



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

Rt Rev Richard Moth, Bishop of
Arundel & Brighton

Welcome to this A&B eNewsletter on
Diocesan and local events for the
months ahead.

Bishop Richard launched the
Diocesan Pastoral Plan on Tuesday
18 September to Clergy, and
Diocesan Staff and Volunteers. You
can find some initial information
about the plan on the [Diocesan
Website](#) as well as details below of
upcoming Deanery Meetings where
Bishop Richard will introduce it to
each deanery. More information will
follow in the weeks ahead.



The information

Bishop Richard, along with all the Bishops of England and Wales, is currently on an 'Ad Limina' visit to Rome to meet with the various Vatican departments as well as pray at the tomb of St Peter and meet his successor, Pope Francis. They have issued a Statement about their visit and about Safeguarding. You can read it on the [Catholic Bishops' website](#).

There a number of key events coming up which include on this coming Saturday the Dialogue & Unity Day, and in October Grandparents Day, Communications and Media Day, Marriage Anniversaries Mass and much more. All details are below.

Finally, a note to say that my role is now based at the Diocesan Offices in Hove, Bishop's House, Upper Drive, Hove BN3 6NB though my email communications@dabnet.org and mobile 07528 438042 remain the same.

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

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.



Please pray for vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in the Diocese.

The Word Who is Life - Diocesan Pastoral Plan

Below is a list of all the Deanery Meetings where Bishop Richard will unveil the Pastoral Plan to members of the Deanery. Everybody is welcome to attend their local deanery meeting.

- 9th October Lewes Deanery
- 11th October Brighton Deanery
- 12th October Cathedral Deanery
- 19th October Eastbourne Deanery
- 6th November Weybridge Deanery
- 7th November Woking Deanery
- 8th November Worthing Deanery
- 19th November Guildford Deanery
- 4th December Epsom Deanery
- 10th December Redhill Deanery
- 11th December Crawley Deanery
- 13th December St Leonards Deanery
- 14th December Mayfield Deanery

Please look out in your parish newsletter or ask your parish priest for times and places.

Diocesan Directory: *Can any parish* who has not yet provided details of the number of next year's Diocesan Directories required please let Paul Quinn know by 1st October.

Email: directory@dabnet.org.

Items marked in red are new additions since the last eNewsletter.

Arundel Cathedral Information and Events



For further information on Arundel Cathedral and events at the Cathedral see their [website](#). Information about the Friends of Arundel Cathedral can be found on their [website](#) where you can also see how you can become a member.

Diocesan Information

- [Dialogue and Unity Day](#), 29 September, Crawley

- [Grandparents' Week 2018](#), 29 September – 7 October
- [British Sign Language Courses](#), Guildford and Crawley, 2 October
- [Grandparents' Annual Formation Day](#), 4 October, Horsham
- [Bishop Richard Meets Confirmation Catechists](#), 4-10 October, Various
- [Communications & Media Day](#), 6 October, Crawley
- [Marriage Anniversaries Mass](#), 6 October, Redhill
- [Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing](#), 6 October, Horsham
- [Safeguarding, Finance and Gift Aid Volunteers Day](#), Arundel, 3 November
- [Introductory Supporting the Bereaved Session](#), 9 November, Crawley
- [The Big ENCOUNTER](#), 10 November, Worth Abbey
- [Marriage Preparation Study Day](#), 24 November, Crawley
- [the ASCENT](#), October, Worth Abbey
- [Justice & Peace Assembly 2019](#), 26 January, Crawley
- [Youth Evenings of Reflection with Bishop Richard 2019](#), Various Venues and Dates
- [Dates for Musicians](#) in 2018 - See [website](#)
- [Closure of DABCEC Bookshop](#)

[Dialogue and Unity Day 2018](#): Saturday 29 September from 10am-4pm at the Christian Education Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP on Christian Unity and the Renewal of the Church. **The keynote speaker is Fr Sebastian Ostrynski**, leader of the Chemin Neuf Community in UK. You can book by email ruth.gerun@dabnet.org

[Grandparents' Week 2018](#): This runs from 29 September – 7 October. How are you celebrating? Why not join with your parish or school? And share your ideas and experiences as grandparents. Further information from katherine.bergin@dabnet.org or (01293) 651152

[British Sign Language \(BSL\) Courses in Guildford and Crawley](#): Interested in learning British Sign Language and Liturgical Signs with a view to being able to communicate more effectively with people who are deaf or hard of hearing?

Here is your opportunity! Eventually you may be able to help by using BSL in liturgies, at parish events, and even supporting someone who is deaf, with preparation for a sacrament. We are offering FREE Taster Sessions on Tuesday 2nd October:

Level 1 (Beginners) at St Mary's Hall, Guildford GU2 8BP : 11.00 – 13.00

Level 1 (Beginners) at St Edward's Church Hall, Pound Hill, Crawley RH10 7EQ : 18.30 – 20.30

Level 2 at St Edward's Church Hall, Pound Hill, Crawley RH10 7EQ : 15.30 – 18.00

For further details contact Rosie Read, Inclusion Secretary on 01293 651161 or rosie.read@dabnet.org

[Grandparents' Annual Formation Day](#): Practical Ways of Encouraging your Grandchildren in the Faith" on Thursday, 4th October 2018. Begins with Parish Mass at 10 am and runs to 3.30 pm. Packed lunch needed. Venue is the Church of St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. Book at katherine.bergin@dabnet.org or 01293 651152

[Bishop Richard Meets Confirmation Catechists](#): If you have - or recently have been - a catechist, volunteer, or other adult involved in Confirmation preparation in your parish, then Bishop Richard would like to meet with you and to hear from you this October. During these evenings, Bishop Richard will give some input and teaching, and will also want to hear from you about your needs and ideas. There will be three meetings around the diocese (just attend one of them!). If you want to attend, please Email Jack.Regan@dabnet.org so we can keep track of the numbers:

Woking (St Dunstan's Church) - Thursday October 4th, 7pm to 9pm

Horsham (St John's Church) - Monday October 8th, 7pm to 9pm

Eastbourne (Our Lady of Ransom Church Hall) - Wednesday October 10th, 7pm to 9pm

[Communications & Media Day 2018](#): There will be a day on Diocesan Communications and Media on Saturday 6 October at the Christian Education

Centre in Crawley from 10am-1pm. The focus will be on developing and improving the content of A&B News with Harry Robertson, new A&B News Editor - look out for revamped design from August edition. All welcome. For more information and to book click [here](#).

[Marriage Anniversaries Mass](#): Are You Celebrating a Special Wedding Anniversary in 2018? Come and Celebrate with us! Marriage Anniversaries Mass at St Joseph's Church, Ladbroke Road, Redhill, RH1 1LF, on Saturday, 6th October, at 11.30 am. Registration Essential: Book at rosie.read@dabnet.org or 01293 651161

[Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing](#): The next monthly Mass will be held on **Saturday October 6th** at 1pm in St John the Evangelist, Springfield Road, Horsham, RH12 2PJ. Diocesan Coordinators and Communicators for Deaf and Hard of Hearing People: Mr Peter Booker and Mrs Maria Booker, c/o DABCEC, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, West Sussex RH10 6RP. Email: mag.booker@gmail.com . Mobile: [07970428601](tel:07970428601) (sms [text] only) Tel: Mr Jim Mortell on [01273 552159](tel:01273552159).

[Safeguarding, Finance and Gift Aid Volunteers Day](#): Bishop Richard will be celebrating a Thanksgiving Mass as a way of thanking everyone for all the hard work, commitment and support you offer to your Parish or community. The event will take place on Saturday 3 November 2018 at Arundel Cathedral Centre and then Mass in Arundel Cathedral, London Road, West Sussex BN18 9AY. Doors open at 10 a.m. for tea/coffee for a 10.30 start. Contact either [Finance](#) or [Safeguarding](#) to book your place.

[Diocesan Supporting the Bereaved Course 2018/19](#): Could you support your parish Priest by becoming a friend to those parishioners who are bereaved? Could you walk beside them in their grief? Why not talk to your parish priest about joining the next Supporting the Bereaved course? Introductory session at DABCEC, Crawley, on Friday 9th November, from 9.45 to 3 pm. Contact Katherine Bergin on 01293 651152

or katherine.bergin@dabnet.org.

[THE BIG ENCOUNTER](#): On Saturday November 10 at Worth Abbey and starting at 6.30pm. It's a diocesan-wide festival for 15-30s and everyone is welcome. We've got Bryony Wells speaking, as well as Bishop Richard, and music from the Youth 2000 worship team.

[Marriage Preparation Study Day](#): Saturday 24 November from 10am-4pm at the Christian Education Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley RH10 6RP. Bishop Richard will be present and it will be an opportunity to share good practice and meet other Catechists. Bring packed lunch. To book and for information contact Katherine Bergin, Marriage & Family Life Adviser katherine.bergin@dabnet.org or 01293 651152.

[Justice & Peace Assembly 2019](#): Saturday 26 January, 10am-4pm on Human Trafficking. Bishop Richard Moth plus other speakers. More information to follow.

[the ASCENT – Discipleship Process for Young People](#): This October, the ASCENT will be launching at Worth Abbey with the support of the diocese. It's a three-year discipleship process involving three weekend residentials a year and weekly online group sessions. It's open to anyone about to go into year 10, 11, or 12 and it's designed to take people with a real interest in their faith and to help them to make a deeper commitment and to explore who God created them to be, while making a few friends and hopefully having some fun in the process. For more details, or to apply, visit theascentuk.co.uk or contact Jack.Regan@dabnet.org

[Youth Evenings of Reflection with Bishop Richard 2019](#): Following on from successful meetings in 2018 Bishop Richard has agreed a series of meetings in 2019 at various venues and on various dates. The evenings have mainly been used by Confirmation groups in the past, but are open to anyone aged 11-18. We are expecting that most of those coming will be coming

with leaders as part of an organised group. Any individuals wanting to come must contact Jack Regan and booking is essential for all. For more information and to book contact jack.regan@dabnet.org

[Dates for Diocesan Musicians for 2018](#): See [Diocesan Website](#) for dates of rehearsals for musicians for Rite of Election, Chrism Mass etc. All details on [website](#). For more information contact [Catherine Christmas](#).

[Closure of DABCEC Bookshop](#): The DABCEC Bookshop has ceased trading to the general public. Parishes will still be able to order some material (sacramental programmes, course materials, Bibles, Hymnals etc.) by contacting bookshop@dabnet.org. Advice about material and suppliers can also be obtained by contacting the same email address.

St Cuthman's Diocesan Retreat Centre

News from St Cuthman's

The Diocesan Trustees announced the closure of St Cuthman's as from 30th June. The Retreat Centre is now no longer open.

If you would like details on alternative retreat venues, please click on this link <http://www.retreats.org.uk/index.php>

Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Education Service

For information about, details of courses and for vacancies in our Diocesan Schools see [Diocesan Education Service website](#).

Job Vacancy

Worth Abbey - Chief Executive: The Abbot and the Trustees of Worth Abbey wish to appoint a permanent post holder to this new post as Chief Executive to assist the Abbot in his governance responsibilities and to assist in the development of the strategic direction of Worth Abbey and to manage the day to day business of Worth Abbey and its subsidiary Companies. For more details and how to apply click [here](#). Closing date 30 September.

Local & Parish Events

Stairs of Mary - Cathedral Deanery. Masses for people with Learning Disabilities, their Family, Friends and Elderly who are frail and find difficulty to attend mainstream Masses. (Tea follows each Mass) **All Masses start at 3 pm except in September.**

Sunday 21st October: Convent of Poor Clares, Crossbush, Arundel, BN18 9PJ

Sunday 9th December: Our Lady of Sorrows, Bognor Regis, PO20 1LP

Information from Kathleen O’Gorman – 01243 544097.

Catholicism course at St Augustine's Abbey, Chilworth: The Benedictine monks of St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford, Surrey GU4 8QR warmly invite you to a presentation of 'Catholicism - a journey to the heart of the faith', by the acclaimed author and speaker Bishop Barron. One of the 10 episodes of the series will be shown consecutively over a period of 10 months, beginning on Saturday September 22nd, 2018.

These Study Days will be led by Fr John Seddon OSB, who will contextualise each episode and then teach about the episode's subject matter after lunch. The day begins with Mass at 9.00 am, followed by coffee, the video, Midday

theme. The Day concludes at 4.00 pm.

Come to part, or all of the day, as it suits you. Bring a packed lunch and a friend. Tea and coffee is provided. Free to attend. No need to book.

Visit them online at www.chilworthbenedictines.com

Mass, Eucharistic Adoration and Healing Service with Fr Claudio Barbut:

Friday 12 October at 7pm in St Peter's, West St, Shoreham-by-Sea BN43 5WG. Fr Claudio is a priest of the Diocese of Bucharest who worked in the Vatican Council for the Family for nine years and who travels the world with talks and healing services. For more details, email Claudia Gonzalez at cppadoration@gmail.com or tel: 07973 257 731

Christian Resources Exhibition: 16-18 October Sandown Park, Surrey. With free parking for hundreds of cars and great rail links, it's Europe's leading annual exhibition of church resources, ideas and supplies. [Advance tickets costs just £4](#) (saving you 50% on the 'on-the-door' entry price).

Induction of Fr Simon Dray as Parish Priest of Bexhill: All are welcome to attend his induction on Friday, 9th November 2018 at 7.30 pm in St Mary Magdalene's Church, Bexhill on Sea TN40 1RH. Parking details: There is limited parking at the church, however, there is plenty of on street parking available in nearby streets. Bexhill Station is directly opposite the church and the buses run regularly.

Worth Abbey - Open Cloister Retreats: A number of retreats are available at Worth Abbey over the coming months including a Silent Retreat from 5-8 November, An introduction to St Benedict from 9-11 October and many more including Teenagers' Young Adults' and Individual Retreats. If you have any questions, would like to check availability or for further information please contact the Bookings Secretary at The Open Cloister Email: toc@worth.org.uk or Tel: 01342 710318.

Wintershall: The Nativity (12-16 December 2018) at Wintershall near Bramley in Surrey. Please see their website for details including opportunities to volunteer: www.wintershall-estate.com.

Come and experience Christian Meditation: You are welcome to join Chilworth Christian Meditation Group, Wednesdays 7.30pm to 8.15pm in the Assisi Room behind St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford GU4 8QR. A period of quiet meditation. No need to book. Typically, around ten or more people attend from all backgrounds aged from 30+ to 85+! We follow The World Community for Christian Meditation. More information from Sheila Longman; Email: sheilaannlongman@aol.com Tel: 01483 505814

Alton Day of Renewal is a monthly mini-retreat day open to anyone free of charge and without booking. 2018 theme is "Good News for everyone: Renewal and Mission". The programme will seek to inspire and equip us in the essential area of mission and evangelization, with noted speakers looking at both the theory and practice of bringing the good news to the world, especially the needy. The day includes Rosary, Mass, Adoration, shared lunch, praise and worship, guest speaker and healing ministry. Full details of dates, speakers and location at www.altonrenewal.com or www.abdiocese.org.uk/Courses.

Days of Recollection for Secular Clergy: These take place from 11.15am-4pm at Wickenden Manor, West Sussex and are run by members of Opus Dei they are for diocesan clergy and include two meditations, time for confession & spiritual direction, a holy hour and a good three course meal. On every second Wednesday of the month. To book a place contact Fr Bernard Marsh clergyretreats@ormecourt.com. For more information see their [website](#).

Items Offered or Wanted

Statues available: The parish of St Joseph and St John the Baptist has two statues to offer, one of St Anthony and the other of Jesus carrying a lamb. They are in need of some restoration. If you are interested please contact the Parish Administrator on 01273 087839 or office@stjosephsbrighton.org.uk

Pope Pius XII materials: Would anyone be interested in books, old newspaper cuttings, photographs, a small bust and other things concerning Pope Pius XII, Eugenio Pacelli. This would include a rosary, blessed by Pope Pius shortly before he died and brought back from Rome by Cardinal Godfrey after his funeral. If you interested please contact communications@dabnet.org who will put you in touch with the owner of this material.

Tabernacle and Altar available: St Philip Howard School in Barnham, West Sussex have an altar and tabernacle they no longer need. If you are interested please contact David Carter dcarter@sphcs.co.uk.

Ciborium sought: A newly established parish in Kenya is looking for a ciborium. If you have one that you could donate they would be very grateful. It can be in any reasonable condition but must have a well fitting lid to keep out ants etc. Please contact Fr Paul Wilkinson at catholicsussex@gmail.com

80 Free Hymn books - If you use *Celebration Hymnal for Everyone* in your parish then maybe you'd be interested in accepting 80 free copies of this hymn book (in very good condition) from Christ the Prince of Peace Parish in Weybridge. Contact the parish office to arrange collection - 01932 842643 parishpriest@cpp.org.uk

Appeals and Ongoing Information

St John's Seminary Womersley need your help: St John's Seminary which has

been involved in the formation of priests for England and Wales for over 125 years is in need of help to refurbish and redecorate 30 of its bedrooms which have little or no upgrading in over 40 years. The Seminary operates on a very tight budget and has no available funds to finance this much needed work which will cost about £2000 per room.

If you can help in any way, please send a cheque made payable to St John's Seminary to: Mgr Gerry Ewing (Vice-Rector), St John's Seminary, Wonersh, Guildford, Surrey GU5 0QX.

The Apostolate of Eucharistic Adoration is an international lay apostolate founded in 1986. Arundel & Brighton Diocese joined the Apostolate in 2013, forming a small committee of lay Adorers whose mission has been to assist parishes across the diocese to establish, maintain and develop **viable weekly Eucharistic Adoration of Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.**

With the parish priest's approval, and the encouragement of Bishop Richard, apostolate members attend weekend Masses and make presentations which invite parishioners to commit an hour of their time each week to spend before Jesus, praying for their own needs, the needs of the parish and also for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. To set this up in your parish contact Mr Seán Duggan, 207 Willingdon Road, Eastbourne BN20 9JP, UK. Tel. +44 (0) 1323 504417 or Email: sean.duggan@rapidmm.net

Bogus Emails and Internet Scams: If you receive any of these e.g. I am ill in country X send me money, my husband died and I want to give you money etc, then contact the police NFIBphishing@city-of-london.pnn.police.uk

Catholic Bible School - Bible Weekends: This is an opportunity for parishes to have a scripture-focused time of enrichment that includes: faith formation through talks and workshops, retreat experiences through services and times of prayer and a short mission like experience for parishioners to be evangelised and become intentional disciples. For more information visit their [website](#).

Catholic Bible School: Various events and Scripture days in Nutbourne, Chichester and Eastbourne. This includes weekly Thursday Scripture Study as

well as Saturday talks. To make use of this great resource within the Diocese and for more information visit their [website](#).

Helping people to budget: Local CAP Money courses are run throughout the year and are a means for people to learn budgeting skills and a simple, cash-based system that works. Helping people to budget, save and prevent debt. Find out about a course in your area and other CAP services [here](#)

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@teams.gb.org.uk

Mary's Dowry Productions - this Sussex based company produces DVDs on the lives of Saints, many of them British saints and martyrs. For more information and to buy their DVDs go to their **new** [website](#).

