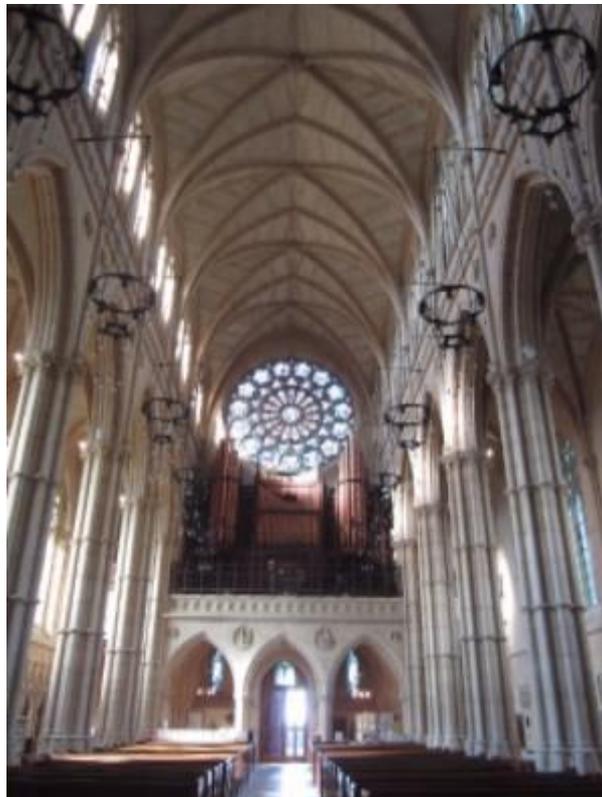
any further information about any of the events then please do contact the person named in their entry.

A reminder that you can not only ask for events to be placed in this eNewsletter, but you can upload the event yourself to the [Diocesan Website](#).

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

The information contained in this email is included in good faith. Please take up any queries with information from outside the diocese with those who have provided it.

Arundel Cathedral Information and Events



Holy Week Liturgies at the Cathedral with Bishop Richard: Begins with the Mass of Chrism 6pm on Wednesday 12th April with blessing of oils and renewal of priestly promises. All welcome. For further information on Arundel Cathedral and events at the Cathedral see the [website](#).

Diocesan Information

- [Interested in Social Action](#), 25 March, Crawley
- [Gift Aid AGM](#), 1 April, Burgess Hill
- [Baptism Catechists Day](#), 13 May, Crawley
- [Parish Secretaries Days](#), Various dates and venues
- [RELIT - Evangelisation Training Tool for Parishes](#), Ladywell Convent, 26-28 May
- [Mass for New Catholics and RCIA Catechists](#), 3 June, Arundel
- [Annual Day for Bereavement Befrienders](#), 12 June, Crawley
- [Children's Liturgy Training](#), 24 June, Crawley
- [Dates for Musicians](#) in 2017 - See [website](#)
- [Diocesan Grandparents Day](#), 7 June, West Grinstead
- [A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage 2017 - Helpers and Redshirts](#), applications now open.
- [Diocesan Link for the National Board of Catholic Women](#)
- [BT MyDonate for Parish Websites](#)
- [Diocesan Bookshop Opening Hours](#)

[Interested in Social Action?](#): On Saturday 25 March from 10am - 1pm at DABCEC Crawley. Helping to set up a Network for Social Action in the Diocese. For more information contact [Aidan Cantwell](#) and to book contact [Rosie Read](#).

[Gift Aid AGM](#): On Saturday 1 April at St Paul's College, Burgess Hill. It will be time to reflect on how the Diocese has fared over the last 12 months, now

into its second half century. Starting at 12 noon with a seminar for those who are new to the Diocese's GiftWise scheme or for those who just want a refresher on the system. The AGM will be at 2.30pm, followed by Mass with Bishop Richard. Then, with the formal business over, it is a chance for the Diocese to say a big 'thank you' to all those unpaid volunteer Gift Aid organisers with supper.

[Baptism Catechists Day](#): On Saturday 13 May from 9:30 - 1pm at DABCEC, Crawley. This morning will look at a Baptism Preparation resource (Growing up Catholic) which focuses less on imparting information, but on offering parents an encounter with Jesus Christ. This is a continuation of the session for Catechists held in September 2016, but will also be open to those involved with infant baptism preparation. For more information contact [Ruth Gerun](#).

[Parish Secretaries Days](#): Thursday 11 May, Holy Cross Priory, Heathfield, E.Sussex; Thursday 18 May, Sacred Heart, Cobham, Surrey and Monday 22 May, St John the Evangelist, Horsham, W.Sussex. Bishop Richard, the Bishop's PA, Colette Swift and the Vicar General, Fr Jonathan Martin will lead the day along with members of the Diocesan Administration Team. You can obtain a booking form from the Bishop's Secretary, Colette Swift: email - bishop.sec@abdiocese.org.uk

[RELIT – Evangelisation Tool for Parishes](#): Michael Dopp STL, the founder of RELIT has spent the last eight years transforming parishes across Canada and the USA through his revolutionary training programme. Michael Dopp will be visiting the UK for the first time in 2017, starting in Arundel and Brighton Diocese. He will present RELIT live over a weekend retreat on Fri 26 - Sun 28 May at Ladywell Convent, Goldalming, Surrey. Full Board for £189. Michael Dopp will also offer an abbreviated training programme particularly suitable for clergy on Friday 26th May 11am - 4pm at St Joseph's, Guildford. For further information please contact:

David.Wills@dabnet.org / 01293 651157 and See www.relittraining.com

[Mass for New Catholics and RCIA Catechists](#): This event on 3 June at Arundel Cathedral will, in addition to the Mass, offer an afternoon of catechesis for both New Catholics and RCIA Catechists. For more information contact [Ruth Gerun](#).

[Annual Day for Bereavement Befrienders](#): A Day of Reflection on grief in the family on 12 June from 10am-4pm at St Bernadette's Church, Tilgate Way, Tilgate, Crawley RH10 5BS. Please bring a packed lunch. To book (**essential**) email: rosie.read@dabnet.org

[Children's Liturgy Training](#): On 24 June 9.30am-1pm at DABCEC, Crawley. The day will be led by Catherine Christmas, Fr Martin Jakubas and David Wills. For more information contact [Ruth Gerun](#).

[Dates for Diocesan Musicians](#) for 2017: See [Diocesan Website](#) for dates of rehearsals for musicians for Rite of Election, Chrism Mass etc. Dates include Saturday 1st April in Crawley for a 'Come and Sing' morning followed by Chrism Mass rehearsal and Saturday 13th May in Woking for a Music Day organised by the Society of St Gregory. All details on [website](#). For more information contact [Catherine Christmas](#).

[Diocesan Grandparents Day](#): This will take place on Wednesday 7 June 11am-3.30pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in West Grinstead including Mass with Bishop Richard. For more information contact [Rosie Read](#).

[A&B Lourdes Pilgrimage 2017 - Helpers and The Redshirts](#): People are invited to apply as Helpers for this year's pilgrimage, and as well as 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](#).

[Diocesan Link for the National Board of Catholic Women](#): Sue Petritz the recently appointed Diocesan Link to the [NBCW](#) would like you to share their hopes and concerns with the diocese. The National Board of Catholic Women is a forum dating from the 1930's in which Catholic women of England and Wales come together to share their hopes, views and concerns at diocesan and national level, and these are conveyed to the Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales. It also has consultative status with the United Nations (ECOSOC). You can contact Sue Petritz by email: spetritzma@gmail.com.

[BT MyDonate for Parish Website](#)s: Web based or online fundraising is becoming the norm for donors to give to charities. It is estimated that online donations make up as much as 30% of all donations to charities. BT MyDonate (BTMD) permits us to set up parishes as branches of the Diocesan trust using the parish bank accounts. Donations and GA tax reclaimed go direct to the parish bank account. The process to set it up on your website is straightforward, but must be done via the Diocesan Finance Office. Obviously, the parish has to have a website! So if not contact Mark Woods about [Parish Portal](#). The parish website must be legally compliant by including the following two sentences on its home page: "The parish is part of the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton. Arundel & Brighton Diocesan Trust registered charity 252878". There should also be a link to the Diocesan website. Until these points are all correct you cannot carry the process any further. You can see a good example of a compliant site [here](#).

[Diocesan Bookshop Opening Hours](#): The DABCEC Bookshop at 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley will be open on Monday and Tuesday from 10am to 4pm and Wednesday 11am-4pm. Alternatively please ring them on (01293) 651165 or email bookshop@dabnet.org

St Cuthman's Diocesan Retreat Centre

Information

Programme for 2017

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

Residential Retreats coming up are:

Thursday 13th April - Sunday 16th April: Celebrate the Easter Triduum at St Cuthman's.

Monday 1st May - Wednesday 3rd May: Creating Community- Led by Dr. Stephanie Thornton.

Saturday 26th August - Monday 4th September (9 nights): St. Beuno's Individually Guided Retreat

Monday 18th September - Tuesday 19th September 2:00pm to 2:00pm: Retreat Led by Bishop Richard Moth of the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton.

Monday 2nd October - Wednesday 4th October: Human Development a Spiritual Journey. Led by Dr Stephanie Thornton.

Monday 4th December - Monday 11th December: Parts 3&4 of the Spiritual Exercise of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

Sunday 24th December - Wednesday 27th December: St Cuthman's Christmas Retreat

Private Individual or Small Group Retreats

In the run up to Easter on the following dates we will be offering our single rooms for £62 per night for individual retreatants:

Monday 27th March 2017 to Friday 31st March 2017; Monday 3rd April 2017 to Friday 7th April 2017 and Monday 10th April 2017 to Thursday 13th April 2017.

Other Events

Saturday 16th September 2016 from 10:00 – 16:00: Apple Picking Day

For more information on all these and other events in 2017, and to book individual private retreats and quiet days visit www.dabnet.org. To book: tel: 01403 741220; or email: stcuthmans@dabnet.org

Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Education Service

For information about and for vacancies in our Diocesan Schools see [Diocesan Education Service website](#). In particular they wish to highlight the Headteacher vacancy at St Marys Catholic Primary School, Worthing. See more information on their [website](#).

RE trainee teachers needed: Do you want to inspire young people and consider training to be an RE teacher in a secondary school? Do you want to discuss possible routes into becoming an RE teacher? If so then please contact either Sally Dudley, Recruitment Lead at Sussex University (s.e.dudley@sussex.ac.uk or 01273 877050) or Claire Rooney, RE Curriculum Tutor for Sussex University (claire.rooney123@btinternet.com or 07710550339). We are keen to talk with any potential trainees for September 2017 and support you in training with the University of Sussex and would welcome an informal phone call or email.

Local & Parish Events and Information in the Diocese

Catholic Bible School: Various events and Scripture days from 4 March onward in Nutbourne, Chichester and Eastbourne. To make use of this great resource within the Diocese and for more information visit their [website](#).

Renewal of Promises by the Wellspring Community: On Saturday 25 March at Worth Abbey on the Feast of the Annunciation members of the Wellspring Community will renew their promises at 9am Mass in the presence of Bishop Richard Moth and the Worth Monastic Community.

The Secret of Romero - Passion for God and Compassion for the Poor: On Saturday 25 March at 4pm at St John's the Evangelist, Horsham RH12 2PJ followed by Mass at 6pm. Speaker Martha Zechmeister CJ from El Salvador.

Quiet Days: Led by Chemin Neuf Community at Storrington Priory, School Lane, Storrington RH20 4LN. Wednesdays: 29th March, 10th May from 10am-4pm. Simple lunch provided. More details: storrington@chemin-neuf.org or see the [website](#).

On **Monday 3rd April**, the parish of St Hugh of Lincoln, Knaphill, (95, Victoria Rd, Woking, GU21 2AA) will be hosting **Teresa Baron**, who will be talking to us about the impact of pornography. Teresa is currently at Oxford, researching sexuality and sexual socialisation, and has given talks on pornography to a range of audiences. The evening will begin at 8pm and end no later than 9.30pm. As ever, all are invited, all are welcome. Teresa writes: "Today, the average age of first exposure to Internet pornography is eleven years old. This talk will contain information about children's access to internet porn, the psychological and social effects of porn use on children and teenagers, and the harms of the porn industry. We will also discuss

ways in which parents and teachers can talk to children and teenagers about love, sex, and relationships in a healthy and honest way, looking at advice from sex education experts around the world. After the presentation, there will be time for questions and discussion, and there will also be a box into which you can put questions you wish to ask anonymously." For more information contact the parish - Tel: 01483 472404 or

Email: sthugh.secretary@ntlworld.com

Easter Triduum Retreat: 13th-16th April: Worth Abbey and The Wellspring Community invite young adults (ages 18-35) to celebrate the Easter Triduum in prayer, community and reflection with a retreat at Worth. You are also invited to take part in a "Cross Walk" from Arundel on the 9th April, walking across the South Downs and arriving at Worth for the beginning of the retreat. Booking forms will be available from 1st March. Please contact fcarbone@wellspringbrighton.org.uk for more information.

It Takes Two is an event for any couple who want to invest a little more in their relationship. Whether your marriage is in good shape or things are tough right now, whether you've been married for a few months, for many years or you've just got engaged, this event will help unlock the potential of your relationship. Join this event at Christ Church Woking, Jubilee Square, Surrey GU21 6YG on Thursday 4 May. For more information [visit the website](#).

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

Brighton Celebrate Weekend 15/16 July: More details from Nick and Helen Wells at brightoncelebrate@gmail.com

Liturgical Items required by St Paul's School, Burgess Hill: a

monstrance; sanctuary bell; a simple lectern; large crib figures If you can help contact Dominic Dring on email: ddring@stpaulscc.co.uk; Tel: 07875 728436

Volunteer Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators needed in A&B

Diocese: Marriage Care is a faith-based organisation which draws on its Catholic Christian tradition and contemporary research to help couples in both good times and bad. They provide marriage preparation and relationship counselling and are looking for volunteers in this diocese to join the friendly teams across the diocese to help prepare couples for the Sacrament of Marriage. Our Marriage Preparation Course Facilitators present and facilitate marriage preparation days for small groups of engaged couples (training for the role is provided). For more information or to apply, visit: www.marriagecare.org.uk or email volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk

Equipes Notre-Dame (Teams): This is an international Catholic lay movement which offers married couples a framework for living out the Sacrament of Marriage. A 'Team' is a group of 4 to 6 married couples who meet monthly with, where possible, a spiritual advisor. Bernard and Susan Kelly are the Southern Regional Couple for this movement and they can be contacted by email on southern@teamsgb.org.uk

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](#).

Mary's Dowry Productions - this Sussex based company produces DVDs on the lives of Saints, many of them British saints and martyrs . Their latest

DVD is on St Joan of Arc. For more information and to buy their DVDs go to their [website](#).

