

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.

Please pray for Fr Gerard Hatton,
parish priest of Knaphill who is
currently seriously ill in hospital. You
can read a full statement on his
condition [here](#).

As part of the Pastoral Plan (the full
Pastoral Plan is available [here](#)) there
is an ongoing review of
Communications and as part of that
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grateful if you would complete a short survey to help us in that task. Click on [this link](#) to start the survey.

The season of Lent is approaching and below you will find a number of suggestion for Lent Small Group materials to follow over Lent. More will follow as they become available. If you have suggestions to share, please email jon.harman@dabnet.org

The BBC are making a two part documentary series Britain's Easter Story, for broadcast on Good Friday and on Easter Sunday on BBC ONE. If you have any Easter events e.g. a Walk of Witness with a large number of participants or to a particularly unusual location, or you are performing a lot of Easter Baptisms then contact Lindsey Hammond -Tel: 07733 264612 or Email: lindsey.hammond@bbc.co.uk.

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

good faith. Please take up any queries with information from outside the diocese with those who have provided it.



St John Vianney Group: A group for men, aged 18-45 who wish to explore whether they have a calling to the priesthood.

The next meeting takes place from 4-7.30pm on **Sunday 24th February** at St. Dunstan's Church, Shaftesbury Road, Woking, Surrey. GU22 7DT. For more details contact the Fr. Con Foley - 01932 842643 or email foleycon@gmail.com

Items marked in red are new additions or have been updated since the last eNewsletter.

The Word Who is Life - Diocesan Pastoral Plan

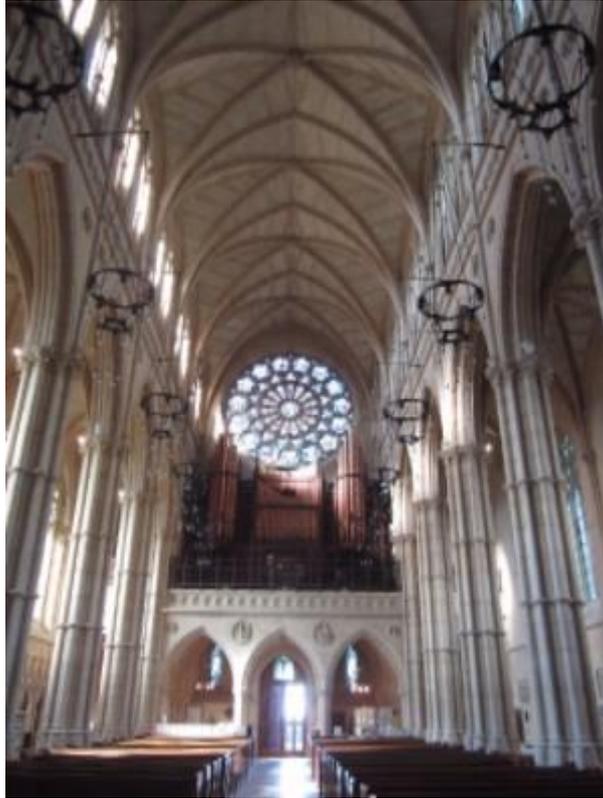
Read the full Pastoral Plan [here](#).

CCRS Course Coming Again to the Diocese: In support of Bishop Richard's Pastoral Plan, the Diocese are planning the launch of a CCRS course, starting in September 2019. The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) has been established since 1991 and has been successfully run in the Diocese. It aims to provide an introduction to Catholic theology and an understanding of the central truths of our Faith. It will be open to teachers working in Catholic schools, Catechists, people involved in pastoral and liturgical work and other interested adults. Full details of the course can be found at <http://www.brs.ccrs.org.uk/index.php> For more information and to express an interest in attending the course, please contact Jon Harman, Adviser for Formation and Spirituality, at the St Philip Howard Centre tel 01293 651157 or email jon.harman@dabnet.org

Website Redesign: As part of the Pastoral Plan there is an ongoing review of Communications and as part of that the Diocese is looking to redesign the current website. We would be grateful if you would complete a short survey to help us in that task. Click on [this link](#) to start the survey.

More information on implementation of the plan will follow in the months ahead.

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

- [Lent Small Group Materials 2019](#)
- [New Name for DABCEC](#)
- [National Board of Catholic Women - Day with Bishop Richard](#), 23 February, Crawley
- [Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing](#), 2 March, Horsham
- [Annual Supporting Bereavement Day](#), 15 May, Crawley
- [Grandparents' Pilgrimage 2019](#), 12 June, West Grinstead
- [Pentecost Family Day](#), 19 June, Wonerish, Guildford

- [Youth Evenings of Reflection 2019](#), Various Venues and Dates
- [Dates for Musicians](#) in 2019 - See [website](#)

Lent Small Group Materials: The following are suggestions that you may wish to consider for Lent:-

‘Walking together with Jesus: Lent Retreat’ published by the Jesuits. More information available on Pathways to God website www.pathwaystogod.org

‘40 days and 40 ways’ by Dom Henry Wansbrough – CTS books. Go to www.ctsbooks.org and search for Lent & Easter. Will also be available as a daily extra to subscribers of Universalis

‘Global Healing’ - a film-based resource for parishes, groups and individuals, responding to Laudato Si and Pope Francis’ vital call to "care for our common home". Further details from www.ourcommonhome.co.uk.

‘The Joy of the Gospel’ by Paula Gooder – This six part course for parishes and Lent groups is based on Pope Francis’ much acclaimed recent reflections on mission and evangelism, published as Evangelii Gaudium (available from Amazon and other websites).

‘The Mystery of God’ – published by Churches Together in Britain and Ireland ctbi.org.uk/lent.

‘Living Christ’ – Published by the Diocese of Chichester alongside their Year for Vocation (uses references to the Anglican Rite of Baptism in the texts). www.chichester.anglican.org/yov2019.

More to follow as they become available. If you have suggestions to share, please email jon.harman@dabnet.org

New Name for DABCEC: The Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Christian Education Centre, 4 Southgate Drive, Crawley, RH10 6RP, is now known as the St Philip Howard Centre for Education, Formation & Mission.

National Board of Catholic Women - Day with Bishop Richard: On Saturday 23rd February, from 10 am to 1 pm, at the St Philip Howard Centre (formerly DABCEC). Explore ways to engage with ‘The Word who is Life’. To book please contact Sue Petritz, NBCW Diocesan link at

nbcw@rcdab.onmicrosoft.com

Mass for Deaf and Hard of Hearing: The next monthly Mass will be held on ***Saturday March 2nd*** 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).

Annual Supporting Bereavement Day: Annual Ongoing Formation Day for those who Support the Bereaved in their Parish on Wednesday 15th May from 10am-4pm, at St Bernadette's, Tilgate. Theme is 'Planning Liturgies to Support the Bereaved'. Bring a Packed Lunch.Booking Essential. To book contact contact Rosie Read at rosie.read@dabnet.org or Tel: 01293 651161.

Pentecost Family Day: Sunday 9th June at St John's Seminary, Womersley. Please attend Mass in your parish in the morning and then join Bishop Richard from 1 pm. For more information contact Diocesan Adviser: Katherine Bergin at katherine.bergin@dabnet.org or Tel: 01293 651152.

Grandparents' Pilgrimage 2019 : On Wednesday, 12th June to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation at West Grinstead. For more information contact Diocesan Adviser: Katherine Bergin at katherine.bergin@dabnet.org or Tel: 01293 651152.

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 2019](#): 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](#).

Diocese of Arundel & Brighton Education Service

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

Local & Parish One - Off Events

CAFOD Fast Day Information Morning: Friday 1 March from 10am-12pm at St Bernadette's Church, Tilgate Way, Crawley RH10 5BS. You are invited to Lent Family Fast Day Planning Meeting led by Jenny Finlayson, CAFOD A&B Community Participation Coordinator with Laura Donkin - Humanitarian Capacity Strengthening Manager. Learn about CAFOD's emergency work overseas and how to prepare for Fast Day. Contact Jenny Finlayson on 01483 898 866 or jfinlayson@cafod.org.uk. All welcome - kindly advise if you plan to attend.

World Day of Prayer 'Come - Everything is Ready': Friday 1st March in St John's Church, Crawley RH10 1HH at 10am followed by refreshments in the The Friary Hall RH10 1HR. Evening Service 7.30pm in St Alban's Church, Gossops Green Rh11 8LD. For more information contact Maja Jasko - MajaJasko@blueyonder.co.uk.

There will be other services around the Diocese for the World Day of Prayer

(formerly Women's World Day of Prayer) across the Diocese. To find your nearest service click [here](#).

Residential Retreat for Doctors: At Worth Abbey from 1-3 March 2019 led by Fr. Stephen Ortiger. OSB. On the theme: Love your neighbour as yourself. Sessions include: Who and what we are; Personal challenges we face; Drawing strength from prayer; Nurturing our healthcare vocation. There will be opportunity to join the monastic community at prayer and time for quiet contemplation with access to countryside walks. Cost £150 full board. For all queries and to book a place email jodwyer@doctors.org.uk, putting **Doctors Retreat** in subject line.

Pray with the Heart: Starting Lent 2019 'Pray with the Heart' is a new course for the Worthing Deanery, designed to help us grow in our relationship with God through the gift of prayer. Every Monday evening through Lent, starting on 11th March at 7:30pm,

Pray with the Heart will focus on a different element of prayer with quality talks from guest speakers. The course will be held at St Michael's in High Salvington, Worthing, BN13 3AL.

Guest speakers include Michelle Moran (Sion Community), the Franciscan Friars of the Renewal, Geoff and Gina Poulter (Former Directors of the Catholic Bible School), David Matthews, and our very own Bishop Richard Moth, Fr Terry Martin and Dermot Casey. The course is free and no booking is required.

For further information go to the [website](#) or contact Stuart Burman via email stuartpburman@gmail.com.

New Life in Christ conference: The [Cor et Lumen Christi Community](#) invite you to their "New Life in Christ" conference which will take place at Highfield House in Chertsey on 16th-17th March.

The course is aimed to re-evangelise lukewarm Catholics with dynamic teachings plus times of response and to call them further in a personal relationship with Christ in the heart of the Church. It's also good for people who

are more active in the church and they want to learn how to evangelise. For more information and to book a place, please see [here](#).

Wintershall Needs Volunteers: The Passion of Christ is being staged at Trafalgar Square on 19th April, and Guildford High Street 20th April. Extra 'hands' needed, and relevant training given. Join existing volunteers and cast 'old' and new to find out about all the interesting possibilities to help out front of house, and back stage too. For more information come along to a Coffee Morning 11am 16th March, Wintershall Estate, Bramley, Guildford. For more information email admin@wintershall-estate.com or call Finola: 01483 892167.

Vision - The Imagined Testimony of Hildegard of Bingen: On Thursday 21 March at 7.30pm in St Paul's, Worthing. The international all-female Medieval group, The Telling will perform what is a concert-play of biographical and commentary purpose but with Hildegard's poetry and music uppermost. For more information click [here](#). Tickets from St Paul's cafe in person or online from seetickets.com.

Situations Vacant

Parish Secretary for St. John's Catholic Parish, Tadworth: The parish is looking to fill the post of Parish Secretary. The position will be part-time on 4 mornings a week (16 hours in total). The role will include managing the parish office, providing secretarial support to the Parish Priest, taking phone calls, e-mail and other messages, updating the parish data base and website and other tasks associated with the smooth running of the parish. It is hoped to fill the post by February 2019. Applicants should be IT literate and familiar with office routines. Those wishing to apply should contact the parish office on 01737 813102 or by e-mail to sec@stjohnstadworth.org.uk. Candidates will be interviewed by arrangement. The successful candidate will be offered a trial 3-

month contract with the Diocese of Arundel & Brighton. Terms of remuneration will be open to discussion at interview.

Portsmouth Diocese Chief Operating Officer: The Diocese of Portsmouth is seeking a Chief Operating Officer to lead the entire business function of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth Trust (“The Charity”) to deliver the Bishop’s Vision. The Diocese includes 91 parishes, 53 schools and covers the area from Portsmouth to Windsor and from to Hungerford and Bournemouth and also includes the Channel Islands.

The COO will work closely with the Trustees of the Charity to convert the Bishop’s Vision into a Strategy from which a Financial Strategy will be developed. Working closely with the Chairs of each of the Vicariates, the holder will need to develop processes by which their respective strategies are implemented.

The holder will provide leadership to all the staff that empowers them to identify the changes required to improve the efficiency of the business function thereby furthering the impact of the Bishop’s Vision in a cost-effective manner. The culture of the organisation will need to be developed in order to measure the success of various initiatives such that best value can be identified.

The holder will support the Communications Director to develop communications across the administration of the diocese to create a more inclusive culture between the Diocesan organisation and the Parishes.

The closing date for applications is **24th February 2019**.

If you are interested in applying for this role, or know someone who should, please see [here](#) for more information.

Ongoing Courses and Events

Learn more about Catholicism course at St Augustine’s Abbey,

Chilworth: You are warmly invited to a presentation of the next episodes of

'Catholicism - a journey to the heart of the faith', by the acclaimed author and speaker Bishop Barron, on Saturdays 16 February, 16 March, 6 April, 11 May and 15 June 2019.

These are Chilworth Abbey Study Days and are given by Benedictine monk Fr John Seddon OSB, who will contextualise each episode and then teach and lead a discussion about its subject matter. The popular days begin with Mass at 9am, followed by coffee. The film is shown, chapter by chapter, followed by teaching and discussion. Midday prayer and lunch will divide each day and concludes at 4pm. 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.

St Augustine's Abbey, Sample Oak Lane, Chilworth, Guildford GU48QR. Chilworth railway station with links to London and Gatwick is a short walk away. Visit us online at [Chilworth Benedictines | Chilworth Abbey & Monastery](#)

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

Worth Abbey - Open Cloister Retreats: A number of retreats are available at Worth Abbey over the coming months including an Advent Retreat 4-6 December, 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.

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

Organ, Pews, Lectern: As a planning condition on a chapel the organ, an 1880's Holdich, pews, lectern and some other items of ecclesiastical furniture are available an active and architecturally significant church. They will fully restore the organ at our expense by a professional organ builder, and clean and refurbish the pews and furniture, and all items would be transported to the church at our expense. It may also be possible to make a contribution towards the fabric of the church given the right circumstances.

For the church to qualify for this 'gift' it **must** be a Listed building of note, ideally gothic architecture and in need of what in effect would be a new organ, pews and a lectern. I would stress that this would be a gift to the church, with no strings attached.

If you interested please contact the email below or contact Ranjit Verghese by telephone.

Email: rkverghese@gmail.com or Mob: 07710514123 or Tel: 02392631729.

Appeals and Ongoing Information

Pathways to Independence UK: They provide an integrated portfolio of specialist services, to young people leaving care and seeking asylum, from point of arrival in the UK through the transition to independence. If you would

like to donate or volunteer go to www.pathwaystoinddependence.org.uk
or email: info@ptiuk.org.uk or Tel: 01273776166 or 07702 516421.

The House of Prayer: In East Molesey, Surrey, it is a retreat house run by the Sisters of the Christian Retreat, an order set up by the Venerable Fr. Anthony Receveur in revolutionary France. The ecumenical retreat house, established by the Sisters in 1993, is a living manifestation of their central original charism: to provide quiet space and opportunity for anybody who desires to draw closer to God through prayer and meditation.

The House of Prayer runs a schedule of programmed residential and one-day retreats, as well as offering individuals the opportunity to visit on their own schedule for private, individually-led retreat, either for day or on a residential basis.

In addition, groups are welcome to approach the House of Prayer as a venue for prayerful retreats or meetings, again, for day or on a residential basis, though conferences and meetings of a business-like nature are not typically encouraged. Our delightful red-brick Victorian house inside its own beautiful gardens is a much-treasured resource which we hope will continue to be used yet more widely. Everybody can expect a very warm welcome. For more information and programme of events go to their [website](#).

Welcoming the Stranger - let a home to a Refugee Family: Millions of refugees are Syrian families forced to flee during eight years of war.

The Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme (VPRS) enables the most vulnerable families to be relocated from refugee camps in the Middle East to a safe country where they rebuild their lives. West Sussex CC are part of the UK Government's commitment to the UNHCR scheme with ring fenced financial help. Are you someone who could offer a two or three bedroom house, or flat, in Crawley, or East Grinstead (preferably with a garden), available for 12 months minimum, near good public service and transport links, and available now or in the near future? The rent for the house/ flat offered would be to rent at local housing benefit rates.

Please contact Cathy Merry, Refugees Welcome - Crawley Group. Tel: 07968

688380 or email: merrycat1@gmail.com

Worthing 4 Refugees - Accommodation Needed: Their first family were provided with accommodation for two years which ends in May 2019. This means they have to move next year, but they have not yet secured a suitable place for them to move onto. A long let is therefore essential given their journey from Syria to the UK. As a three-generational family of six people they have the following needs:

- long let
- a three or four bed roomed house
- ideally a downstairs bedroom or room that can be used as a bedroom
- a downstairs WC or bathroom
- easy transport links (they do not have a car)
- close to shops and schools
- plenty of light
- ideally a garden
- sustainable rent (currently on benefits, but planned employment early next year)

If you are a landlord, you would have the opportunity to meet the family before offering a let to them, and Worthing 4 Refugees would obviously be happy to provide references.

They would be very happy to have conversations with any interested landlords/property investor. Just get in touch with GayJacklin on gay.jacklin@maybridge.org.uk

Vanpoules Shop: The clerical outfitters have closed their shop in Crawley and now only deal with [mail order](#) - Phone: +44 (0) 1293 590100 or email: sales@vanpoules.co.uk

Online survey about Transmission of the Catholic Faith in Families: The survey is part of Diocesan parishioner's PhD research at St Mary's University, Twickenham. The survey is totally anonymous and respondents are not

required to provide personal data such as name, address or parish. You can find the survey at: <https://stmarys.onlinesurveys.ac.uk/receiving-and-passing-on-the-catholic-faith-a-survey-of-f>

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, Womersley, 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](#).

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 2018. 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>

